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## DIOCESAN ADVISERS.

Diocesan Advisory Committees are not an unmixed blessing. They have an immense amount of influence, which, of course, they ase according to their lights; but the difficulty is that in the case of bells their lights are not always backed by knowledge. In Suffolk a recent action by the Advisory Committce for the Diocese of St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich has caused the Sufoll: Guild to enter an indignant protest. The committee, according to report, advised the recasting of Cavendish bells without taking proper steps to find out whether this was the best course to pursue. As a rule, if there is any trouble, it is because when recasting is thought by the experts to be necessary Advisory Committees are reluctant to acquiesce; but here the boot appears to be on the other foot. Whether that is so or not - we are not fully acquainted with the facts-it is, as a general principle, a dangerous thing to advise on a technical matter without First consulting expert opinion if it is available. For this reason eflorts have been made in recent years to secure the appointment on every Diocesan Advisory Committee of someone with a practical knowledge of bells and bell ringing to assist the committees. While in a number of dioceses the authorities have gladly accepted this proffered help, there are unfortunately some of those responsible who still prefer to ignore the representations of the ringing organisations.

Bells are a subject which laymen know very little about, and there have been some conspicuous examples of mistakes being made in regard to lsells from failure to call in competent advice. In several dioceses, however, a leading ringer now has a seat on the Advisory Comnittee, and in others the committees make a practice of calling in the opinion of an independent authority from the diocesan ringars' organisation whenever they have a bell restoration or augmentation under consideration. Such action has been of advantage to all concerned, because the hands of local and diocesan bodies have been strengthented by practical views and this independent opinion has often been helpful also to the bell founders who have made recommendations as to necessary work. It is, therefore, all important that the county and diocesan guilds of ringers should, where there has as yet been no recognition, continue to impress upon the church authoritics the value of having at their disposal advice from someone with a personal knowledge of bells and bell ringing. It is to be regretted that there are still some clergy who decline to realise that a ringer can know anything about bell hanging, and that there are in high places some who, either from ignorance or perversity,
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will not recognise the value ol getting this praletioal advice．Associations，in these dioceses，should use per－ sistent endeavours to overcome these prejudices，and in the meantime it might be of advantage to renind the parochial church councils，through such channels as are available，that they can have the advantage of indepen－ dent opinion when any matter which directly or indirevly aftects their bells is under discussion，because in prac－ tically every diocese in these days there can be found men qualified to give competent advice．

## TWELVE BELL PEALS．

LONDON．
THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND TOUTHS．
On［Vednesday，Decamber 26，7928，in Thre Hours und Fi／fy－Eight Minutes． At the Chorch of St．Martin－is－the－Fields，
a peal of eambridge surprise maximus， 69.80 Changes；
Tenor $30 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt．
＊Arthur N．Hardy ．．． Edwle Barnett，jun．
are ．．．． 2 George W．Sterre
 John D．Matthews ．．．．．． 4 Grorge A．Card ．．．．．．io William J．Nudds ．．．$\cdots$ ．．． 5 Lqonard H．Baybut ．．．II Teomas Newman ．．．．．． 6 Cecil ］．Matieews ．．．．．．$/$ enor Composed by W．Pye， Conductej by J．D．Matienews．
＊First peal of Cambridge Twelve．First Surprise peal on the bells． WORCESTER．
THE WORGESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION．
On Wedncsday，Decembar 20， 7923 ，qr Thre Hours and Fifig－Fow，MEnutes At the Cathedrai，
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES， 5007 CHANEES； Tenor $49 \frac{1}{3}$ cwi．in B．
William Short．．．．．．．．．treble＂James Hemming ．．．．．． 7 ＊JoLepr D．Johnson ．．．．．．． 2 ＂CEIFFORD SiDMORE．．．... －Sidney T．Holt ．．．．．． 3 Harry Middleton ．．．．．． 9 Aleert Walker ．．．．．．． 4 Sambel Grove ．．．．．．．．．io John Bass ．．．... James E．Groves ．．．．．． 6 －Charles Camm ．．．．．．．．． 7 emar Composed by John Caruer．Conducted by Josefh D，Joznsom．
＊First peal of Stedman Cinques．First peal of Stedman as con－ ductor．The first peal on the recast ring of twelve，for permission to ring which the band wish to thank the Dean and Chapter．

## TEN BELL PEALS．

DUDLEY，WORCESTERSHIRLS． TEE DUDLEY AND DISTRIOT GUILD．
On Saturday，December 22，1928，in Thyee Howrs and Ten Minudes， At the Parish Churcey of St．Thomas，
A PEAL OF GRANQSIRE CATERS，EOET CHANGES；
William C．Cooper ．．．．．．Tyeble John Round
John Price ．．．．．．．．．．．． 2 Whlelam Green.. .0
 Sampel Baker ．．．．．．．．． 4 John Goodman ．．．... Sanuel J．Hughes ．．．．． 5 Gilberi Guest．．．．．．．．．．Teror Composed by Wm，Micklewright．Conducted by J．Goodman，jun．
＊First peal of Grandsire Caters aud first attempt．Great rrerlit is due to this ringer for the style in whith he tang his bell，lue not laviug rung on ten bells previously．50th perl of Caters condicted by John Goodman．Thig peal was specially artanged ard rung as a birthday compliment to Miss Bessie E．Sheppard（eldest danglater of Mr．Herberli Sheppard，the esteemed lon，Becretary of the above Guild），ou the eve of ler 2lst birthagy．

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THE EDFFOLK GUILD.
On W"ednesduy, Diember 26, 1928, in Three Hours and Fiffeen Minutes, At the Cuorch of St. Lamberi,
A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor 24 cwt.
Wiltam ]. Groom
Gzorge A. Fleming
... 2 Tyomas W. Last
Albrit A. Fleming... ... 4 Leslie G. Brett...

Composed hy H. j. Tockrr. Conducted by William C. Romsey.

* First peal on ten vells. First peal of Bob Royal by all tho band, also on the bells and on tower bells by the above Guild. A birthday compliment lu Leslie Brett and Lesilie Wightman.


## LeIcester.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCLATION.
On Salarday, Derember 29. 1928, in Three Hokes and Twenty-Two Minutes,
At tae Caterdral Cherch of St. Martin.
a peal of york surprise royal, 5040 changes;
Tenor 2 requt. in Eflat.
Percy Harrison
$\ldots$..Treble
Harold ]. Puole
Joseph S. Carter †J. Eredzrick Milmer
Shirley Burton ... ...
Redvers E. Elikington ...
... $\quad . .{ }^{2}$
tJ. Erederick Miliner
Harold G. Jenney ..
5
-Joseph T. Dike
Conducted by H
Ernest Morris... ... ... g
Frederick H. Dexter ...Tenor by Harold 3. Poole.
Firsi touais iu the method. * 350th peal. \& First peal of Surprise Royal and 100th peal.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

## OHATHAM, EENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASEOCIATION.
On Saturday, Decenber 22, 1928, in Thyee Fontys and Twelve Minutes, Ait the Cherch of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 6008 GHANGES;

 Tenor 25 cwt.*John Kidn ...

 Edward A. G. Allen ... 4 Frank Belsby ... ... ...Tenor
8 Composed by J. W. Parkrr. Conducted by Frank Brlsby. * First of xatior. Firsi peal of Major as conductor. William Welker's 260 th peal, and rung on his birthday.

GREAT STANMORE, MIDDLESEX.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GULLD.
-On Saturduy, Decenber 22, 1928, in Two Honks and Fifty-Three Minutes, At the Chorca of St. Joan,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Parker's Twelve part.
Tenor iz cwt. ig lb.
Walter J. Simmons... ...Trebié
-Frederick Alleway ... 2
RJoun Rootes
Charles Dyke $\qquad$ $\cdots 3$
Conducted by

- Riciard Bell . Frgdbrick Edwards
$\begin{array}{ll}\because & 5 \\ \cdots & 6\end{array}$ Gilbert R. Goodship Gegrge A. Hoghes ...
...Tcror
* First peal. Rung on the ocasion of the bith of a son to Mr.
and Mrs. F. M. Mitclell, and also ou the anniversary of the opening and Mrs. F. M. Mitcliell, and also ou the anniversary of the opening of the bells.

WYRARDISBURY, BUCKS.
THE MEDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON diocesan guild.
On Saturday, Detember 22. 1928, in Three Hours aud Four Minutes,
At tre Chorch of St. Andrew,
1 PEAL OF double morwich court boe madon, 5184 gmamees: Teno: 10 ewt .


IIVERSEDGE, TORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Suhtrday, December 22, 1928, in Ther Hours and Twelve Mintes,
At Curisi Cefrch.

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

 Tener 15 cwl .Clarbnct Blackborn ...Treble $\mid$ Harry Marsuen..
 Whlliam Clark ... $. . . \quad . .13$ Leslie W. G. Morris ... $\quad$. Fred Huggon ... ... ... 4 Herbeet Prel ... ... ... ienor Composed by E. Timbrell. Coaducted by Leslie W. G. Morris.

## HEADCORN, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Decender 22, 1928, in Three Howrs and Ten Minuths, At thr Cegrch of SS. Peter and padl,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, EO5B CHANGES, Tenor ${ }^{2}+$ twt.
Archibald C. Kap

Cuarles H. Sone
Thomas E. Sone...
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { Arthor H. Smita } & . . & . . \\ \text { Aldert Relfa } & \text {... } & \text {... } & \text {... } \\ \text { Aenor }\end{array}$ Composed by A. Kniguts (281). Condacted by Thomas E. Sone.

* First peal in the method. hoghton, rancashire.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCLATION.
On Saterday, December 22, 1928, in Three Hoars, At the Churgh of tee Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Holt's Original.
 * First peal. $\uparrow$ First peal in the method. HISLEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturdey, December 22, 1928, in Thuee Hours and Fourtcen Minktes,
At the Cborch of All Saints,
A PEAL of bob MAjor, 5040 CHANGES;
Prichard
 Frank Simmonds... Albert Wriget..
$\begin{array}{ccc}\cdots & \cdots & 2 \\ \cdots & \cdots & 3 \\ \cdots & \cdots & 4\end{array}$ Thomas Baldwyn Harry Barrett.
Composed by J. Carter. 4 John Ballingrr ... ... ...Tthor
First peal of Major by alf except the ringers of 3rd, 4th and tenor. LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND CODNTVES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Decenber 22, 1928, in Twa Honrs and Tuenty-Six Minutes,
At tee Bell Foondry Campanile.
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, z0qO CHANGES:


## Wasgbrook's Variation.

Percival A. Aldham
Trible
Lbonard H. Whitbeead
-Alfred Ballard
Jams S. Hotchby

Tenor 6 cwt . 2 qr. 13 lb . in B .
 James Grorge Ernbet H. Bagworta $\qquad$ Conducted by Walter P. Weitubead.

* 25 th peai.

GALLEYWOOD, FSSEX. THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Satwrday, Detentier 22, 1928, in Three Howrs,
At the Cadrch of St. Michael and All Angel

## A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MASOR, 5184 CHANGES;

## Tenor $14 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{CwL}$ in G .

Grorge Grern
.Tyeble $\mid$ Erqif. W. Forbank.

Walter Arnold. George W. Moss William Kezbie Frank Claydon...' Lewis W. Wiffen Arthor Sagnders Conelucted by Wlirlian ...Termer Composed by Aribur Kinghts, Conducted by Wieliam Keeble.
First peal in the method on the bells, also by E. W. Furbank. The band desire to thank the Ficar (Rov. Romghton) for the use of the belis and for his kiud Irospitality at the fintisla of the peal.

EKETGR , DEVONSHIRE
THE GULLD OF DEVONSHTRE RINGERS.
On Saturday, December 22, 1928, in Two Hows and Fifty-Seter Minules, At the Cegrce of St. Teomas,
A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Rgv. C. D. P. Davies' Ten-Part, No. i,
Tenor 15 cwt.

- John S. Harris ... ... ...Tredio Wilelam H. Howe Edward W. Bifrin... Joan Hosgood Tom G Jłartiett

NORTH WTNGFLELD, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND GOUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
(Sueffield Distatct Society.)
On Monday, Decenber 24, 1928, in Throe Hoturs and Thirteon Minutes,
At the Cherch of St. Lawrence,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MANOR, 5152 CHANGES \& Temor 18 c

| Benjamin A. Knights | $\ldots$. Tyeble | A. Pbrcival Knights | ... | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Willam H. Wain | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Fred A. Adams |

William Wain ......
John P. Tarlion ....... 4 j Bert Wheeler ... ... ...terof
Composed by Arthor Inights. Conducted by B. A. Kwigats.
GחLINGHAM, KENT.
THE KENT GOUNTY ASSOGIATION,
On Wrancsday. Dicember 26, 1928, -in Tw Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes. At tee Chyrch of St. Mary Magdatene,
A PEAL OF gUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHAMEES

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\text { Tenot in } \frac{1}{2} \text { cwt. }
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On Satwray, Decmbey 22, 1928. in Thre Honrs and Eight Minuta,
At thr Ceqrca of St. Mary,
A PEAL DF KENT TREBLE BOB MASOR, 5024 CHANGES Теног I88 cwt.
Sidney F. Palmer Cozin Harrison... John Thorpe
..Treble Maditce E. Wilson

. .1

| 2 | *James F, Myers |
| :--- | :--- |
| 3 | Oliver Catwood |

Robert Harhison Composed by Gerrge Lewis. Conducted by a. Percival Knights * Firat peal and first attempt by J. Myers, for whom it was specinlly arraged. Also is birthday compliment to Messre. Thorpe and Wilsou.

SELLING, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOGIATION.
On Sundity, Decenber 23,1928, in Imo Hows and Fifty-Eigh Minules, At the Chorch of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLE8, 5040 CHANEE8;

Pitstow's Variation.
EDWin G. Bursden ... ..
Chables W Puyer .... 1 reble
... 2 Charlis W. Franklin ... 6
Archibald C. Kay ... ... 3 Harry Pabres ... ......
John I. Chebsman ... 4 Charers J. Head ... ...Tenoy
Conducted by John 1I. Ceresman.
WINGHAM, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, Decenber 24.1928, in Two Hours and Fifty-Fout Minuies, At the Chorch of St. Mary-the-Virgin,

## A PEAL DF STEDHAF TRIPLES, 504 G CHANGES;

Pitstow's Variation.
John H . Chersman ... ...Troble Charles W. Franklin
Wileiam C. Pittman...
Edwin G. Buesden

Tenor 19 cwt.

* 125 th peal.

Conducted by John H. Cheesman.

| Wicliam Bidnezl ... |
| :--- |
| Charles W. Playen |
| W... | Charles W. Playen $\quad .$. - Harry Parkes.

....Tenor

WYE, KENT.
THP KFNT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Mondal, Deconber 24, 1925, in Thre Hours and Thirteen Minutes. At the Chinch of SS. Gregory and Martin,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANEES; Charles W. Franhein ...Treble Pracs Page. Archibald C. Kay John H. Chersman William C. Pittman.

2 Compoged by Artho K.... 4 Composed by Arthor Knights. Conducted by John H. Cheesman Tho band wish to thank Messrs. Player and Bidnell for theiv kindbosy in laking them from tower to tower in their cars.

William Bidnell $\quad . .$. Charles W. Player... ... 7 Harry Parkes ... ... ...Tenor

Trable
Cgarles W. Roberts
John T. Krntish
Edwin F. Pinr ...
W1LLiam R. Mangw!ck
Villiam R. Mangwick ... 4
Composed by N. J. Pitstow.
Conducted by Erank Bennett First peal in the method. Quickest peal on the belis. This was the Reverse Variation of the muthor's well-known three-part, and contains the 4 th and 6th each nine courses in 6th's. LIVERPOOL.
TEE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Wedusaday. Decomber 20, 1928, in Three Fows and Five minutes,

## At ter Ceruch of St. Francis Xavier,

## A PEAL DF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 16 cwt .

Heywood's Transposition.
Lester L. Grey... ... ...Tyebbe Teomas Hanuond ...Tyeble James C. E. Simpson ... ... 3 Edward Chonge... Conducted by Conducted by $G$.
First porl of stedman on the bells.
HANDSWORTH, SHEFFIELD.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
First porl of Stedman on the bells.
HANDSWORTH, SHEFFIELD.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, Dacember 26,1928 , in Two Hlowrs and Fifty. Eight Minufes At the Chorch of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF SPLICED KENT AND OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR,

 5088 CHANGESTenor 12 cwt .
John Thorpe ... .... ...Trebls Miss L. Norl Cawthorke 5


| *Alfred Bagford | ... | ... | 3 | Ronald E. Johnson | .. | ... |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Frederick Cardwell | $\cdots$ | 4 | Fred Wathinson | ... | ...$T e h o r$ |  |

Composed by E. C. Gobey. Conducted by F. Watkinson.

* First peal.

TODDINGTON, BEDFORDSEIRE.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCLATION.
On Boxing Day, December 26, 1928, in Thyec Hours and Fourtecn Minutes,
At the Chonch of St George,
A PEAL DF DOUBLE NORWICN COURT BOB HAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;
Tenor zacwt.

* Edward B. Ceapprle ...Tyble |Clifgord Rollings ... ... 5 †Brri F. Calcoti ... ... 2 George W. Hzley ... ... 6
 George H. Sentance ... 4 Ahthor E. Sharman ... ... Temor Composed by J. H. Blakiston. Conducted by A. E. Sharman.
* First peal. † First peal of Major inside. $\ddagger 50$ th peal. Fiusk peal in the method on the bells.

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| KLDWICK, YORKE. <br> THE YOREREIRTG ARSOGATION. <br> On Wednesday, December 26, 1928, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes, At the ChDreh of St. Andrew. <br> A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; <br> Heywood's Transposition of Thorstans' Four-part. <br> Conducted by Frbderick W. Dixon. <br> BARTHOMLEY, OEESHIRE. <br> THE CHESTER DIOOESAN GDILD. <br> On TVednesday, Deember 26. 592 S , in Three Hows ata Ota Minute. At the Choach of St. Bertholine, <br> A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor $13 \mathrm{~cm} . \mathrm{xqr} 14 \mathrm{lb}$. <br> * First peal of Bob Major. +25 tl peal. $\$ 50$ th peal, and has now rugg each bell in the tower througl a peal. <br> ALSAGER, CHESHIRE. <br> THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GULLD. <br> Tr Wedresday, December 20, 1928. in Three Hours and Three Minutes, At Christ Church, <br> A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES; <br> * First peal of Major. <br> RINGWOOD, HANTS. <br> THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GULLD. <br> On Boxing Day" Dewnber 26, 1928, : Thyee Hours amd Seven Minuts, At zhe Chorch of SS. Pbter and Pagl, <br> A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5988 CHANGES; <br> Gborge Wilciams ... <br> "George B. Cole <br> Charles H. Jennings <br> * Frederick C.-Brngir Tenar ig cwt. in E. <br> * Firstich Conducted by Fredefick E. Collins. of the wedding of Mr. F. H. Green, atmember of the locel band. <br> BARWELL, LEICESTERSHIRE. <br> THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. <br> Un Widuesday, Deconber 26, 1928, in Tavo Hours and Fifty-Fow Minntes, At the Chorgh of St. Mary, <br> A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 50EG CHANGES; <br> Tenor igt cut. <br> Thomas W. Weight... <br> Composed by W. Wiclson. Conducted by F. Cotron. DORCEESTER, OXON. <br> THE OXFORD DIOOESAN GULLD. <br> On Wiedncsiay, Dicember 26. 1928, in Three Howrs and Twelve Mintes, Ai the Abbry Church of SS. Pzier and Patl, <br> A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5D40 CHANGES; <br> Holt's Original. <br> William Hotion <br> Frank Beckett ... <br> Jack Honey... <br> ... ... ... ...Treble <br> *** |  |
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Composed by J. R. Pritcaard. Conducted by A. Crawley.

* First paal of Bob Major. $+25 t \mathrm{ll}$ peal. \$50th peal, and has now alssar,

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
Th Weducsday, December 20, 1928. in Three Hours and Three Minutes, At Christ Churca,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES; Tenor 12t owt. Cuarles S. Ryles ...
Composed by J. Rqepues.
RINGWOOD, HANTS.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GULD. On Boxing Day" Deamber 26, 1928, :n Thyee Hours ahd Seven Minutcs, At zhe Chbrch nf SS. Peter and Patl,
a PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAdOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenar ig cwt. in E

Charles h. Jennings...$\quad 3 \quad$ William E. Cagatbr.. .7 Composed by H: Dains. Conducted by Fredefick E. Collins.
*Tirst peal in the method. This peal was rung on the acension BARWELL, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
Un Weduesday, December 26, 1928, in Two Hours and Fiffy-Fowr Minutes, At the Chorgh of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 50DG GHANGES;
Fenor iof cwt


## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holt's Original
Fredifick Mestenger ... 5
Frank Beckett ..
Frascis E. Tavlor.
6
7


- First peal.

ADDERBURY, OXON.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GDILD.
On Wedresday, Decmber 26. 1928, in Thrie Fokys and Two Minntes. At the Cherch of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor 24 cwt i4 1 b .
Grozge R. Pye .


First peal in the method on the bells, which have recently been rehung and retuned by Messrs. Taylor, the 'go ' being splendid and the tone a treat to listen to.

BURTON LATIMER, NORTHANTS.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wedresday, Decmber 26, 192S, in Three Hoyss and Three Minutes,
At tar Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, SO2 CHANGES;


| John Sambington | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$. | 2 | Charlfs W. Bird | $\ldots$ | .. | 6 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ggrorgr Warren | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | Cyril D. Nicholls | .. | $\cdots$ | 7 |

 Composed by Wm. Sottanstall. Conducted by R. G. Black.

* First attempt for a poal of Treble Zols. Arranged to oblige Mr. J. Saddington, of Loughborongh, and formerly of Kettering.

> HADLEIGF, SUFFOLK.
> THE SUFFOLK GULLD.

On Welnerday, Decimber 26. 192s, in Thyee Hows savd Twenty-Eight Minutes At thr Cherch ne St. Mary,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES
Charles F. Mee..
Harry J. Mee
Robzrt H. Brondle
..Treble

Charles Mes


Composed by N. J. Pirssow.
$\begin{array}{lllll}\text { FDGar Rivers } & \ldots . & \cdots & . . & 5 \\ \text { Frank Rolfe } & \ldots & \ldots & . . . & 6\end{array}$
N. J. Pitstow Frederick Tilerty ... ...Texay

WOOTTON BASSETT, WILTS.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Calne Branch.)
On Thursday, December 27. 1928, in Three Hours and Seien Minutes, At tre Cherch or All Saints,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANEES;

## Holt's Ten-part.

Tenor 104 cwt. in E.
John Boulter .
...... Trable
Thomas Davison


tleseie Box
$\begin{array}{cccc}\cdots & \ldots & \cdots & 5 \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & 6 \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & 7\end{array}$ Ermest Bishop..

Conducted by SyDewy What
First peal. † First paal of Triples and first attempt. Ringers of the 1st, 5 th, 6 th and 8 th ars members of the local band; 2nd, 3rd and 7 th are from Chippenham and 4th from Swindon. Rung in honour of the 21st hirthday of Miss Any Laurence, danghter of the tenor ringer, she being a member of the local band. Great credit is due to the treble ringer, who is ouly 15 years of age, for his excellent striking throughout, as the had never rung moro than 338 Triples before. He stepped into the breach at the last moment.

## HADLOW, KENT?

TEIE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Detenbey 29. 1028, in Thre Howys and Four Minutes,
At tee Cherch of St. Mary.
a peak of grliged treble bob major. 5280 ghanges;

## Livbrezder Variation.

Cearlifs fi. Sone
...Treble Fiarry Bakrar
Mrs. H. Bakyr... tom Sadnders ... ... Гhomas E. Sonb... ... ... \& Arthur म. Smith ... .... Teno $^{7}$ Composed by Ernest Morris. Conducted by Thomas E. Sons. First attempt by the baud in this variation.

WISHAW, SCOTLAND.-On December 23 rd , on handbelik, 720 Bob Minor: J. G. Lewis (frst 720) 1-2, S. H. Wood 3-4, E. H. Lewis (conductor) 5-6.

## SIX AND FIVE bell peals.

BENTLEE, ESSEX.

THE EGBEX ASSOCTATION.
On Mon:idy, Derember 3, 1928, in Tte Hours and Thirly-Eight Minutes,
At the Chorch of St, Padl,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
With lell callings.
-Gborge Wyatt...
Treble CoNest
*ARThor Ralabird
Treble
Crnest Forbank
Ib Albert Ralnbird

- George Seweli

Conducted by Albert Rainbiad.

* Niral peal. First peal on the bells, and rung on the birthday of the eonducter, his mothes, and the wife of the 2nd ringer.


## TLANELJY, BRECONSHIRE.

THE SWANBEA AND BRECON DIOOESAN GUILD.
On Thusday, December 1.3, 1928, in T゙se Hours und Foyty-Six Minifes,
At tmr Church of St. Eili,
A PEAL OF EOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven exteats.


## Conducted by S. T. Rackram.

* First penl of Minor. Mr. Geo. Popnell has now completed the cirele in this lower, having rung cach bell to a peal of Minor. Rung to celebrate the birth of a son and heir to the ringer of the treble and Mrs. Jones, the latter being the daughter of the ringer of the and and niece of the ringer of tha 4 th.

CROFT, LEICESTERASHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTLES ASSOGIATION
On Suturday, Decomber 22, 1928, in Two Houts and Twenly-Five Minutcs,
AI the Cburch of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 GHANEES; Boing sevan 720's, called differentiy. Tonor 6 cwi .2 gr .6 lh. in B . Ghorge A.Newton... ...Tredte
Gonard .... Hedrent Webb.
Gearge Thomplos ....... Conducted by Ernest Morris

* Firsi of Treble Bob. Quiekest peal on the bells. This is the 114th lower in the Leicesten dioecse in which the conductor has rung peale.

OVER, CAMBS.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCTATION.

## (The Ovir Sociriy.)

On Saturday, Dequmber 22, 1928, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

## At the Parisf Chorch,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDEE SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven oomplete $720^{\circ} \mathrm{s}$.
$\begin{array}{cccc}\text { Wileiam Bavin } . . . & . . . & . . \text { Treble } \\ \text { Trancis G. Gleavis.... } & \ldots & 2\end{array}$ Arifur Wm. T. Ginn $\ldots 3$
'T'enor' 15 owt. 2 qr . in F . Frrd C. Ginn Artifior Ginn $\cdot \cdots \quad . . .4$ Frank Warrington ...
...
Tenor
Conducted by Frank Warmington.
Tho 154th 720 in 1928 for the eomburtor, aud the 552ut sinee Tanuary, 19e5.

## MAXFY, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE. <br> THE LINCOLN DTOCESAN GULD.

On Saturday, December 22, 1928, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;
Boing seven 720's of Double Oxforti, two of Oxford Bol, two of
Double Court, and ono cad of Keut and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 12 cwl .
Horace M. Day... ... ...Trebla John G. Amps

Conducted by H. M DAy.
Mr. Ames has now rung Minot jueais in ane to eight methodis inclusive.

[^1]
## HASKECON, SUFFOLK. <br> THE RT?FFOLK GUILB.

On Saturday, Drember 22, 1920. in Two Hours and Forty-T wo Minntes, At the Churca of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF MINOR; 5040 CHANGES;
Comprising 720 erch of Crmbrigge Surprise, College Exeroise, Double Court, Plain Boh, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford. Tenor gs cry.
James Branztr. Jon...
... Irde
Grorgr Bunnett
George Pryke $. . . \quad . .$.
Thomas E. Ward ... $\because .$.

## Condacted by Grorge W. Ablitt.

PETERBOROUGH.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GJILD.
On Monaxy, December 24, 1928, in Tuv Honrs and Forty-Five Muntes,
At the Church of St. Mary.

## A PEAL DF MINOR, 5440 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Gambridge Surprise, Plain Bob, Double Court, and two each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob.
 Mathleen A. Jutson....... $2, \mid$ ERnest J. Wakrling..... .4 Temay Coaducted by I J. Jorson.
Arranged for Mr. and Mrs. Wakeling.
STONE, WORCESTLERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOOIATION.
(Northern Brance.)
On Weducsday, Decmber 26, 1928, in Two Hours and Thith-Fiw Minutes, At the Church of St. Marv,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being forty-two 120 s witl ten different callings. Tenor 6! cwt. Georgi Parton ... ... ...Trable |Charlas Darby ... ... .. .. 4
 Racth Parton

## Conducted by Ernagi Calcuit.

First peal by all
(The reports of many other peals are unavoitably helal over.)

## RINGER'S WEDDING.

On Saturday last, at the Clureh of St. Mary-the-Virgin, Shenfield, Essex, a very pretty wedding was solemnised, Mr. Tohn C. Furlong, oue of the local ringers, being married to Miss Y. [K. F. Leggett. Both the bride's father and brother are members of the Sherfield Guild. In a short address, the Reclor (Rev. J. W. Lewis), who parformed the coremony, made special reference ta ringing and ringers, and snid that every Sunday the bridegroom and lis friends took their places in the belfry and genf forth fie call to worshin, reminding everyone who heurd the bells that there is a church, hat thare is $n$ serviee, and, above all, that there is a Goil. Whan the bridal pair left the charch, the orgarist (Mis: S. J. Jinmell, A.E.O.O.) played Mendelssohn's 'Wedding Maroln; and the wells rang ont to 350 of Grandsirc Doubles by the hridegroom's fellow-ringers.

Later in the afternoon six ringers from the district rang a peal of Bob Minor in celetration of the event, with best wishes for tho future of the bride and bridegroom.

## SHROTON RINGER'S DEATH.

It is with deep feerel we have to record the death of Mr. Feliz Arnold (captan of the Shrolon beltangers, and also instruetor in clange ringiag 1, who passed away on Christmas Day at the age of 51 years, after $k$ short illuoss of one week. His dieath cast a gloom over the purish as well as in the nelghbourhood, as he was well known in most of the towers in North Dorset. Decensed leaves a widow and one sou to monry their loss.
In addition to being a bellinger, Mr. Arnold was also a member of the church choir for many years.
The interment took place on Thursday wook, amidat every mark of respoct. The church was crowded. Rov. Canon Bower, Rector of Chilt Okeford, officined is the absence of the Rector (Rev. R. E. Gundry) lisough illuess.
The service was fully choral. The hells were mung half-mufted before the service, aurl open after the service, as at a recent funeral deceased was heard to remark that he should like lihe bells rung open if it were for him.
There were many boautiful floral thibutes, including one from tha Sbroton ringers and choir iu the shape of a bell, alse wreaths from [werne Minster and Child Okeford ringers. Ringers were prosent at the service from Child Okeforl, Fontwell Magnt, Iwerme Minster and olhers.

## A GOOD OLD CUSTOM.

## AN ENJOYABLE EVENING AE ECCLESTIELD.

Eeciosfield's old custom of having a ringers' supper at Gluistmas time was kept ap on Saturday, December 22nd, when about 40 ringers and friends met at this tomuship on the outskirts of Stofliefd, visitors being present frons Sheffield Cathedral, All Saints' and St. Mame's companies.
Farious residents in the Lownship, who take a keen interest both in the bells and ringers, supplied the wherewithal for the meal, their generosily being evideneed by the amount of food placed at the disposal for the party, two legs of mutton, a fine piece of beef, potatoes, greens, seasoned pudding, Christmas pudding and rum sauce, followed by cheese and celery, providing $\pi$ repnst good enough to satisfy even the keenest of appelites.
During the afternoon a good peal of Treble Bob Major had beon suncessfully brought round, after which the band retired to the Black Buli Hotel and joined the wailing friends to partake of the supper gerved under the guidanee of Hostess Jackson. The Vicar (Rev. A. Pawson, M.A.) and the churchwardens were present, and after evaryone lad had their appotite appeased the tables were cleared in preparation for a jolly evening.

A good coupse of Grandsire Caters, followed by a capital course of Stedman Cinguea on the handbells, opened the proceedings. Then followed items by yarious soloists, each one being greeted with 'encore, particularly the visitor who is a member of the Orpheus Male Voice Choir. Especial mention should also be made of the two gentlemen who sang 'Grandfather's Clock' and 'Farmer's Boy,' which gave the audience an opportunity to test their vocal powers. The carols, composed by the late Dr. Galty, which heve become a special fenture with the Eeclesheld Christmas suppers, werc lustily surg, but the "tit-bit " of the evening was the entertainment provided by "Professor' Sayle with his mouth organs. One has heart of a piano heing made to 'talk," but 'Professor' Sryle and his month organs made his audience 'speechless,' so astonished were they at the intricate pieces he played with searcely a sign of movement aither of his mouth of mouth argan whilst playing.
One of the wisitors thanked tho Vicar and the chtreliwardens for their presence, also the artistes fol all they had done to make such
(Continued in next columa.)

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

## EASTERN DISTRICT'S SUCOESSFUL BEHTING.

The quarterly meeting of the Eastern District was held at Thorne on Saturday, December 15th, and despite the small attendance was thoroughly 日uecessful, the bells (eight) being rung to the various standari methods. A short service was conducted by the reaerable Vicar of Thorne (Canon J. J. Littlewood), who has heid the yicariate for close on fifty years. He will shorily celebrate lis gith birtbday, and still retains all his facalties to a remarkabla degrea. Ho gave an informal addreas, atud pleaded wilh ringers to attent an esrly celebration of the Holy Communion, in lieu of attending tho services for which they rang.
Tea was gerved in the Mission Room to twenty members, repsesenting towere in Arksey, Yoole, Femingbrough, Fuil, Pontefract; Solby, Saaith and Thorne, and was followed by the business meeting, the Vicar oceupying the chail-An apology for absence was received from Lhe Ringing Master. Mr. W. Middleton (Beverley).
The anaual meeting will be held al lonicfract (All Saints'), in March by kind invitation of the Vicar and local company.
One new member was elected, Mr. R. Grice, of Hemingbrough.
A unamimous hearty voto of limanks to the Viear and Mr , O. H. Thorley for the usual arrangemmats concluded a very harmonious meeting, the Vicar personally wishing every member present "a happy Ohristmas,' and bidding all gootl-byc, as he retives shortly.

## (Continued from previous column,)

an enjoyable evening possible. The speaker referred to tho wonderful improvement in the condition of the belfry to what ha bat known it even during recent yerrs. The risging room limat been thoroughly cleaned and decapated, new carpets laid, amd the lighic ing conditions vastly improved. Tu Messrs. Lewis and Huddleston. Who are responsible for this 'step in tho right direction, ${ }^{\text {a }}$ all credit is eure, and it is hoped that the hand, especially the learners, will atick to them and appreciate the conditions which now prevall.
The Viear expressed his delighl at boing ahle to be present, and with the previous speaker, he hoped that their custom of loaving a ringers" sapper weulf be carried on year by fear.

The evcuing passed all too quickly, but, like all other goard things, had eventually to come to an end, so with the singing of 'Auld Lang Syne, the pirly broke up, cacl extending to the others the geason's greetings, and honing for an good a time at next year's do

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## ANNABLE AND THE COLEEGE YOUTHS

## To the Edifor．

Sir－As ous of the committee azmointed to revise the College Youths＇laiest book of rules，perhaps I might be allowed，thaugh unofficially，to make a few comments in reply to the interestimg letter fromi the pen of＇Collegian＇which you have just published．

The association of Amable＇s name with the peal rung at St． Sepulchre＇s，Suow Hill，in 1690，certainly causes a difficulty io arise， and it is a very real one for tho very reasons which your corre－ spondent points out．He will be interested to know that it was remarkel upon by me two or three years ago，and that it was the subject of some debate amongst the committeo before，at my recom－ mendation，tho lines on page 6 were allowed to go forward，i．e．，＂It is stated in the records，＇ele．
The commitiee woro only instructed to bring out another edition of the Rule Book；like our predecessore，we used the data and gnaterial to hand．In one of the society＇s books，which was rebound and probably pertly rewritten about 100 years ago，there is an in troduction closely writteu aud running to two or three pages．The Folume is called，＇Copy Pal Book，No．I．，and apart from deli－ werate falsification this introduction looks remarkably genuine．For a part of its statements it purports to reproduce from MSS 100 years carlier，and，so far as 1 am aware，it has never been chat lenged．It is from this that the particular＇s on page 6 are twhen．
The details about the peal are intoresting in more than one way． They are fully given－method，time，changes，the band，and how they stood，who conducted and composed，and the dato thus：＂On the 7th of January，1689－90．＇The latter seems to favour its genera］ veracity，for it way the way of writing when the＇Old Gugle of dating the firsl quarter of a year was in vogue．It thus looks like a genuine iranseription，for a hundred years later they would have used＇Jambary 7ali，1630．＇
I＇lie adnuission of the peal will not，of course，remove the difi－ culty ahout Armable．I suggesf that he was far older than his contemporaries thought；perliaps a well－pyeserved and wizorous old man，at a time when all wore wigs．（I believe that when Mr． Daniel senrehed lie Register at St．Bride＇s，he found no details save that of the interment．）Failing this， 1 woulrl harard 1 hat jn the several transcriptions，Anomble＇s name wate ndded as conduetor and composer，where the original hat omitted to stute these，nad＂hear－ say，like a rolling snowball，had eventually added what was deemed the only possible name，and ineidentally overlooked the age diffi－ culty．There are other solutions one might add，but such may woll be left to the ingenvity of your readers．Research may yet help us， hut so far we are at a standstill，for a reference ta snowdoa and Oshome toes uat help us．The former caste doubts upon the peal， fund the latter suggests that it is only a presumption liased uposs no record．All，however，fllow that the peal of Cingues at Sti Pride＇s is the darliest resorded peal．If this be so，the＇College Foutles＇由ecm to have sprung into fame and strangth，nuch as Minerva sprang from tho head of Jove，fully armed for either field or Coun－ cil．Youtz faithfully，

## E．ALEX．FOUNG．

13．S．－I have recently recovered one of the mames from the niesing Jist of Masters（see p．17），viz．，1763，M1．Thomas Iowe．This gives us hope for further fliscoveries．We may jet he able to write the lives of hoth Stedman and Anvable．－E．$A$ ．Y．

## LINCOLN CATHEDRAL BELLS

## Te the Editor．

Dear Sir，－Permit，me to trespass on your valuable space and eath how much I appresiate the wondertul work which has been suecess－ fully accomplished in restoring the south－west tower of Lincoln Cathedral and the augmeatation of the bells to ar ring of twelve．

The restoration work has been a stupendous task－one cnnoob cealise until a personal inspection has been mafe how stupendons the task has heen．We are told that 10,502 holes－equal to five and a halt miles in lengh－have boen drilled into the walls ：ad sur－ counds of the soulh－wast tower，sind 19,280 gallons of gronl－in weight appoximately 84 tons－have heen Howed in．Mr．Confrey， clerk of the works，bas done his work well，and deserves every con－ gratulation．

The isells，I venture to say，sro tho mone of pertection．The new trebles are sweet and clear，and ean he liensul ititinelly when dodg－ ing with the tenors．Our thanks are dne to Messts．Taylar and Co． for what is surely the hest light ring of twolve in the country．

The blocking of the louvres and ihe colstruction of a lantern roul has proved a minceesful oxperinment．This，however，is not a new idea，for it was tried with suceess at．Bradford Cathedral in 1921．I wonder if the Dean and Chapter of York coulif be prevailed upor to make the same axperiment with the south－west tower of the Minsterf The truly megnifieent ring of twelve in that tower could then be beard to greater advantage，and perlaps the alleged＇nasal twang＇ would be eliminated．－Yours truly，

A YORKSHRRE TYKE IN LINOOLN．

## A RING OF TEN AT NEWCASTLE＝UNDER．LYME

 DEDICATION OF TWO NEW BELLS．On Monday，December 17th，two new treble bels were dedieatud by the Lord Bishop of Lidhiold at the Parish Chureh of St．Miles， Neweastle－under－Lyme．These were cast and bung by Messis．Gilleti and Johastou，of Croydon，Surrey，and the original eight are bung with the latest fittings，inchading ball beariugs．The splice was cecogrised by all the ringers as making a most musical peal of ten． The whole reflects great credit to the firm and workmen engaged on it．
Ringing commenced at 8 p．m．by members of the Forth Sitfls Association，with tonches of Stedman Caters，Bob Royal，nad Treble Bob Roynal．Visitors included representatives from Leok，Haniey Wolstanton，Stoke，Fenton，Lawton，Burslens，Norlion，Kidsghove， Biddulph，ett．

## LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION ELECTION OF OFFIOERS．

The arnual mecting of the Jlandati and Monmouth Diocesan Assu－ ciation was beld at St．Johnthe－Baptist＇s，Gardiff，or Boxing Dily， when a good number of members mustered from hoth Glamorgan－ shire ond Monmouthshire．The bells，a ring of ten，were tharted early in the afternoon，and kept going in various methods untit t． 0 ， when service was condueled by the Res．lvar d．Bidgood（eurnte） in the masroidable absence of the Vicar．Following the service，a very bountiful tea，which had been kindly provided by the Yicer and churchwardens，was served in the ehureh schoolrooms io Trithity Street．Afterwards，the business meeting was leeld，at which the curate，who whesided，extenden a learty welcome to Cardiff ou behad of the Viear．
The usual rontine business，such as the readiug of the minutes，in－ structors＇reports，restotations and augmentations，was dealł wilh． The selection of places to hold the next meetings resulted as follews： Newport，St．Woolos＇，for the antual meeting，Pontypridd and hou－

The election of officers tor the conning year resulted in the rtertion of Mr，George Martin，of Brtwas，as Master，Mr．F．Atwell atid Mr C．Gieedy as auditors，and Mr．J．W．Jones as hon．secretary．
＇The Hon．Secretary reported that more peals had been rung during the year than in uay yoar since the formation of the association，and that the kigher methods wore being practised．

Whitchurch，had met with on bad aceident，having broken is leg hy slipping up an lenvitg the tower，after ringing for servica an the previoua Sunday．
A cap＂was talien（to use a lumbing term），which resulted in a nice littlo sum being callected for him．
rithe usual vote of thants to ithe chatman for presiding，and tu the Vicar and charobwardens for their haspitality，closed the meeting． The bells weve afterwards rung，trminating one of the tost ant pleasantest nutetiags ever held．

## DEATH OF MR．HENRY H．CHANDLER

Ringers，priticulaty of Widdlesex and Susgex，will vogret lo ham that Mr Feny 苔．Chandler passed away about wid－day on Sun－
lay list，tht his home at，Hillingdon，Middegex． Eorly years ago Harry Chandlor was well known in the Exercisc peals，autl took part in some long lengths，including 13,440 of Catis－ terbury Pleasure Major：In these dat，ficte was an entlusinstic banti who thought nothing of reeling of a pueal before hreakfat on t Smminy marnisg，and ringing another iu the aftemoon，On ous oneasion the hand started to ring a peal cyery day until they lotoke down．They scored seven or eight in this series．Such an amours of ringing would not lave heen possiblo rithout the goodwis of the patishomers，ant linppily the villagers wero almost as interested in the peals as were thr riarers．Inader sucl，consitions it was rot surprising that Hary Chamler rang a considerable mumber of pealg
in it comparatively shom time．After his work took hion awn Warmam，Mr．Chandler＇a yeal Afinging wotivitics woth have form
 tained his kemmess，nud wha ever welcome in a belfry．His genial nature well belitted his jovial appearnoee，and he wes held in bigh esterm by all who knew him
Mr．Chander was，in bis later yeary，a member of the 苗t．John＇s wactety，Hillingtan．He rang regtanly undil．a month or so ago， ately，proved fatal．He whs to lavo enken part in the peal rung at St．John＇s on December 15 th，but ad the lasi moment asked thas his place should be fillen by another．On the day of lis decuease， for ovembong，a quarter－peal of Stedman Triples（ 1,260 ohamges）wat marg in 58 mins．with the bolls half－musiled：C．C．Mryth（con－ duclor）1，A．It．G．Twint 2，Miss I＂，M．Moss 3，F．G．Baldwin A， G．H．Giuteridge 5 ，$A$ ．$H$ ．Fulwell $6, F$ ．W．Gondfellow
Honol 8 ．

## AN ABRIDGED SYSTEM OF PROOF

## BY＇MINORMANTA

Tho following is the second portion of a shorf treatise on Method Proving，a sabject thoroughly understood at present by com－ paralively few．A closo study of these articles should help many morn ringers to an undiarstanding of this advanced side of the science．］
In lhe ovilinaty mouse of events，wo should mow treat the even ruwi witl the treble in the same place（rows 7－28）it the same manmer；but，as explaimed，ono pair of rows is lypical of（at least） Hat four which havo the trebla in the same place，if the lead－end fue aken into consideration．Tho combimations from the other pajr I＇ran rownts to the lead－end．Forgat Blocks $Y$ and $Z$ as positional＇ uml＂dursing＂pairs，abd romoriber them ouly as＇pars＇；olserve the Hiderence between rounds gud the lead－ond，noting which fells of ilaw lead－end replace those of the lead－head：－
Honsuds（the I．F．）1．2．3．4．5．6．7．8．has thase pairs－ $23,57,78,24,46,68$.

## ＇Jus lead－end

1．4．6．2．8．3．7．5．replaces abov
$46,68,87,75,42,23,35$ ．
Then the four combiuntions fron rows $5-20$ should，in rows 7.28 ，be athred by the abaye replacement thasu：（1） 88 in $2 / 3$ becomes 35 in 9／8：（2） 46 in $3 / 5$ beromes 23 in $6 / 8$ ；（3） 23 in $6 / 8$ becomcs 46 in 3／5：and（4） 35 in $4 / 6$ beeomes 68 in $2 / 3$ ．
It so happens，in Ehis section，thal rows $7-28$ produce the same l＇an：emmbintions that wo get from rows $5-26$ ．I will give at brief exan！ft：of section where this coes nol occur，but first let as sum－ matise what wo have done．
W゚e laka two rows from a section and apply Blocks I and Z Hownwarda，and we get two combinations．These two reversed give us two morc．The whole fout，altered by the leat－ent，give as four mate．Thas wo produce tho eight combinations which pertais to

Tho half－sedion boing symumerical，we may know that the whote sumtion is symmatrical，nud we can ighore the other fous rows theren，j．e．those whelh havo the trebla in fourth＇s place；because， hat section boing symmelrigil，they must give fibe same combina－ tinns．And so，hy the hali－healment of ome patr of rows，we estath－
lishl the whole of the combinations applicable to the cigh rown of bis Efention．Symmetry in the hall－suction means that the same places ara matis belweer for，if you prefer，from and to ${ }^{\text {b }}$ ，rows S．6，ns those which are mado behwedu rows 7.8 ．Actually，in this ingtance，no plece is mudo from 5－6 and from 7－8．The question of The plates mato（first＇s and seemul＇s）helween rows 6－7 does not arise． ＇Ihe lalf－acotion with the treble in $5 / 6$ alen is symmetrical，heeause
firat＇s and fourlh＇s phaces are made in pows $9-10$ ，and also in rows 11－12．If the half－section with the tretyle in $3 / 4$ had been asym－ suodractal，the same places not lawing been made，then a prir of the rows with the treble in foneth＇s place wonld also have to be＇half ireatal＇as before．

One oxample of a section which does not prodince the same com－ himations from the other pair of rows：－

## Rows．

12345678. 

Treatel downwarts ly Block $Y$ Y $Z$ ，we gef one $30 .+14867253$. combiurlion only，te in 24 ：oppositely for the
 the load－ond，gire 23 in $2: 4$ nad 24 in $2 / 3$ reapec－ tively．Thus we get the fort combinations whicls gatarn tilu cight rows of tho seetion with the treble in $1 / 2$.
If a prir af rows prodice no combination，we may know that the pulimular section has a＇cheat proof＇scate，and nothing fuwher need be cione with it，provided the sections is not asymmetrical，which sloulings the wark．
OPFRA＇JONS G and D．－Huving established，from two rows，that thay give certain combinations downwards，and ignoring for the toonint those corshinations which follow，we now trace the false celtres ends，from the two rows so ireatend．But in order fully to anherghand this condensel form of Lhr orthodox operations（b），（d） and（o）wo must first examine the positions badd by the tenors in
tho lond－hoals of the plain comrs，atul with particular reference to the Itansposition batk to rounts of athy lead－inead，i．e．，how to lirimg up tha course end from any given Jead－lead．

 Blocks Y－Z are given：
IR．Are the positions in which the henors appert in the lead－heads．
S．Are the fent－heads themselvos．
＇ry．Signity by which ruw a lead－hend must be tramsposed，in ordor


This means that the tonos ate in $2: 3$ in lead－icad 17856342 ；and thal to bring up rounts from this hent－laead it must the transposod

head will，of coulse，result in rounds：and so on．Incidentally，we can observe that the transpositions work both ways；i．e．，rounds will result if $2 / 3$ be trensposed by $2 / 4$ ，or $2 / 4$ by $2 / 3 ; 3 / 5 \times 4 / 6$ ，or $4 / 6$ $\times 3 / 5$ ，and so on．

In the orthodox operations（ $b, d$ and e）we transpose the rows back to rounds，and by the resultants we transpose certain plain course lead－heads，which produce tenors－together 「alse heads．These，in turn，are transposed by eertain plain course lead－heads，aud the false course ends are the results．
In the abridged Eystem we go direct from the rows to operation （ 0 ）Instead of using rounds in transposing lack the rows，wo use， as the Hidden Frotor，the lead－hoad which will bring up the courge ond from the Fend－lead indicated hy the＂positiona par in onn combination．Them by the resultant from this Fidaen Factor we Iranspose tho lead－head indicuted by the＇coursing pair＇in the can－ binailon，and we produce the false course end．

I＇lis must first be applied to every combination obtained foom the downward treatment of the two rows．The procedure is thits ：－ Rows $5-26$ gave us，downwards，the combination（1）＂68 in $2 / 3$ ．＂ The table＂RST＇（above）tells us that＇2／3＇will como＂home＇if trensposed by now＇ $2 / 4$ ．＇Then the Hidelen Factor＇which must be applied to row 5 is the $2 / 4$ lead－head．Read 18674523 in row 5 ，and under，in row 26，we slail find 15372486 as the resultant．Then，by this resultant，transpose the lead－head indicated by tho coursing pair＇of the combination，viz．，68．The $6 / 8$ lead－head（14263857）， trunsposed by the resultant（15372486），gives 13254678 ．
The caursing pair in a combination will indicate the lead of the plain course，and the positional pair will indicate the lead of the false course．Theretore，from the shove，we deduce that the $2 / 3$ lend of course 32546 will be false against the $6 / 8$ lead of course 23456. Or，shortly put， $\operatorname{PC}(6 / 81$ has $32546(2 / 3)$

We must now deal in a similar manner with the other downward combination，（2） 46 in $3 / 5$ ．The PC lead－lead $3 / 5$ is brought＇homo ${ }^{3}$ by 4／6．Thercfore，the Hiddna Fackor in row 5 is 16482735．Under this，in row 26，we lind 13258764 as a resultant．Then the coursing pair（46）lead－head 16482735，iransposed by the resultuit（13258764）， gives 14685378 ；and we deduce that PG（4／6）has $46253(3 / 5)$.
Ithe conbinations（3） 23 in $6 / 8$ ，and（4） 35 in $4 / 6$ ，from the up－ watd treatment of fows 5－26，are now fealt with in exactly the same way，except that the Hirden fiuctar iz read in row 26 ，and the resultank bll row 5.
To bring $6 / 8$ and $4 / 6$ homm，we use $5 / 7$ and $3 / 5$ respentively，as the Fidelen Factorg is row 26 ．The resultunts，from raw 5 ，are，first 16847523 and then 18762435 ．By these wa franspose lead－heads 23 anil 35 respectively，giving 13254678 and 14625378 ；nud we deduce that $\mathrm{PC}(2 / 3)$ has $32546(6 / 8)$ ，ant that $\mathrm{PC}(3 / 5)$ has $46253(4 / 6)$.
This，however，ought to be umecessary，as the formation of the false course ends from the upward treatment should be obtainable frum those of the downard

If any two rows be transposed back io rounds in the orthodox way，we find that the proving values of the resultant false haads will enth give the ather．This must he so，because rounds is the Eidden Factor which produces both，and it menns that eas false head，when transposed by the other，will result in the romads row．Agaig，if we fake any two lead－leads of the plain course and transpose each by the obher，how operations will result in the same row，viz．，a third lead－head of the plait contse；and to mather which two we take，we cannot get away frotn Elis particular course．Then our two 「alse heads，which produee the same row whem transposed by each other， may be presumed to helong to n mythical cotirse，of which rounds is a tlivd lead－head

Now，hy the false lieats protuced in the orthodox way，we trans－ pose plain course leathends，and the results，in turn，are transposed by piain course lead－heads，in our soarch for tenors－together false course ends．Then，the falae heads from any two rows being relaten， by their proving values，to the same thing（vounds），and the trans－ positions being boumal lyy this same thing（the plain course end－ rounds），it is reasomble to assume that the false course ends，from the downward and apward treatments of any two rows，should bo relater？，one to another，in some way．Up to the present this rela－ tionship has eluded me，fund the upward treatment of the two rows， in search of the formation of the false course ends，appears to be unavoidable．Incidentally，we may note，in the cases of the particu－ lar false course emeds here produced，that the proving value of each results in itself．They are what Mr．Baker terms＂simple transposi－ tion rows＇；and apparently，if the false course ends from the down－ ward troatment happen io possess this feature，those from the up－ ward will be identieal with the fenors in reversed positions，as slown by the reversal of the ormbinations，
There now remain the four combinations from rows $7-28$ ，i．e．，these which come from the alteration due to the lead－end，viz．， 35 in $4 / 6$ ， 23 in $6 / 8,46$ in $3 / 5$ ，and 68 in $2 / 3$ ．There appears to be no direet connection between the formation of the course ends fom rows 5－26， and those from rows $7-28$ ．I an convinced that thete is a visible relatiouship，or，at least，there should be，as I hope to show，but I am tuable to give it point．

STONY STRATPORD．－On Gaturdas，Decmber 22nk，at St．Giles Church，on the ocasion of the consecratien of a new chancel，504 Stednan Triples：E．©．Lambert（conductorl 1，E．Whitlock 2，T． Roher＇s 3，＇I＇．Tompkins 4，H．Fdwards 5，W．Bonbam 6，W．＇Pedley T．＇J＇rasler 8.

## PEALS OF MINOR AND DOUBLES.

To the Editor.
Sir,- $\mathbf{I t}$ is perliaps unnecessary after my last letter, but may I assure Mr. J. W. Parker that I never dleamt of 'attacking' Mr. Bankes Jhmes' arrangoment of Cnmbridge Miner: yor did my colleagues uf the Methots Gammittee. On the conirary, we propose to yive in the new Minar Collection no number of these arrangements applicable to all Treble Bob Methods. Whal I wanted to do was to urge that hoth the arrangements of Grandsire Doubles (known as Morris' and Pitman's) are legitimate and ullowable, and also to point nut that the wording of Mr. Parker's resolution passed at Hereford does not correctly express cither lis intertion of that of the Central Council, and should therefore be revised.-Yours truly,
J. ARMIGER IROLLOPE.

## MORRIS' ARRANGEMTNT OF MOUBLES.

Defr Sir,- I have read with unhiassed interest the various opinions and arguments that have so far beon brunght to the notice of your readers, and being personally in agreement with your editorial remark, that 'in debating a question of this kind all sides of the subject should be ventilated, I purpose to enter more fully into the merits of the two arrangements of Gravdsire Doubles in quostionthe main issue-which, heving becn subjected to a prejudiced attack, has conveniently been lost sight of.

A much more appropriate and courteous manner of refurning to the subject this week would havo been a hiting reply to the facts and contantions set out in my letter of tice S1h mst. Annexce are the lend-end of (1) a spliced 240 on Morris' plan, and (2) a spliced 240 -n Mr. Pitman's plan:-

Marris' Arrangement.

|  | Arrangement. $2345$ | Pitman's Arran |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 8 | 5423 | S 5423 |
| 5 | 3254 | 53254 |
| S | 4532 | S 4532 |
|  | 3245 | 4253 |
| 5 | 5432 | ¢ 3542 |
| S | 2354 | 4235 |
| 5 | 4523 | S 5342 |
|  | 4352 | 5234 |
| S | 2543 | s 4352 |
| 5 | 3425 | 5243 |
| 5 | 5234 | S 3452 |
| - | 3452 | 3245 |
| S | 2534 | 4532 |
| 5 | 4325 | S 2345* |
| 5 | 5243 | 4523 |
|  | 5324 | 4352 |
| S | 4253 | S 2543 |
| S | 3542 | 4325 |
| S | 2435 | S 5243 |
|  | 3524 | 5324 |
| 5 | 4235 | 54253 |
| 5 | 5342 | 5342 |
| S | 2453 | S 2453 |
|  | 2345 | 2345\% |

An examination of Morria arrangement will show that the 24 leadends cumprise the 24 possible variations that can be produced by wriling down 2345, and pricking out the extent. Now consider what this entails. A more critical examination will show that this renders it impossible for any of the changes to repeat in the self-same conscousive order throughout the whole arrangement. Hence, two alike changes never occur at the same stroke. Consequently you get 120 true and complete changes at handstroke, and the same 120 true and complete changes at backstroke, simultaneously throughout.

Now vefer for moment to Mr. Pitman's arrangement. It will be seen thaf, the lead-ends do not comprise the 24 rows previously referred to, but repeat with no less than five lead-ends. This compels the changeg to repent in the selfemme conseative order, so that in a romplete 240 on this plan, you do not get 120 different changes at. handstroke nor 120 different changes at backstroke, hul a repetition of the amme changes at each respective stroke.
These are the main features of the two arrangements, jet both are true and complete in themselves.
You ask me to permit you to say that in Mr. Pitman's nrvangemeut the bells strike in 120 different orders bolore beginning the mext six-sere; but the absurdily of such urgument is apparent to anyone who refers to the lead-cads marked 合 in which rounds constitute the second lead-end as well as the lasb lead-end of the six-score. 'ithis fact farther proves that if after starting from rounds you have wo go two leads past the six-score and before rounds are again produced, Hur 120 diferent orders cannot have been gove through iu the first six-score, as you clam they have ween.... I hope that I lave mude the situation clearer, and, in conclusion. I will ask your vearlers to arbitrate betweos my contention that hoth arraugements, being perfectily true in themsclves, should hoth be allowed: and the editor's view that one should be recognised and the other suppressed. I manst express myself in complete agreement wits Mr. Erlgat Guisc, that the Conlral Council's decisions slound be aceepled as lamding on suels
matters, but I still mainiain 1 liat you cannot reaudiate aus ome of the arrangements in ibis entegory truo in itself without discarding ill. LESLIE W. G. MOIRRIS.
Tho fact that Mr. Morris has, in his arrargoment, 120 landstrokes all different, and 120 backstrokes all different does not, in our opinion, make his 120 s true. Wha do not test the truth of a peal by doaling separately with liandstrokes and backstrokes; if cither is false with the other the peal is falso. Moreover, wo see no specinl merib in a false 120 morely because you lirst ring a nurnber of changes in a eertain order and then ring them in the reverse oder. Wr. Pitman's 240, as quoted by Mr. Morris runs in true consecutive 120's, if-as has always been pointed oul-rounds is considered ns the first row.... ED. 'R. W."]

## UPETLLD BY THE GOUNCLI.

Dear Sir-It sems as weh to point nut that allhough Pitmaris 240 of Doubles and Bankes James 5,040 of Gamblidge Minor are passing througl a very hot climate, ihey are still upheld by the Cenlral Council, as was made quite clear at Eereford. Yours faith fully,
J. F. DUFFIELD.

## YORK SURPRISE ROYAL.

The first peal of York Surprise Royal was rung at St. Martin's Cathedral, Leicestor, on Saturdar, by tho Midlund Countios Association. Tho following is a lead of the method:-

> 1234567990
> 2143658709
> 1246385079
> 2164830597
> 2614385079
> 6241830597
> 6214385079
> 2641830597
> 6248103957
> 6428019375
> 4982103957
> 4862019375
> 8460291735
> 8640927153
> 6804291735
> 6084927153
> 0689472513
> 0869745231
> 8096472513
> 8906745231
> 9807654321
> 9087563412
> 097865432.

> 0798563412
> 7095836142
> 790538162
> 9750836142
> 9570381624
> $597301826:$
> 5793102846
> 7539018264
> 7359102848
> 3751920480
> 7315294068
> 7351920486
> 3715294 C68
> 3175920486
> 1357294068
> 3152749608
> 1385476980
> 3552749608

## RINGERS WANTED IN AMERICA

To the Editor.
Dear Six,-I should like to ask, through the columns of "The Ringing World, of anyone can Īurnish ws with the names emul addresses of any ringers who lave come out to U.S.A. in the wicinily of Boston, Mass., so that we may get inlo touch with them, and get $n$ band together if possible att times, as only very little ringing js done now ill the city.
Perlaps some are contemplating coming out here: if so, this part of the country is- an industrial area where work of different kinds can be found.

The only regular ringing doue here now is at froton. Sctuoch, bJ the boys thare, every Sunday. These bells were relung in ball liearings in the spring of this year, and are greatly improved. So now, if we want to have a ring, we get up carly and dirwo 40 miles to do it Any ringer thinking of coming to U.S.A. slould Writo to Mr. R. Newton, clo Merchants' National Bank, Boston, Mass, who will be pleased to answer any letters and give any information ronits conditions, ete.-Tours truly,

JOEN R . FENSON.
23, Isliand Street, Malden, Mass., U.S.A.

## LIGHTING THE TOWER

## To the Editor

Hear Sir,-The following description of the electric lighting of Thuro Cathedral bell tower, where we have recently clanged over from gas, may be useful to the Rev. H. Drake.

For use on practice and other nights, when the general lighting is not in use, a switch is placed inside the entrance door, with a light in buch a position at to effectivaly light the area between tho entrance door and the ringing chamber stairway door. In the winding atairway to the ringing clamber ( 30 ft .) are three 20 watt. vacuum lamps, controlled by a two-way switch at the boltom, and snother ut the top at the stairs. In the 18 ft . sguare ringing chambor itself is it 100 watt gas-filled peerl Osram bulb, contained in ant enamelled G.J.C. reflector, $18 f$. from the floor, which gives an even distributions of light round the raom. It is, of courge, a centre light

In the circular stairway from the ringing clamber to the helfry (ahmot G0ft.) are four 20 watt. vactum lamps, also with a rwo-way swich int lop und botiom. The space between the ringing chamber rons and tho belfry proper (which serves as a sound muffier and a stareroom for oil, tools, ropes, ele.), contains a 40 watt gas-filled bulh in in ordinary enamelted conical shade. The belfry itself is lit by means of at 100 watt gas-filled lamp in a reflector similar to that in the ringing chamber, suspended from the centre, and abouk 15 ft . above the luell frame. For lecal lighting there is a portable hamp, 40 wati vacuum, on a length of atrong workshop flex, lung enougli to reach to any part of the bells or frame.
Fointa to remember are that the tower circuit must be entiraly indupentent of the ehurch circuit (on a separate meter preferred). Switches for the bell chnmber mutt he placed so that lights can be furned on before one enters. Hore, too, a geacral light is a necessity for safely, a linad lamp only being quite insufficient. Two-way switehes at top and bottom of eircular siairs are not ouly very conveniment, but a mota of economy.

Tho iden! to aim at is aderjuate lightivg epenly distributed gnd diffused over the required rrea, and especially in the ringing chamber the source of light must be high enough to be out of direct line with tho ringers' syes. The 20 watt bulb at 10 ft , suggested geems to mie to be very inadequale and too low. Switches at the bothom of stairs for lights in the hell chamber, ete., are not to be recommended, us they are apt to be turned onf, and, nathing visible happening, loft on, the brightly-lit lewvers being a source of wouder to the pablic and curiasity to the night policeman. Switehes should be as local as possible.

An nlteruative method of lighting the ringing clamber is to have tou' hulbs, one at anch carner, high up, and fitted with 'Gecoray,' of similat, raflectors; or, for a centre fiting, a totally enclosed opal
bowl the ordinary open-top type, being at beatiful trup for dust and dead flies, is noli to be recommended.

Flowever, if the lighting company can install a eystem which is eflicient but avoids glare and sharp ahadows, and is out of clireci fine of sight, there will not be much to camplain of.-Yours faithfully,
F. MURRAY ROBERTS.

## 3, Lemon Villas, Truro

## SUFFOLK GUILD.

DTOCESAN ADVISOLYY COMMI'IEES ACTION.
A meebing was held at Fintlosham nn December 15th, at which a mit very large but very teprosentative atiendance was reconded. Thesre were hombers from Essex as well as North-East Suffolk, and ungod aleal of useful prachico was put in, hoth on the bower bella and on handbeils, the latier being a feature of meetings fa this neighbobthond. Hea was - at bie feorge, and at the moeting afterwards, with Mr. Chas. Sedgeloy in the chair, there were two points of outshatring intoret. A now ring of six hells it Rushmere, on the outskirts of
 a baud of chango ringers flere.

Tho ohlet matter was the caso of the Cavendish bells. Apparently theso bells had been sent away to be recast, by advice of the Dioensan Advisory Commitiee, without proper steps having been taken to lind otil whether his wna lin best eonrse to take. Much indignation was expressed that the Advisory Committee should have aeted in his way, when there is a diocesan organisation ready to help then from falling into such mistakes. An Advisory Committce which adyisg abotut maters whimh it does not understanct, is surely in dibdrabeo rather hinn a help to Chareh work.

## DEATH OF AN OXFORDSHIRE BELL FOUNDER.

It is with deap regret we lave to anmounce the thenth of Mr. Heary Bond, of Rutfurd, Oxon, who prased peacetully away on Sunday, Devernber $15 \mathrm{t}_{1}$, in his $7 \mathrm{~A}_{\mathrm{H}}$, yent. Mr. Bond was a geneval engineer nurl bolfounder, for which he held an excellont reputation. He wes a )ndringer at 13 urford Chureh and for many years a member of the Oxford Diocesan Guild and ©louenater and Bristol Diocesan Assoche tioll. Mr. Rond will be sadly missed anongst the bells be loved so well, unt where his good shiking and haiby disposilion made him a getnra! favourife.

## CHRISTMAS RINGING.

THE CHA ${ }^{2} T$, LMMPSFIELD.-AE St. Andrew's Cliurch, for morning ebervice on Christmas Dety, a quatter-penl of Minor, being 720 of Kent, 360 of Oxford Treble Bob, and 180 of Plain Bob, in 42 mims. : W, A. Ashdown 1, E. N. Tjdy 2, J. Knight, juı., 3, J. Knight, sen., 4, E. E. Tlidy (conductor) ह5, L. A. Tidy 6.

WEST HAM.-On Christmas moruing, for service, a 720 of Kent Treble Bob Minor, with the tenor covering: Joe Waghoru (age 86) 1, -. Reeves 2, W. Thearbald 3, W. Easter 4, F. C. Newnan 5, J. Moule (conductor) 6, G. Haydea 8.
HORNSEY.-On Christmas Day, at St. Mary's Ohurcin, for 7 a.m. celebration, a quarter-peai of Bob Minor ( 1,260 changes) ia 49 mina . G. W. Blee 1, E. G. Hibble 2, C. FL. Ross 3 , H. Blee 4, M. Feosom 5, J. G. Nash (conductor) 6. First quarler-peal to loe rung at Horneey for early service. For monning service, 720 Bob Minor (26 §ingles) in 27 mins. : $G$. W. Blee 1 , F. G. Hibble 2, F. G. Symonds 3, F. Blee 4, M. Fensom 5, J. G. Nash (conductor') 6.
STOCKPORT, At the Parislk Church, on Claristmas Day, a quar-ter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1,260 changes) in 48 mins: G. Green 1, J. A. Gordon 2, W. Wright 3 , W. Gordon 4, Jas. A. Gordon 5, W. Shaw B, A. S. Gordon (conductor) 7. A. Sharpe 8.
ERITH, KENT.-On Chastrans Day, for morning service at the Church of St. John-Lhe-Baptist, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 44 mins. : H. A. Holden 1. A. J. Morton 2, G. Callum 3, R. A. Cullum 4, L. J. Cullum 5, J. S. Mortou 6, F. J. Cullum, jun, (conductor) 7 , W. Darke 8.
REIGATE, SURREY.-On Chrismas Eve, at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 clanges) : G. Stomp 1, A. Gear 2, M. Northover 3, G. F. Hoad 4, A. Willett 5, H. Hooper 6, P.C. W. Claydon (onnductor') 7, W. Pooley 8.

DEPTFORD.-At St. Johm Clunchi, for 7 a.m. service on Cluistmas Dny, a quarter-peal of Gumdire Triples ( 1,260 changes): $\mathbf{E}$. Rivett 1, W. A. Martin 2, P.C. ©. Davis 3, E. B. Crowder A, P.S. R. Steers 5, A. F. Petrie (first guarter-peal on an inside bell) 8 , W. J. Jeffieg (conductor) 7, A. F. Berniugton 8.
NORTHAW, MIDDLESEX.-On Christmas Day, at St. Thomas' Church, 720 Spliced Oxford and Kent Treble Bobl Minor for mornisg service, in 26 mins.: J. Roberts, jun., I, I. North 2, T. Bryant 3, J. Parker 4 , J. Roberts, gev. 5, E, B. Mekie (canduetor) 6 . This is the first 720 of Spliced Oxford atrl Kent Tuehle Dob Minor in this laver and by all the land, wlo are regular Sunday service ringers at this church.
KINGSTHORPE, NORTHANTS. - On Ohristmas morning, quarter-peal of Bob Minor in 48 nins. F. Bummiser 1, I. Parker 2 , H. Clarke 3, W. Pargons 4, J. Dutikly 5, (at. Parker (comductor) 6. All are Sunday service ringers.
GARDEEF.-At St. John's Churels, on Christmas Day, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire 'luples in 47 wins.: Wr. TRichards 1, A. Parnell 2, Miss D. Fichards (first quarler inside) 3, F. Smith 4, P. Heath 5, J. Phillips 6, E. Filich \{conductor) 7, S. R. Barker 8. WOLVEREAMPION.-On Cluistmas Day, a quarter-peal of Grand siro Caters ( 1,259 changes) was rung for morining service at Sl. Peter's Collegiate Ghorch, in 52 mins. : H. Boswell 1. W. A. Cooper
 Brotherton 6, J. Williams 7, F, 1. Mitchell a, W. H. Lawley 9, R. Thompson 10. * First quarter-pen in the method.
UPTON SNODSBURY, WORU, On Chrismas live, at tha Churn of St. Konelm, a quarler-ponl of Gitandsire Doubles ( 1,260 changos) in 46 mins.: J. Reynolds 1, 5. "Parran 2,0 . Tansell (conduclor) 3 , T , Camden 4, H. Tansell 5, T. Tiluek 6. Longest length by all except the conductor, ind on the bolls by a local band.
EARL SOHAM, GUFPOLK.-On Chrisimats Diny, for morning selvice, 720 Plaid Bob: M. N. Faine I, W. T. Crickmer (conduclor 12, B. R. Buekle 3, O. W. Reecrofl 4, J. W. Mallett 5, W. Miller, jun. 6.-On Baxing niglt, 720 Oxlord Treble Bols, 360 Oxford Bois, 360 Double Gourt, iwo courses of Canhoridge, in which the following Miller, T. and H Hall, E. Buckle, W. A, Orekmer, im Hanes, fame).
TRDMPTNGTON, CAMBS-On Ghristmas Dry, for the 7 an.m. nelehration, 720 Boh Minor in 25 mins. : D. Freestone (finst 720 of Winor) 1, Wiss K. Willers 2, J. Harper 3, E. W. Haynes 4, E. E. Heynes (coniuctor) 5, W. Kayner 6. First 720 by local hamd since the addition of the new treble.
PRITTLLEWELL, FSSEX.-On Clxistmas morning, al Si. Marys Clurch, a quarter-peal of Dauble Norwict: Dfajor: F. Iarpkin (firsb quarter) ${ }^{2}$, G. Bacon 2, W. Duilay 3, \&. Raybut 4, H. T. Wilson 5,


## SPLICED MINOR.

Sir, The 720 Spliend Amerslam Alliamee azn? Litale Bob Mimer, rung itt 52, Lammas Pazk Raarl, Fialiag, on Derember 13tin, was nol the first in the melhnds. A 720 was rung at St. Mary's, Lanaherlungt, ou December 6th by: A. Reife (conduntar) 1, J. Tjasett 2, A . Fuller 3, A. Marghall 4, J. Waglam 5, A. Smitin w.-Youss, res.

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. (Established 1637.) - The subscription of 15. 8d., which enables members who have not attended twenty times in the past year to vote on matters of finance, is now due. Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on January 17 th and 3 ist, ${ }^{\text {St }}$ S. Giles', Cripplegate, on the Sth, St. Andrew's, Holbom, on the roth, *St. Paul's Cathedral on the $22 n \mathrm{n}$, Southwark Catbedral on the 24 th; all at $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. *Busness meeting afterwards. William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodinglam, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W. 4

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. - A meeting will be held at Nelson on Saturday, Jan. 5 th. Bells ( 8 ) available from 3 p.rn. Meeting 6.30 p.m. Subscriptions now due. Reports and new diagrams to Hand.-F. Hindle, Hon. Branch Sec., $5^{8}$, Anvil Street, Blackburn.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Derby District.-The annual meeting for the election of officers for the ensuing year will be held on Saturday, Jan. 5 th, at St. Andrew's, Derby. Bells available 2 o'clock. llease be prepared witl? a nominee for secretary Charles Draper.
bath and wells diocesan association. -The next quarterly meeting will be held at Yatton on Jan. $5^{\text {th. Bells available } 2.3 \text { O. Evensong 4. Tea and }}$ meeting 5.-J T. Dyke, Hon. Sec., Chilcompton, Bath.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Ross District. The annual meteting of the above district will take piace at Ross on Saturday, Jan. 5 ith. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Scrvice $4 \cdot 30$. Tea, meeting and further ringing afterwards. All ringers welcome. - John Clark, Fern Lea, Chase Road, Ross, Herefordshire.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Nottingham Disfrict. -The annual meeting of the above district will be held on Saturday, Jan. 5th, at St. Mary's Church, Nottingham. Bells (ro) available from 3.30 p.m. Business meeting at 6.45 p.m. A good attendance is desired. -Fredk. W. Bailey, Local Hon. Sec., 42, Rupert Strect, Nottingham.
SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Devizes Branch. -The annual meeting will be held at Devizes on Saturday, Jan. 5th. Bells (St. John's 8, St. Mary's 6, St. James' 6) ready 3 p.m. Service at St. John's 4.30 . Tea in Parish Room 5. Business meeting follows tea.-T. Green, Branch Hon. Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes.
SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. - Next meeting will be held at Eckington, Jan. 5th. Bells ready early. Tea at Camm's School at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. to all who let Mr. P. Jervis, 7, Littlemoor, Eckington, know as early as possible.-R. Harrison, Sec.
IANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Wigan Branch.The next meeting will be heid at Wigan Parish Church on Saturday, Jan. sth. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6 o'clock. A good attendance is requested.-James Grounds, Sec., 8, School Lane, Standish.

DEVONSHIRE GUILD.-S.W. District Brancis. The annual meeting will be held at Plympton S. Maurice on Saturday, Jan. 5th. Bells: S. Masrice (8) and S. Mary (8) available 2.30 p.m. Service in S. Maurice Church 4.15 p.m. Tea and meeting in the Guildhall 3 p.m. All welcome.-E. W. Marsh, 13, Edith Avenue, Lipson, Plymouth.
LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Meetings for January: St. Clement Danes', Sunday, 6th, at io alm.: Monday, 14 th, at 6.30 p.m., and 28 th at 7.30 p.m. ; St. Mary's, Lambeth, Tuesday, 22nd, at 8 p.m. Quarterly meeting on Monday, i4th; meeting commences at $\&$ p.ill., and all members are requested to make a special effor: tor attend.-S. C. Moye, Gen. Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Somning Deanery Branch. -The annual meeting will be held at Wokingham on Saturday, Jan. izth. All Saints' bells available2.30 to 3.30 (by notice). St. Paul's bells 2.30 to 4 . Service in St. Paul's Church 4 p.m. Preacher: Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, M.A., M.C. Tea at 4.45 , followed by business meeting. All singers welcome. Ringing at both churches after meeting. Tea, 6d. to branch members, is. to visitors. Those attending please inform me by Jan. 8th. -W. J. Paice, Hon. Sec. and Treasurer, Merrel, California, Wokingham.
SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.-Quarterly meeting will be hekl at Fem on Saturday, Jan. 12th. Bells available from 3. Service in church at 4.45 , with an address by the Rev. E. Hartill, Vicar. Tea (is.) at $5 \cdot 30$. Please send wort by Tuesday, Jan. Stil.-H. Knight, 15, Rugby Street, WVolverhampton.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION,--Maidstone Dis-trict--The next meeting of this district will be held at Ightham on Saturday, Jan. 12th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service at $4 \cdot 30$, followed by tea and busines: meeting. Subscriptions for 1929 can be paid at this. meeting. Kindly notify me not later than Tuestay, Jan-8th.-C. H. Sone, Bungalow, Linton, Maidstone.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch. -A meeting will be held at St.. Nicholas', Liverpool, on Saturday, Jan. 12 th. Bells (12) available 3 p.m. Service $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea and meeting to follow. Those desiring tea please notify me before Tuesday, Jan. 8th. Wigan branch members especially invited.-Claude I. Davies. Branch Sec., Caerlon, Dunbabin Road, Wavertree.
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Norther: District.-A meeting will be held at St. Ippolyt's on Jan. r2th. Bells (6) will be available at 3 p.n. Tea is being arranged, therefore will all those requiring tea please notify me not later than the roth inst.? All ringers wel-conze.-Donald C. Mears, Hon. Sec.
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-The annual meeting of the Southanpton District will be held at Southampton on Saturday, Jan. 1211. St. Mary's bells from $\mathbf{5} .30$ till 4. St. Michael's from 2.30. Service in St. Michael's Church 5 p.m. Tea and meeting in St. Michael's Hall at 5 -30. Those requiring tea please notify me by Jan. 8th.-W. T. Tucker, Dis. Sec., 7 r, High Street, Eastleigh.
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.--Tlurapsion Branch. A quarterly meeting will be held at Ringstead (6) on Saturday, Jan. 12th. Service 4.15. Tea and meeting to follow. Kindly let me know by Jan. gth thoserequiring tea. Roll up and welcome the new Vicar.-I. Nickerson, Halford Street, Thrapston.

IANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch. - A meeting will be held at Moorside, Oldham, on Saturrlay, Jan. 12 th. Bells available from 3 p.rn. Meeting (5.30 p.m. Subseriptions are now due. Reports and mew rules and diagrams to hand. - William Horan, Briath Sec., z, Greenhirst Hey, Todmorden.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION. The next meeting will be held at Worksop on Saturday, Jan, isth. Bells (8) ready carly. Those requiring tea please advise H. 11aght, io3, Gateford Road, Worksop, by Jan. roth. A gromi attendance reguesterl. - H. Haigh and H. Revill, Hom. Secs.
\&IOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION. Swinton Branch. The annual meeting will be held at Christ Church, Swindon, on Saturday, Jan. 12 th. Beils available at 3 p.im. Teat at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., at 6 d . per head, for those who notify me by Wednestay, Jan. gth. All ringers welcome.-S. Hopper, Hon. Sec., 79, Edimburgh Strect, Gorse Hill, Swindon, Wilts.
BATI AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Firome and Midsomer Norton Branch. - The annual meeling will be held at Frome on Jan. azth. Tea and business at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. sharp. Evensong at $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Those reçuiring tea please notify me by the 8 th.-B. T. Clark, Branch Hon. Sec., High Street, Timsbury, near Bath.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Fylde Branch. The next meeting will be held at Bispham on Saturday, Jan, izth. Bells ready 3 p.m. Meeting 5.3 . - C Sharples, Branch Sec., io, Warbreck Road, Blackpool.
1PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-KKettering Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Rothwell (8) on Saturday, Jan. inth. Usual arrangements. Will those requiring tea kincily let me know by Jan. 8th?-H. Baxter, Silver Street, Broughton, Kettering.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Burton District.-Annual meeting for election of officers, etc., will be held at, St. Paul's, Burton, on Saturday, Jan. zath. Bells (io) available 3 p.m. Tea provided only for hrose notifying me by Jan. gth. (Note.-St. Paul's practice night now Tuesday).-\}. Leach, Assistant Dis. Sec., 4, Vernon Terrace, Burton.
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION:-Eastern Divi-sion.-A quarterly meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Eastbourne, on Saturday, Jan. 12th. Tower open in 2.30. Survice 4.30. Tea att 5 o'clock. Business meeling to follow. St. Saviour's tower will also be open for ringing 7 to 8 p.m.-Geo. W. Stokes, Hon. Dis. Sec., 23, Melboume Road, Eastbourne.
SUFFOLK GUILD. - Quarterly meeting at Ufford on January igth. Tea at 4.30 , for all sending me word by January 15 th.-H. Drake, Ufford, Woodbridge.
IVORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. - Northern Branch. - A meeting of the above branch will be held at Otdbury on Saturday, Jan. 19th. Bells will be available at 3 o'clock. Service in the larish Church at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea and business meeting to follow. Those intending to be present must notify me not later than Jan. ${ }^{15 t i l}$-A. J. Skelding, Branch Sec., 7, Cecil Street, Stourbridge.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North-Eastern Division.The annual mecting of ringers will be held at Wivenhoe on Saturday, Jan. 19th. Service at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$, and tea and mecting at $5.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All intending to be present please write by Tuesday, Jan. 15 Hh . After that date no leus can be gtharanteed.-R. W. Stannard, Hon. See., 21 , Ireton Road, Colchester.

BRISTOL UNITED RINGING GUILDS.-The 8 th annual dinner will be held on Saturday, Jannary 19th, at the Grand Hotel, Broad Street, Bristol, commence 6 p.its. Chairman the Rev. R.H. Whitford, M.A. Most of the city church bells will be available during the afternoon, and special service ringing is heing arranged on Sunday 20th. Tickets $5 / 6$ each, from Messrs. Cave, Kingbt, Way, Jefferies, Miss E. Snith, all Bristol Guild Secretaries and Mr. Albert Walker, Birmingham, or direct from the Hon. sec., E. Guise, 39, Tankard's Close, St. Michael's, Bristol.
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SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOLTHS.
The annual general meeting will be held at St. Martin-in-the-Fields on Saturday, Jan. rgth. Ringing commences at 4 u'tlock. Tea will be provided for all who notify me by Tuesday, Jan. 15th.-]. Sparrow, Hon. Sec., Chevington, Bandon Rise, Wallington, Surrey,

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-P'reston Branch. The next meeting will be held at Whitlle-le-Woods on Saturday, Jan. 19th. Bells arailable from 2.30 p.m. Tea, at is. 6d. a head, to all who nolify Mr. A. Blogg, Brierfield Cottage, Chorley Old Road, Whittle, not later than Friday, Jan. 18th. New reports and diagrams to hand. Subscriptions due.-Fred Rigby, Hon. Sec., 8, Carrington Ruad, Chorley.

HERTFORD COLNTY ASSOCIATION.- Eastera District. - A meeting will be held at Hertford on Januarv I2th, when the bells of All Saints' (Io) and St. Andrew's (8) will be open during the afteruoon and evening. Service at All Saints' at 5 o'clock, address by the Vicar. Tea, is. per head, at $5 \cdot 30$. Business meeting after. Good bus services from all parts. All will be welcome.-W. H. Lawrence, Hon. Dis. Sec.. Little Munden, Herts.

CROFTS MEMORIAL DINNER, - The seventh ammal dimer will be held at the Welbeck Hotel, Nottinsham, on Saturday, Jan. 26th, at 6 p.m. Ringing, St. Mary's, 3 to 5.3 . Tickets, 5 s. each, oltainable from the hon, secretary. The new Bishop of Southwell will be present. Visitors heartily welcomed.-F. Blood, Hon. Sec., 91, Dame Agnes Street, Nottingham.

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BISHOP'S STORTFORD.-At St, Michael's Church, for morning service, on Sunday, December 23rd, quacter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) in 45 mine: V. Mathews 1, F. Bird (condo tor) 2, 17 . Springham 3, W. Wace (first quartor-peal on an inside belly 4 , H. Full 5, w. Tucker B, P. C. Springham 7, W. Wilkinson 8. Rung as a compliment to Rev. F. F. Ling, who was that day ordamned priest at St. Albans.
KETNSHAM, SOMERSET -At the Parish Church, on Sunday, December 23 rd , for evening service, a quarter-peal (1,260 changes) of Grandsire Doubles (with 6, 7, 8 covering), is 45 ming.: 1 . Day (conductor') 1, R. Harris 2, ©. J. Ford 3, F. Parsons 4, G. Lacey 5, S. Mathews 6, J. Williams 7, A. Coles 8.

LEYTONSTONE.-At St. John's Church, tor morning service, on December 23rd, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: R. Bolton 1, A Reeve (list 720 in method) 2, A. Prior 3, W. Miller 4, P. E. Ave (first 720 as conductor) 5, J. Moule 6.

HORNSEX.-On Sunday, December 23rd, at St. Mary's Church, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Hob Minor ( 1,260 changes) in 48 mine. G. W. Bye 1, E. G. Hithle 2, C. H. Ross (conductor) 3, H. Bled 4, M. Fensom 5, J. G. Nash 6. First quarter-peal on the bells since their complete restoration aud hanging in ball bearings by Messes. Mears and Stairbank.

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CHESTER-LE'-S'PREET-At SS. Mary and Cuthbert's, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1,260 changes) ic 4 ming, on October 22nd: T. Edmandsan 1, G. Sirldle 2, F. Sheraton 3, L. Domnisen 4, W. Brown 5, J. Crawford 6, A. E. Adawson (conductor) 7, 5. Walker 8.
FINEDON, NORTHANTS.-On Sunday, November 11th, for morning service, a quatier-peal of Stedman Triples ( 1,260 changes) in 46 ming. : G. Nite 1, T. Abbot 2, H. Tompkins 3, J. King 4, J. R. Main 5, T. R. Henshar 6, G. Basford (conductor) 7, A. Boddington 8.


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## THE LETTER AND THE SPIRIT.

Those who have followed the controversy over what should constitute a peal of Ainor or Doubles will be interested in the suggestions put forward in another colum by the Rev. E. S. Powell. He offers for consideration certain definitions out of which might eventually be evolved 'conditions' which all would be prepared to accept, and doubtless these proposals will be fully discussed. Experience, however, shows that what we want to be clear about is not only the form of words, but the interpretation which is to be put upon them. It has been obvious in this discussion that what, at first sight, appeared to be perfectly plain Englist has been construed by diflerent people to have dianctrically opposite meanings. We are inclined to think that this has arisen, mot so much from any ambiguity of language, but because there are two opposite purposes in view. There are those-and we imagine them to be in a majority-who desire, when a peal of (say) Minor is rung, that it shal? consist of consecutive true extents. There are others who, as Mr. Willson aptly puts it in his letter, are satisfied with anything as long as it comes right in the end.

At the moment the conditions required by the Central Council for peals of Minor and Doubles are those which were adopted at Hereford. The essential point of the motion that was then passed is that the 720 's in peals of Minor and the izo's in peals of Doubles shall be true and complete, and that no row (rounds or otherwise) shall be repeated in any 720 or 120 respectively. Mr. Powell suggests as an alternative definition that ' compositions al Minor must be in 720 's and not in smaller touches; compositions of Dqubles must be in 120 's and not in smaller touches, and these 720's and 120's are to be true in themselves.' If this is intended to mean what it appears to mean, that the consecutive rows in each 720 or 120 included in a peal must be true and that any splicing must be in true round blocks, then, subject, perhaps, to the modification which has for many years existed in the conditions for peals of Minor, that 'a peal may be lengthened by the addition of any number of 720 's fulfilling the same conditions, with or without one touch of less than $720^{\circ}$ (and similarly with the 120 's), there seems little objection to be raised to it by those who support the spirit of the Hereford motion.

But what is to be read into the expression in the third section of Mr. Powell's suggestion, which refers to "groups of 720's or 120 's'? If it is to mean such combinations of three $720^{\prime}$ 's as in the Rev. E. B. James' Cambridge in which (counting rounds as the first row) three extents, each of $\% 20$ consecutive true rows, are rung, well (Continued on paga 18 .)


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and good; if, however, the object is 10 cover the admission of a combination of permutations made up of cach of the 720 changes rung three times, without observance of any rule by which each of the three blocks of consccutive 720 's must be true in itseff, then the Council and the Exercise must decide a matter of important principle. They must decide the plain question, what is and what is not to be recognised as a true peal of Minor or Doubles? Hitherto the standard laid down has been that the extents must be in 720 or 120 consecutive true rows. It is for them to say whether anything lower is, at this date, desirable. When the Council next debate the subject there must be no sophistry. Any definition which is proposed must be made perfectly plain in its spirit, as well as in the letter.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

 WOLYEREAMPTON.SOCIETY FOR THE AROHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.
On Wednesday, December 26, 1928, in Thyee Hours and Thirty-Four Minutes At ter Collegiate Cedrch of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES; Tenor 33 cwt . it C sharp.
Thomas J. Elton … ...Treble Christopher Wallater
Herbert Knight ... ... 2 Abraham Greenfield ...
William A. Cooper... ... 3 | Edward F. Metcbell ... 9

John Perry $\quad . .$.
*Alfrld S. Bayley .... .... 5 ... 5 *hthdr E. Pegler ...
Composed by C. H. Hatterscey. Conducted by H. Kniget.

* First peal on twelve. Rung as a birthday compliment to O. Wallater. Credit is due to the tenor ringer, who is still in his "feens."


## TEN BELL PEALS.

WMST FAM, F领Ex.
THE ESSEX ASSOCTATYON,
On Saturay, Dicember 29. 1928, in Three Hours and Seven Mintes,
At ter Cevrch of All Saints,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, $\overline{\text { GOS }} 1$ CHANGES; Tenor 28 cwt.
Wileiam H. Heweit ...Treble|Ernest J. Botier ... .... 6 William H. Theobald ... 2 Joen Matle... ......
Charles W. Robtris ... 3 Frank C. Newman ... ...
Alfred Prior ... ... ... 4 EdWard D. Smitb ... ... 9 -Ronald IH. bolegn... ... 5 Reuben Sanders... ... ...Temur
Camposed by C. Cfarge. Condncted by W. H. Heweit.

* First peal of Stedman Caters. Quielcest peai on the bolls. Kuug as a birthdey compliment to M1s, W. F. Fluepbald, who entertained the band after the peal, also to MLr. W. D. Smitll. GOSFORTH, NORTEUMBERLAND.
THE DURHAM \& NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Tuesday, Junnary 1, 1929, in Thyec Hauvs and Twenty-One Minutes, At ahe Chgreh of All Saints,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANEES:
Tenor 22子 cwt.
*John S. Richardson ...Tybble Henry B. Taylor ... ... 6 Ernest E. Ferry ... .... 2 John F. Bird ... ... ... 7
 George A, Pickering

| Wileiam J. Davidson | $\ldots$ | $g$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Abam Deas... | .. | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | John Anderson... Composed by G. Lindoff. Conducted by William H. Rarber

* First peal on ten bells. Hinst peal. First peal of Grandsive Caters by all the band except ringers of and and frd.


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## EIGH'T BELL PEALS.

BEDWELLTY, MONMOUTHSHIRE.
The Llandafe and monmouth diocesan association. The Chrisentas Day, December 25, 1928, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes At the Parish Chorch of St. Sannan,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Being forty-4wo six-scores, $7-6-8$ covering.
Tenor $142 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cmt}$. idris Rowlands Glyn Williams
..Tyeble Themas Werret
... 2 Frederick Griffiths

| … | 5 |
| :--- | :--- |
| $\cdots$ | 6 |
| . |  |

 Conducted by $G$. Wilimas.

* First peal. Jirsi peal as conductor. All are nembers of the local band.


## ROYSTON, HERTS

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
in Weducsiday, December 26, 7928, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eigh' Minutes, At tee Chorch of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TRERLE BOB MAJOR, 6120GHANGES; Tenor 12 cwt .
A. Tom Chengry $\quad . . . \quad . .$. Treble $\mid$ Frank Harprr ... ... ... 5 Francis G. Gleaves..... .2 Frank Warington ... 2 ... 6 Grorge E. Crisp...$\quad$... 3 T. Reginald Dennis.....$-{ }^{7}$ John W. Ward ... ... ... 4 Alpred G. Rivers .... ...Teho
Composed by I. Reeves.
Conducted by A. G. Rivers.

Ruag in honoar of the wedding of Mr. R. Rivers, of Dry Drayton (youngest son of the conductor) to Miss T. Newman, of Royston, which took place at the above church on this date. Thanks are due to Mr. R. G. King for obtaining the use of the beills, and to the oride and bridegroom for their hospitality after the peal.

## PULHAM, NORFOLK.

TEE NORFOLK GUILD.
On Weducsday, Decenber 20, 1928, in Thyet Houys and Eleven Mintes,
At the Chorch of St. Marv-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES Tenor 14 ewt.

Composed by W. li. Imgersanr. Conducted by E. Weiting.

* First peal of Oxford Treble Bob.

BREWOOD, STAFFE.
BOCIETY FOR TEE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Thurstay, Decenther 27, 1928, in Three Hours and Fowften Minutes, At the Chorch of SS. Mary and Caad,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 6024 CHANGES;
Tenor $22 \frac{1}{3} \mathrm{CWt}$. in Eflat.
William Safnders ...
.. ...Treble

| Herberi Kniget | $\ldots$ | ... | 2 | Edward E. Mitchell | .. | 6 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - Albert G. Hunt | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | Joun Perry | .. | .. | ... | .. |
| 7 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Christopher Wallater 5 Fanank Perrens...... Composed by Sir Arthor Heywood. Conducted by John Perry.

* First pasi in the method and first of Major.

ABERAVON, GLAMORGANSHIRE.
THE LLANDAFE AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION. On Saturday, Deconder 39. 1928, in Three Hoursand Eight Minutes, Aithe Church or St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, sDIO CHANGES;

Parker's Six-part
Frederick E. Stone

| $\ldots$ | .. | $T r e b l e$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 2 |
| $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 3 |$|$ Wicest stixch.. .6 Albert j. Pieman ... ... 7 Jogn T. Williams ... ... a Joun Weaterrsby ... ...Tchor Conducted by A. J. Pirman.

* First peal of Triples. This pal was arranged to enable the ringer of the 3rd to ring a peal on the eve of his 70th birthday, bis last peal having been rung on Juae the 15th, 1914, the composition, the conductor and the tenor man being the same. Mingers of 3ril and 6th were made members before the pral.
gOLSOTER, DEREYSHIRE.
THE MDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. (Sheffield District Socieit.)
On Wedncsday, December 26, 7928, in Tivo Hours rud Fifty-Six Mimits, At the Parish Chtrcar.
 Tenor $14 \frac{3}{2}$ cwt.
Herbert Tobbins ... ...Trable|]
J. Frederick Milaner
(... 2 Abther Passle

Stanley Slaney... $. . . \quad . .$.
John H. Brothwele ... ... 4 John Flini ... ... .... ....Tenor Composed by Artavr Craven. Conducted by John Flint. BUXTED SUSEEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Weanesdiy, December 20, 1928, in Taree Houys and Three Minutes,
At the Cecrch of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Therstans' Fodr-fart.
Tenor 16 cwt .
Frederick W. Rogers
..Treble Willian Collison
Richard D. Divale ..... .12 Alfred J. Turner . 5 Alfrrd Grbenwood ... ... 3 Krith Hart... ... ... ... 7 Frederick C. J. Turner... 4 John Dearlove .Tanor Conducted by lieiza Hari.
CRESWELL, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOGIATION.
(Sabffleld District Sociaty.)
On Wedncsday, Dceumber 26. 1928, in Two Hours and Fi/by-Six Mintes,
At the Cherch of Sy. Mary Mafpalene,
A PEAL OF 8UPERLATIVE BURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHAMEE8: Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{ewt}$.
 J. Frederick Milner...$\quad 4$ John Flint ... ... ... .... Temor Composed by George Lewis. Concucted by Joen Flint. BLAKENHALL, WOLVIERHAMPTON.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Saturday, Deamber 29, 1928, in Two Hours atd Fifty-Nine Mistulcs,

Át the Church of St. Luke.

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

Johnson's Variation of Midpletons.

Christopher Wallater ... 3 Ejembert linight $\quad . .$.
Robert Pickering ... ... 4 Гhomas J. Eliton .... ... Temoy
Conductel by Frank W. Perrens.
NORTH STONFHAM, HAMHSHIRE.
THE WINGHESTER AND PORTSMOUTEL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Satkrday, Derember 29. 1928, in Three Hours and Thre Minates, Aithe Cherch of St. Nicolas,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor $9 \mathrm{cwl}, 26 \mathrm{lb}$.

Josiah D. Harris Frederick A. Burnett Fredrrick S. Bayley Composed by I. Daine. ...Tybble Tower R. Taylor 3 Wicliam E. Cheateá 5
6 3 Frederice W. Rogers … 7 Cgarge Wileiaras ... ... BACUP, LANCABHIRE.
THE LANCASHTRE ASSOOIATION.
On Suturday, Detomber 29, 1928, in Three Flours and Two Mintes
At Curist Cudrch,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES; Groves' Transposition of Parker's Twzlve-part. Tenor ro $\frac{3}{4}$ cwt.

Ggorge Brown...
....
.......${ }^{4}$ | Walter Staff
Tcnor
Conducted by Wirliay Horan.

* First pual. + First peal in the muthul, First peal in the mether as conductor.
watuINSIETR, WHITS
THE SALISBURY DIOCESaN GUILD.
On Saburday, Decomdzr 29. 1928, in Three Howrs and Fory Minutes, At the Mingter Chorch of St. Denys,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 OHANGES; Grovzs' Transposition of Parker's Twelve-fart.

Tenor 28 ewt. in D .
Ernest F, White

 Conducted by Wm, C. West
Rung an a biritrday compliment to Mrs. E. T. White, wife of the ringer of the treble.

## DUNSTABLE, BEDFORDSHIRE.

 THE BEDFORDBHIRE AESOCIATION. Or Sateriay, December 29, 7928, in Thivee Hours, At the Phiory Church of St. Peter,
## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES;

Tenor 24 cwt.

- Joen Tompkins ... ... ...Trebla George W, Heley
†Bert F. Calcott ... .... 2 †Clifford Rollings... .... 5

Adgestin V. Good ... ... 3 . †legert G. Matibews ... 7 !Edward B. Chapprli ... 4 Arthar E. Sharman ...Tem! Composed by H. Price. Conducted by A. E. Sharman ${ }^{*}$ First peal. t Firat peal of Beb Major. $\ddagger$ First peal inside.

CLANES, WORCESTERSHIRE
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Western Branch.)
On Saturday, Dianber 29, 1928, in Three Hours and Nine Minitts, At the Chorch of St, John-the-Baptist.
 Tenor 14 ewt.
*FANR Lawrence
...Tyble
William Nibeett
$\ldots 2$
-Cybil Tansgle...
...
Sidney T. Holt
...

Composed by Arthor Craven. Conducted by Sidney T. Holt.

* First paal in the method. Finst peal in the method on the bells.

BEACONSFIELD, BUCKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. (East Berks \& South Bucks Branch.)
On Sadurday, December 29, 1928, in Three Lours and Twenty-One Minntes, At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES Tenor asiz cwt. in E.


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|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Harry E. Hammond ... ... 3 Framk Claydon ... ... 7 Walter Arnold... ... ... a Arther Sadmders ... ...Temor Composed by C. Middleton. Conducte己 by Willeam Keeble.

- Firat Surprise peal inside. Rung on the 81 st birthday of Canon Laks, Rector of Cholmsford, and subi-Deau of the Cathedral, and the zith birthday of Clarles Noman Howard, san of Mr. C. H. Howard, Master of the Associtition.

ISLEWORTH, MIDDIESEX.
THE MDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Deamber 29, 1925, in Thyed Hontys and One Minute,
At the Chirch of All Salnis.
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

## 


WILLlay H HoLeter

Ariger h. folwell... ... 4 Arteur Harding ... ...Temos
Composed by J. R. Pritchard. Conducted by E. W. Goodfellow

## ZONDON

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCLATION
(The St. Joan's Society.)
On Monday, December 31, 1928, in Tua Howys and Thirly-Siz Minutes.
Atife Church of St. John-rhe-Evangblist, Depreord,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;

 Holt's Original.* Edward J. Rivett ... ...Tyede Ernest B. Crowder.

Wiellam A Martin
P.S. Richard Steers
P.C. Charles Davies

2 P.C. Cbarlie Ellioti $\frac{5}{6}$ P.C. Charles Davies .... ${ }^{4}$ Archibal. F Renaligiton ${ }^{7}$ Conducted by Ernest B. Crowder.

* First paal and first attempt. Fung ou the 53rd anniversary of the opening of the bells. Quickest peal on the bells.


## ASHTEAD, SERREY

THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mpraday, December 37, 1928, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eighi Minules. Ai the Chorch or St. Giles,
A PEAL OF dOUble NORWICH COURT Bob major, 5184 CHANCE Tenor 14 ewt.

| Willam Cook |  | ...Trebls | Grorgr A. Cook... |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| John Hoyce... |  | ... 2 | Alfred H. Winch |  |  |  |  |
| Joan Beams ... ... | ... | 3 | Albert Harman ... |  |  |  |  |
| George Marriner |  | 4 | William T. Beeson |  |  |  |  |

> Composed by H. Jonnson.

4 Willeans T. Beeson ... ${ }^{7}$
Kung on the 55 th anniversary of the opening of the hells. Also as a birthday complimeat to W. T'. Beeson. TMis is the fiftieth occasion on which W. Cook has taken part in 'ringing the old jear out ath Ashtead.

## LISCARD, CHESHIRE <br> THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GULD. <br> (Wirral Branch.)

On Morday. December 31, 1928, in Three Hours and Sixtees Minutes,
At the Parise Chorch of St. Mary
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 6056 CHANGES;
Tenor 16 cwt .2 qr .2 lb . in F .
 Composed and Conducted by J. C. E. Simpson.
First pesl and first attempt. + First peal on eight belis and first attempt. This peal was specially arranged and rung in order to enable the ringer of the treble to score his first. It was rung for watchnight service, witil half-muffled clappers, to ring out the nld yenr 1888. All are members of the local band, except ringers of 4 th: and 5 th.

## PORTSMOUTH, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTE DIOCESAN GUTLD.
On Monday, Decenber 31, 1928, in Thyen Howrs and Nine Minties.
At the Chdrch of St. Mary, Portsea,
A PEAL OF EOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor $16 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt
Edwin J. Harding, jun. ...Tyeble | Tower R. Taylor ... ... 5 Alfred T. Greenwood ... 2 Josiah D. Harris ... ... $\quad$ ó Henry Jennings......$\quad$... 3 Fredrrick W. Rogers ... 7 Richard J. Stone ... ... 4 Edin J. Harding, sen, ...Tenor Composed by J. R. Prizcharo. Conducted by F. W. Rogrrs.

* 50th peal. Ruwg with half-muflod clappers for the watchnight setvice.

DALTON-IN-FURNESS, LANCASEIRE. THE LANCASHRE AESOCLATION. (Furness and Lare District Banch.)
On Tuesday, Jannery I, 1929, in Threa Houvs and Five Minutes, At the Parise Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;



EGHAM, SURREY.
THE GDLLDFORD DIOCESAN GULD.
Dn Thursday, Janary 3, 1929, in Three Hows and Three Minutes, At tee Parish Cuurce of St. John,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;

Parker's One-part.

- Henry Nix..

Henry Nix....... ... ...Tyeble
Hebrat J. Chaffey... ... 2
iWalter Peck ... ... ... 3
 Conducted by W. Welcing.

* First peal. + First peal on an inside bell. Ringers of treble, 3rd, 4th, 5th and tener are local men.

BRIDSTOW, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE EEREFORD DIOCESAN GDILD
On Fridal, Janary d, 1929, in Thive Howrs und Two Minules, At the Church of St. Bridget,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES; Groves Transposition of Panker's Twilve.fart. Tenor 9 cwt.

| Rhginald Postox | ... $T$ reble | William T. Posto | ... 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Robert E. Semmers | 2 | - Edowin H. Fosizr |  |
| Thomas Beyas | 3 | Wicliam Poston | $\cdots{ }^{7}$ |
| Joun J. Wbeb | ... 4 | Robert Summers | ...Tensr |

## * First peal.

SOETHOFER, LEWES.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sudurday, Junkay 5, 1929, in Thres Howrs and Fow Minutes, At ine Church of St. John-the-Baptist,
a PEAL BF ©OUyLE MORWICH COURT BOE WAJOR, 6024 GMANEEA,
Tenor $17 \mathrm{cwt} .1 \mathrm{gr}, 20 \mathrm{lb}$.
Robert J. Dawz ... ...Tyeble Kignatith Patienden... ... 5
Frederick N. Smeaton ... 2 Frank Bennett ... ... ...
-Alerbd H. Drew ... ... 3 Charles W. Player... ... 7 Alered C. Pankherst ... 4
Composed by F. A. Hozden. Harty Parkes .... ... ....Tens Conducted by Frank Bexnett.

* First peal in the method.


## A BIRTHDAY COMPLIMENT.

On Sunday, January 6th, 720 Bob Minor was rung on handbells st Aylsham, Norfolk, by: W. Rought 1-2, A. Rought (conductor) 3-4, J. Moy 5-6. Fung in honour of the 66th birthday of Mr. A. J. Neale, a well-known Lontlon ringer, wlo is a native of Aylsham.

[^3]
## SIX AND FIVE bell peals.

BIDDENHAM, BEDFORDSHIRE. THE BEDFORDSHIFE ASSOOLATHON.
On Saturday, December 22, 1928, in Two Hows $s$ and Fifty Minwths, At the Church of St. James,

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

Being 720 of Kingston, London Seholars' Pleasure, College Exercisic
Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob.
Joan Potier ... ... ...Trible William Stack ... ... ... 4
Miss Evelva Steel ... Charles W. Clark ... ... 3 Herbbrt Harlow .... ...Temoy

Couducted by Pearl Inskip.

## WELLINGTON, HEREFORDSHIRE.

On Salurday, December 22, 1928, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Margaret,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 22 six-scares and ten Spliced $240^{\prime}$ s.
Tenor In ; ext.

- Norman G. Salman ... ...Tyeble $\ddagger$ tAlfred E. Parker

George J. Price ... ... 2 James P. Hyett
†George A. Cousins ... .... 3 "Thomas G. Stores ... ....
Conducted by J. P. Hyett.

* First peal. $\dagger$ Re-elected a member pravious to starting the peâl. $\ddagger$ First peal inside. Rung for the Christmas festival.


## BLACKWELL.

EAST DEREYBHTRE AND NOTTTNGHAMSHIRE ASSOCLATION.
On Monday, December 24, 1923, in Twa Hoars and Forty-Two Minutes, Atthe Churgh of St. Werborgh,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 480 St. Simon's, 2,160 Guradsire, 2,400 Plain Bob. Tenor 9i: un 1. Arthor Smitason ... ...Treble | Eunest Mallendir... ... 3
Bernard Balley ... .... ${ }^{2}$-Frkd Clarte Fred W. Knowles ... ...Teror Conducted by $E$. W, Knowles.

* First peal of Doubles.


## ALBRIGHTON, SHROPSHIRE.

SOGIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFTORI
On Welucsday, Deconker 20, 1928, in Two Hours and Forty. Eight Minutes At fag Churce of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, n040 CHANGES; Forty-two six-scores, ten differcht cullings. Trenor 12 cwt . (approx. Herbert T. Piper ... ...Trbbe | Jack Wm. Taylor Thomas E. Taylor.. .1 Kenneth C. Taylor ... ... 3 Albert Addison... .... ...Temoy Conducted hy F. Bectherion.
Rung for the Christmas festival.

## DENVER, NORFOLK.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, Decenber 25, 1928, in Ttoo Houys and Forty-Si, Minuths,
At the Chorch oe St. Mary
A PEAL OF BOB MiNOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven extents, each called differenty. Tenor $7 \frac{1}{c} \mathrm{cwt}$, iv \& fat.
Rey. B. Tyrweitt Drake Tyebla Charles Neivman
Alergo E. Bacon ... ... 2 Lee Fratherby ..
Grabam Spratt ...
Conducted by E. Barker.
BUCRLAND, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Weintsday, Decmber 30, 1928, in Two Hous sand Twenty-Two Mhutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINOR, EO4D CHANGES;
Being four 720's of Oyford Siugle Bob and three of Plain Bulb, each 720 erlled differently.


Conducted by Hogr R. Teorpe.

SBENFIELD, EGSEX. THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, Dermder 29, 1928, in T to Hows and Forty Mhutes, At ifg Church op St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF BDB MINOR, $\overline{0} 49$ CHANGES;
Seron 720's
William H. Pooeg
Joun R. Harbidge
Fredratek J. Woods


Conducted by H. Torner.
*First peal of Minor inside. Rung for the wedding of Mr. John C. Furlong, one of the loeal ringers, and Miss V. K. F. Leggett. BOURNE, JINCOLNSHIRE.

## THE LINCOLN DIOGESAN GULLD.

(Southern Branch.)
On Saturday. December 29, 1928, in Thyee Hoursand Ten Minutes.
At ine Cherch of SS. Pbtert and Padl,
A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of the following methots, viz., Munden, Chester, Canterbury, Neworsile, Tpswiels, Cambridge, sna Loodon.

Tenor 15 owl. $\pm$ gr. 4 It
Frbdertek W. Ferich ...Tyedia Jamis Osborn ... ... ... 4
"Arthur h. Palmer ......$z^{2}$ Albert S. Allen ...... John W. Lake

Conducted by John W. Lake.

* First peal of Surprise Minor BRETTORTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.
On Sahurday, Decender 29, 1928, in Tto Hours and Forty-Six Minutes, At the Chores of St. Leomard.
A PEAL OF TRE日LE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES; Being four 7e0'a of Kent ant three 720's of Oxford. Tenor IIt cwt. Philltp Hall ... ... ... Trable Raymond Jblfs... ... ... 4 John C. Permins...

50tle peal. All beloue to the local hand.


## STAUNTON-ON-WTE, FFREFORDSHIRE.

 THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GOHD.On Surdidy. December 30, 192s, in Thyee Houys and Three Minutes, At the Cherch of Sr. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Heing 22 six-scores ant ten Spliced 240's.
Tenor 13 crit.

- Civen Davies
... ...Treble Jambs Randle ..
 Conducted by G. J. R. F'rice.
First peal. First peal inside. BALCOMPE, SUSSEX. TEE SUSSEX GOUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Monday. Detember 31. 1925, ia Treo Hours and Forry-Fied Minutes, At ine Chorci of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 6040 CHANGES; Being seven extents of Plain Bofz

Albert C. Y. Gasson ... 3 Alerat E.T. Gasson
Conducled by A. E.T. Gasson.
- Firat pead nud firbl altenpti.

SUTVON-OA-TRENJT, NOTTS.
THE NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.
On Monldy, Decendys 31, 192s, in Three Hours and Two Minules, At the Chirch of All Salints,
A PEAL OF HINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being one extent of Ficmi I'reble liotw, bwo each of Woodbizo and Oxiucd, and two of Plniu Boh.

- Natifaniel Morcon... ...Trebie|

Tom Bartaolonew ... .... 2
$\dagger$ Miss Gracr Burghnall... 3
Conducted by' Lronard Fierepont.
Dirat puai in more than one methedi. + First neal of Minore Firsi peal hs conductor, and also first peal in more than one method ou the bells. All of the ahove are Sumday service ringers, nat the on the bells. All of the ahove are Sunday service
chaplers ware holf-muffed to ring out the old rent.

## STAPLFFORD, GAMBS.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
Ca Monday, Decembet 31, 1928, in Tuvo Hows and Forty-Five Mintes,
At the Chorch of Si. Andrew.
A PEAL OF WELLS SURPRIRE MINOR, 6040 Chantes;
Being seven 720's.
Tenor 7 owt. in A fat.
Charles Jennings ...
Miss Kitiv Wielers

| $\begin{aligned} & \text {...T, obie } \\ & \cdots \\ & \cdots \\ & \cdots \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: |
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- Joen wi. Whilirs ... 2 Edward h. Finch ... ... 5

Conducted by Albert E. Austin.

* First peal in the method. Rung with balf-mulled clappors for the passing of 1928.


## BISHOP'S HUTL, SOMERSET

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, December 31, 1928. in Twe Fours and Fiffy-Five Minktes,
At tee Parise Ceurge,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, s040 CHANGES;
Being three 720's of Oxford and four of Kent, cacli colled differenthy. T'enor 13 cw t .

- Frank Cavill ......$\quad$...Tyeble $\mid$ •Harry Focock ......
 Conducted by W. Underhill.
* First peal of Treble Bob. First peal as condnctor.


## handbell PEals.

HINTON-ON-THE GREEN, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTETSHIRE AND DISTRIOTS ASSOCIATION. (Sodthern Brance.)
On Weducsday, Dectubre 19, 1928. in Tyo Hows and Tevaty-Five Minutes
Aitue Residence of Mr. F. J. Johnson.

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 GHANGES;

Tenar size 17 in $A$.
-Miss Nelly johnson - ... i-2 -Josera D. Johnsoni... ... . 5-6
James Hemming... .....$\quad 34$ | Frederick J. Johnson...$\quad$ 7-8.
Composed by jobn Carter. Conducled by Joserf D. Johnson.

* 50th peal logether by brothor and sister, nind conntuctor's looth penl. Rung after meeting slort, owing to illuess, for Spliced
Royal.


## EATANG, MLDDLESES.

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { THE MDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON } \\
& \text { DIOCESAN GUTLD. } \\
& \text { On Thusday, Decemder 2U, 192s, in Two Herrs, } \\
& \text { AT 52, Lamas PABK ROAD, } \\
& \text { A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES; }
\end{aligned}
$$

Being one 720 each of College, Cantorbury Pleasure, Reverse Rob, Si Clement's Bol, Fulberle Bol, Doublo Thob and Plain Bob.

Wilfren G. Wilson ...
Conducted by Wilpred G. Wilson.
First peal in seven methous ty all the hand. Tipsi handuell pea in seyen methods for the assaciation. lirist peal in hand as conductor.

## ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTEEN 720's.

During 1928. at St. Marys, Fryerning, Esses, oue hundred and sixteen $720^{\prime} s$ wero rung, chiefly for serwees, under conductorsip of A. Bradley: Surpise methoils: Londan 5 , Weils 4 , Southwell 4. York 8, Ipswich 8. Norwieh 6, Cumbridge B, Beverley 3, Carlisle 2. Annable's Lontion 1 ; total 47 . Trehle Boh methods: Woodbine 9 . Oxford 7. Kent 7, Duke of York 2. New London J'leasure 9. Londow Scholars' Pleasure 2, Kingsion 2, College Exercise 2: total 40. Plain methods: Double Court 5 , Double Oxfard 3. Plaju Bob, 4, Et Clement's 2, College Singte 2, Bouble: Bob 2, Cauterbury Pleastre 2, Grandsire Doubles 7 Bols Dousles 2 ; total 20 .
The ringers weye f: Wright, I. Camp, G.. Camp, C. Haryington, H. Wright, E. Sitch, and A. Bradley (oonducton).

BOURTON-ON-THE-WATER, GLOS.-At the Churgh of St. Law rence, on Boly Innoceats Das, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples ( 1,260 clisnges), with the trells hislf-mpifled: Mrs. F. A. Clements I, T. Banning 2, W. A. Wright 3, C. Pratley 4, F. A. Clements 5, $\mathbf{H}^{\prime}$ Gillett E, B. T. Phillips (conductor) 7, G. Simmonds 8 .

## SALTSBUAX DIOCESAN GUTLD. <br> DEVIZES BRANCE'S SUCCESSFUL FEAR

The anmal meeting of the Devizes Brancla was hald al Devizes on Siturday, fanuary 5th, a large nuaber of members and friends being present. The towers of St, John's (eight bells), St. Mary's (six bells), and St. James', Snuthbroom (six bells), were all available for ringing, which commenced about 3 p.m. At 4.30 p.m. sul internesting peremony took phace in the ringing chimber of St. Johus, whon two pea! boards, one reconding a peal of Grandsire Triples, the rother a pat of Cambridge Surprise Major, rung there, were unfaled hy the chanman of the branch (Mr. C. D. Heginbothom), anil dediented by Hie Rector (the Rev. A. H. 'I'. Glarke).

The Guild service followed, conducted by the Rector, who gave a short address Mr. H. H. Baker being the arganist. A werse of the Fational Anthen was surg as a prayer for H.M. the Kigg's lestoratian to wentll.

Teaf followed in the Parish Room, to which 71 sat down. Afterwards, the chairman (Mr. C. D. Feginbothan) prosided at the business meeting, and welcomed the risitors. In his resunte of the work of the brameh during the past year, he congratulated those nnembers Who had rung peals in the adranced methods. He also stuted that the whole of tha money bat been collecter far the restoration of the bells at All Caunings. Ho also thanked the captains of bands belonging to the branch, and the offeers, for their suppore during the pasi yesr.

The Secrebry (Mi'. Wreen) presented the balance sheet for the past year', which showed a balance in band and an increase in members. -Ihe usuel honorarium was voted to the secretary.
Apologies for absence were received from Mr. H. Browule West, of Devizes, Mr. J. T. Dyke, the respected secretary of the Bath aud Welks Associntion, and Mr. J. Stafiord, Bradford-on-Avon.
The whole of tha officors of the brancli were re-elected, and 25 new mealbers were elected.
The usual votes of thanks were passed fo the Rector for the use of the bells, and conducting the service, to the organist and to those who prepared the tea. The Rector replied in a humorous speech.

Tingers, including the Vienw of Bishop 's Cannings the Rev. S. E. R. Sharpe), were prosent from Devizes (St. Joln's and St. Mary's), St. James', Southbroom, Bishop's Cannings, All Cannings, Chippenham, Bratton, Bromham, Rowde, Holt, Warminster, Swindon, Wootton Bassett, Market Lavington, Trowhidge, Melksham. Guand(Continued in next column.)

## THE BATES APPEAL FUND.

We are glad io record this week lhat the fuad for the assistame of Mrs. Hates (the widow of Mr. E. Betes, of Dartford) and ther family bas reached f50. This prachical stmpathy, which has been showiz by the Jxercise at a monient of tragic bereavement and financial warry, has done much to lighten tho burden in a home suddenly robbed of the breadwinner. As if is now desired to close the fund, any further contrifulions should be senf withont delay to Mr. T. Groombridge, jun., 127, Grayford Way, Orayford, Kenl.
f s. d.
Amount previously arknowtedged fi. .i. ... ... 4433
Farninghan ringer (per Mi. Jesse Couclunan …
Ji. Mary Abbott's, Kensington (per Mr. W. F. F $\quad$.
St. Luke's, Bristol (per Mr. Uriali W' Braver) … 100
Canon Thompson and the ringers al Hayes, Eent (per Mr. O. Githey)

110
Bromsgrove Parish Charch Gixild (per Mr. Farola J. Martin

St. Mary Magdalene's, Woolwich (per Ma. Cyril E. Palmer)
St. Peter's, Wolverhampton (per Mr. E. F. Mitcholl) Mr. and Mrs. R. Paine
X. $\mathbf{Y}$. $Z$.

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Ars. F. M. Mitcheil
A few at Milton-hext-Gravesend
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Total
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(Continued from previous columa.)
sire aud Stednun Triples, Bob Major, Double Narwich, Superlative, Kent Trehle Bok Major, ard the usual six-bell methods, wera rung during the afternoon and evening.
The following places were selented for the next threo meetings, if tho bells are availabie, viz., Potherue, Halt And Westburs.
A word of praise is due to those who mañe the arrangements for what proved to be an excellent meeting, the utmost harmony preyailing throwghont: The secretary (Mr. Fi. Green), for the work he put in; and Mr. S. Hillier, the senior Ringing Master, for hig excellent arrangements for all to have a pull, nad whou everyone present was pleased to see again affor his receme nocident: and to the sfeeplekeepers for having everything rendy.

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BELL ROPES, MUFFLES \&c.

Another ringer with a long conntetion with the Sussex County Association passed away last weck in ile person of Mr , loseply Sharp. He was associnted with various towers in Pastbunus, ond had rendered valuable aid to the art in that part of the munty
The very fine half-muftied 囊eal of Stedman Caters which was rung at Wrington, Somerset, on August 11h, 1927, in memary of libe laie Mr. Pryce Taylor, of Loughborongh, and Wir. E. D. Marshall, of Wrington, has been permanently recorded is the fower by the erection of a handsome tablet presented by Mr. B. Denisan ataylor. The fiblet is the work of Mr. G. H. Webb, of Groft, Leicester.

Among ancient ringing societies was one at Redenliall, Nortulk, which was established in 1736 . It is on record that on January 13 th , 1838, Sanuel Thurshon conciucter a peal of 5,280 Oxforn Treble Boh at the chucely to celebrate the loend ammersary of the Ancient Ringing Sociely.'

Thirty years ago mext Monday the first peal of London Surprise Major in the City of London was rung by the St. Reter's Society, Brighton.

On January 14th, 1818, died James Barham, of Leers, Kent, at the age of 93 years. 'From the gear 1744 to the year 1804 he rang in Keat and elsewhere 112 penls, not less than 5,040 changes in nacfit peal, and called bobs and singles for most of the peals, and on April 7th and 8th, 1761, assisted in ringing 40,320 Bob Majar on lueads Bells in 27 hours.
The Ancient Society of College Foulins rang the first poal ol: Double Bob Major on January 14th, 1726, at Si. Dunslan's Church, Flect Strect.

A compleat peal of Plain Bob Tripples, the first true peal oll fire thousand that ever was rung berc, was rung at St. John's, Crovilon, on Jenuary 17th, 1735.
On Januery 18th, 1844, 7,125 Stedman Cinques was rung it St. Peter Mancroft, Norwich.

## THE FIRSI PERFORMANCES OF HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

## THE NORWICH RECORDS.

In onf jusue of December 2lat it was stated that the first recorled performance of Holt's Origmal, in which the conductor rang the of the bells, was at Safron Walden on Christmas Day, 1753. Lask week Mr. 'J. E, SIater's correction of this was marle. 'Thue penl hat been rung twice before under tha same conditious at Norwich. MrG. H. Cross now sends extracts from the 'Norwich Mercury " of tho bime, and suggests that the reonds at Safion Walden aul Si. ©iles; in-the-Fields, and in the 'History of the Ancient Society of College Youtlis, should be corrected.
The following is takey from the record now in St. Peter Mancto leeffry, as copied from the "Norwich Mercury' by Mr. Philip Sadler, is Norwich:-

ST. MICHAEL'S COSLANY, NORWICH,
On Saturday, August 22 nd , 1752 , was vung at St. Miehald's Coslany a compleat 5,040 of Mr . Folt's Tripples in tluee lyatrs, without changes alike, or a bell ont of aourse, it being the lisst time ever performed by eight men ouly, so intricale it wats fhought no man could ring a hell and cail the bobs. fo las buent rung in London and at Stoultam Aspall with prompts, but was rung by these men without a prompt.
The following is from the record now in St. Peler Mancrofl beliry, he capied from the 'Norwich Mereury' by Mr. Philip Satler, of Norwicl: :

S', GILFB' NORWICE
On Sunday, Ontober 22nd, 1752 , was נוng at St. Giles in ye City of Nowwich, 5,040 Grandsire Tripples, with only wo dombies and no atterations. this true peal has leen very lately found out hy Mr. John Holt, of London, The bolss were ealled by Willian Dixon, the peal being so intricate the London Beliyingers thought it impracticable for a tuan to ring one of the bels aud call the bobs at the same time. The peal was compleatly rung in three hours and sik minutes by the following persons: William Dixon trehie, John Gardiner 2, Thomas Hart $3^{\prime}$ Charles Jarvis 4, Samuel Shelver 5, Rabert Dyke 6, Charles Horth 7, Fred Whitfeld tenor.

## DEATH OF CHELMSFORDS SUBODEAN

The Frsex Association has lost an old and valued fricnd in chatur H. A. Lake, Sub-Dean of Chemsford Gathedral since 1924, tud Rector of Chemaford for 34 years. He pessed rway on Monday at the age of 81 years, as a result of an attack of pneumonia.

Canon Lake had always been decply interested in the Esfox A Esociation. He was usually present at the annual meeting, and last year at Chelmsford recalled his experiences at the coming-of-nge of the association, and said he was looking forward to the jubilee celebration mext Whitsun.
'Fhe deceased cleric, when at Cambridge University, was it prominent rumner, and had always been a great supporter of Essex and mmatear sport.

By a coincidence a report will be found in another column of a peal rung at Braintree on December 29th in homour of Ganon Jalke's birthday.

## PEALS OF MINOR AND DQUBLES

## To the Editor.

Siry-It is well known to us alt: that it is mo unusual thing for Parliament to mass an Act and for the Courts to decide subsequently that the worting is such that the thing actually done is the direct opposite of the intention of the Legislature. After fre interesting anit valuable correspondme in your columas it can be anater of little surprise Ilat the Centual Council, Iate on in the afternoon after a long session, shonid have fallen into a trap of this kind.

By this thre we must be all agreal that it is 110 oasy matter to ael down on paper the conditions that we feel should goverv these perls. Either we lint ourselves bauniag some that ought to be accepted, or allowing what might with ativantage be rejected.

We are all agreed that Mr. Bunkes Tanes ammogement is un adyance on what has gone before, and must on 110 accomit be banned. Most of as at this date camot acecpt lis 720'm as true and complete. It follows (does it nof?) that sone modifieation is essential in the Hereford resolutious.

Apparently we all are agreed that the aceptance of this arrangement of $720{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{s}$ involves the acceplance of Mr. Fitman's $20^{\circ}$ 's. And $I$ will go further. Yon eannot logically allow thesa without accepting Mr. Torris' trs well. 'The fluee stand or fall logether.
Fersonally, think that a mistake was mate in compressing the conditions for a peal of binor (or Doublest into a single resolation. At the presetn that, when spliwing amilue like is much to the Eore, a "portmantean" resaluiton is likely to have the effect of crabing waluahle advance. 1 would venture to suggest that we put our heails together and by to rlaw un a series of mdividual conditions which will carrg hs sone way on the rond we wish to travel, and which can he added to suluseguently as aeeds arise.
With this view I renture to pul forwart the following for writicism, amendment and addition:-

## CONDITIONS FOR FIEALS.

(1) Compositions of \$inor must he in 720's and mot in sumaller touches. Composilians of Donbles must be iu $120: \mathrm{s}$ and not in smaller toudles, 'These 720 's and 120 's are to be true in themselves.
(2) In a peal of $\mathbf{i f}$ inor no wo $720^{\circ}$ s nay be alike in bouth ealling and melhod. In a peal of Doultes $120^{\circ}$ s in rount hlocks wifl be recognised with inevitahte repetition of calling, fut there must be as much ravietr as the woture of the method, or methods, adrmits with the ise of the winaty ealls employod th the method, or methods.
The wording of this resolution will need enveful consideration. It is of the utmost importane that $n$ peal af Girandsire Donbles shonld consigt of at lease 10 differeuthy called six-scores, and one of Bobs Minor of seven different $720^{\circ} \mathrm{s}$. Ai the same thme it is not easy to provide for this without excluding what we onglit to allow.
(3) At the end of cach round block, whelier this consist of 720 changes af Minor or 120 changes of Donbles (or groups of 720 's or $\left.120{ }^{1} \mathrm{~s}\right)$, the hells shiall immediately go ofl inta the next bloek.
(Theds is intended to provide that at fre end of a six-score (say) rounds is only to be struck once.)
There may be other points which it, wonld be well to inelude, hat: Ifeal sure that the acceptance of these three conditions in some form or other wotad go at long way bowards shandardising five and six loell poals in the way we all desite to do, white hee respeetive merits of Messres. Pitman's and Morris arrangements wan best be fett to the practical commonsense of the Exercise. If they are worlin preserving they wild continue to be fung (Central Council tesolulions or not. If mot, they will maturally disappear-Yours, ete,

## PROGRISSE UR DETFNFIRACY?

Sils, Ilve time is ripe for some plain speaking, mad I think that most ringers who value the prestige of cur Ari will eudorse and support your editolial attiande.
Wila any unbinsed person state what progress is made thy the latest "jiggery-pokery of the live am six-boll merchatis? in atcompt is hemg mate to prove that nothing matters so long as it comes right at the end. The abation put chat by Mr. L. MForris suppositi to the a peal of Grandsire Doubles, juas four leads missing$3542,1235,3524,3435$ - the bells run round at the $39 t h$ change, and the rest are false. Ot what lusis does any same person-and I inchade especially Ar. J. A. Trollope-sugest that such pifte should e mecepted as a peal '?
If lamguaye means anything, a pual on live hoils is 120 tane changes (NOT 240) from roumds to rounds. On seven bells a peal is 5,040 (not 10,080 ), antif if the Central Council has at nay time sanctioned anything different, it has boen done by the casnistry of a few, who scen to annually hoodwink botlo members and chajrman.

Many lirst-closs performances on higliee mumbers of bells have been condemmer, and righEly so, because of the repetition of al ingle chansu, yet ou five hells wholesale falseness is permitted, solely for the gluvifuation of the bob caller, far it is nothing extra to the ringer. It is almost unthinkable that after 300 years of progrossive clange ringing men of intellect can he found to provide a 'reasun' (?) fol such retrogression.
Undar it, anyilling can he Eoisted on lhe Exercise as a 'preal.' Under it, a Bolb-and-Swinde "peal is assured before it begins. Weal bave seen enolyrl of that in years past, and wo ought to sec that
listory bloes not repant iiself. Wheres falsencsis does not manter, what else can ho hamed? Every eonduchol of experience that burely see what a gateway it opens to frad. If the ohject in view is to exercise the ininds of the wingers, then Grandsire Doubles, howerer manipulated, will not do mach. Thare are more methods how iu existence than will ever be rung. There is more braiawork ju it scven-method peal than in one method, no matter what ealling is used. Since il las been atated in your columas that the Central Courcil endorses these monstrosities, I leg to ask Mr, Alex Vunng the secretany, to tell us from his minute book when mud where such thesolution whis passed.
W. WILTsON.

## MORRIS' ARRANGEMENT OF JOUELES.

Dear Sir,-1 note with pleastur gou brief rejoinder to my leter this week, in whicif you submith to such expressions at, "In ond opinion.' It would he as well oo paint out that inis shyle of langrage should lave dominated your recent beadors and references 10 tho subject, in wiew of your complete falure to ventilate partialy tho outstanding facts and features of the two amangements of likned sire Doubles in question
As I bave aiready proved, loblt ate truc and momplete in thentselves, inasmuch that hotli contain in their respective 240 s anh of
the possibla 120 changes twice, and are bherefore, as quofed hy Trollope, legitimate aud allowalsle.

1 therefore objeet to such expressions as "false' being ntuributeri, as they are certainly both misuppropriate and misrepresenting.

LESLIE W. G. MOREIS,

## Leeds, Yorksine.

[7he "outstandigg fact and feabure of Mr. Mornis" arrangenment
s Wat it does hot comply with the resolution passed at the maeling the Central Council at Fereford, which says, That peals if Doubles consist of at least 42 ture and conplete $1200^{\circ}$ s rung withoun iuterval and wilhout rounds or any other row being meluded or rung more han once in any $120 . .$. (The emphasis is ours.) If we have failed to "ventilate" this, even 'parlially,' we are sonys, but we had nof preriously zealised that we had not made it plair. On the contrary, wg thought we had put it quite clearly, so Liat uven
the meanest intelligrace cond understand wat we meani. Hiowever much Mr. Morris may objech that the expressiont "false" is 'misappropriate and miscepresenting,' it does not altor the fact that, in his "arrangement," rourds ar" wher rows are inchuted ard rang • more that whe in any 120. the repetilion of rows exthindes plete. And if it isn't Lree, what is it?-lid. 120 is Lruc and wom-

## SPLICED EXTTNTS

Sir,-Tite reforence in yoni comespoudence to tho 「act thal Ritnar and Bankes 'Tanes' paals are uphold by the Conncil slould he amanliined by pointing out that spliced 240's, ele., are afso uphuld-e,g i2345


2345-2A
It was onk accomat af an assumane from the geconder of the mumbinh (Rev. F. Law James at Hereford that itl these were includen in
the defnition, that I did not procend with the atnendmenl that the defmition, that I ditl not proceed witls the amemedment that
land intended to propese.- Yorns iruly,
E. M. ATKINS.

## A QUESTION OF DEGRFL

Deaz Sin:-My obect in referring to Triples was to point ral alan repetitions are not there allowed. The reason, of course, in flat Triples are always rung in an eight-heln tower, ant if along peai In order Lo gel 5,040 in lesser numbers, gad
In order lo gel 5,040 in lesser numbers, such license as repetitions is allowed. It is therrfore only a question of dagree, whether that icenso now asked for shond ha allowed.
The diseussion is hoth futeresting and instumblive, and it is ?
it did not take place liefore the last Council moting. I foar revy fow of us grasped the point at issue, man if the Conacil does lweonsider the nuther it need not loo faken as a precederat.
I am afrate T am not worvied lyy the bought of the whin af any composer who happens gpont sotric freak ramposition.' I shomill lae only too glarl to see it, am! then that Conncil condel adjudicane ont its merils.

## AN ABRIDGED SYSTEM OF PROOF <br> \section*{BY "MINORMANIA.}

The following is the third portion of a short treatise on Method Proving, a subject thoroughly understood at present by comparatively few. A close study of these articlas should help many more ringers to an undorstanding of this advanced side of the science.]
Cinilier fin this article we considered fotr false Leats obtained in It onthoriox wry, from rows 9.22 athd rowe I1-24, wiz. : (1) 18427365, (2) 14638752 , ( 3 ) 16724385 , mad (4) 14658237 . Wa fonnd that $1-2$ and
 blaterl that $1-3$ and $2-4$ also are related in a similar way by the posibicus o octupiad linereita by the Jead-end. I slould like briwty to expiatu what was meant.
e:futle, His "proving valuo' is a double transposition, allotigh Ihis is not apparent because the numbers aner prositions (at courds) hanjuw to colncide; but, reading the bells one above another in the 1 wro rown, visis fa bow it appoars on maper: -
II thi F'H 1) 18427365 he related ta the HF 1234567 , 'Whats the HIF 12345678 is related to the PV 14638752 (FIF No. 2), nat aimilarly witl tho false heads $3-4$. Finlse leads $1-3$ rath $2-4$ at


Tin return to our rows $5-26$ mud $7-28$, a similar y'elacionstrip exists Intwant the Ealso hemds obtainablo fron these fotll rows, ank there should the a rlirect way of finding the formation of the course ents
 It cermbinations withoul recourse to rows $7-28$, hat it seens 1hat hhere rows will have to bo trealed in thes same mumer as rows $5-26$, jusader to aseertain the formation of the contse dul rows. This shalthes the productiaz of the combinations by that alteration the
 IWhi-whi at all. The later has, however, served to illustirate the pitint. Hac otse pair of rows will detornizse whether the lout rows hasty at elvath proof scale, or not.
homache dealt with rows of like nature herein, lecentse they lemd
 fis, wishes to avoid regomes to tho upward treatmente of rows $5-26$ thil to bnll treatments al yows $7-28$, in sitarela ol the false collws Encts.
Itidre totuchatg upon the altornative syatem, we can summanise Win lits gonc:
Whe take, from at symmetrical section, two rows of like nature
with the trevo in the odd place, and apply thoks y-z downwhils. If there is so combintion tho matter resls flete-Lhe whole sidtuls is cleas, cutime are one or more combinations from fhis downward appli"nwnit treutmeat will hring reversed combinations in vertain false en ursts, whieh molnably will be identienal.

I then be necossary to cleal with the athen two rows of like Which hase the lreblo in the 'add' place, in Ireevisely the

If lime acotion is asymmetrical, repeat the ahowe fur the rows with lin trehle in the "uven phace. it may happers, in stat at sechion,


## THD ALTERNATEVE SYSTEM

 I"rut iore' because, in 90 per cuat. of the sections, these raws will
 "twh pronf sealo. If Operadinn if revenls contrinations in he pain wit mpposit, mature rows, the other two rows in the lower hatf of the ead will bave to be produced, by transposition from the lead-enad at rinmat mats therefrom; mimss, of cousse, the reader fiscovers the malip existing hebwect the false gurge entis from lowr rows. In his event the altermative system will he tumy 'Jali-lond pras
Upurntion H, here, will not he fuite so apparent as itt the other hus the rematinder is mare simpie tumd just as effective, I slatil deal
 In ythumbical sections, it heing yadarsfood that an asymmetricail 5 selimin whi exuctly double the werk. The same section is dealt with as- hat in the fill-icad practice, viz., that whell covers tows $5-26$ MrLilitrion Tr-Collate two jows of opposife matures, ant apply What Y-Z fol coursing paits in posifional paipz as before, hur witil han difherene: 'line posithmyl paire will he represented hy the leadancl numbers which replace them, the coursiug pairs will he as usual,



The following table, which is standard, is useful for Operation 13 . It iudicates the pairs which any lead-end will sutablitute for the positional pairs of Blocks Y-Z.

> The substituted pairs will be:Block Y. Y .

| If the lead-end of a method be: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 2/3 | $3 / 5$ | $5 / 7$ | 710 | $2 i 4$ | 4/追 | 618 |
|  | 12436587 | 2/4 | 4/6 | 618 | 817 | 213 | 3/5 | 517 |
|  | 13254768 | 3/2 | 2/4 | 4/6 | $6 / 8$ | 3/5 | 517 | $7 / 8$ |
|  | 14628375 | $4 / 61$ | 618 | $8 / 7$ | 715 | $4 / 2$ | $2 / 3$ | $3 / 5$ |
|  | 15372846 | $5 / 3$ | 312 | 214 | $4 / 6$ | 517 | 718 | 8/6 |
|  | 16847253 | $6 / 8$ | 817 | $7 / 5$ | 513 | 614 | 412 | 2/3 |
|  | 17583624 | 7/5 | $5 / 3$ | $3 / 2$ | $2 / 4$ | 718 | 816 | 614 |
|  | 18765432 | 8/7 | $7 / 5$ | $5 / 3$ | $3 / 2$ | 816 | 614 | $4 / 2$ |

## Mlee procedure is thits:-

 Rows. 5. - 2.5.1.7.8.3.6.4. positional pairs of Block $\mathbf{Y}$; 4nd $4 / 2$, $2 / 3$, 7. + 5.2.1.7.8.3.6.4. 3/5 for Block $Z$. Observe these pairs in row 5 , and wuder them, in row 7, seateh for any proper coursing pair belonging to the block. Thus: $4 / 6$ in $10 w 5$ lave 46 under, which are the wrong way for Block $Y$; similarly wilh $6 / 8$ and $8 / 7$. The $7 / 5$ bave 72 under, the $4 / 2$ hare 45 wuder, fand these are not coursing pairs. But $2 / 3$ in row 5 have 53 under, and $3 / 5$ have 32 minder, both coursing pairs beity the correct way for Block Z. Here, then, we lave two combinations, $53 \mathrm{jn} 8 / 3$ and 32 in $3 / 5$; but $2 / 3$ and $3 / 5$ are the lead-ond symbels which are replacing the proper positional pairs of $4 / 6$ and $6 / 8$ respectively. Thus tho proper combinations ato 35 in $4 / 6$ and 23 in $6 / 8$, from the downward breatment of these two rows.Now exactly repeat this for the upward treatment. [Tlie reverga] of the cambiuations clocs not apply lere, beceuse we are dealing With at cross' collation; it comes haiber, as will the shown.) This produces two cormbinutions which happen to be identical with the dirat two, viz. : 35 in $4 / 6$ and 23 in 6/8. Iucidentally, these two treatments (downward and upward) are very easily done together. After In time it beemes natural to search both rows all ones, for holly positional and conrsing pairs. For insfance, we can look for 4 /6 ins row 5 and abserve 46 felow, and, vice versa, 4 ! below and cibservo 46 nbove; and so on.
We can ignore, for the moment, the four conthinations whiwh should come from the other pair of rows (wiz. 26-28), and cau trace the formalion of the false course ends.
(To be concluded.)

## FUNERAL OF MR. H. H. CHANDLER

Plıe funeral of Mr. H. H. Glandler, of Eillingelon, whoso doath was reported in our last issuc, took place on Thurshay, Jamuar 3 ha, Che interacent took pluce at Hillingalon Cemetory, the Fiens of IIIlInglon (Rer, IN. J. Kitext) officiang.
As the corterge passed througla the village, the frells of St. Joun's were rung fully fublfled to touches of Grandsire Gaters. The ringers were: Mrs. F. W. Goodfellow 1, F. W. Goodfellow 2, A. If. G. I'winn 3, F. Corke 4, J. J. Pratt 5, F. G. Baldwin 6, J. H. Luaas 7, A. H. Fiulvell 8 , W. Honol. 9, F. Smith 10 . Amonf the large company present at the graveside were ringers from Hillingdon, lrxbridge and Ealing. Tha ringers from the lwo former plues also sent wreatho

At the conclusion of the burial service four rivgers, once at each corner of the grave, fang, as a last farewell, a course of Grintsire Triples on handbells: F. G. Balrtwin 1-2, A. H. Fulwell 3-7, F. W. Goodfellow 5-6, F. Corta 7-8. And so he was left within sount of the bells he loved so well. R.I.]?

## WARNHAM RINGERS' LAST TRIBUTE

Tlye Wambam (Sussex) band mel wn Thursday, Jamary Jrd, to pay their tribute of respeci to their old friend and erstwhile conductor, Mr. H. F. Chandler. Touches of Grandsive and Oxford labo Triples were brouglat round, and also a touch of Canterlury Major, its which method Mr. Cbandler, called the first peal and alsa lie greatest lengils. The ringers taking part were J. Stanforci, 'J!. Branch, J. Cook, P. Charman, W. Hooker, J. Bmacl, Hi. Pettifier,

Charmen and Wal Charman.

## OLD COLLEGE YOUTH'S DEATH.

The death of Mr. Thomas Coxhead occurred reecotly in Fonk Street, Lambeti, at the gge of 72 years. He was borm at ia village nene Aldbourne, Wilts, and his knowledge of hosses secured him employment with the Jondon and South Western Raisay Company. For over 44 years he was a horsebeper at the Nine Elms Depot. Six years ago he retired on a pension of 17 s . a week, but when he reached 70 years of age filae company yeduced it to 7 s ., as he was then entilled to the old age pension
Deceaserl was al one time a regular ringer at St. Sarionr's, Soathwark, with the local band, but when the bells were relutug alterations were made, and tho ringers dishanded, members of the choin being instructed to ring in their places. The late Mr. Coxhead rang mauy of tho tenors behind to peals ins South London aud other places, and was always rendy to oblige for a peal. Fio was nan old memher of the College Youtha, amd also a member of the St. James Society and the Waterloo Sociely.

## LIGHTING THE TOWER.

## To the Editor.

Sir, -When tha bells at St. Augustine's, Kilburn, were rehung last year we reaganised the lighting very much on the lines gel nut by your correspondent re Truro, and have found the central light over the bell frame to be of very grent convenience indeed. The flex of the contral light in the ringing chamber passes through a lole in the ceiling, and is fixed with an ordinary countarbalance weight to the roof of the intermediate chamber. This enables the height to he regulated and the lamps to be lawered to be replaced without it being meecssary to erect a seeffold.
It is intercsting to know that the two towers, which are replicas of one another and such splendid examples of Pearson architecture, are lif in the same way:-Yours, ete.,
E. M. ATKINS.

## AN IDEAL AREANGIAMENT,

Dear Sir, 1 would sugesest the followiug as being an ideal arrangement for the electric light installatian for Ufrod tower:-
I'lie ligits ins the stairease, batweer the ground level aud the fing ing chumber, should be controlled by two two-way switches, ove in The bottom and one at the door of the ringing chamber. 'this wil? conale the lights to ba switehed on at the bottow, and off at the lop, or vice versa. Tine remaining lights in the staitease ean be switched of from a switch placed just oulside the ringing chamber door.
The lights in the ringing chamber slow the controlled by a switch inside the ringing chamher, and that in the clock ronm by a switch in the clock roons, and that in the bell chamber by a switeh in the bell clammor.

These lights should be faed lights, and of sufficient watage to provide adequate illumination. It may be mecessary to have, in addition, a porlable ligit im hoth bell and clock chambers, aud for thes purpose a separate switch and plog shoutd be placed in a conrenient position in each chamber.
Regarding the lights for tho ringing chamber, if the ceiling is white in colous, a 100 watt lamp with it how! slade will probably give very saliaractory illumination, but in any case a very satisfaccory light will be obtained by using a 100 wati pearl glass light with at Holophane shade, and situated in the contre of, and close to, the eiling
As regards the installation itsolf, I do not recommend ane using lead-covered or metal sheathed cable but prefer the surface wiring syster of the Macintosll Cable Company, Lta, which does uot require any enthing or bonding, and can be installed with a traximum nertuess. - Your fatlifully.

## A STAFFORDSHIRE PEAL RESTORED.

Ithe peal of eight (teror 14 , cwt.) at St. Chad's Chureh, Patiing liam, moar Wolverhampton, liss heen recently rehugg on hall bearings and overthated by Mossis. Gillett amd , folnaston, of Croydon. The oak fume, which was lovse in its members, has been tightened, while the foundation beams have been anchored to the walls by means ol steel chandels.
The liells were rang once more fol' Christmas, sud the 'go' is all that can be desirent.

## LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION

## NOTTHERN DISIRJCT

A meeting of ihe Narthern 1 histriet of the Lomdon County Associafion was to liave taken place at St. Sepulehre's, Holborn, but owing lu the cleads of the Vicar Ibere was no riaging at this church. It wis, however, deuided to ilpply al St. Andrew's Rectory for vermission to ring on tha fine ring of eight there insteed, and although both We Reclor and his wife were atssenti, the werger was able to give the reacessary permission. On hearing the good uews, the members soon fombl fheir way futo the tower. The bells were raised at about 4 p.an, and some goan ringing followed, alhougl short tonties weve llus oprler of the ciay in order to give all present a 'pull' in the limired time at dispusul. Jlls melhods were varied, Grandsive, Stidman, Bob 相ajor, and Cambridge heiug stecessfully brouglit ronud, aut at 6 p.in. the hells were lowerct.
Fhe business meeting wis way short, the noxt meeting of Elae rislriet heirg due to take phace on Saturina, Tmauary 19ih, at All Saiuls', West Ham (see molice enttimu).
A sery hemply vole of thames was actmon to the chnueh sificials nt. St. Andrew's for the kindly way it which hithey gave permission to mag there. The attendancu numbered ubom 25 , iand would doubilogs inave keen greater if the ringing lad been at the other tower, as may wemt away from St. Sepulchen's without risiting Si dmirew ${ }^{1}$ s.
The officers of the district wish, throtght the medium of "The Kinging World,' to tender their Ferg sincare apology to all those members and others who waited ontsidn St. Supulefres, and, coneludiag that there was "nothing toing, went nwiy fizappointed, although, at the same lime, they hope finat they will lealise that the efrcumstances wera utterly unforsecer, and cond nol fiswe possibity been helped.

## RING OUT THE OLD

SOUTH WEALD, lSSEX.-On Decombor 31st, just before miã night, with the bells haif-muffled, a quarter-peal of Grandsir Douhles ( 1,260 changes) in 48 ming., with ten different callings: $F$ Everit (first quarter away from tenor) 1, J. Harridge 2, P. Woon 3, G. Miles (conductor) 4, A, Benlow 5, E, C. B. Sharplin 6. Firs quarter-peal on the bells by an entirely local band. After midnight. 360 changes by the sanse band with the bells open.
HAYES, KENT.-On Monday, December 3lst, 720 Wells Surprise Minor ; T. R. Fint 1, F. Keech 2, J. Lack 3, 0 . Gilber (conductor) 4, H. Brown 5, J. Brown 6. Firsit in the method on the bells and by all the band.

ARKSEY.On New Year's Eve, 1,344 Grandsire Mriples in 28 mins. : F. Garner I, E3. Cooper (conduclon) 2, G. Clarke 3, H. Arrani 4, Jos. McCluskey 5, Jas. MeClusiey 6, T. Bysouth 7, '1. Revild B. First quarter on an 'inside " beil by T. Bysonth, who is 74 yents of age.

SOUTHGATE.On Decembey 31st, with hells half-mufiled for Whe old year, a quarter-peal of Stedman Tripias iu 52 tains: tiilber Slatel (first quarter-peal on an inside bell) 1, J. Armgtrong (cozductor) 2, W. Pickworth 3,11 Ovington (tirst quarter-peal in tho method) 4, J. E. Miller 5, H, Miller 6, S. Wade 7, A. G. Crane 8.
SEALE, SURREY.-The bells were rung balf-muffled for a quarter of an hour before midnight on December 3lst to ring out the old year. To ring it the new year and to celebrate the frat anniversary of the formation of IIe Gruildford Diocesan Guild, it garler-pen of Minor consisting of 720 Kent Treble Boln and 540 of Bob Mino: was rung with the bells open, by: E. Gardner 1, B. Coutt (Firss imside') 2, H. Gardner 3, J. Beagley 4, O. Newman 5, E. アergley (conductor) 6 .

## BICESTER RINGERS SUPPER

The Bicester bellingers sat down to their aunual supper on New Year's Eve at the Rose aud Grown, Bicester. The Ficar presided and thare were also present Messrs. A. E. Cifton, T. Cliftou, E Hatfeld, W. Scarwott, J. Evans, B. Gox, 17. Neale, W. Farmer, ant the verger, Mr. H. J. Walker.
After eupper the loya! tonst was honomed, and the oompans spent the remainder of the evening in community siuging num touches on tho handbells until 11.39 .

An adjournment was then made to the charch tower for mafled riuging until midaight, after which the holls wero fang open untif 12.15 , and thitis ended chjoyable evening.

## MALDON TRNGERS ENTERTAENED

The ringers of All Saints', Maldon, were entertained to supper on New Yoar's Eve by Mr. H. J. Manslield, one of the All Samis' comspany.

The programme conmenced with the usnal evening patache, when we methods were rung by members of the bankl.
The supper took place at the home of Mr. Mansfield, where thirteen snt down to a sumptuous fenst. Despite the supposed ill-luch of thy number, the evening was succossfully and enjoyably spent, the time passing all too quickly. Some gramophone records of bellyinging were heard, and comic songz wore rendered by Mr. J. H. Waldow and Mr. J. Amos. Mr. W. Chalk also entertained with at recitation of his own poetry. Alter bome handbell ringing the eontums watked to the tower to fing ous the old year and ring in fine new For this purpose 672 chatges of Gratulsire Triphles wertu rung by I: Johmeon, B. R. Jinmeht, W. Clath, 1. Amos, Miss A. E. Waldock, if J. Mausfield, F. Chalk auri F. Foril, Mir. P. Clablk conduching.

A more fitting finale to tha otd year, or a more lappy prelugle $t$. the new, would be difficalt to find. Ihe hearly thanks of the minger are due to Mr. and Mrs. Mansfach for therr hosplatity, and tha company unite in wishing then a very happy and profpurous mew year.

## WEST HALLAM BELLS

The new bells at West Faillam, Jerbshire, have been humg in the fower, and thus completa thr octave. They are to be dedicated by the Bishop of Derty on Sumday, Jautary goth, at 3 j.m. Thi towar will be at the disposal of visitine ringerg on Snturdaz forlu26ih, from 2.30 to 8 p.un.

## LATE NOTICE

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Winchester District.-The annualmeeting will take place at Winchester, Saturday, Janary iqth. Bellsat the Cathedral (i2), St Marice"s (F) available from 2.30 . Service at St. Maurice's Church 4-30. Tea and business meating at 5. Those requiting tea please notify not later than Wednesday, January i6th, the District Secretary, C. A. Smith, King's Somborne, nr. Winchester.

## NOTICES.

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. (Established i637.) - The subscription of is. 8d., which enables members who have not attended twenty times in the past year to vote on matters of finance, is now due. Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on January ${ }^{7} 7^{\text {th }}$ and 3 ast, Si. Andrew's, Holborn, on the roth, ${ }^{\text {E }}$ St. Paul's Cathedral on the and, Southwark Catitedral on the 24 th, all at $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. . Business meeting alterwards.-Willjam T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, $3^{2}$, Edgeley Road, Claphan, S.W.4.

Practice nigint at St. Andrew's, Uxbridge, will be on Iuesclay (instead of Wednesday) on and from Jan. ist. Ringing from $7 \cdot+5$ to 9. Also practice at St. Margaret's, Uxbridge, on Wednesclay, from 7.45 to $90^{\prime}$ 'clock. al ringers welcome. - F . Corke.

OK゙FORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Sonning Deanery Branch. -The annual meeting will be held at Wokingham on Saturday, Jan. I2th. All Saints' bells available 2.30 to 3.30 (by notice). St. Paul's bells 2.30 to 4. Service in St. Paul's Church 4 p.m. Preacher: Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, M.A., M.C. Tea at 4.45 , followed by business meeting. All singers welcome. Ringing at both churches after meeting. Tea, 6 d . to branch memluers, is, to visitors. -W. J. Paice, Hon. Sec. and Treastrer, Merrel, California, Wokingham.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.-Quarterly meeting will be held at Penn on Saturchy, Jan. 12th. Bells available from 3. Service in church at 4.45 , with an address by the Rev. E. Hartill, Vicar. Tea (15.) at 5.30-H. Kintght, 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Maidstone Dis-drict-The next meeting of this district will be held at [ghtham on Saturday, Jan. 12th. Bells available at 3 oclock. Service at $4 \cdot 30$, followed by tea and business mecting. Subseriptions for 1929 can be paid at this mecting. - C. H. Sone, Jungalow, Linton, Maikstone.

LANCASFIIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch. -A mecting will be hedd at St. Nicholas', Liverpool, on Saturday, Jan. r2th. Bells ( 12 ) available 3 p.m. Serwice 5.30 p.m. Tea and meeling to follow. Wigatr branch members especiatly invited. - Claude I. Davies, Branch Scc, Cuerleon, Dunbabin Road, Wavurtree.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Northern District.-A meeting will be leld at St. Ippolyt's on Jan. 12 th. Bells (6) will be avaitable at 3 p.m. Tea is being. arranged. All ringers woloone. - Donalk C. Aears, Hon. Ser.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GlillD. - The annual meeting of the Southampton District will be held at Southampton on Saturday, fan. 12 the St. Mary's bells from 1.30 till 4. St. Michael's from 2.30. Service in St. Michael's Church 5 p.m. Tea and meeting in St. Nichuel's Hall at 5.30.-W. T. Tucker, Dis. Sec., -1 , High Street, Eastleigh.

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.-The annual meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Barnsley, on Saturday, Jan. r2th. Our Hon. President, Canon Hone, has kindly promised to be with us. Bells ready early, Service 4.30 . Tca in St. Mary's Parish Room 5 p.m. Business meeting to follow.-C. D. Potter, Hon. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Brancls. - A meeting will be held at Moorside, Oldham, on Saturday, Jan. Izth. Beils available from 3 p.m. Meeting at $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Subscriptions are now due. Reports and new rules and diagrams to hand. - William Horan, Branch Sec., 2, Greenhirst Hey, Todmorden.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.-The next meeting will be held at Worksop on Saturday, Jan, 12 th. Bells (8) ready eariy. A grood attendance requested. - H. Haigh and H. Revill, Hon. Secs.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Frome and Midsomer Norton Branch. - The annual meeting will be held at Frome on Jan. Izth. Tea and business at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. sliarp. Evensong at 6 p.m.-B. T. Clark, Branch Hon. Sec., High Street, Timsbury, near Bath.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Fylde Branch. The next meeting will be held at Bispham on Saturday, Jan. 12th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Mecting 5.30. - C. Sharples, Branch Sec., Io, Warbreck Road, Blackpool.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Divi-sion.-A quarterly meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Eastbourne, on Saturday, Jan. 12th. Tower open at 2.30. Service 4.30 . Tea at 5 o'clock (by kind invitartion). Business meeting to follow. St. Saviour's tower will also be open for ringing 7 to 8 p.m. - Geo. W. Stokes, Hon. Dis. Sec., 22, Melboume Road, Eastbourns.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.- Eastera District. - A meeting will be held at Hertford on January 12th, when the bells of All Saints' (ro) and St. Andrew's (8) will be open during the afternoon and evening. Service at All saints' at 5 o'clock, address by the Vicar. Tea, is. per head, át $5 \cdot 30$. Business meetiog after. Good bus services from alt parts. All will be welcome.-W. H. Lawrence, Hon Dis. Sec., Little Munden, Herts.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Northern Branch. - A meeting of the above branch will be held at Oldbury on Saturday, Jan. igth. Bells will be available at 3 o'clock. Service in the Parish Church at 4.30 p.m. Tea and business meeting to follow. Those intending to be present must notify me not later than Jan. isth.-A. J. Skelding, Branch Sec., 7, Cecil Street, Stourbridge.

SUFFOLK GUILD. - Quarterly meeting at Ufford on lanuary 1gth. Jea at $4 \cdot 30$, for all senaing me word by January I 5 th.-H. Drake, Ufford, Woodbridge.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North-Eastern Division. The annual meeting of ringers will be held at Wivenhoe on Saturday, Jan. 19th. Service at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$, and tea and meeting at 5.15 p.m. All intending to be present please write by Tuesday, Jan. I 5th. After that date no teas can be guarantecd.-R. W. Stmmard, Hon. Sec., 2 r, Ireton Road, Colchester.

SINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Southerr Brancli.... The annual meefing will be held at Grantham on Saturday, Jan. Igth. Bells available during afternoon and evening. Short service at $4.30 \mathrm{p}-\mathrm{m}$. Tea and mecting at 5 p.m. Those requiring tea please notify me by jan. z6th.-C. T. H. Bradley, Folkingham, Lincs.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch. The next meeting will be held at Whittle-le-Woods on Saturday, Jan. 19th. Bells available from 2.30 p.m. Tea, at Is. 6d. a head, to all who motify Mr. A. Blogg, Brierfield Cottage, Chorley Old Road, Whittle, not later than Friday, Jan. I8th. New reports and diagrams to hand. Subscriptions due.-Fred Rigby, Hon. Sec., 8, Carrington Road, Chorley.
SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. -The annual general meeting will be held at St. Martin-in-the-Fields on Saturday, Jan. 19th. Ringing commences at 4 o'clock. Tea will be provided for all who notify me by Tuesday, Jan. I5th.- J. Sparrow, Hon. Sec., Chevington, Bandon Rise, Wallington, Surrey.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Wirral Branch. -The annual meeting will be held at Wallasey St. Nicholas' on Jan. Igth. Service at 5 p.m. Tea and meeting at 6 p.m. Ringers intending to be present must let secredary know not later than i6th inst.-H. Brockiebank, 3 , Ridley Street, Birkenhead.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Loughborough District. - The next meeting will be held at Sutton Bonington on Saturday, Jan. [gth. Belis (5) ready $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Those requining tea please inform secretary by Thursday, Jan. י7th.-D. S. Collins, Hon. Dis. Sec.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Sothern District. - Anmeal district meeting on Saturday, Jan. 1gth, at Putney and Fulham. Ringing, Putney, 3 to 5 . Tea and meeting at Cosy Café, opposite church, al 5.5. Ringing, Fulham, 7 to 8.30 . All welcome. Let me know if coming to tea, -J. Herbert, i/, Grimston Road, S.W. 6.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Chesterfield District.--The annual meeting of the above district will be held at Staveley on Saturday, Jan. rgth. Those requiring tea, Is. each, should inform Mr. F. Parsons, io, Bell House Lane, Staveley, not later than the t6th. Bells ready 3 o'clock-A. Ktrights, Dis. Sec.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. Chew Deanery Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at Clevedon (St. Andrew's) on Saturday, Jan. zgth. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Divine service at 4.15 p.m. Tea at 5 o'clock in Club Room, opposite Railway Slation, and business meeting to follow.-Percy G. Yeo, Hon. Sec., Long Ashton,

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD, - Marlborough Branch.- The annual meeting of the branch will be held at Mariborough on Saturday, Jan. 1giln. Bells avaifable 2.30: St. Peter's (8), St. Mary's (6). Any visitors requiring tea please let the secretary know before Friday, Jan. ISth.-Cyril Hussey, Hon. Ser., Eastleaze, Baydon, Marlborough.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-St. Abans District.-The next meeting will be held at Hatfield on Saturday, Jan. igth. Bells available at 3 p.rn. Tea arrangements will be made. All are welcome. - W. Nash, Dis. Sec., North Mimms, Hatfield.

NORFOLK GUILD.-A practice meeting will be lyeld on Saturday, Jan. 19th, 2 p.m., to 9 p.mı., at Fressingfield Church. Tea at 5 p.m. in Club Room, Fox and Goose Inn, followed by meeting. - L. E. Etheridge, Willow House, Fressingfield.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Hunts Distric! - A meeting will be held at Somersham on Saturday, Jan. 19th. Bells available 3 p.m. Tea at 4.30 . Will those who require tea please let me know by Tuesday, the 15 th -C. Fieids, Hon. Dis. Sec., High Street, St. Neots.
BATH AND WEIIS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Cary Deanery. - The annual meeting will be hetd at Ditcheat on Jan, 1gth. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. Service in church 4.15 p. mu. Tea, in the Schoolroom, $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Meeting to follow. Those requiring tea please notify me by the 1 gith.-E. Creed, 6, West Pariz, Castle Cary,

DEVON GUILD.-East Devon Branch.-A meeting will be held at Payhembury on Saturday, Jan. 19th. Service 4.30. Tea, the Schoolroom, at 5. Bells (6) available; also Ottery St. Mary (8). Ringers welcome.-Joln H. Godfrey, Hon. Sec., Silver Street, Ottery St. Mary.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Chilvers Coton on Saturday, Jan. Igti. The Parish Church bells will be available from 3 p.m. Short service at $4 \cdot 30$ and tea, to be followed by general meeting, at 5 p.m. in the School Rooms in Coventry Road. -J. A. Fenton, Sec, 6, Frederich Street, Rugby:
GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GLILDD. - Guitatord District. - The anmual district meeting will be held at Holy Trinity Cathedral Church on Saturday; Jan. Igth, at 4.30 p.m. Preacher, Rev. J. D. Carter, Vicar of Witley. Tea and meeting at the Parisls Hall to follow. Anyone requiring tea please let me know by the 1601 . Bells at both churches available at 3 p.m. Ir. R. Melville, Assistant Sec., I\%, Bedford Road.
LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Northeri District- A meeting of the above will take place at All Saints', Wes: Ham, on Saturday, Jan. 19th. Bells (iol available from 3 to 8.30 p.m. Service, tea and mecting at 5 p.m. Visitors will be heartily welcomed.-J. A. Waugh, Hon. Dis. Sec., 8, Fullers Road, E. I8.

BRISTOL UNITED RINGING GUILDS' EIGHTH ANNUAL DINNER.-Girand Hotel, Broad Street, Bristol, on Saturday, Jan. igth, at 6 p.m. Ringing at the Leaning Tower and other City churches (see later announcement). Ten and refreshments 4 p.m., at St . Thomas' Church Room, where information as to proceedings may be oblained from 2 p.m. onward. Few minutes. ${ }^{\text {. }}$ walk from Temple Afeads Station. Tickets, 5s. 6d. each, from Edgar Guise, 39, Tankard's Close, St. Michael's, Bristol.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester Branch.-The next meeting will be held at the Cathedral on Saturday, Jan. 19th, Beils at liberty 5 o'clock. Meeling $\bar{i}$ p.m. Business: Election of branch presidens. Subserjptions now duc. Reports to hand. A good attendance is requested.- J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Strect, Miles Platting, Manchester.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Leicester District.-The annual meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Belgrave, on Saturday, Jan. 1gth. Bells (8) available from 3.30 p.m. till 7.30 p.m. Tea in Parish Rooms at 5. I5 p.m. for those advising me not later than Thursday, Jan. ${ }^{17}$ th. Business meeting (election of officers for the ensuing yeat, etc.) in the Talbot Inn at $7-45$ p.n. All members are urged to make an effort to attend this meeting. - Alban Disney, Local Hon. Sec., 19, Houlditch Road, Ktrighton Fieldss, Leicester.

TETAERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GLILD. - Guils3orrough 13ranch. - A quarterly meeting will be held at East Hatklon on Saturday, Jan. igth. Six bells. Usual arrangements.-K. J. Cater, Althorp Park Station, East Haddon.

CROFTS MEMORIAL DINNER. - The seventh antual dinner will be held at the Welbeck Hotel, Nottingham, on Saturday, Jan. 26th, at 6 p.m. Ringing, St. lary's, 3 to 5.30. Tickets, 5s. each, obtainable from the fhon. secretary. The new Bishop of Soulhwell will tep preseni. Visitors heartily weicomed. -F. Blood, Hon. Scc., 91, Dame Agnes Street, Nottingham.

CiLIIDPFORD GUIID. - The annual meeting of the Farnham District will be held at Aldershot Parish Church on Saturday, Jan. 26th (owing to Farnhan bells becing unavailable). Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.45 . Tea 5.15 p.rm. Business meeting to follow. Will all who intend to be present please advise Miss A. Fisher, 253, High Slicet, Aldershot, by Jan. 24th? All ringers welcomed and a good attendance requested.-B. H. Clark, Hon. Sec.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Lewisham Dis-rict.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. Ioshn's, Deptford, on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Bells availallice at 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m., with address by the Vicar. Tea will be provided by the Vicar and local ringers. It is imperative that any member requiring tea Whall nolify me by first post on Tuestlay, Jan. aznd. Sulsceriptions are now due and should be paid at this meeting.-A. G. Hill, Hon. Dis. Sec., 53, Hengist Road, Erith, Kent.
SLIRREY ASSOCIATION.-Central District. - The thnual meeting of the district will be held at St. Martin's, Epsem, on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Service at 5, followed by tea and business meeting, in the Church Reon. Those coming to tea please notify Mr. 1. T. Couper, 26, Church Road, Epson, not later than Wednesday, Jan. z3rd-A. J. Trappit, Hon. Dis. Sec., i-, Mellows Road, Wallington.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-S.E. District.-Next meeting at Widford on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Bells! (8) available 2.3 . Service at 4.30 , followed by tea and meeting at White Horse. Chelmsford Cathedral bells available in the evening. Subscriptions are now due. All those utpuiting lea please let me know by Wednesday (last past), the 23 rd. -H. W. Kirton, Hom. Dis. Sec, Jongmeads Coltages, Writtle, Chelmsford.
ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUlLD.-The annal meeting of the above will be held at Appleclore in Siturclay, Jan. 26th. Ringing from 2.30. Service at 4.30. Teat at the Swan Hotel at 5, followed by meeting and social. All ringers welcome.-C. W. Everett, Hon. Sice, 48, Sussex Avenue, Ashford.
BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. Bath Branch. -The annual meeting will be held at Tiver-(em-om-A Atrn on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Bells ready 3.30 p.in. Evensong 4.30. Tea and business meeting 5 p.m. Members reguiring toa please inform me by fan, 23rd.Thws Grant, Branch Sec., Swainswick, Bath, Som.
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Lincoln District. Amnal meeting will be hedd at Branston (6), Saturday, lim. 26 th. Tower open 2 p.m. Excellent bus service to int from St. Mary's Street and St. Mark's. All ringers luantily welcome. Notification for tea to Harold Mar(ailn, Dis. Sec., 265 , Wragby Road, Lincoln.

YORKS ASSOCIATION. - The annual general meeting of the Yorkshire Association will be held at Far Heatlingley, Leeds, on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Bells (8) available from 2.30. Also St. Michael's (8) from 2.30. Divine service, in St. Chad's Church, at 4 p.m. Preacher: Rev. Canon R. H. Maldern. Tea, bd. per head, and all applications for same must reaclı Mr. F. Hutchinson not later than first post Tuesday, Jan. z2nd. Subscriptions for the current year are now rue, and should be paicl withoul delay. A presentation will be made at this meeting to the honorary treasurer (Mr. J. Cotterell) to mark his completion of 21 years of oflice, and it is hoped that a large and representative gatheringl will assemble to honour the accasion.-P. J. Johnson, Hon. Gen. Sec., 396, Meanwood Road, Leeds.
SURREY ASSOCIATION.-Southern District.-The annual meeting will be held at Chariwood on Saturday, Jan, 26th. Tower open at 3. Service at 5. Tea at $5 \cdot 3 \mathrm{O}_{2}$ business meeting to follow. Those requiring tea should notify me not later than Wednesday, the 23 rd. -A. J. Bull, Hon. Dis. Sec., Jesmond, Queen's Road, Horley
SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - The annual meeting will be held at St. Chad's, Shrewsbury, on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Bells available from 2.30. Tea in St. Chad's Room 6 o'clock. Meeting 6.45 . Kindly send number for tea before Jan, aznd to the hon. sec. Rev. F. Temison, St. Alkmund's Vicarage, Shrewsbury:

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Central Divi-sion-A meeting will be held at Aldrington (Portslade Station) on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Tower open 2.30. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 , in Church Hall. Important: Those who intend to be present please notify the undersignednot later than Wednesday previons to meeting. Half rail fare (naximum is. 6d.),-A. D. Stone, Hon. Dir. Sec., 16, Belgrave Street, Brighton.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-A dinner in commection with the Gloueester Branch will take place on Salurday, Jan. 26th, in Mercer's Hall, Cross Keys Lane, Southgate Street, Giloucester, at 6 p.m. (sharp). Tickets $3 /$ each. St. Mary de Lode bellis (6) will be open from 4 to 5.30 . Anpone requiring dinner kindly let me know by Jan. 19th. All ringers welcome.-W. H. Harris, Sec., 15, Painswick Road, Gloucester.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Rochester District. - A meeting will be heid at Frindsbury on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Tower open at 3 . Association service in church at 5 , conducted by the Vicar. Tea in the Village Hall and business meeting to follow. All who intend being present at tea must notify mee on or before Wednesday, ${ }^{2} 3$ rd inst. (firsh post). Sulscriptions for 1929 can le paid at or before the meeting.-Fred M. Mitchell, Dis. Hon. Sec., IIf, Sun Lane, Gravesend.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Tonbridge District.-The annual meeting of this district will be held at Edenbridge on Saturday, Feb. 2nd. Further particulars will be announced next week.-W. Latter, Hon. Dis. Sec., ir, Dudley Road. Tunbridge Wells.

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## VETERAN CLERICAL RINGER DEAD

EOFMER TREASUREA OF THE GLOUGESTER AND BRISTOL, ASSOCLAPLON.
I'lie death has taken place at Cheltenlam of ihe Rep. Henry Courlney Courtmey. Mr. Coustney was in his gand year, aud hat Luen in ardars 66 yebirs. From 1902-3 le was curate of St. Stephen's, Bristol. In 1904, he became curato to Dr. Wilkins, with the charge of Redtaud Green Chapel, where he worked for 15 years.

The deceased clergyman was well known by the older geneation al ringers, MIr, Courtney went to Bristol from Dunster, where he land rung many peals under Mr. C. F. Winmey's conductorthip. In all he had rung 33 peals for the Bath and Wells Association. His firsl peal for the Gloucester and Bristol Association was rung at St. Stephen's on January 29th, 1896, aud for that association (of which he was hon. treasurer in 1901-1902) the rang seven peals, bis last being Stedman Triples at Thormbury on August 20ili, 1904, which was conducted hy the lite Rev. F. E. Robinson.

## WORPLESDON RINGER'S DEATH.

Mr. Meginald George Tickner, of Worplesdon, Surrey, whose death we bretty recorded last week, was 27 yeavs of age, and the youngest sun of Mr: innd Mrs. James Tickner, of Worplesdou. He was playiug lootball for Worplesdon on the Satirday before Christmas, was taken ill on Sunday, and died the next day.

Mr. 'riekner was anative of Worplesdon, and wos employed as an office portor athe railwhy slation, In addition to being a ringer, Jo. was very popular as joint secretary of the Men's Club and a piaying menber of the local footbail and cricket clubs. The funeral Lock place on Seturday week, when members of the cricket, foatball and men's clabs acted as bearers. Tho Guidford Diocesan Guild, of which deceased was a member, was represented by Messis. C. Hazelden (District Ringiug Master), W. Melville (district assisfant secre1ary). W. Robinson and C. N. Burdock. As the funeral cortoge epproachert, the hells were rung fully muffed, and at the conclusiou of tho service hardbelis wete rung over the oped grave. Aiterwards oni floc colurch bells the 'wlole pull and stand ' was rung.
The deceased will be greally missed in the belfry, for he was a compotent change ringer, particularly ou six bells, and a regula. anetrber of the sorvice band.

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It has been the ringers who have wrought the change. The application of steady pressure on the clergy athd officials and the energies of the ringers themselves have effected vast changes in hundreds of our belfries. Into the great majority of ringing rooms anyone may now venture withott risk of spoiling clothes, white in rumerous instances the care of the belfry is obviously a matter of real pride. This is only as it should be, of course; for the belfry is as much a part of the church as the vestry or the chancel. But in the treatment of certain important matters many churches still lag behind. In regard to the lighting of the tower and the ventilation of the ringing chamber a number of belfries contimue to leave much to be desired. There are ringing rooms with practically no effective means of ventiation; with windows which are too small, or inaccessible, or will not open, and some even without windows at all.

The lighting, too, is primitive, and particularly is this so on the dark and dangerous staircases which, being generally spiral, might easily prove a death trap. Indeed, it is almost a miracle that there are not frequent serious accidents in the unlit stairways, where the steps, often, are irregular and there is seldom any handrail. Then, too, the provision made in the bell chamber itself, where it is constantly necessary for a man to go and where, in the absence of effective lighting, accidents may easily happen, is, generally speaking, notoriousiy bad. An unprotected candle, which may be blown out at any moment by the wind; or, perhaps, a stable lantern is often the only means of lighting one's way across a bell frame at night, which, even if the bells be 'down,' is a risky thing. It is up among the bells that, most of all, it is important that there should be efficient illumination.

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## TEN BELL PEALS．

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EDMONTON.
JHE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASEOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILAD.
Or Monday, Dewnber 37, 1928, in Thyee Hours and Four Minutes, At the Churge of All Sainis,
A PEAL OF LOHDON SURPRISE MASOR, 5058 CHANEES;


Waltgr J. Bowden ....
Composed by F. Drnch. Conducted by jares Pazkra,
Rang with the bella balf-muffled as a token of reapect to the iate Mr. G. Paice, this being the frat opportunity of making the attempt. EPSOM, SURREY.
THE GULLDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, January 5, 1929, in Three Howrs,
At the Cherch of St. Martin,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
"Arterr Shrdbe, jun. ...Troble Algred H. Wince Fredraick G. Wgomiss ... Georgr Marriner ... ... $^{2} 3$ Jogn Reams
Composed by George Cross. $\begin{array}{lllll}\text {-Harry Ellloti... } & \ldots & \ldots & 5 \\ \text { John H. B. Hesse } & \ldots & \ldots & 7\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{lll}\text { John H. B. Hesse } & \text {... } & \ldots \\ \text { Albert Harman } & \text {... } & 7 \\ \text { Aanor }\end{array}$
Conducted by Albert Harman.

* First peal of Major.

> LEISTON, SUFEOLK.

THE SUPFOLE GULDD.
On Saturday, Janrary 5, 1929, in Three Houys and Thyee Minstes,
At the Ceurce of St. Margaret,
A PEAL GF MUILOFORD SURPRISE MAJOR, B088 GHANGES; Tenor $20 \frac{1}{3}$ cwt.
Regrnald C. Kersgy... ...Tyeble Jahe M. Balley ... ... 5
Cbarles F. Bajcay ... .... 2 . Fredprick J. Smiti .... .... 6
Leonard P. Bailey ... ... 3 Ernest S. Bailey ... ... 7 George Wilson... ....... 4 Jambs G. Romsey .... ...Teno Compoeed by Gabrizl Lindoff. Conducted by Chas. F. Bailey. * First peal in the method. A birthday compliment to the conductor.

MYTEOLMROYD, $\operatorname{MORFSFLRE.}$
THE LANCASHTRE ASSOCLATION.
On Suturday, Januay 5, 1929, in Thive Hours and Five ilinutes,
At the Church of St. Michael.
A PEAL OF OXFORG TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor 14k cwt.
Ernest Greenwood... ...Treble James Ingham ... .... ... 5
†Harold Hamer... .... ... 2 tJames B. Shaty ... ... ...

- Frank Greenwood ... ... 3 Herbert Davenport .... 7

Walter Stafe ... ... ... 4 William Goran ... ...Tenoy
Composed by Fred Robinson. Conducted by Willam Horan

* First peai. t First peal in the method.

STONEY STANTON, LEICESTERSEIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Jeniary 5, 1929, in Tere Hours and Fifty Minutes.
At the Chorch of Si. Michael,
A PEAL OF KEHT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 GHANGES Tenor 14 cmb .
-Cecil E. Carr
.Troble Gejrge A. Newton ...
|Alfred Baleard
2
Charegs H. Webe
3
Percival A. Aldham Redvers F. Elikingion.

Percival A. Albham ... 4 E. Harry Stoneley ...Tehor
Composed by D. Woons. Condacted by Redvers E. Elrington.

* First pal on eight bells. I First iu the method nway firm troble * First peal of Major.

STAPLEHURSI', KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY $\triangle$ GSOCIATION.
On Saturáay, Janwary 5, 1929, in Three Hours and Ten Minktes,
At the Chorch of All Saints,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor 25 cwt.
Harry Sager ... ... ...Tyble Thomas E. Sonz..
John A. W. Downing
2 Arihur ll. Smith $\qquad$ 5
6 Mrs. H. Baker ... ... ... 3 William Wenban Cearles H, Sone 3 William Wenban $\qquad$ Ternor Composed by A. Knigers (255). Conducted by Thomas E. Soni. Arranged for Mr. J. A. W. Downing, of Blacklands, Hastings. Ib was lis first peal of Major and firsl 'touchn' in the method. NORTH MTMMS, HERTS.
THE HERTFORD COONTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, January 5, 1929, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGESq Tenor 13 cast.


| John Malyan | $\ldots$ | ... | ... | 2 | Charles Jbfes | $\ldots$ | ... | ... | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Arthor Day | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | ... | 3 | Hozace Gdodenodgh | $\ldots$ | 7 |  |  |

Thosias Blow ... ... ... a Whelian Nash ... ... ...Temar
Composed by Arieur Knighis. Conducted by William Nasif.
First peal in the method on the bells awd by all the band.
NUNEATON, WARWIOKSHIRE.
THE WARWICEBHIRE GUILD.
Os Saturday, Janutry 5, 1929, in Thver Hours and Eight Minutes, At the Parisi Chorch of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor $\mathrm{s}^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathrm{cw}$.
Wrs. H. Billingion ... ...Tyeble Ernest Stone ...
Walter Stone ..* +.. ... 2 John Moreton ...
Harry Argyle ...
Charles Rayson .... .... 4 Tromas W. Chapman ...Temy
Composed by J. R. Pritcaard. Conducted by T. W. Chapman.
First peal of Bob Major. This peal was ruag with the hells lailfmuffled as a mark of respect to the Ven. Hugh Cairns Alexantlet Back, Arehdeacon of Werwick, ten genrs prestent of the Guild terred at Bertawell the previous Monday.

QUEENSBLIRY，BLWDEORIS． THE FORKSEIRE ASSOCIATION
On Satraday，Janwaty 5，1929，in Thret Howrs and Four Minhtes， At she Church of the Holy Trinify，

## －PEAL OF BOUBLE MDRWICH COURT BDE AAJOR， 5008 CHAMEES：

 Tenor 14 cw ．Kobeat W．Jznnison，sen．Treble
．．． 2 Gromas B．Késdall．．．．．． 5
 Rowland Mybrs．．．．．．．．． 4 ．．．Harry Foster ．．．．．．．．．．．．． Composed by Arthor Craven．Conducted by William Barion． NORTF STONEFAM，HAMPSHIRE．
THE WINCRESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUTLD． On Siturday，January 5，1929，in Three Hours ard Tem Minnfes， At the Chorge of St．Nicolas，
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR， 5024 CHANGES； Tenor 9 cwt z 6 lb ．in $G$
 Frederick A．Borneit $\quad . . .0$ Frederigr S．Bayley ．．． 4 Gegrge Williams ．．．．．．Temar Composed by Farderigk Dence，Conducted by George Williams SHERE，SURRTYY．
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUחD．
On Weduesdey，Janway 9,1929 ，in Thre Hows and Tivee Minules， AI the Cedrgh of St．James，
A PEAL OF gTEDMAN TRIPLES，50s0 CHANGES；
Heywood＇s Transposition or Teurstang＇Four－part Tenor $15 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{CWE}$ ．
John S．Goldsmity
Tredig Wicliam R，inelvigle －Alan R．Pink
Charlis N．Burdock
C．Ernest Smirh
Raymond Philpjtt
William J．Robinson ．．．． 7
－Josbph Spooner．．．．．．．．．Temor Conducted by John $S$ Goldsmith．
＊J＇irst peai of Stedman．First peal of Stedman by the Guild． Tumy as a birthday compliment to Mr．J．Spooner．

## CRAYFORD，KENT．

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATHON．
Or Friday，Jantary 11，1929，in Two Howr and Thirty－Siљ Minutes， At the Ceurch of $\mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{t}}$ ．Paulinus，

## A PEAL OF STEDMAR TRIPLES， 6040 CHANGES；

Therstang＇Four．part．
Thomas Groombrider，sen．Tyele Thomas Groombridge．Jun， 2 John H．Cheesman ．．．．．． 3 Kobert Brett－Smith

Tenor $12 \frac{8}{3} \mathrm{cwt}$ ．
Edwin Barnettr，sen． Herbert E．Agdsegy ．．． 6 Edwin Barnezt，jon． Wileian Bond ．．． ．．．．．Teno Conducted by Thos，Groombridge，sen． TUNSTALL，ETAFFORDSHIRE．
THE NORTE STAFFS AND DISTRICT AgSOGIATION．
On Sulurday，Januay 12，1929，in Two Houts and Fifly－Eight Minulas
At the Panish Chorch．
A PEAL OF OXFORD TAEBLE BDE MAJOR， 5280 CHAMGES； Tenor 121 owt．
Erngst Landon．「homas Hurd Charles 5．Ryles
Agterr W．Hall
．．Tredle

Composed by W．Hö́teard．
（Fitst peal of Oxford Major． MONES THE WARWIOT ARIRE GUILD THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD．
On Suturday，Januty 12，1929，ix Jhtea Hours and Fifien Minutes， At the Cetrgh of St．Edith．

## A PEAL OF STEDMAH TRIPLES，HO4D CHANGES；

Waskrrook＇s Variation
Josepa B．Fenton ．．．．．．Treble
George Watson．．．．．．．．．

Hubert G．Sommers．．．$\cdots$| 3 |
| :--- |

Viaeter Malins．．．．．．
Conducted by Joserea A Fenion．
fitug on the toth anuiverzary of J．P．Fonton＇s first peal．

## HYDF，OHESHIRE．

THE OHES＇FER DIOCFSAN GULLD．
On Tuesday，fankdry 8，1929，in Three Hones med Six Minutes， At Chorgh of St．Grorge
A PEAL DF BOE MAJOR，5056 GHANGES；
Tenor 18 cwt iflb．in E ．
－Gilbrrt Halfeenny
．．．Ireble John Brifelay $\qquad$
 Harry Nokgrove ．．．．．． 4
Composed by W．Berry． Alebrt Hough ．．．．．．．．．．Tent Composed by W．Berry．
＊First peal．Rung with the bells muffled as a token of esteem and respect for the late Mr．W．Garside Phillips，of Ansley Hall，Nunes－ ton，Warwickshice，who，previous to leaving Fyde，was a prominent． wortar for Sl．George＇s Church and schoals，and had ever since been a generous supporter of the same．

## LONDON

THE MDDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD．
On Saturday．Jatuary 12,1929 ，in Twa Hours and Fify－Seoth Minutes，
At the Ceureh of St．Botolph，Bishopsgatz，

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR，EOEO EHANGES，

 Tenor 20 cwt ．William H．Hewitt ．．．．．．Tyable Ronald H．Bolegn ．．．．．． 5 Grorge H．Cross ．．．．．． 2 Ernest E．Bretr... Charles W．Robrris $\quad . . \quad 3 \quad$ James E，Davis ．．．$\quad . .$. William R．Madgwick ．．． 4 Joen T．Kgntis日．．．．．．．．．．Tono． Composed by T．B．Worslay，Conducted by George H．Cross， THURCASTON，LETCESTERSHIRE． THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCLATION．
On Suturday，Janway 12，1929，in Two How，and Fifty－Five Minuts， At the Ceurgh of All Sxinis，
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDRE SURPRISE MAJOR， 6024 CHANGES Tenor 10 cwt ．
＊Leonard E．Towers ．．．Trable
Jamanali．． 2 ．．．．．． 5
†alfred Ballard $\quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 3 \quad$ †Charles H．Webe ．．．．．． 7 E．Harry Stoneley ．．． 4 Ernest Morris．．．．．．．．．Tenor． Composed by J．W．Parker．Conducted by Redvers F．Eekingtow． ＊First Surprige peal．+ First Surprise peal away from treble．

FELTHAM，MIDDLESEX．

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON

 DIOCESAN GULLD．On Sathrday，Januayy 12，1929，zm Two Hours and Fifty－One Minutes， At the Chorch of Sr．Catherine，
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES， 5030 CHANGES；
－Arthor J．Lewis
．．．Treble William fL．Hollier ．．．引 Wilfred G．Wilson ．．． 2 Ernest C．S．Torner $\quad . .$.
 Frank Corke ．．．．．．．．． 4 James H，Borton ．．．．．．Teno
Composed by John Vickras．Conducted by E．C．S．Torner．
＊First peal by ringer of treble．First peal of Graudsira Triples by tine conductor．Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr．J．Armiger Tinollope．

## FEERING，ESSEX．

THE ESEEX ASSOCIATION．
On Saturday，Jusnary 12，1929，in Thyed Hours and Eightell Minufes：

## At ing Ceerch of All Saints，

## A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR，BO5B CHANGES $\{$

Johnson＇s Variation of Middehion＇s．Tedor 18 cwt in $F$ ．
 Conducted by Wilciam Kerble，
lung with the beils half－muffled as a token of respect to Canon H A．Lake，Rector of Chelmaford，and Sub－Dean of the Cathedral，for muny years an hon．member of the Essex Association．

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## SIX BELL PEALS.

STEVENAGE, HERTS.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIA'PION
On Sathrday, November 24, 1928, in Three Howrs and Ihyer Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven extents with different callings
 Conducted by W. Lawrence. WITCOMBE, GLOUCESTGRSHIRE
GLODCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOGIATION
On Thutsdry, Decenbeq 73, 1928, in Tu0 Hours and Thirty-Sewn Minetes, At the Chorch or St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF DDUBLES, 5040 CHANEES;

Baing 10 six-scores of Grandsire and 32 of St. Dunstan's.
Georgr Wasley... ... ...Trebie A. Gazey ... ... ... ... F. H. Haywaris ... ... ... 2 a $\quad$ A. Martin... F. Hayward ... ......$\quad 3$ C. J. Taylor $\quad . .$. Conducted by a. Martin BRADWELL BUCKS.
On Morday, Decenter 31, 1928, in Two Howrs and Fiftr-Three Minules, At the Cadrch of St Lawrence,
A PEAL DF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 12 six-scores of Plain Bob and 30 of Grandsire Doubleg. *T. H. Bird...
.Treble
A. Coley $. . . \quad . .$. T. C. Waliers ... $\ldots . .$. J. H. Whitlock .... ... 3 |fa. Lathal... ... ... ....Tenty Conducted by j. H. Whitcock.

* First peal sway from tenor. + First peal. All the band are Sumduy $\begin{aligned} & \text { dervice ringers. }\end{aligned}$


## DROITWICH WORCESITERSEIRE.

THE WORCESTERSFIRE AND DISTRIOTS ASSOOLATION. (Nortaern Branch.)
On Saforday, Janary 5, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Sewen Mintics, At the Charge of St. Peter-de-Witton,
A PEAL OF BOB MINDR, 5G40 CHANGES;

Being sevell 720's.
Ghorgr Tearn
†Walifr H. Raytre.......
Conducted by Harold F. Martin

* Pirst peal in the method. 4 First peal. TRYSULL, ETAFFS.
THE SOCTETY TOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF ETAETORD On Sahrday, Jaraty 5, 1929, in |hre Hours amd Ten Minutes,

At the Chbrch of All. Sainis,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANEES; Seven diferenl extents.


Conducted by Herbert Knigrt.

* Firat peal in the method and first of Minor, Hirst peal wi Minor on the bella.

BELBROUGHTON, WORCESTERSHSIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Northern Branch.)
On Saturday, January 5, 1929, in Two Hours and Fify-Nine Finutes, At the Pafish Chorgh,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;

Being one of 720 of Grandsire, two of Oxford Bob and four of Plain Bob.

Tenor 13 cwt
William Short ... ... ...Treble 'Ernest Calcutz
... ... 4
Robert Matinews ... ... 2 -Ralpy Parion.... ... ... 5 Clifford Skidmore ... ... 3 Thomas Hemming ... ...Tenb́t Conducted by Wilelan Sbert.
*First peal of Minor, and members of the [ocal band. Quaterly poal for this Brancl.

WYBUNBURY, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, January 5, 1929, in Jwo Hows and Fifly Minntes, At the Cifurch of St. Chad,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, G04D GHANGE8:

Seven different extents Tenor 15 ewt.
John H. Parkba ... ... ...Treble Ahthor Aleman ... ... ... 4 John Brassington $\ldots \quad . . . \quad 2$ Albert Crawley $\quad . .$. Harded G. Smith ... ... 3 Harry Parker ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by li. Parker.
OLD LEAKD, LINCOLNSEIRE,
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GULLD.
On Safirday, Junary 5. 1929, in Three Howrs and Fite Minales,
At the Parigh Chorch,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;

Being two 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cyt. (approx.).
Pergy Lafin

- Miss Elsie Lakin
..Treble
-Fpank P. Harwood... ... 3 . William H. Small... ... Tanor Conducted by H. M. Day
First peal. First peal on the bells. Messra. Lakin and Small were proposed menbers of the Gnild betore starting. All are local Sunday service ringers except 4 th.


## BLAYDON

THE DURHAM $s$ NEWCASTLE DIOOESAN ASSOGIATION
On Salurday, Javary 5, 1929, in Tan Hows and Fifly Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Cothbert,
A PEAL DF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Baing 720 each of Double Court, Double Oxford, Double Bols, Kont and Oxford Treble Bob, Oxford Bolı ami Plain Bob. Tenor 7 cwi . James Cliff... ... ... ...Tyeble James W. Davison ... ... \& Henry B. Taylor ... ... 2 John Lowrey ... William H. Barefr... ... ₹ Edward Lowrey... ... ... Tomor Conducted by Edward Lowrey.
First peal on the bella since they were rehwng. FELKIRK, YORKS.
BARNSEEY AND DISTRTCT SOCDETY.
On Saturday, Janmayy 5. 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minates, At the Parish Churct,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
In the following methods: Braintree, Merton, Grove Delight, Culiege Bob IV., Wragby, Neasden, and Taneer's Pleasura. Tenor 10 cwt. -F. Priestly
A. Cole $\quad \cdots \quad \cdots \quad . .$. Treble $\mathrm{H}_{\text {, Chant }}$
M. Perry... Conducted by J. T. Whitr.

* First peal and first attempt. Rung as a welcome to ibr new Vicar (tze Rey. H. P. H. Conny), who was instituted after the peal. SIBSHELF, DERBYSH1PE.
EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTINGHAMSHLRE ASSOCIAJION.
On Saturuty, Januay ja, 1929, in Two Howrs and Fyfy-Five mitutes, At the Chorch of St. Jogn.


## A PEAL OF HINOR, 5040 CHANGEs;

Being two 720's of Spliced Oxford and Keut Treble Bols, two 'i20's of Oxford Treble Bob, two 720's of Kent Treble Bob ant 720 of Bob Minor:

Tenor 123 ewt
Bernard Balley..
Fred Clarke
Vangean Cox


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5
Tenor Conducted by Frod Knowees.

MISTLEY, ESSEX.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCTATION.

Un Thursday Jonuary 10, 1929, in Two Hows and Fifty-Eight Minules,
At thr Cherch of Sr. Mary,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 GHANGES; Being seven extents, each called differently.

Tenor 12! cwt .
"Alpred Honeywood ...Tychie |Gearge T. Honeywood ... \&
Charlbs Honbywood ... 2 George W. Moss, sen. ... 5
Stanley G. Moss .. ... 3 Walter Honeywood, szn. Temoy Conducted by G. W. Moss.

* First peal of Treble Rob. $\dagger$ First peal of Tretule Bob on inside bell. First peal in the method an the bells. The above band consisis of two fathers and four sons, and all are members of the local hawd.

WEEKIIFY NORTHANTS
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GULLD. (Ketiering Biancer,)
On Thwrsday, Janury 70. 7929. in Tum Hours and Fifo Minutes,
At the Cherch of St. Mafy-tae-Vizgin,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Iscing two 720 's of Oxfort Treble Bob, two of Kent Treble Bob, and three of Plain Bob.

- Lezonard Taseland
$\qquad$ ...Tretho
Tveblo

| 2 |
| :--- |
| 3 |

R. William Lawrence Harry Warren Miss Kitty Moore
Cqarles W. Bird Robert G. Black5

Conducted by Robrrt G. Black.
First feal in more than onc method. Rang in honsur of tike Whilding of fork Burghloy fand Lady Mary Scott, who were married thut day ist ise Church of St. Clement Danes, Yoadon.

HENBY
EAST DERHYSEIRE AND NOTYINGHAMSHIRE ASSOCLATION. If Suthrday, Jamery 12, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Fory Minmes. At tae Cherch of Si, Mary-tae-Virgin.
A PEAL OF MINOR, $\operatorname{GIO} \mathrm{C}$ CHANGES;
Reing three 7aO's of Oxford, wer of Kent, and two of Plain Bati. Tenor 10 cwt ,
Wilson Aclin, sen.
.Troble
Ernzet Maflender

| $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | Trebic |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\cdots \cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 2 |
| $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 3 |

Fred Clarke
 Conducted by Joseph Lord.

HANDBELL PEALS.
WOBURN, BEDFORDSHIRE.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, January 2, 1929, in Two Hours and Tutenty-Two Minutes,
At zo, Bedford Street.

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

## - Albert Flegt.... <br> I-2 Cyril Hbrbert <br> Ernhet Herbbrt <br> 3-4 Edmond Hobbs

Conducted by $\cdot \begin{array}{llll} & \ldots & . . & 7-8\end{array}$
Composed by G. H. Cross.
Conducted by E. J. Hobss.

* Tirst jeal in flaud, also first in the method. MANCHESTER.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thurday, Tanuary 3. 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minues,
At ib, Lime Grove.
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, $\operatorname{sOL} 3$ CHANGES; Tenor sizo 17 in $A$.
Friderick Page ... I-2 | Allen F. Bailey...
Hardld Jackson


| \| Allirbd Barnes |
| :--- |
| in |

Conducted by Allen F. Baleey
Composed by Gabriel Lindofr.

* Firat peal of Stedman in hud.
febring, masex.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATTON.
On Saturday, fanuay 5, 7929, in Two Houys and Thity-Fony Minutas,


## At Rye Mill Earm.

A PEAL OF KENT TAEBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES; Frank Claydon... ... .... -r -2 William Kheble...

Ihents W. Wirfre
Composed by Gabrel Lindo
Umpire

## Abther Saundrrs

Coeducted by William Kefble Walter Arnold.

## FIRST SINCE 1888

At st. Audraw's Chureh, Wyrnvdisbury, Bucks, on Chrisimas Day, for morning service, 720 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. Sharland 1, Mrs Win. Brants 2, W. H. Brants 3, J. E. Nush 4, C. F. Brats 5, W. Rung with bellar halt muffled owing to death in the village. First


## Bell IRopes <br> hade from beet rusian and malian hemp, also tralian and dutch flax. <br> Eindiy write for apecial low prices of these superior ropes. Batiafeation gueranteod. Establiabed 1780. Phone en3.

## FIFTY YEARS OF RINGING.

HOW THE SURREY ASSOCIATION WAS FORMED
In the days when many of our ringing associations were in the making, conditions weve vastly different from those of to-day, and blose who wanted to get on in tho art of change ringing had to make their own opportunities. The ringers who are atill with us who had any exporience of ringing irr the now distant '70's are few, but one of ihem is Mr. J. W. Trappitt, sent, now living in Dublin, who learnt his ringing at the famous church of Beddinglon, Surrey, and is the last survivor of the little company who formed the Surrey County Association.
Mr. Trappite was born within the sound of Bow bells, but migrated to Beddington about 1875. He first landleत̉ a bell rope in June, 1876, when he was elected a member of the St. Mary's, Beddingion, Sariety of Call Clange Ringers. In the early summer of 1877 about four of the company walked on a Sunday afternoon to Fulham Parish Church (about ten miles) to get a pull for evening service. The Rector (the Rev. --. Fisher), who wha at that time a ringer bimself, ort of courtesy allowed then to have a pull after having come 80 far, but he informed them that he had made up his mind moi to allow any more eall change ringing on the hells of his church.
This get the Beddingtonites thinking and talking, with the result that they as a company, decided that they would never bo denied the use of bells if want of knowledge of change ringing was the only obstacle. From that time on, with the Jute Edgar Bennett as their conductor, their progress was steady. Early in the year 1878 they rang their first quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, Diyring the year they rang two other quarter-peals, three half-peals, and three peals, the first peal being on Novenber 8th, 1878, and the first peal ly sil the hanti. It was at All Saints', Curshalton, that they rang the first quaster, limf and complete peal, so that Carsbalton naturally lolds memories dear to him.
It was early in the year 1880, rifter a practice at Carshalton, that the ringers called in at the King's Arms, and in the parlour Fagar Bonnett, Charles Gorron, Tames Cawley, John Plowman, Samuej Greenwoorl, Gearge Pell. Daddy' Springhall, Mr. Slepherd, and J. Trappitt decided it was time to do something to forma county association of ringers. This was the birthplace of the Surrey Association.
On May 21st, in the schoolroom at Beddington, with the Rector (the Rev. Canou Bridges) is the chair, it was christened and launcled on its troublesome life, with a gentleman, named Percival, of Wimbledon, as secretary. Mr. Trappitt is the only one of the origiual founders left, and his eldest son continues to carry on thiat whicli his father had a band in starting.
But to revert to the Beddington company. On October 27th, 1880 , Lhey rang their first peal of Plain Boh Triples, and ou May 7th, 1881, their first peal of Grandsire Caters. On Tebruary 4th, 1882, they scored John Holt's oue-part peal of 1"lain Bob Triples, the firsi time this peal had been rung. On October 204h, 1883, they were successfui in ringiag their first peal of Kent Treble Bob Major, and on December 6tht, 1883, Mr. Trappitt called his first peal. On May 4 th, 1885, the compang rang their first peal of Bob Major, and on Auguse 5thl, 1886, heirir first peal of Kent Treble Bobb Royal. The hand on this oceasion included the Rer. F. E. Rohinson, whose first peal of Troble Ten it was also. All thesc peals, with the exception of the Troble Ten, were rung by the Sunday service riugers of the Beddington Society, and were the first in the different methods by all who took part ir them
On Jane 6th, 1888, Mr. Trappitt rang his first peal of Stedman Triples, conducted by J. W. Weslibrook; on the following dny lis first peal of Stedman Gaters, conducted by the Rev. E. F. Robiason. This was Mr. Trappilt's 50th peal. From this time on he fins no record of dates, but he hus rung penls of Double Norwich ami miet of Stedman Cinques at St. Martin s-in-Ule-Tields.
In 1895 tre migrated to Ireland, whore at St. Thomag*, Belfast, he manageit to teach a band till they rang thece courzes of Grandsire Triples. Fe also rang al Hollywoot, County Dowa. In 1896 he went to the sombl-gast of hreland, with no somid of a peal of bells mantil in 1897 he met Mr. J. W. Washbrook and Mr. J. W. Tayior with a Loughborough hand at the opening of a new elurch nut peal af bella st Arklow, County Wicklow. In Samuary, 1901, he settled in 'lear dirty Dublin,' and was made a member of the St. Patrick's ''uthedeal Society, of which lie is still a ringiog member. Among the nemorable peals in which he has taken parl in Ireland was one in October, 1901, at Arklow, when J. W. Washbrook rang the zwd and 4th hells. Mir. Truppitt rang in the first peal of Stednan Triplea, Treble Boh Major, Stedtuan Caters, and Treble Bob Royal, and Grandéire Oinques, in treland. Altogether he has rung abort 122 peals, of which he lias conducted nine. On Norember eth last, on the 50th anniversary of his fist peal, an attempt for a communaration peal was made, lut it came to grief after riuging three henurs. Mr. Trappitt is one of the few left who rang with the late Henry Halcy and Johu Cox. He lad not the pleasure of meeting It:r late Fenly Johnson, but one of the St. Martin's band of his time, Anoos Cressor, was an honornry member of the Beddington compaly for several months while working in the Croydon Bell Foundry, allid he rang a peal of Grandsire Caters with them on Jume 3rd, 1882. Othor honorary members of the company were the late Dr. A. B. Carpenter, Mr. E. F. Cole, arai Mr. C. E. Malin, who rarely missed in practice for several years. If these lines should meet the eye of cither of these last-named gentlemen or the Rer. E. W. Carpess-ur, a kindly thought will give pleasure to 'Little Jim.'

OLDSWINEORD RINGER'S SAD DEATH.
KIJLET WHEN GOJNG OEY DUYY.
"Ihemas Joseph Smith, agen 61, of Brook Road, Oldswinfort. Stoubridge, met a sad death on the railway on Sibtuday nighi, Jazumy 5th. Fer was a signaman, and was going off doty, when he was rua oper and killeti. The surface of the roat was very slippery ati the time, aud it is thought he may Jave slippers and [allen on the dalway ine. At the inquest a verdict of Accidental leath was returned, and greatest sympathy with the widow and datronter was expressed by the caroner and jury,-Mr. 13. Gorton, stathonmanter, associated himself with the expression, and snif that leceased lad been a very valuable servant. He had been in the eompany"s service for 39 yeare, and had been a signalmat for 37 yeurs. Mr. Hation also oxtenden sympatly on beholf of the National Uniofn of Railwaymen
The fineral took place on Thursday afternoon last weak at the Borough Cemetery, Slourbridge, and was attended by athout 100 employes of the Great Western Railway Company. Messrs. Arthur E. Whatmore (Stourbridge), Thomas Heathcock (Oldswinford) and Johr [3ass (Wollaston! represented the ringers. A shorl service was contucted by the Rev. II. J. Freiensener, carate of Oldswinford, who also gave a brief and fitting address. The burial lesson was read ty the Rev. A. E. Buchanan, Rector of Pedmore, Jhe lioral irikutes were bearlitul and mumerous.
The Iate Mr. Smith was held in high esteem by his many calleagues on the railway, with whom he was always bright and geuial. A bative of Clent, he joinent the local hand of bellingers, and after remaval to Brierley Hill he was a member of the Brierley Hill band. Still more recently lee belonged to St., 'Phonias', Stourbadige, aud Ohtswinford Parish Church band of bellingers, and although not a great peal rimger he conducted the 1,000 th peal for the Worcestershire Association on Saturday, December 6th, 1913. He was ever willing to do what he could to firther the interests of ringing.
The following members of the Worcestershire Association, Messra. J. Bass, William Gibbs, Robert Matthews, Alfred C. Boxley, Clifford Skidmure, Chas. W. Cooper, Walter Farley and Thomas Hemming, atitempted 4 half-muffled peal on Thursday evening, at Christ Church, Lye, as a last token of respect, but, anfortumately, after about an hour, lad to stand owing to a rope havisg slippen the wheel.

> GLEMSFORD, EUFFOLK.-On October 3Ist, a quarter-peal of Bob Minot ( 1,260 changes), rung as 8 birthday compliment to Mr . T'. I. Slater: *W. J. Reynolds 1, *W. G. Good 2, *E. W. Ambroso 3, *. A. Nitch 4, P. L. Johnson (conductor) 5, T. E. Slater 6. - First guarter-peal.

## IPSWICH SURPRISE MAJOR.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir,-In sending you these tro ponls of Ipswich Sitpuise Major, may I plead with the Exereise to give more consideritinu 1 en this mast oxcellent method. Produced by Mr. Arthur Craven, it whs brought into the limelight by Rev. C. D. P. Daries in 'Surprise Methods ' (sce pp. 52-54), where the author points out some of is many advantages. While structurally a great improvement on Cannbridge, its 'work' resembles the diagram of the latter enougil to make it much more easy for a Cambridge ringer to learn than (saw London, and it possesses (to quote Mr. Davies" own words) 'the: conspicuous advantage of haviag one, and only one, courat falste against the plair course,' thus offering 'wide scope iut the way of composition.

I believe I am correct in saying that since Mr. E. Jenkins called the first peal in the method ou May 21st, 1827, only ome more peal of it has been ruug. Surely this is a method weil worll the attenttion and practice of the many Surprise ringers who ring Midilelon'g peal of Cambridge regularly about ton tines a year.- Yours faithfully,

STEPHEN H. WOOP.
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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Canon Lake, Suh-Dean and Rector of Chemsford, whoso death at the age of 81 years we recorded lask week, only once missed being present ai the annual mecting of the Fssex Association in 34 gears.
3r. George R. Pye rbng 75 peals in 1928.
Earry Rastable, the colebrated Birmingham ringer, who was Master of SL. Marlims Guild from 1888, died tnirty years ago tomornow at the ge of lifty years.
The first peal on twelvo bells ever itug was accomplished at Sit. Brido's, Flect Stroet, on January 194in, 1724, when the College Youthis rang 5,060 of Grandsire Gingues. It was an historical event.
On January 20th, 1740 , a peal of 5,040 'Gurthinge Trebles was rung at St. Margaret's, Lynn. It is believed that this was Gnothon's peal of Grandsira Triples, which was first rung at Norwich.
A peal of 6,600 Rob Maximus was ruug at St. Mary-the-Great, Cambridge, on January 21 st, 1788 .
The first peal of Cambridge Surprise Royal after a lapse of 75 years was rung at Cheltenhan on Jentary 21st, 1898. The first that was rung was at Wakelield in 1822.
Tho Sussex County Association was established on January 291h, 1885, and the first peal was rung for the association two days later at Cuckfield by a band from Brighton. Two members of that company survive, Mr. Charles Tyler, of Henfiele, and Mr. George King, who has been for many years now in Ganada.
Mr. Fenry W. Jackson, hon. treasurer, Lancashire Assoeiation fir the past 47 veras, died on Sunday moraing at the advarced age of 83 years. He was a member of the College Fouths.

## HALEY, COX AND JOHNSON.

To the Edifor.
Sir,-Seeing mention labely of the fact that there are not many now left of those who lave rung with the three veteran ringers whose wames sland at the head of this letter, perhaps I ought io lat it be known that I aro one of the few remaining. I do not hink that I ever haug a poal with Jolin Cox, but I rang two or threo totuches with him at odd times. In my London ringing days (187880) ho was a Cumberland, and I was always a Callege Youdn. With Ealoy I rang regularly, and, to mention but one peai, f ring the secoud in the silent Foft's Original, with Haley ringing the treble next me. As regards Johnson, I rang in his last peal, one of Stedman Caters, at Aston, in which, I think, he rang the secmind, while I rung somewhere near the seventh. Fo camo to see how things were looking, and as we were one short of our number, wha -and I have always been thankful for it-persuaded to stand in at the last momenl.

GHARLES D. I. DAVIFS.
THE BATES APPEAL FUND.
The abuve fund has now been closed, and the following is the final list of subseriptions:-

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Mr. T. Grommbridge, jun., of 127, Crayford Way, Crayford, whe has been acting as hon. secretary of the fund, thanks all those who have so willingly subscribed and thus assisted the widnw and liroo gnall children at a time of tragic bereaveraent and firmacial worty. Mr. Groombridge has received the following letfer from Messrs. J. W. Bates and J. Bates, brothers of the decensed ringer:-

We wish to thank you and all concerned for the generous help you hnve given to our brother's widow in response to the ungeg you so kindly put forward. It has been a great he'p to ber in lier sad loss. Alihough we have thanked you personally, we foel we would like to express our appreciation in writing. Words do not convey the full extent of our gratitude, but we know you will anderstand how grateful we fcel.'

## MRS. BATES' THANKS.

## To the Edifor

Dear Sir,-1 wish to take this opportunity of thankiug all who so kindly came to my assistance, with the result that I have recoived the grand total of $£ 53 \mathrm{~s} 4 \mathrm{~s}$. gd., und algo of thanking vot for the use of the columas in your paper, as I realige that, hut for this, the appeal would have bean impossibie. The money lias bern a great help to me. It tends to soften a great blow when one fecis such good friends are at laad. Thanking you all once again, Yours gratefully,

ANNIE A. BATES.
5, Great Queen Street, Dartford, Kent.

## PEALS OF MINOR AND DOUBLES

## To the Editor

Sir, The molion carried af Fereford is perfectly corretet. It states that a peal of Minor musE consist of sevell true and complete $720^{\prime}$ s. Now, consider my brother's arrangement of Cambridge Minor. We mate 720 elanges of the bells so that we have the correct number of clianges made, but the last change made takes us into the next 720. We now ring througll that, and the last change made brings us into the next 720, and so on throughoul. The last clange in the scventh 720 brivgs us back into the first 720 agrin, and completes the larst 720 , so that each of the seven is true and complete

But the motion carried docs not say that each 720 must be compleded before the next one is hegun; if it did it would rule out every peal of Minor, beeaure it states llant the seven 720 's must be different. If so, then not only nust the row 123456 come up after every 720 th change is made, but the same applies to every other row, so that if 123564 comes up after the 12 th change from the heginaing it must also come $u p$ after the 732nd change is made, and this can ouly lie if we ring the same 720 geven limes over in the same methad.

The motion allows 1 as to ring severn true and eomplete compositions mixed up in sny way we like, and so emables us to get seven $720^{\circ}$ s. bringing $5-6$ up the ripht way at lle lnok in Cambritge Surprise and also in London Surprise, uad this canoot be done in any othar way.

1I. LAW JAMES.
IIf Mr. Law James will loak agnin at lle mation passed at Herefort has will see that the word 'diferent' is not nsed in the resolution. It maty be uscful to guole again the oxact wording which was adopted lor a peal of Minor: "That peals of Minor cousisit of at leasi, seven lrue and complele 720's, rung without interval and without rounds or any ather row being included or rung more than once in any 720. A peal may be lengthened thy the gddition of sny number of 720 's fulfiling the same conditions, with or withut one fouch of less than 720.' Thas it deherts nathing whith was not raled out by the previous delinition laid down by the Council.-Ed. 'R.W.]

## GRANDSLRE TOOEDHES.

Dear Sir - Four comment nt the Cont of ML. Murris' letter wonld appear to put the matter in a mutshell. If wo are gaing to allow $240^{\prime}$ s of this type, there is nothing to prevent our takimg the ten sixscores and splicing them two by iwo, whiclı can bo done, unless my mathematics he rusty, in 1,080 ways. Yot would have to discard 90 of thuse ns they would consist of two ronsecative six-scares, and there waulil be a nimber of cluplicated 240 'ss but at uny rate there would be rather just under 500 of them, alld they would all contain 240 changes-i.e., esch possithle change twice. If 240 's on this plan, why 10t $360^{\circ} \mathrm{s}, 4 \mathrm{~B}^{\prime} \mathrm{s}, \mathrm{I}, 200 \mathrm{~s}$ ?
Mr. MLaris' arrangement is pond, hat contravenes the C.C. rasolaz tion-so that would appeat to he that.
The letrer of the Rev. E. S. Poweld is monstructive and gives food for thought, but ho will agree that, while the Hereford resolution ataris, the arragement thater discussion is inadmissible.
Mr. Wilson epparently wrote in a hurry. A letter full of slang and unkind wnids does not get us anywhere. To charncterise Mr. Morris' effort as an 'abortion ' (a horrible word) und a 'monstrosity, is going too far. Was Mr. Willson in such vinlent laste to castigate the five and six-bcll men-lie does not love them, apparently-that he inakes one obvians misstatement and commils an error in his English, both unusual things for W. W. Palpably, you cannot have more than 120 false ehanges in the 240 of Mr. Morris.
] would vendure to state that 1 think I could exercise W.W.'s mind to some considerable iune in Grandsire Doubles. The 50 six-scores which wo rand, all in a difterent way, some ycars ago, provideri a mental tesf quite as stiff as does a peal in seven methods or Minor. It is surprising that this methorl of producing peals of Doubles not more widely adopted-i.a, that of substituting other bells for the treble.

The number of 'legitimate" methods of Doubles is so smatl that credit should be given to anyone who makes an effort to ring something different, even though that effrm be on lines that are wrong, accorting to the Central Council.-Yourg, etc. T. T. DYKF.

## TWO QUESTIONS.

Sir,-The arrangements of Minor and Doubles seem fo be taking a prominent, piace in your columns, at the present time. As to their truth or otherwise, perhaps it would be ns woll if those concerned would answer the following rucstions:

1. We are lold that 123456 constifutes the first row or change in Mr. Bankes James" arrangement of his peal of Camhridge Rinor. Will he iuform your readers which is the last row or change?
2. In whal way do these freak arrangements contrihute. to interest or advaneement in the arti of ringing to live and gix-bell ringers? Yotur truly,

SEVERN.

## Killamersll.

BURFORD, OKON.-On Novemher 19th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Trip:es in 47 mins. ( 1,260 changes): F. Soden 1, E. Tearson 2, W. Brunedon 3, A. Bistop 4, R. Hudson 5, W. Dixon 6, T. Bond (conductor) 7, T. Timms 8. First gharter-peal of Stedman at Burford by a local band.

## NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.

## SUCCEGEFUL MEEIING AT WORKSOP.

A cordial weleome wis extended to the memberg of the Norlh Notts Association at Worksop on this their first meeting of the new year. The weather being beautifully fine, members attended from Anston, Shireoaks, Cheknoy, Edwinstowe, Gamston, East Kharkhiun Ordsall, Suttou-on-Tren, Warsop, Bolsover, Mansfield, Mansfeld Woodhouse, Creswell, Chesterfisld, 'I'refou, Gainshozough, Mister' (on, Handsworth, Hotherham, and Staveley Town, with a nupluca wi the local company. The melhods ruag daring lise afternoon the evelling were Boh Major, Kent Trcble Bob Major, Forward Mujor, Stedmen Triples, diandeire Triples, Double Norwich, Cambeider and Yorkshire Surprise, in inddition to ane or two six-hell mothods, some good ringing being done on the I'riong bells. There were urwards of 40 ringers present during the afternoon and evenitag, adal a Iarge number sat down to tea at the Co-operntive Cafo in Fasi gate. The Res. R. F. Wilkisisu presided over the gatherivg, ant the meeting which followed, sapported by the hom, secretsy (Mr. H. Haigh), the htisess burchmall and others.

It was decided to hald the nexl mecting at Tuxfort, the date fos he arranged by the sometary immediately after Jiaster
Frederick Hectior Fimmett, of Chesterfield, was elected a non-cexident life member.
Votes of thanks were passed to the Rev. R. F. Wikinsou for pti silling over ters amb moting, and also to the Vicar of Wubkeup Canon D'Arcy for the use of the hells.
Some good change ringing on landbells took place during thu meeting, and afterwards the tower bells were rung up to $9 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$, and lowered in pend.

## LANCASIIRE ASSOCIATION.

The usual monthjy mecting of the Liverpooi Branch was held it St. Nicholas', Liverpool, on Saturday last. Amongst the wisifors were Rev. C. A. Clements, of Grappeniall, Master of the Chestr Diocesan Guild, abrl Mr. W. H. Sluker, general seureftry of Lancashire Association. The hells were kept busy until 5.30 p.mt, when the service whe helul. The fenl. Archdeacon Howson aud the Jeslor of Jiverporil took ther service, and Rev. C. A. Olements proacineti. Immediately alter the service the members pracepled in si. Nicholas' Instimbe, whert tea was provided for all througlt tho generosity of the Archdeacon.
A short meeding frifowed, od which the branch secretaries of fall Wigan and Liverpori Fivinehes gave a report to the members on Cha pasi ycar's progress.
Hearty votes of thauks were passed to the Rector of Livergool for granting facilities for the meding, and to tho lev. C. his continued sumport ind his gonerosity in providing lea,
A return was then made to the tower, and the hellis were lyepl going till a lave homr. Many of the visitors expressed thety willis. faction and sproral at the success of the meeting-

## EAST HERTS MEETING AT HERTFORD

 day last, whelt the bells of All Saints" (tou) aul St. Andrew's (eight) were optn. Members and friends were present from Rom fora, Levtonsione, Souiligate, Leyton, Broxhoume, Whra, Ifniley Hraughing, Ragsion, Nazcing, Shropshire, togethor with Mr. ©. 'T Goles, the hon. secretary of the Middlesex Association, sud Mr." A. and Mrs. Pulling, of fruildford. Mr. Pulling, aftor such a Baryet. Wus recovery to health. largely dun to the rare and skill with whith he was murserl at lhe County Hospital at Hertford, felt le would like to visit his many frientis; and, needers to bay, all were dulighted to see lim.
The Vicar gave an earmest and helpful uddrees, which was nuelu appreciated, and for which he was heariily thanked as ilv: whook hands with each as they left the servie.

Toa and busineas followed, Mr. W. Picknorth, of Southgate, pris siding. One new mmorier was elected, namely, Miss C. Weich, of the Jeninglon banst.
Girandsire Triplea and Caters and Cambridge Royal were tumy at All Suints', and Double Norwich, Bob Major and London Surprist bronght round at St. Audrew's. All spent a very enjoyable time,

## MUFFLED BELLS AT HARROW WEALD

On Wednesday, Januery 9 th, at Al] Saints', Farrow Weald, $72 a$ Plain Bob Minov was rung wilh the holls laslf-muflea as a tast Lrken of respect to the wite of Mr. S. Holloway, who passed away very suddenly on Frinays dmuary th. Mr. Hollowey is a very reaperited ringers fere: Misk Frerla Clayon 1, C. Dyko 2, Misa Flsie Tulfon 3, N, Gemna 4, G. R. Geunisho 5 . W. Eorrat 6 . This whs followed by two courses of Stomiman and 240 Grmansire Doubles, conducted wy

## 14. Gooddinp

This is the first 720 by the ringers of the treble, thind, fourth and twor, and the lime au eomeluctor. All are members of the new bund raceatly formed, with the exceptimn of Mr. Dyke, wha hails Simer st a! imore.

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

## SONNING DUANERY BEANGH

The Sonning Deanery Braumla of the Oxford Diomsan Guila heai its uthusal mueting al Wokirgbum oly Saturday, where the Lwo riuss wi' lells il All Saints' and St. praul's were utitised in a number of luhcins in the aftermoon and oveniag. $A$ well-attenden service was lom in SII. Paul's Ghurch, when ull cloqualt, uddress was given by the Rer. O. W. O. Jenkyn, Master of the Guild. Speaking froms Fipls, iji. 11, the Master took as his suluject the eternal purpose of fiond, and asked: What would life lie wihhout a purpose? It was a Jifficuld himg to be out of worls-withond a job, but even with both surnared, so inany lives, unfortubately, were wibhout purpose. They latd no rontinuity of sim. He, however, was talking to those whose life had a purpose, and who were interested in their work. All their intelligence and ideas wore baud up in what they had Lo do. But "vell so, there were times when purpose seemed ahsent, as when riugers failed to thris ug at combinad practices, and those who did were irft with mothing to do. But the text spoke not of theirs, hat with an eternal purpose, in Christ Jesua our Lovd. Jesus Ghrist, Crestor and Treserver of all thiugs, Who worked not haphazirdly But with an eternal purpose in Christ Jesus aur Jort. Jesus Christ, dik, the architect, unfolded the plan to the workmen. I'hrough His rolation to His Father and ours to Hin, we came into the eternal purpose, rolated both to Gerl and to one another. Ghrist unfolded The elernal purpose to the people of the world. What, he asked, latel the Guild of Church Bell Ringers to do with the oternal purphas? If true to their Guik, they woto doing what Jesus Christ wond have them do, and were working aecording to plan; with their contrihution towards the worship of cod, whind was central in the thought and heart of our Lord Tesus Christ, who worshipped in the 'Fermple and in the synagogue. F'heir work called for roal oceupalion of hodily and mental powers. Their felbwship was just a part of the great fellowship which Christ came to bring alnout, and which hard heen gradually unfolded in their ringers' Guitds in Jinglantpart of the 'eternal purpose.' Not all that they did came "rinder the otmenal purpose; but let them live up to their haptismal and sneramunhal privileges as true Christinns acceptable to God. He faithful retels in his own tower and for himself, not anoties. The preacher relcred in moring terms to the elernat purnose as revenled in the liglat of the removal by dealh of their great frienci, Master and thairmann, the late Rev. R. H. Hart Davis, and in the illness and rernvery of their chairman, Canon G. F. Coleritge, who was present with them that day. Let those words, ' the eternal purpose of God, he their watohword for the coming year-their inspiration as they "lit all they nould to carry on the purpose of God.
'I'le singing of special ringers' hymns was wery effective, especialiy Belfry Praise,' by the Rev. T. II. Mrathews, with its lovely belilike plirases and cadences. The Rector and the Rer. F, A. Sheffeld huok parl in the service, while among those present were the chairminn of the branch, tiog Rev. Canon G. F. Goleritige, the Revg. B. (ang (Rural Doan), Gr. II. Stuhbs, and A. Ta Menlry. Miss D. E. M. Hhrmidge presided at the organ, deputisisg for Mr. A. H. Lusty, the organist.

Thigh tea followed in the Parish Room, arranged hy Mr. W. Houlfun and Mrs. W. G. Houlton, and adnimbly served by ladies and yentlemen of the pariel.
The Chairman, amid applause, thanked ull the aluove for their kilıduezs.

L'moun Coleridge presided at the businesa meeting, ringers prosent nitronering ahout 100, and including several ladies. Among those silpporting tho ebairman were the Master (Rev. C. W. O. Fenkyn), 1/w Revs. B. Long, H. M. Waller, A.P. Carr, G. H. Francis, W. F' Stuhing and F. A. Slleffield, Messers. R. T Hibbert (ifuild secretary), A. I. Wright (Guild treasurer), W. J. Paice (harenh secretiny and trasurer). -The District Secrefary presonled the halance sheet, which, with a slightly decreased income and larger expenses for tombined practica (s new item) and Guild reprosentatives expenses, priwided a balance some five pounds less than llat of last year.

The Sectetary reported a quiet year. He firal nomgratulated the लliairman on his restoration to health and presence amongets them usnin, to which Canon Coleridge feelingly responderl.

Mr. I'aice reported a membership of at honarary and 149 ringing mornbers, ngainst 21 and 169 last year, a net deerease of 22 , acsomated for to a large extent by the ' umathaned being transferved ditect to the Guild. The Rev, A. L. Manly, of Camberley, Mr. mombors, Combined practices had bwon theld ateorned 10 new
 Sninte' and St. Pral's (Wokinglam).
The Secretary also regretted the albsence ut Lhwis meeting, through illursa, of Messrs. Darveli, Lawronce, E. H. Langley nod W. Boyles.
The report made feeling reference to the loss of hoir lete chairman, Jest [R. H. Hart Davis. A peal was ittempted at Saming ab $\pi$ memorial, but was lost alter an hour. vio peals laad been rung Naring the year. A visit to the foundry uf Messrs. fillett and Iolnaton at Croydon was much enjoyed by arany af the memburs. Thine Secratary thanket all the farman and members for' their belp anil sympathy, and said there was a keen deaive to mainain the sinntind of Sunday service ringing.

Rev. Canon G. F. Coleidge was manimously ro-elected diaiman, with expressions of congratulntions and esteem, to which he suitably responded.
Mr. W. J. Paice was manimausly hanked and reappointed brauch secretary and treasurer. No change was made in the hrunch committee; fnd quarterly meetings were arranged for the spring at Souning; sumaner, Wargrave or Hurst; autumn, Arborfield.
Brancl representatives to Guild Council were re-elected,
Muasis. T. Dentry, J. Moth, J, Rance and Jos. White.
Ou the recokmendation of the branch committee, the date of next anuosi meeting was fixed for the third (not the second) Saturday fur January.
The tirst of the combined practices was arranged for Furst in Felbuary, the rest to be arranged by the hon, secretary.

On the motion of Mr. Rance, and seconded by Mr. Moth, it was unanimously and by acelamation agreed to present the how. secretary Mr. W. J. Paice, wilh an honorarium of two guineas as f smath token of appreciation of his devoted and valuable services for the brameh.-Mr. Paice suitably responded, and expressed plensure at tha help he always received from the mombers, and said how he valued the fact of their appreciation.
The Secretary said be had been in communication with the secretary (Mr. Clark) of the Farnham District of Guildford Diveessa Gnild, as to a joint, mecting with Sonning. They would see from 'The Ringing Warld ' bow much in rogue were joint meetings, and what a very groati help they were.-Mr. Clark, who was pregent, expressen the pleasure it would give this district to welcome then.
The Master in a few words expressed pleasure at the meeting and at the work of the bruncl during the year, emphasising the value of the qualterly meetings and combined practee. He closed wilh an appreciation of Mr. Paice's work as hon. secretary.
Mr. Wright congratulated the hranch on its success, and in its secretary. He also spoke of the Restoration Fund (the nuslens of which is formed by 25 per cenl. of hon. members' subscriptions), which now stood al 530 . Several restorations wero dne, nud the money would he well spent. He was hoping the Guild funds would show f cloar 5 per cent. increase. Every year the had been in office he hand managed to increase the funds a little (applause). Flhe more mambers, the more prosperous thu fuild. He was glad to see the help given to younger mombers.
Mr. R. T. Hibbert referred feelingly to the passing of the Rer. R. H. Hart Davis, and to the illness and recorery of Canon Coleridge. The Sanning Branch had, he said, been absolutely hossed in its affeers, the Rev. E. E. Broom, Mr. F. Dentry and noyt Mr.
W. J. Paice. Mr. Hibbert spoke bighly of the valuo of joint practicos. Fe congratulated tio branch on its working and on its oficers.
The Rev. A. P. Carr, wha expressed pleasure at being alloweri to rejoin the branch, thanked the preacher, the Master for lis decply interesting address, the Rev. H. M. Walter for the use of his church and Parish Room, and the organist for ber services, his remarks being heartily endotsed by the
Walter cordially and uriefy responded.

## WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

 SOUTHAMPTON DTSTRTCT.The amual meeting of the Southampton District was held at Southampton an Saturday last. The bells of St. Mary's and St. Michaej's Churches were available, and various touches were brought round. Survice was conducted in Si. Michael's Churall by the Vicar (Rev. A. R. Spread). Tea and the business meeting was held in St. Micharel's Hall, the Rector of Dihden being in the chair, supported by Mr. Geo. Williams (Ringing Master and vice-president), Mr. Geo. Rullinger (general secretary), Mr. F. H. Rogors (Portsmoulh District sceretary), and members from Dibden, Eling, Romsey, King's Somborne, Wooltou Hill, Ringwood, Titchfield, Portsmouth, North Stonelam, Brockenfurst, Winchester and Sonthampton.

All the offieers were re-elecfed, viz.: Chairman, Rev. G. ']'. Tritton Ringing Master, Mr. Gen. Williams: distriet secetary. Mr. W. T. Tucker auditor; Mr. F. W. Summerfeld; Central Committce, Mr. . 7 W. Frithinl

It was decided to hold the next amnual meeting at St. Mary's, Southampton, on Saturday, January 18th, 1930, and quarterly meetings at Lockerby in April, Dibden in July, Upham in October, on the second Saturday in cacla case.

Apologies for absence wore received from Ganon Braithwaite, Rew. N. C. Woods, and the Rev. R, B. Jolly (Rector of St. Mary's, Southampton). Voles of thanks were nccorded the Rector of St. Mary's and the Vicar of St. Michael's for the use of the bells, and to lihe chairman for presiding.

## A BELL ANNIVERSARY.

At Fairford, Glos, on Monday, December 101h, at St. Mary" Church for the first anmiversary of the new bells a quarter-pent of Grandsire Tuiples ( 1,260 changes) in 50 mins. : G. Law 1, Migs F. M Fope 2, B. Guy 3, G. J. Winter 4, H. Acock 5, J. Hope (conductor) 6, A. King 7, E. Gardnor 8. First quarler-peal in the method for the ringer of the 2 nd , who is the first lady to accomplish a quarterpeal on these bells.

## BENJAMIN ANNABLE AND THE COLLEGE YOUTHS.

 To the Editor.Dear Sir,--With reference to the lotler by Collegian in your issue bl' the $28 t h$ ultimo, I hafe always understood that the first peal of thots 'Triples (if noi the frat peal ever sung) was rung at St. Peter Mancroft in 1715. Maybe Mr. Philip Sudter, Mr'. Theodore Slater, or some other memher of the Exercise will be good enougt to sify whather or not I am correct. - Yours fuilhfally,

GEO. IF CROSS.

## NINETY=TWO METHODS IN A YEAR.

A1 All Shinta' Church, Wath-ou-Dearme, during the year 1928, for Sunday sexvice and practice, there liave been 119 720's rung in 92 different methods, and one spliced in whree methods, by thirfeen rambors and three visitors, namely: A. Gill 98 (conducted 8), A. $\Gamma^{3}$ nuther 89 (conducted 40), W. Green 87, W. Bramlam 73, W. Asliworth 71, \#. Chamberlin ' 67 (condacled' 13), R. J. Ricketts 63, C. Wrish 60 (conducted 8), A. Nash 54 (conducted 50), J. W. Champion 29, G. Lord 8, E. G. Nicholls 3, A. Nicholls 2, C. Bell (visitor) 6. r. D. Potter (wisitor) 3, and F. W. Thornton (visitor) 1.

## MINOR RINGING AT EAST CROMPTON.

At East Crompton, Lancs, तuring 1928, 126 complete 720 's were mug, being 18 Oxford, 16 Kent, 14 Fiolet, 4 Now London, 6 Duke of York, 11 Wooủbine, 2 McrchanE's Returu, 17 London Scholars' PLeusure, 3 Saurlial, 4 Kingston, 2 London Sulolars', Sandal and Kingstou Sipliced, 3 London Scholars, Oxford, Sandal and Kingston Spticed, 5 College Exercise, 1 Norbury, 1 Duke of Norfolk, 1 Trowell, 1 Willesren, 1 Bocking, 4 Gollege Bob, 2 Wragby, 3 Neasden, 4 College Bob, Wragby and Neasdeus Splicen, 2 College Exercise, Norbury and Duke of Norfolk Splicert, I Elain Boh.
of these, 93720 s have been rung for services. There are two hands of ringers al this church, who ring nu altornate Sundays.
[11 addition, 720 Oxford was idug lay whe Friezliad, Saddleworth, hand on December 18th. These singers puid a risit to show rie East Compton men how lo ring Oxford in the 'Yorkshire 'style. The
ringers were A, Smib, G. Parkis, A. Godrey, J. F. Tielding, $G$. Yingers were A, Smib, C. Parkis,
Perrin (conductor), nod J. Burgess.

A RECORD FOR LALTITEM MNDEN.
'Lhe number of 720 's tung at Litule Munden, Herts, during 1928 was 118 , in 17 methods, sud constitustes a rocord for the tower.

## YORK MINSTER BELLS.

## To the Editor.

Jenr Sir,-We read with intereat the two letters in The winging Worth,' ander the ahove keading.
We cannot agree with Mr. Horner hat the words nasal wang" lawe not been used in connection with thells. It was rather a common expression two or three years ago when Simpson tuming was criticised. In our opinion, at York the predominating lasmonies of the bells are at a discord with one another, whict ean only he desoribed as a "nasal twang."
Mr. Horner, in remarking about the difference in the reight botwen Birmingham and York peals, practically admits the labter alle preally too heavy or resonatit to he us sitisfactory as Pirminglamin.

Referring to the mast polite and polishad missive under the shiedded non-tie-plame of Emp, cloes low not realise that if one hears the perfect peal at hineoln and then hears Fork again, the lalter peal may sound move inferior?
We decply regret that our opinions are not the same as "Inp's" and because of thet he thinks we have hearing trouble. May we refurn the compliment and say that as his frearing is not the sane as ours, he is the one who is suffering, and we offer our sincere sympathy and wish him a speedy vecovery-Yours faithfully,

GHAS. H. KIPPIN.
F. E. DARBY.

## RING OUT THE OLD.

LUTON, BEDS.-On December 31st, for watchnight service, a tharther-peel of Stedran Triples ( 1,280 changes) in 45 mins.: E. Slane 1, H. Walker 2, B. Wilson 3, H. Burton 4, H. Wood 5, A. J. Smith 6, L. A. Goodenough (conductor') 7, A. Rookwood 8.

KNIGHTON, RADS.-On New Yeaz's bive, a quarter-peal of Grundsire Triples ( 1,260 changes), wilh beils half-muffed, in 40 mins.: W. T. Gough 1, A. E. Jones 2, fr. H. Jones 3, J. J. Price 4, T. F. Preece 5, t. C. Abley 6, F. Evans (couductor) 7, R. Weliings 8 .

FRYERNING, ESSEX.-On December 31st, before wetchnight service, will the beils hall-rinuflad, 720 Kenl Treble Bob.-Ou January lat, after watchnight servire, with the bells open, 720 Cambringe Surprise,-On Sunday, Jatuary 6us, hufore matins, 720 Woodhine Treble Joh and 720 Norwich Surprise Before 6.30 evensong, 720 York Surprise and 3 B0 Double Cont. T'le ringers wert F', Wright, L. Camp, G. Gamp, C. Harington, FL. Wright, E. Sitoh and A. Bradley (eamduetor).

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCEES.

NORTHAMPTON.-At St. Peter's Church, on Sunday, 1anuary 13th, for morning service, 1,260 Sicdrnu Triples: E. Silbley 1, E. Taylor 2, A. Sladre 3 , W. R. P'avker 4, W. J. Dove: S, W. Sturgess E, i: Hopper (couduetor) 7, J. Wilkins 8. Tung as a birtladey compliment to Mar. Wilkins.
BISHOP'S STORTFORD, HERTS.-On Sunday, January 13th, for evening errice, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Trmpes (1,260 changes) in 46 rains. W. 'T. Prior 1, Rev. F. W. Lane 2, F. Sprineham (Gral quarterpeal as conductor) 3 , F. lBird 4 , H, Bull 5 , W. W. Tueler 6, H. M. White 7, H. Wacey 8 .

PUTNES-On Sunday evening, January 13th, for divine service. a guarter-peal of Stedman Triples in 45 mins. T. Bolton 1 , Horbert. 2, W. W. Hailey (first quarter-peal of Stedman) 3, W. H. [Ball 4, C. Moody 5, Rev. C. Carew-Cox 6, W. 'L' Elson (conductory 7, A. C. Wil liams 8. Sperially arranged for the Rer. C. Carew-Cox, who was on a visit.
RYE, SUSSEX.-On Sunday, January Gth, for monning service, a guarter-peal of (irandsive Triples ( 1,260 changes) in 47 mins.: $F$. Doume 1, G. Farr 2, C. W. Player 3, G. Horlson 4, (7. Waghorn 5, J. Downiug 6, K゙. Patienden (conuretor) 7, W. Skianer ${ }^{8}$.

LONDON. On Sunday, January 6th, at st. Botolph's Churels, Bishopsgate, for eveasong, 1,280 Pudsey Surprise Mnjor: H. Belcher 1 , Miss E. E. Chmpmar 2, W. II. Hewett 3, W. R. Midgwick 4, E. F'
 KILBURN.-At SL. Augustine's Church, on Sunday, Decomber $30 \mathrm{th}_{\mathrm{h}}$, for evensong, $1,260 \mathrm{Bob}$ Triples in 44 mins. : C. Conway $\mathrm{I}_{1} \mathrm{G}$. Moon 2, W. Wright 3, Miss S. Thursfeld 4, R. Gilbert 5, A. जradner 6, E. M. Atkins (compluctor) 7, L. Hieks 8. Firsi; quarter-peal by ringers of 15t, 2nd, 3rd and 8 th.


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## L.ATE NOTICES

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Presteign Dis. tict.-The annual meetnes will he held at StamanonArrow on Saturday, Jantary 2hth. liells (6) ava lable 4 pm . Service at 5 . Tea and meeting to follow. Those requiring tea please inform me not later than Wednesday, January 2 rd.-Jabez Preece, Dis. Sec, Lea Lodge, Staunton-on-Arrow.
ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SICIETY.-Tnequarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, January 25 hth, at Oldham Parish Church. Bells available at 3 p.m. Mecting at 7 p.m.-S. Thor pson, Hon. bec.

## NOTICES.

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. (Established 1637.) - The subscription of is. 8d., which enables members who have not attended twenty times in the past year to vote on matters of finance, is now due. Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on January 3 1st, *St. Paul's Cathedral on the 22 nd, Southwark Cathedral on the 24 th, all at 7.30 p.m. *Business mecting afterwards.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Firodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

SUFFOLK GUILD. - Quarterly meeting at Ufford on lanuary 19 th.-H. Drake, Ufford, Woodbridge.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North-Eastern Division.The annual meeting of ringers will be held at Wivenhoe on Saturday, Jan. 19th. Service at 4.30 p.m, and tea and meeting at 5.15 p.m.-R. W. Stannard, Hon. Sec., 21 , Ireton Road, Colchester.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Southern Branch.The annual meeting will be held at Grantham on Saturday, Jan. Igth. Bells available during afternoon and evening. Short service at 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting al 5 P.m.-C. T. H. Bradley, Folkingham, Lincs.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch. The next meeting will be held at Whittle-le-Woods on Saturday, Jan. 19th. Bells available from $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea, at is. 6d. a head. New reports and diagrams to hand. Subscriptions due.-Fred Rigby, Hon. Sec., 8, Carrington Road, Chorley.
SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. -The annual general meeting will be held at St. Martin-in-the-Ficlds on Saturday, Jan. rgth. Ringing commences at 4 a'clock.-I. Sparrow, Hon. Sec., Chevington, Bandon Rise, Wallington, Surrey.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Loughborough District. - The next meeting will be heid at Sutton Bonington on Saturday, Jan. roth. Bells (5) ready 3.30 p.m-D. S. Collins, Hon. Dis. Sec.
BATHAND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATIONClicw Deanery Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at Clevedon (St. Andrew's) on Saturday, Jan. rgth. Bells availabie from 3 o'clock. Divine service at 4.15 p.m. Tea at 5 o'clock in Club Room, opposite Railway Station, and business meeting to follow.-Percy G. Yeo, Hon. Sec., Long Ashton.
SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. - Marlborough Branch.-The annual meeting of the branch will be held at Marlborough on Saturday, Jan. rgth. Bells available 2.30 : St. Peter's (8), St. Mary's (6).-Cyril Hussey, Hon. Sel., Eastleaze, Baydon, Marlborough.
WARWICKSHIRE GUILD. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Chilvers Coton on Saturday, Jan. 19th. The Parish Church bells will be available from 3 p.m. Short service at 4.30 and tea, 10 be followed by general mecting, at 5 p.in. in the School Rooms in Coventry Road. -J. A. Fenton, Sec., 6, Frederick Street, Rugby.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-St. Albans District.-The next meeting will be held at Hatfield on Saturday, Jan. 19th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Teat arrangements will be made. All are welcome. - W. Nash, Dis. Sec., North Mimms, Hatfield.

NORFOLK GUILD. - A practice meeting will be hekd on Saturday, Jan. 19th, 2 p.m., to 9 p.m., at Fressingfield Church. Tea at 5 p.m. in Club Room, Fox and Goose Inn, followed by meeting. - L. E. Etheridge, Willow House, Fressingfied.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Hunts District. -A meeting will be held at Somersiham on Saturday, Jan. 19th. Bells available $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at 4.30 . -C. Fields, Hon. Dis. Sec., High Street, St. Neots.
BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. Cary Deanery. - The annual meeting will be held at Ditcheat on Jan. 19th. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. Service in church 4.15 p.m. Tea, in the Schoolroom, 5 p.m. Meeting to follow-E. Creed, 6, West Park, Castle Cary'.

DEVON GUILD.-East Devon Branch.-A meeting will be held at Payhembury on Saturday, Jan, 19th. Service 4.30 . Tea, the Schoolroom, at 5 . Bells (6) available; also Ottery St. Mary (8). Ringers welcome.-John H. Godfrey, Hon. Sec., Silver Street, Ottery St. Mary.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILLD. - Guildfurd District. - The annual district meeting will be held at Holy Trinity Cathedral Church on Saturday, Jan. rgth, at 4.30 p.m. Preacher, Rev. J. D. Carter, Vicar of Witley. Tea and meeting at the Parish Hall to follow. Bells at both churches available at 3 p.m.-W. R. Melville, Assistant Sec., I7, Bedford Road.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Northern District.-A meeting of the above will take place at All Sainis', West Ham, on Saturday, Jan. 19th. Bells (10) available from 3 to 8.30 p.m. Service, tea and meeting at 5 p.m. Visitors will be heartily welcomed.-I. A. Waugh, Hon. Dis. Sec., 8, Fullers Road, E.i8.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester Branch.-The next meeting will be held at the Cathedral on Saturday, Jan. 1gth. Bells at liberty 5 o'clock. Meering 7 p.m. Business: Election of branch president. Subscriptions now due. Reports to hand. A good attendance is requested.-T. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting, Manchester.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Leicester District.-The annual meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Belgrave, on Saturday, Jan. rgth. Bells (8) available from 3.30 p.m. till 7.30 p.m. Tea in Parish Rooms at 5.15 p.m. Business meeting (election of officers for the ensuing year, etc.) in the Talbot Inn at 7.45 p.m. All members are urged to make an effort to attend this neeting. - Alban Disney, Local Hon. Sec., 19, Houlditch Road, Knighton Fields, Leicester.
BRISTOL UNITED RINGING GUILDS will hold their eighth annual dinner at the Grand Hotel, Broad Street, Bristol, on Saturday, Jan. Igth, 6 p.m. Bells available: St. Nicholas' ( 10 ), $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. to $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.; Temple (the leaning tower) (8), 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.; St. Stephen's (10), 4.45 to $5.45 \mathrm{pm.m}$. , St. John's (6), 4.45 to 5.45 p.m. Tea in St. Thomas' Parish Room at 4 p.m.Edgar Guise, Hon. Sec., 39; Tankard's Close, St. Michael's, Bristol.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Lewisham Dis-trict.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. John's, Deptford, on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Bells avail-
able at 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m., with address by the Vicar. Tea will be provided by the Vicar and local ringers. It is imperative that any member requiring tea shall notify me by first post on Tuesday, Jan. 22nd. Subscriptions are now due and should be paid at this meeting.-A. G. Hill, Hon. Dis. Sec., 53 , Hengist Road, Eitith, Kent.
CROFTS MEMORIAL DINNER. - The seventh annual dinner will be heid at the Welbeck Hotel, Nottingham, on Saturday, Jan. 26th, at 6 p.m. Ringing, St. Mary's, 3 to $5 \cdot 30$. Tickets, 5 s . each, obtainable from the hon, secretary. The new Bishop of Southwell will be present. Visitors heartily welcomed.-F. Blood, Hon. Sec., 91, Dame Agnes Street, Nottingham.
GUILDFORD GUILD. - The annual meeting of the Farriham District will be held at Aldershot Parish Church on Saturday, Jan. 26th (owing to Farnham bells being unavailable). Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.45. Tea 5. 15 p.m. Business meeting to follow. Will all who intend to be present please advise Miss A. Fisher, 253, High Street, Aldershot, by Jan. 24th? All ringers welcomed and a good attendance requested.-B. H. Clark, Hon. Sec.
SURREY ASSOCIATION.-Central District. - The annual meeting of the district will be held at St. Martin's, Epsom, on Saturday, Jan. 26 th . Ringing from 3 p.m. Service at 5 , followed by tea and business meeting, in the Church Room. Those coming to tea please notify Mr. P. T. Cooper, 26, Church Road, Epsom, not later than Wednesday, Jan. 23rd.-A. J. Trappitt, Hon. Dis. Sec., 57, Meilows Road, Wallington.
ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-S.E. District.-Next meeting at Widford on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Bells (8) available 2.30 . Service at 4.30 , followed by tea and meeting al White Horse, Chelmsford Catheriral bells available in the evening. Subscriptions are now due. All those requiring tea please let me know by Wednesday (last post), the 23 rd. -H. W. Kirton, Hon. Dis. Sec., Longmeads Cottages, Writtle, Chelmsford.
ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD.--The annual meeting of the above will be held at Appledore in Saturday, Jan. 26th. Ringing from 2.30. Service at 4-30. Tea at the Swan Hotel at 5 , followed by meeting and social. All ringers welcome.-C. W. Everett, Hon. Sec., 48, Sussex Avenue, Ashford.
BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. Bath Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at Twer-ton-on-Ayon on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Bells ready $3.3^{\circ}$ p.m. Evensong 4.30. Tea and business meeting $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Mermbers requiring tea please inform me by Jan. 23 rd. Theo Grant, Branch Sec., Swainswick, Bath, Som.
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Lincoln District.Annual meeting will be held at Branston (6), Saturday, Jan. 26th. Tower open 2 p.m. Excellent bus service to and from St. Mary's Street and St. Mark's. All ringers heartily welcome. Notification for tea to Harold Marcon, Dis. Sec., 269, Wragby Raad, Lincoln.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Central Divi-sion.-A meeting will be held at Aldrington (Portslade Station) on Saturday, Jan. a6th. Tower open 2.30. Service 4.30 . Tea 5, in Church Hall. Important: Those who intend to be present please notify the undersigned "ot later than Wednesday previous to meeting. Half rail fare (maximum rs. 6d.)- - A. D. Stone, Hon. Div. Sec., 16, Belgrave Street, Brighton.

YORIKS ASSOCIATION. - The annual general meeting of the Yorkshire Association will be held at Far Headingley, Leeds, on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Bells (8) available from 2.30. Also St. Michael's (8) from 2.30. Divine service, in St. Chad's Church, at 4 p.m. Preacher: Rev. Canon R. H. Maiden. Tea, 6d. per head, and alt applications for same must reach Mr. F. Hutchinson not later than first post Tuesday, Jan. 22nd. Subscriptions for the current year are now due, and should be paid without delay. A presentation will be made at this meeting to the honorary treasurer (Mr. I. Cotterell) to mark his completion of 21 years of office, and it is hoped that a large and representative gatheringf will assemble to honour the occasion.-P. J. Johnson, Hon. Gen. Sec., 396, Meanwood Road, Leeds.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-Southern District.-The annual meeting will be held at Charlwood on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Tower oper at 3. Service at 5. Tea at 5.30, business meeting to follow. Those requiring tea should notify me not later than Wednesday, the 23 rd. -A. J. Bull, Hon. Dis. Sec., Jesmond, Queen's Road, Horley.

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - The annual meeting will be held at St. Chad's, Shrewsbury, on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Beils available from 2.30. Tea in St. Chad's Room 6 o'clock. Meeting 6.45. Kindly send number for tea before Jan. 22 nd to the hon. sec., Rev. F. Tennison, St. Alkmund's Vicarage, Shrewsbury.
gloucester and bristol diocesan asso-CIATION.-A dinner in connection with the Gloucester Branch will take place on Saturday, Jan. 26th, in Mercer's Hall, Cross Keys Lane, Southgate Sireet, Gloucester, at 6 p.m. (sbarp). Tickets $3 /$ each. St. Mary de Lode bells ( 6 ) will be open from 4 to 5.30 . Anvone requiring dinner kindly let me know by Jan. 19th. All ringers welcome.-W. H. Harris, Sec., 15, Painswick Road, Gloucester.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Rochester Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held at Frindsbury on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Tower open at 3. Association service in church at 5, conducted by the Vicar. Tea in the Vitlage Hall and business meeting to follow. All who intend being present at tea must notify me on or before Wednesday, ${ }^{2} 3$ rd inst. (first post). Subscriptions for 1929 can be paid at or before the meeting.-Fred M. Mitchell, Dis. Hon. Sec., 1 14, Sun Lane, Gravesend.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO CIATION. - Cirencester Branch. - The annual meeting will be held at Cirencester on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Watermoor beils open 3 p.m. Tea, Viner's Restaurant. 5 o'clock, followed by business meeting. Service, Parisht Church, 6 o'clock, after which Parish Church bells wilk be open. Will those who intend to be present kindly let me known by 2and?-F. J. Lewis, Branch Hon, Sec., 67, Chester Street, Cirencester.
DEVONSHIRE GUILD.-Mid-Devon Branch. - The annual meeting will be held at Paignton on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Belis (8) available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and business to follow. All ringers welcome. Please advise me by previous Wednesday.-H. I. Hole, Hon. Sec., Tauntonia, Church Street, Paignton.
LADIES' GUILD.-Northern District. - Quarterly meeting will be held at Worksop, Notts, on Saturday", Jaa. 26th. Will those requiring tea please notify Mrs. Scott, 44. South Street, Thurcroft, Rotherham, Yorks, not later than Thursday, 24th?-H. F. Jacques, Hon, Sec.

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.-The ammal meting of the above will be held at Bridgwater on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Please let me know not later than Tuesday how many will require tea from your tower. All ringers welcome. Beils available 2.30. Service 4-Tea 5.-.C. Evans, Hon. Sec., 14, Redgate Street, Bridgwater.

IVINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD. Pintsmouth District. -The annual meeting with be held at liareham on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Bells (8) quailable 2.30. Service 4.3 O , followed by tea and business meeting. Titchfield (6) also available. Will those requiring fua kindly inform me by Tuesday, $22 n d$ ? All ringers wel-come.-F. W. Rogers, Hon. Sec., 52, Sanmel Road, Prorismouth.
I.INCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD, - Northern l3ranch, Sleatiord District.-The annual meeting will be held at Sleaford on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.im. Those requiring tea must notify me by Friday, Jan. ${ }_{251 \mathrm{~h}}$.-Reginald Scott, Westlea House, Sleaford.
( I LOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION. Brisiol Branch.-The annual meeting will take place on Saturday, Jan. 26th, at St. Michael's, City. The bells (6) will be available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea in Parish Room 5 o'clock, followed by the meeting. St. Janmes (ro) will be available in the evening if required. G. Way, ra,' Seymour Road, Bishopston, Bristol.
I.ANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch. The next meeting will be held at Bolton Parish Church oil Saturday, Jan. 26th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Meetiny 7 p.m.-Peter Crook, Hon. Sec.; 203, Devonshire Road, Bolton.
(iLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL GUILD.-Chippenham Brancls,-The annual mecting will be held at St. Anelrew's, Chippenham, on Saturday, Jan. 26th, at 3 rirlock. St. Paul's ( 8 bells) will also be open. Visitors are welcome.-F. W. Merrett, Branch Hon. Sec., The Wondlands, Chippenham, Wilts.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckley District. - The annual general meeting will be lield at Hinckley on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Bells available from 3.to p.in?. Special business. Election of local officers, ivi. It is hoped a good number of members will be presen. All ringers and friends are cordially invited.-W. A. Cope, Local Sec., Smockington, Hinckley.

LADIES' GUILD.--Lincolnshire District. - A comhined meeting with the Grimsby District of the Lincoln Ciuile will be teld at Grimsby on Jan. 26th. St. Andrew's bells available afternoon and evening. farees', afternoon 2 to 4 , and evening, 7.50 to 9 p.m. Service at St. Andrew's 4. 5 . Tea 5 p.m., is. gd. per houd. Business meetings to follow. Those requiring tea p'ease notify Mr. Mingay, 394, Wellington Street, (irimslby, not later than Wednesday, Jan. 23rd. - A. Rishardson, Hon. Sec., Surfleet.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-WellingImorough Branch. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Irthlingborough on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Bells available :11 2.30. Serviçe at 4.30 . Tea and bupiness meeting to lisllow. As the report and balance sheet for the past vear will then be presented, a good attendance is re'quested. Will those who hope to be present kindly thotify me not later than Tuesday, Jan. 22nd? -F. Barber, Branch Sec., School House, Gordon Road, Welling1oripught.

PETERBOROLGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Daventry Branch.-A quarterly meeting of the above branch will be held at Weedon (6) on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Usual ar-rangements.-W. C. Noore, Bramaston Road, Daventry. LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rossendale Bramed. -A meeting will be heldi at St. Paul's, Ramsbotlom, (m Saturday, Jan, 26 th. Bells available from $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. Subscriptions are now clue, Reports and new rules and diagrams io hand. - johm H . Haydock, Branch Sec., 8, Oaklands Road, Edenfielt.

ST. MARTIN'S GULLD FOR THE DIOCESE: OF: BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755). - Annual nueving will be held at the Cathedral on Saturday, Jan. 2 ghth. Bells available from 4 o'clock. Business meeting in belfry at 5.30-A. Paddon Snzith, Hon. Sec., Domaor; Wellington Road, Handsworth Wood, Birmingham.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. - Grappenhall Branch.-A meeting of the above will be held at Runcorn Parish Church on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Bells available from 3 p.m. The hon, secretary will be pleased to hear from ringers requiring tea.-G. A. 'Faylor, Hon. Sec, The Village, Grappenhall.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOLTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Basingstoke District. - The annual general meeting will be held at Basingstoke, on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Bells available from 2.30 p.m. Service in the Parish Church at 4 p.m. Tea at 4.30 p.m. in the Church Cottage. Business mecting follows. All requiring tea please notify by Jan. 18 thi the Hon. Sec., the Rev. D. L. Board, Wolverton Rectory, Basingstoke.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Storkport and Bowden Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at St. George's, Stockport, on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Bells ready 3 o'clock. Service 4.30 . Tea 5.15 . Please notify Mr. H. Jackson, 81, Beech Road, Stockport, by Tuesday, Jan. 22nd, for tea.-T. Wilde, Hon. Sec.
CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Chester Branch.The amnal meeting will be held at the Cathedral on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Tower open 3 p.m., Service $+15^{2}$. Will those who intend to be present please notify me by Jan. 23rd?-J. W. Clarke, Eecleston, Chester.

MIDDLESEX COLNTY ASSOCIATION AND IONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-North and East Distrim.Practice meeting at Willesilen, Tuesday, Jan. 2gth. Bells from 7 to 9.30. All ringers welcome. A peal board, recording the first Spliced Surprise peal rung in the county, will be unveiled during the evening.-C. F. Coles, Hon. Sec.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DFOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-A Wednesday meeting will be hocd at Houghton-le-Spring on Jan. 3oth. Further particulars next week.-G. S. Taylor, Sec.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOC1A-TION.-Western Branch.-A quarterly meeting will tee held at Kempsey on Saturday, Feb. 2ncl. Service at + p.m. prompt. Business meeting afterwards. The bells will be available. The branch secretary should be notified how many to expect by Wednesdily previous. - 1 . Rowlatt, Branch Sec., Oid Street, Upton-on-Sevem.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -The next branch meeting will be held at Accrington on Saturday, Feb. zncl. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Meeting al 6.30 p.m. Reports to hand; subscriptions due. - If. Hindle, Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONBON DIOCESAN GUILD. - North and East Dis-strict.- - The annual meeting will be held at All Saints', Edmonton, on Saturday, February ad. Bells from 3 p.m. Service, with address by the Vicar (Rev. R. C. Evilly) at 5. Tea, is. per membor (non-members 1 s .3 d .), at $5 \cdot 30$. Business meeting to follow. All who require tea please advise me by Tuesday, Jan. 2gth. All ringers cordially invited, - C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 2 I, Vincent Road, E. 4.

HERTJORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.- Western District. - The next meeting will be held at Heme Hempstead on Saturday, February and. Bells available from 3 p.m. Cheap trains to Boxmoor-then regular bus service. All are welcome. W. Ayre, Sec.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Tonbridge Dis-trict.-The annual meeting of this district will be held at Edenbridge on Saturday, Feb. and. Tower open at 2.30. Service at 4.30 . Tea, followed by business meeting, after service. Members requiring tea must notify the district secretary not later than Tuesday, Jan. $29 t h$. Subscriptions are now due, and should be paid at the meeting or sent to the district secretary.-W. Litter, Hon. Dis. Sec., In, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GULLD.-Isle of Wight District. - The annual meeting will be held at Carisbrooke on Saturday, Feb. and. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by the and business meeting at the Waverley Hotel. Will those requiring tea kindly notify me not later than Tues*lay, Jan. 29th?-B. J. Snow, Hon. Dis. Sec., 2, Callingwood, Daniel Street, Ryle, I.W.

MDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. -The third \{arterly meeting will be held at Loughborough on Satutday, Feb. and. The bells of All Saints' (io) and Foundry (10) available all afternoon. By the courtesy of Messes. j. Taylor and Co. the bellfoundry will be open to visitors. Committee meet 4 pr. al Fearon Hall. Tea, is. 6 d . per head, 5 pom., at Fearon Hall. General meeting follows. 11 is of utmost importance that those desiring teat acquaint Mr. D. S. Collins, 145, Pager Street, Loughborough, not later than Thursday, 24 th inst., or they will be disappointed. -Ernest Morris, Gen. Hon. Sec., 24, Coventry Street, Leicester.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. -Canterbury Dis-rict.-The annual district meeting will be held at Canterbury on Saturday, Feb. gth. A special service will be held at St. Alphege Church at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., followed by tea and business meeting at the Oddfellows' Hall, Orange Street, at 5.15. The Cathedral bells will be available after 4 p.m. Will all those intending to be present kindly notify me on or before Thursday, Fell. 7 th? Members' subscriptions for 1929 are now due, and may be paid at this meeting. -Percy W. Smith, Hon. Sec., Fair View, littlebourne, Canterbury.

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But Bristol United Guilds have done much more than stage an annual dinner. In many ways they have encouraged the spirit of brotherhood among the bands in Bristol, and they have done some practical work in other directions. To their initiative is due the first " Ringers' Directory,' which made its appearance fast year and which, as time goes on, will become more and more complete in its information and correspondingly valuable to the Exercise. It was like most new things in connection with the Exercise, a venture of faith, and Bristol United Guilds, by undertaking the task, showed not only enterprise, but a desire to render useful service to ringers in general. Another matter in which the Guilds achieved success was in the manner in which they shouldered and so admirably discharged all the responsibilities entailed ia the celebration of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association's jubilee festival last year; and now, to round off an excellent piece of work, they have provided the association with a considerable portion of the funds required to defray the expenses. It is a crowning gesture which provides, if it were needed, proof of the spirit which permeates the activities of the United Guilds-a desire to render service.

Opportunities such as have presented themselves to the ringers of Bristol and which they have so readily scized, do not occur everywhere, but there are centres in which an organisation with the objects of the Bristol Linited Guilds might very usefully be started. Unfortunately, it is sometimes the case that personal grievances or petty friction keeps neighbouring bands of ringers apart, with the result that ringing inevitably suffers because of divided forces. A common meeting ground, providing (Continued on page 50.)

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## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUHD.
On Saturday. Januayy 19, 1929, in Four Honys and Fouy Minutes,
At tee Categdral Chorch of St. Saviour, Southwarb,
A PEAL DF gUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAXIMUS, 5 gigo GHaNRES; Tenor 52 cwt .


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

NORTHAM PTON.
THE PETERBOROUGE DIOCESAN GULLD.
(Northampton Brance.)
On Wednesday, January 9, 1929, in Threa Hours, At the Cborch of St. Edmond,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Pitstow's Variation of Thurstans'.
Tenor 18 cwt.

 | Fred Wilford | ... | ... | ... | 3 | Tom Tebedtt | ... | ... | .. | 7 |
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| Sidney J. Lawrgnce | .. | ... | 4 | Alfred Monk | ... | ... | ...$T e m o r$ |  |  | Conducted by Tom Tebsort.

Rung to celebrale the 80th and 50 birthdays respectively of the Rev. E. C. Channer and Mr. F. Eopper, both late presidents of tho late Central Northants Association.

## HEENE, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Weduesday, January 9, 1929, ia Two Houps and Fify-Fony Hinutes. At tee Cadrch of St. Botolph,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLE8, 5040 CHANEES;

Tydrstans' Fivegart.
Teaor rol cwt.
Horace Tolett ... ... ...Tyeble Edmond H. Lindop... ... 5
Artadr G. Arnele ... ... 2 -Harky Colley ... Alfred W. Groves ... ... 3 Wilelan Hillman ... George J. Norris ... ... 4 †Frederick Meeten ... ...Tomy Conducted by William Hillman.

* First peal of Sielman. † Fiust peal.

DAYBROOK, NOTTEVGHAMSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCLATION.
On Satuyday, Jonuary 72. 1929, in $T_{\text {wo }}$ Hours and Fifty-Fite Minutes, At the Cgorch of St. Paol,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Parker's Twelve-part
Tenor $10 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$, in $G$.
*F. Cladde Alvey ... ...Treble 「homas H. Snook ... ... 5 -Pgrcy E. Ball ... ... ... 3 J. Alfrid Barrett ... ... 6 *Ricbard ElSon... ... .... 3 "William Stanner ... ... 7 William H. Jobnson, V.C. it James Mellors... ... .... Tener Conducted by J. A. Barrett.

* First peal. First peal on the bells by an entirely local hame, ali of whom are Sundas service bingers. Rung to celebrate the coming of age of Miss Marjorie E. Elson, a member of the above hand, daughter of the thita vinger. who is lkinging Master and rintolwarden. Ringers of the 5th aud tenor wore made members of the association before starting for the neal.


## FUGHENDEN, BUCKS.

'LHE OXPORD DIOCESAN GULD.
(Easi Berks \& South Bucks Branca.) On Suturda1, Jountry 12, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifiy-Six Minutes, At the Cherge of St. Michael asd All Angels,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Heywood's Trangposition of Thurstans' Four-part. Tenor 12 ciwt. (approx.) in F sharp.
Mrs. Arther D. Barker Treble | Roland Bigis ... ... ... 5 Miss Winiered F. Bolf... $z$ William L. Gutieridge .. Arthor D. Barker ... ... 3 F. Donald Borebam ... ... $^{7}$ *Harry Howard... ... ... a Frank Whit... ... ... ...Teron

Conducted by Arthor D. Barker.

- First peal in the method.

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THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCLATTON.
On Sifitiay, Junutry 12, 1929, in Three Howrs and Eteren Mitutes,
At the Cborch of St. Pexer,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB HAJOR, GOB8 GHANGES; Tenor 14 cwt .

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- Percy Byram Harry Armitagir
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Composed by G. H. Hardy. Herbert Dransfield ...Tenor Conducted by F. Hodgson. a first peal. lang as a birthdey compliment to Mr. W. Idle.

WEST WYCOMBE, BUCKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCRSAN GUIED.
(East Berks \& Sodth Bocks Branch.)
On Sundoy, Jorwary 13, 1929, in Thref Honys axd Four Minutes,
At the Church of St. Lawrence,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 GHANGES
Johnson'b Transposition of Middleron's. Tenor ig cwt.
William H. Fletcher Treble ${ }^{\text {•Lemand Stilwell. ... }}$... 5 Phyllis M. Moss ... ... 2 William Henley ... ... 6 William H. Fussell $\quad . .-13$ Farry Wingrove $\quad . .$. - Jesse W. Harrison ... ... 4 Cecil C. Mayne ... ...Tome Conducted by C. C. Maynb.
First peal of Surprise Major inside. Rung on the twelfth anciversary of the welding of the ringer of the 7th, and as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 2nd.

## PCLLHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORFOLK GDILD.
On Twesday, Juntary 15, 1929, in Three Howys and Six Minktes. At ige Cherch of Si. Mary-the-Vifgin,
A PEAL DF OXFORI TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES Tenor 14 cwt .
Frbderick Borrety ... .. ..Tveble 'William Bolwell ... ... 5 Ereiest Whiting ... ... 2 Frederick Roope ... ... $\quad$. Cbarles Baker ... Algert Harrison ... ... 4 Townsend Adcock ... ...Temor
Composeả by J. Playt.

* Eirst paral in uathod.

BRIDGEND, GLAMORGANSHIRE.
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, January 16. 1929, in Thre Horys aud Eight Minutes,
Aythe Chorch of St. Illiyd,

## A PEAL OF GRANDGIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES; Tenor 16 cmt .

* Wicliam H. Evans ... ...Tvebie Cgarles H. Perry ... ... 5 Benjamin J. Toby .... ... 2 Alfred W. Wrighi ... ... 5 Jorn W. Jones ...... Ehnest Stitch ... ... ... 4 Brrt Wenver ... ... .. Temor Composed by Rev. E. B. James. Conducted by Cambles H. Perry * First peal. Rung as a birthday complinemt to Mr. Richard Evans on his 65 h, birthday. He has bech a ringer at the ahove church for over 40 years, but was unable to stand in the peal owing to ilh-health. It mas also a birthday complineni to the sister of the ringer of the 4th.

TUUASTALL, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Sutnvdal, Janway 19. 1929, in Three Hours and Fony Minutes, At the Parish Chorch of St. Jobn,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES:
Wileiam Wood ...
William Spice, jun.
...Tyeble William Wendan
William Spict, sen.

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Composed by Wicliam Sottanstacl Conducted by Willias Haigh.

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On Saturday, Janury 19, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty. Fivo Minutes. At the Beil Foundry Campanile.
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR. 6088 CHAMEE8
Charles H. Webr ... ...Tyeble E. Harry Stoneley
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James Hotchay ..
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4 Redvers F. Elimgion .... Tem
Composed by G. Lindorf. Conducled by Rrdvers F. Elbington

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GHTLHAM, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND ROMNEY MARSH A DISTRIGT GUILD.
Or Satayday. Januayy 19, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes.
Ai the Cherce of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Pitstow's Variation of Therstans'
Tenor 18ad Cw .
Fred G. Brett ... ... ...Tyeble Edwin G. Bubsden ...

- Fret R. Weller ... ... 2 Charles Franklin ... ...

Kennett Pattenden ... 4 Percy Page....
Conducted by Edwin G. Bursoen.
* Proposed a member of the Guild previous to starting. BOLSOVER, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCLATION. (Saeffield Disirici Society.)
On Saturday, Jonury 19, 7929, in Tzo Hours and Fifty-Eight Minules.


## At the Parise Cedrch,

A PEAL of bouale Maryich court aob majar, bib2 bhanges Tenor 14単 cwt.

| Harry Proot | Trable | Charles Miason |
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| Jusse J. Moss | 2 | Harold Ment |
| Thomas Riley | 3 | Edward Robbins |
| John H. Br | 4 | John Thini |

John H. Brotherlli
3 Edward Robbins
Composed by Arteur Craven. Conducted by jogn Flist. EAST GRINSTEAD, sUSSEX
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION
AND EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRIGT GUUTD
On Saturday, Januayy 19, 1929, in Three Hours ard Sixtern Minutes,
At tae Сhorch of St. Swithun,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, b040 CHANGES;

Parker's Six-part.
Tenor 23 cwt

- Herbert D. Wiytr..

Gborge Lambrat ... ... 2 Josepf Wren
-Richard D. Divall ..... .3 Albert E. Ediyards
Frederick J. Lambrrt, ion. 4 Gforge S. Diflock.
...
$\qquad$ 6 Condacted by Acbert E. EDWards.

* First peal. I First peat of (innarlsime. Rung as a lirthtay com pliment 10 Mr . J. Wren. The mingers were kinnly y entertininod to ten by Mr. and Mes. J. Wren.


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## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

THURLASTON, TAEIGESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION
On Salmday, Decenber 29, 1928. in Three Hours and Twenty Minutas, At the Church of Alz Saints,
A PEAL DF BDB HINOR, G000 GHANGES;
Being eight differend extents and 240.


A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR, 50MO GHANGES;

Rev. TFi. 3 . James' Arrangogent.
George Edwards ... ...Treble
Grorge Fuller... ... .... 2 James Bassett
Leonard A. Tidy ... ... 3 | Albert Relfe ... ... ....Tenor
Conducted by Acbert Relee.
TEMPSFORD, BEDFORDSHIRE
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Satudny, Jawayy 12, 1929, in Two Howysard Fifty-Three Minutes, At the Parish Cherch.

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 6050 CHANEES:

[hring 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Waodbine, Keat, and Oxford
Treble Bob, Double Court, Oxford Bob and Plain Boly.
Hermert figeds... ... ...Tyeble $\mid$ Herbprt Sherman ... ... 4 Migs Cathrrine Fields ... 2 Pearl Inskip ... ... ... 5 Sinney G. Coleman ... ... 3 Thomas Bartram ... ...Tertir Conducted by Prarl. Insmb.
MARSTON BIGGOTT, SOMTRSET
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASEOCLATION.
Dr Sunday, Jantray 13, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifiy-Fonp Minuts
At the Cherch of St. Leonard

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOU日LES, 5040 CHANEES;

Fowh-two six-scores, trul difment oallings. Tenor 7 ew
' Leconard Willhoti... ...Treble "Wilziam H. Micls ... ... 4
Witliam C. Shute ... ... 2 Frank D. Richards... ... 5
Edward G. L. Coward ... 3 Edward M. Coris ... ...Teupf Conducted by F. D. Rigkards.

* ritust peal.

MARDTE, HERTFORDSFIRT.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUDD
Un Strday, January 13, 1929, in Two Horys and Fifiy-Six Montes, Ai the Cegrge of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUELES, 5040 CHANGES; Thing 21 Sphiced 240's.
Roland F. W. Kinsey ...Tvelle *Francis J. Williahs ... 4 WileiamG. T. Barreit ... 2 James P. Hybit ... ... 5 Thomas W. Rowley ... ... 3 Harold H. W. Kinsey ...Tehoy Conducted by ]. P. Hysir.

* Re-elected a member before starting

GEAFWON UNDRRWOOD, NORTHANTS.
IHE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Kettering Brance.)
On Satwrday, Jantary 19, 1929, in Two Honrs and Forty-Two Minutes, At the Cherch of St. James,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 504D CHANGES

Brime vight six-seore cach of Pluiri 13ob, and Sti, Simon'a, four each at Cantorbury, New Doubles, Olủ Douhles, nad. Chase, aud ten of © irandsirg.
Frbiberice Randari Trible Sibney Monton
Relarick Randati ..... ...tiobl SIDNBM MONTON... ... ... 3 Grorgr Brown ... ... .... 2 Ronald Coleman ... ... 4 Reginalis Williamson ...Tenoy
Conducted by Reginald Wicliamson.
Runtr by kiud permission of the churchwardens. The band lake lais upportunity of thanking Mr, and Mrs. Walpole for kindly eaz terdninisg them to toa after the peal.

LONGBOROUGH, GLOS
THE FOUR SHIRES GUILD
On Weduesday ${ }^{+}$January 16.7929, in Tvo Hows and Thirty-One Mirkdes, At the Parish Churce.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5OAO GHANGES; Being 42 six-gcores, with ten diferent callingg.

## P. S. E. Aston

W. Coemman

F', Jones


HANLEY CASTLE, WORCESTERSEIRE
THE WORCESTERSEIRE AND DISTRICTH ASSOCIATION. (Western Brance.)
On Saturday, Javwary 19, 1929, in Tw, Hours and Forty-Two Minules, At the Church of St. Gabriel,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANEE

Being 720 each of York London and Cambridge Sarprise, Oxfond and Eent Treble Bob, Double Oxford and Double Bob. Teadr $10 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Frank Lawrence ...* ...Tyeble $\mid$ William Ranford ... ... 4
William Niblett ... .... 2 Cyait, Tansell ... ... ... 5
Sidney T. Holt ... ... ... 3 Sharles Camb ... ... ...Tonor Conducted by Sidney T. Holt. SIL VERDALE, LANCASEIRE. TEE LANCASHIRE ASSOCLATION.
(Furness and Lake District Branch.)
Ons Saturday. January 19, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Fiva Minutes,
At time Parish Chorce of St. John,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, B040 CHANGES;
Being two 720's each of Duke of York and Kent and oum each of Violet, Woodbine aud Oxford.
-Walter Howsley ... ...Tybble Wilfred Bolyon
Edinin Jennings ... ... 2 Joserb W. Hayton
... $-\cdots 4$

| Edwin Jensings | ... | ... | 2 | Joserb W. Hayto |
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| Jonn |  |  |  |  | | 4 |
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| 5 | Conducted lyy J. W. Hayton.

* First peal, sad elected a member hefore startiag. Firat peal as conductor. The 2nd riager belongs to Kendal, the rest to Silverdale. GHEDDTNGTON, BUCKS.
THE BEDFORDSHTRE ASSOCIATTON.
On Satwrday, Janmary 19, 1929, in Three Howrs and Ten Minutes. At the Chorch of St. Giles,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 EHANGES;
Seven alifferent extents.
Tenor 13 cwt.
- Henry B. Whitney.

Frederick Vickers Conducted by A. V. Geod

* First peal of Minor. First peal of Minor as conductor SLTTON, FERTFORDSHIRE THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GDLLD.
On Salurday, January 19, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty Thtwe Minutes, At tre Chorch of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Being 21 Spliced 240's.
Tenor 11 cmt .
-William E. Kingey ... ...Tveble Francis J. Williams... ... 4 Williak G. T. Barrett 2 Thomas W. Rowley .....James P. Hyett ... ... 3 Harold H. W. Kisey ...Tency Conducted by J. P. Hyetr.
Tirst peal away from the temor. Re-elected a momber before sharting. CLUTYON, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION. Or Sahtrday, January 19. 1929, in Two Howrs and Thivty One Mintes, At the Chorch of St. Augustine
A PEAL OF GRANDSHRE DOUBLES, F040 CHANGES; 42 six-scores, ten callings.
Crarles Fizld

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ERNESt Bath
Walliab Balce ..
... ... 2
Harold E. Blacker

- William Crorer

4
Jeffrey Tossbll
Conducted by H. E. Blacker

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## DENTON, LANCASHLRE.

THE GHESTER DIOGESAN GUILD
(Stockport Branch.)
On Saturday, Jantary 19, 1929, in Thyee Howrsand Three Minutes,
AT the Chorch of St. ANNe,

## A PEAL OF MINOR; EO40 CHANEES;

Being 720 each of Duke of Norfolk, College Exercise, Norburs, San dal, London Scholars', Kingston and Oxford. Thenor 15 cwt . Alfred Barnes
Tom Wilde ...
...Tveble $\mid W_{\text {ILFRID }}$ WILDE ... Harry Bardsley

## DEATH OF A WELL-KNOWN KETTERING RINGER

## UR. F. W. SAWFOOT'S SUDDEN END

It is with regret we huve to recourd the death of Mr. Frederick William Sawfoot, a well-knowu Kettering ringer; who passed away on Thureday, Jamary loth.
The shock of a wife awaking to find her Inusband breathing his last was described with emotion at ilio inguest on Saturday weak by Mrs. Margaret Hilda Sawfoot, who sad hel hushand was apprrently iu his usual health when lie eame home from work on Thursday evenidg. Sho did not oonsider he was so well its le should be, but he had not complained. He was cperaled upon for appendieitus three years ago. He went to bed all thout a quarder to nino aud witness followed. About a quartel-past eleven she awoke and found her lasband was breathing heavily. He passed away before medical assistance arrived. A post-mortem cxamination cliselosed that deceased had an evlarged and fatty beart, degeneralion of the heart being the cause of death.
The funcral service, which was held in the Parish Chureh, was conducted by the Rev. S. M. Morris and the Rer. C. H. Lucas, Mi.A Before the arrival of tha cortege, the bolla of the purisl Church were chimed for fifteen minntes by the local jingers, who headed the procession from tho chareh to the emetery.
After the committal portion of the service a course of Graudsire Triples was rung out handells by Messis. A. Y. Tnns, J. E. Cinapman, D. J. Nichols, and A. Henman. The ringers then returned to the tower and rang touthes of Grandive and Stadman Tmples with bells half-muffed.
In addition to the fanily manmers, here were prosent, represent ing the Petwrorough Diocesan Guila, the Rev. H . C . 'Phurstreld, Cranford (presidenf), Mr. hi. Wilfocil Vorlhampton (Master), Br. T. Wison, Tsham (treasurer), M iss S . 「harstield, Hiss Hepburn (Ladies' Euidd), and Messrs: D. J. Nichols, R. F. 'luruer, A. Payne, C. W. Bitcl, J. E. Chapman, A. V. Imms, P. lums, A. Henman, G. Goodman, F . Warven and Gi. Warten tmeminers of the Parish Chureh band. Mr. Ě. Pack and Mr. H. Taylor (representing Messis. Patrick"s, Ltd.\}, wheye Mr. Snwfoot worked; Mr. A. Thns, and Mr. TE. Brikgemar (representing the Conserative Club)
Among the many beatifu] floral wilntes was one With deepest sympathy from his fellow-helringers, kettering l'arisio Church

In the evening the bells were again oung hatf-mulliledin toucloes of Grandsire and Stechman Triples, and the whole puil and sfand. Mr. R. G. Black (gemeral secretary), Mr. F. Waster (branch secretary), Mr. F. Tite (Barton Seageavel, and Mr. J. C. Slatiord (Wollingboroughl, also took part in the finging. Mr. Shatforal was for many yens a member of the Ketering batul before removing tu Welliegborough.
Mr. Sawloot went. La Kettering from Harrokl, IBdelforishire, soma 28 years ago to follow his empioyment as "loather dresser, and joined a newle-formed band of ringers at the Purish charels.

From the year 1903, the company matie rapid progress, and the deceased assisted in ringing peals of Stedman "riples, Doumfe Norwich, Superlative, Cambridge, and London Surprise Major, these being the first meals ever rung in the methods on the hells by a local band of ringers, and are all recorded on tabless in the tower.
For the Central Northauts and Peterhorough Diocesan Guilds he ravg 131 peals in varions metlods, his last heing a peal af Cambridge Surprise Royal, rumg at St. Giles", Nomhamptan, on October 17 th, 1925. Ahthongh no further peals were athemptent since he had an operation some three years ago, Mr. Sawforl cantivued to :thend the weekly practices, and to ring for the Sunday services, and took part in the ringing on the Tuesday before he passed awry. A good striker, and a man who knew his methods well, his plate will ha hard to fill.
The peals rung by Mr. TE, Wr. Sawfot were as follows:-
Tawer Rells. Fienilhells.
Doubles
Minor in one method Minar in four melliods Minor in seven methods Minor in eight methods Grandsire Triples
Grandsire Gaters
Stedmen Triples
Stedinan Ciaters
Plain Bob Major
Plair Bob Royal
Kent Treble Bob Major
Kent Treble Bobs Roral
Gambridge Surprise Majo Cambridge Surprise Roya Superlative Surprise Majo London Surprise Major Double Norwich Major Little Boly Major

DEATH OF LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION'S TREASURER. LAST EURVIVOL OR' ASSOOLATION'S FIRST PEAL
With sincere regret we have to record the passing of Mr. Fienry Wm. Fackson, of Bolton, the hon. Ereasurer of the Lameashire Ascot: intinft, which took place on January 13tla.

Demanod, who had reacheid the advanced age of 83 years, was one of He friturlers of the association 52 years ago, and, during the past 47 yeats liold the office of hon, treasurer. He whs the last survivor of fin bund wifo rang the first peal for the association on December 22nd, 1877.

Th him, and an enthusishtio band round him in those early days, Lannerhin ringers owe a great deal for the interest now shown. This bantlo was it greal iemand for the opening of new bells in Lancashire wherever they had been instialled.

Gredilad to lim in tile Anual Report are 13 peals, but le rang matyy liefore the formation of tho association, and many more halfpoals, the hati-peals at that time apparemty being popalar, at bitey werc reborted. His lasi peal (o College Xothos peal) was mung at Holy J'rinity, Bolton, an Aprîl 23 ird, 1986 . A good gtriker himself, Mr. Jackson al ways insisted on good striking.
Holy Trinily Ohurch, Bolton, had ialways boen his piace of worship, and it was bere, ati the age af 13 yeara, he learned to ring, and there arn rocorded hali-peals of which to was conductor at the age of I7. It was about this period lio was appointed Ieader, an office whicl he held to the last. During this time he had seen the old six halls reeast, lalev angmented to bight; this aight destroped by firs ninit a ness ring of cight inslinuled.

He was mbwys punnlual and regular in his attendance, and lie tohd the writer about 12 manths $4 g o$, when be began to feel his old age, that up to that time he had heen ringing well over 65 years, and during haat period had only been absent three half-days-a wontorlui record. He would como hack from his holidays to ins for sorvice, anul is apite of infirmity lie contiuued to ring almost to the luEI

Ho was feeling belter about Clinistmes, and decided to ring on the last Sunday in the year and ngain to ring the old year out and the new var in, and then resiga. He caught a chill, howerer, and from this lan never recovered.
Gis hearing of his illiess tho ringers gave him a pleasnat surprise. 'J'hey took the liandbells aud rang a course of Grandsite Triples outside hix dor shorty before anidaight on New Year'a Eve. He was delighled. Fe lowed to hany bolls, and always crept lound his old charch whenever penls warg boing rung.
He was intrared at St. Michrel's, Greai Lever, Bolton, on Wedues-
 Deakin, M.A.Sur, nssisted by the president of the Lancashite Association (ilye Res. Ganou Elsee, M.A.), who spoke of the geod work which the doceased hat done, and tho good example which lie bad set, up.
the orgenist and chair wore in athendance, and there was a large cangremation.

Foly rerinity ringets acterl as hine bearers, four of whom rang a course of Grandsire Thmios rat handbells over the grape: A. Sundeford 1-2, Peles Grook, jinn., 3-4, Peter Grook 5-6, Edward Ldwards 7-8.
Many ridgers trabered from the durrounding districts and rang the towns bells (which were hall-muftled) for itio whole pull and stayut, Later ith tho eqening a touch of 504 Grandsire 'l'riples was rung, and at st. Barholomew's, Boltont, an atempl for a peal came
 Satmray attmoon, fiter lwo hmirs ringigg, hy a band of College Toulles, of which Mi. Jacksont hatl been it meniber since $1892 . \mathrm{Mr}$. W. IL. Slupkr, the hon. secretny of the Laucashire Association, ofilially represonted tito associalion and the College Fonths at the funcral.
Mr. Jackson had heesi treasurer since 1892 of the prectradesmen Lodgc of the Bolton Oddfellows. Fte fand also been treasurer since 1906 of tha Bulton hranch of the Amalgamaled Engineering Union, ofices which ho lacld unlil the time of lis death. Representatives from bofls these soctutieg were prosent at the last obsequies.

## THE LATE REV. H. C. COURTNEY

## To the Editor

Dear Sid- $\ddagger$ noviced in 'The Ringing World ' of the 11 th inst. a roport of the dentio of Rov. Henry Courtner Courtney, nud hat lie
 tion 1901-2. itheg lo say linis is not correct, ts he mas never hon. tiponsurar, htil Mastier 1901-3. He was followed by Rev. C. [. P.
 1914-1916. of rater several peals of Stedman Triples noder Lae conductorship of Fer, $\mathrm{l}^{3}$. E. Robinson, including the one at Thombury, in which the Rus. Fwoty Contrincy Courtiner took part on August E0th, 1904.
hr:. Gnurthey was an enthasinstic pusli-bike rider years ago, and I have oltem seen him vilug through thormbury, and it met him in other districts.-Yotre fathiluy,
F. K. HOWELL.

## BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the Gastle Cary Deanery wes held at Ditchead oa Saturday. The splendid peal of eight bells was kept going thronghout tho afterumon and epening. A sliort serpice was held in the Parish Church, conducted thy the Rector (the Rev. H. H. Tripp), and tea was served in the Church Room. The business meeting followed, the towers represented beitg Everercedi, Castle Cary, Shepton Mallett, Maperton, Nortil Cheriton, Narth Jbarrow, Weat Lydiord, Pylle, Stoko Trister, Barton St. David, Brutan, Cunmore, West Penzard, Buckhorn Westou and Diteheat.
The Rey. H. Tripp was potorl to the chair. Preb. D, M, Ross was olected president for the year, and, in proposing blise ra-election of Mr. E. Oreed as hon. secrotary, said thoy could mot do better. Mr. Croed was algo appointed as the ropresentative on ilde Ceacral Com mittee.

The balanceshect haviog been adoplod, Mr. E. Creed proposed that four meetiogs bo held ing the coming year instead of three. This Was agreed if, the places sclected being Wincaulon, Wrest I ydford, North Cadbury and Evercrecch. Seven Mew piembers were made.
The Master of the association (Rev. E. C. Locki) commented the secretary upon his fine balance sheet and upon the progress made in the deanery.
Probendary Ross proposed a very hearty vote of thanks to the Rector for his address, for the use of the bells and for presiding at the meeting, also to the orgenist and chnir for helping at the service, and to the ladies who waited at the tea tables.-The Rector, in roplying, said how pleased he was to see such n groat gathering Afterwards, the members returned to the tower for further louches ont the bells.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSDCIATION

POOR SUPPORT IN SWINDON DISTRICT.
The ansual moeting of the Swindon Branch was held at Christ Church, Swindon, ous Subumlay, Janumry 12th. Cood use was made of the splendid peal of ten bells during the afternong until 5 p.m., when the "Football Cup-tie sechoan' anrived all smiles. It was ensy to see by their faces who had won, but with the rush of Conthall visitors, tea had to be postponed until 5.30 , as some ringers in the district aro not sufficiently interesterl in their Mranch to nolify their secretary if they require tea, so that, adequate amangements can he made beforehand. The husinoss meeting was therefora held in the belfry before tea. Mr. E. Bishop wan elected to the chair:
The balance sheet and report were presented, and showed an increase of two performing members, but a loss of two hon. nembers, one through death and one (Archdeacon 'I'allot) by removal. Seven meetinge bad been held during the year, trut with poor atbenilances. At one meeting only the branch clainman, bov, secrelary and one member of the branch nutended, but a number of visitors who furnet up enabled some ringiug to be done.
Alt the branch officers werte re-raleched. The hrateh charman (Mr. C. J. Gardincr) and lon. sferetary (ML. S. Hopzer), on being reclected for 1929, rppealed to the members for Finter support ai the meetings during the coming year.
About twonty members and visitors were present, representiug the following towers: Burford, Chipponhari, Elkstonc, Fairtord, patiogdon, Melksham, Wood Ford, Wootton Bassett, ant the two local lowers.
The next meeting will be in Fehruaty, at Purton, atd the guarterly meeting in Apry at South Marston, if the bells ure wwilable. Due notice wall be published in 'The Ringing World."

## EASTBOURNE RINGER'S DEATH.

The mothal remains of the late Mr . Joseph Sharp, of Jasthourne, whose death on the zrd ingt. lats ailreadg been recorded in our colunns, were inferred at Ocklynge Cemetery, the first portion of the service being at Clarist Clumeh, where for many years lire was a linger. Many friends and lirother ringers were presciat it the cluurh and graveside, and in the cemening the "whole pull and stand ' was rung at Christ Clurcla, with the bells lanf muflien, foilowed by a tottel of Stedman Triples.
Mr. Slatp was born at Nothinglarn on July 1st, 1867, and carie to Eastbourne many years ago. He joincl the Sussen County Associztion in 1886, and in his day he has taken part in some first-cluss performances on clutreh bells, and when circumstances requifed it he figuted ns conductor. He was ever ready to lead a hand to young and aspiring ringers. Aboul twenty-five yeurs ago the took part in three peals in one day, in three difforent towns. Eastboutne, Hailslam and Lewes. Of this event lyt was justly proud. On Jannary 15th, 1909, he conducted Tumstans' four-part peal of Stedman Triples at Christ Church, Fasthonmer the lirst peal in the mathod by all local men, He had lnken part it hetween 150 atth, 200 peals on ehurch Lells, his last belng on May 2ni!, 1g28, whet he took part in a pual of Double Norwich Major at St. Mary's, Eastbourne. This was the first peal- on the hells after their restoration by the Whitechapel Foundry
The memory of the deceased will ever be held in higheat respect and reveration by his many friends in the Sussex Connty dasocia-

## LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

'lhe ammal general meeting of the Northerts District was beld at West Ham on Saturday. Rinting commenced ai about 3 p.m., tind Gramedsite, Stedman, Plain and 'Ireble Boh were rung untnl 5 p.an., at which hour the service was held, conduetod by the Rector of Wesi Ham. After the service the memhers adjourned to the Cluwell Hall, Where an ample tea awaitea them. The Rector joined the company, and told them that be came from Si. Mary-le-Tower, Ipswich. Fie had dntits to say cancerning the beatiful jing of twelve there, and lad always been foud of bells. After the wea tho businoss moeting was helk, at which the whole of the officers were re-clected, exceptfig the steward and treasurer, which posts were filied by the election of Messrs. Reepes and Molton respectively.

A hearty wote of thanks was accorded to the Rector both for the use of the bells and the welcome given to the association. The steaplekeper, Mr. G. Haden, was Also thanked for liaving all in readinese for the mecting. After this an aflowrament was made to the tower, where ringing in standard methods continued untif 8.30 p.m.

SOURHERN DISTRICI? ANNUAT WEETHNG
The ammal meeting of the Sonthern Drstrict was held on Saturday at Putnoy and Fulham. The bells at Putney were raised at three octock, and a four-bourse louch of Steduan Triples was well ring. 'Toudhes of various mothods followed np to five o'clock, when the helle wore lowered. By fhis time some 25 members bad put in an appearance, and all hat been atcommotated with a pall jn some moltrod ar other.

Cea was partaken of at the Cosy Cafe, opposite the church, a jovial jarty sitting down under the bresideney of Mr. Mnace (Masteri. After disposing of the good lhings provided in this direction, the business moetlag was kold, when the balance sheet, showing an increase in funds, and the report, ware adopted, views being expressed on the satisfactory mature of both items.
All the officers were re-clectied, and the usunl routine items were disposed of.

Foles of thanks were passed to the officers for their work during the past year; ta the Viears of Pulacy ant Fulham for the use of the bells at Their respective churches; and to Mr. Bolton and his company for their welcome.

I'le parly afterwards adjourned to the meighbouring rountr. where Fallam bells were avalahle fram 7 oclack, Mr. Driver, having met the members, conducted them to the lower, where Grandsire and Stodnan Caters and Kont Treble Bobl Moyal were rang. Allagelluer it was quite a successful meeting.

## AN ANCIENT CROYDON SOCIETY. <br> BI-CENTUNARY NEXY YEAR.

The annual dinner celebrating "the 1996 anniversary of the Crovdon Parish Church Ringers Socery, which was founded in 1730, was held at the Rose and Crown on Wennesday, Inmuary 16th. Ringers, with their wives and friends to the number of twenty-five, sat down under the genial chairmanship of the Rev. G. Wright, M. O., aand an excellent repast was served by Host and Hostess Ellis. The toasts of 'The King' and "The Church' were honoused, after' which a splendid course of Grandsira Cators was rung on handluells.
The Chsirman, in a bumorous speech, then tendered bots wishen and congratulations to the members, and arpressed the regret of the Vicar that he was uable to be presenti.

Following a fine song by the roteran Mr. D. Wright, of South Crotdon, Mr. J. E. Cooper replied on behalf of tlit gociety.

Humorous songs were rendered in first-rato strle by Mr. H. Pratt and Mr. C. F. Jolinston, the latfer also giving some very amusing reminisceaces of his busman's holidny in Amotica
Mr. C. IL. Kippin, of Beddingtoil, delighterl the nompany with selections on his Parlour carilion.

Tho health of Mr. C. F. Jolnoton." was drunk with musical honours, after which Mr. J. Rumble, sen., teadered the thinnke of all present to the lost and hostess, to which Mr. Ellis responded.

Furtier songs were renderod by Mr. J. Rumble and Mr. D. Wright.
Mr. .T. Cooper, on belati of all present, and especially tho menbers of the society, usted Mr. Ames Clark (the leader) and Mr Clark to accept the heartiegt tianks for theil hard work during the year. They lave both morked like ?hojnins, and no band could possibly lave a better leader.-Mrs. Clark brimy replied, and the rest of the evening was devaled to liarmony, Mr. Fippia leading on his carillon. A very enjoyable evening came to a closo shortiy belore II p.m., with three ringing cheers for the joviat chairman.

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There are now lnce generations of "Teddy" Bannetts accively Exercise , wow, Een., and Edwith, jun, have long been known to the art. On Saturdil jull.s son Edwill has been introduced into the was elected a member of the Royal Cumber is only ten counds ant the lwelve bells of St. Martins. Hu borm. Mr. Joe Waghorn, now 85 , was also present and thus met probably the oldest and youngest of our active church bellringers.
The Williams have rang another peal. Jight of them have scored a poal of Treble Buth. Which reminds us that it is just twenty-live years ago that the dirst (and only) 'John' peal of London Sutphice Major was rung. All the eight are still on the active list. The peal was rung at St. Siteplien's, Westminster
On January 26th, 1735, a peal of ' 10,080 Boh Majora' was muy by the Fulham Youths at Fulham, and on January 27th, 1803, a peal of 10,386 Grandsire Caters was rung at Kingston.
A peal of + 5,040 real Double Eight in with two bobs in a lead, ns many 7 this as 2nd 's, with bobs hehiud and before alternately, was rung at Richnond, Surrey, on January 28Ll, 1816 . Ebt what is described in :The Clavis; as the first peal of Double Bob was rung at Whitechapel on Jammary 29th, 1769.

## DEATH OF THE REV. H, B. WOOLLEY

We muelk regret to annowime the death, which took place last Saturday, after a very short illness, of the Rev. Horsee Bernard Woolley, Rector ol Long Stantor, Cambs. Mr. Woalley was well known as a ringer. He took part in several peals on the bells of All Saints', Long Stanton, which during his incumbency he augmented to a charning ling of eight. He also rang some peats nu handbells.
He was elosely volutected both with the Ely Diocesan Associalinen (for some years le was local secretary for the Hunts Archdeacaney, and with the Canbridge University Guild. He was always delightes to welcome at Long Stanton ringers from all parts, especially from his own university, with a ready kindness eud hospitality, which will long be remembered.
The Rev. H. B. Woolley took the services and rang as usual ou the Sunday preceding his reuth.
On Sunday aftertoom, before a special service, the bells of Long Stanton were rung lialf-muffled to 504 Treble Bob by F. Warring ton 1, F. J. Cooke 2, F. G. Gleaves 3, C. W. Coek (conductorl 4, fi, E. Criep 5, F. E. Hayues 6.

## HALEY, COX AND JOHNSON.

## To the Editor.

Sir, When the Princess Mary and the Viscount Lascelles vame to Shifnal for their Honeymoon, the local papers record that iwu ancient bellingers (the late Reuben Fall and myself) played 'Swwe Marie " on the danabells. Now I am beginning to think that some of us who rang with the above celebrities are getting ancient. Mr. Johnson's last peal was on February $231 \mathrm{ll}, 1884$, and the hand was H. Bastable 1, G. H. Jhilott 2, K. Johnson, sen., 3, F. Johnson, jum. 4, W. R. Sraall 5, J. Jatgar 6, Rev. C. D. P. Devies $\boldsymbol{r}_{\text {, J. J. I3ffery }}^{2}$, W. Wakley 9, S. Remves 10. Yours faithfully, JOHN JAGGAR.

## A MEMORIAL PEAL.

Ou Saturday, tanuary 19th, a mulfled peal was rung at Denton, Lancs, by represeltatives of live towers in the Stockport Branch of the Chester Guild, as a tribute to the memory of the late M Joseph Heckingbotton, who died at Blackpool, where be lived in retirement after 46 yoars in the postal service. Mr. Heckinghottont commenced his ringing carcer in bis native town of Pontefract, moving to Armley. Leeds, in 1887. In 1905 he was appointed posimaster at Denton, Manchester, and becnme associated witly Si. Anne's, Denton, where his eftorts were greatly appreciated, and did much in furthering the progress of local change ringing. On his retirement in 1924, he moved to Blackpool, where he continued his ringiug at St. John's Church until his deatt. He was a keen peal ringer, haviug scored 16 peals in all, 35 for the Yorkshire Associntion and 11 for the Chester Diocesan Guild.

## THE BATES APPEAL

The following further sums have heen receiver for the fund for the assistance of Mes. Bates and family :-

Amount already anknowledged
Kent Coundr, Maiclstone District meeting at Iglthans, Saturtay, January 12 th (per Mr. C. F. Sone)
Mr. A. J. Chamherlain
Mr. E. Fostel
Mr. G. E. Foster
Mr. H. E. Clulays
St. Peter's, Tunłridge Wells, ringers, and a few finging friends (per Mr. W. Latter) ... .... ...
Upper Armley Society, Laeds (per Mr. F. G. Grimwoodi

## BRISTOL UNITED GUILDS.

## ENJOYABLH REUNION.

## HANDSOME G1FT TO GLOUCESTJR AND BR[STOL

 ASSOCIATIONThe uow well-ostablished event, the annual dinaer of the Bristol Uuiter Ringing Guitis, continues to grow, both in the size and importhine of the gathering, and hast Baturday's reunion was one of the most enjoyable in ilae series. A recors aumber attondon, and many came from loug distances to share the pleasures of the occasion, and to show the good-will which exists throughout the country for this active and enterprising organisation. In the afternoon the ringers took parth in touches at the frmots Temple Olnurch, where the cower leans heavily and the hells rin nothe too well; and at St. Stephea's, where, by coutrast, the stately steeple is a much-admired architectural feature of the city, and the bells go like the proverbial fiddles. Old friends met and yarmed over the teacups in St. Thomas Parish Room, innl in the evening hat whole party, over handred and sixty in number, concentruter at fise Grand Hotel, where, in die spacious ballroom, they sat lown lo dinner. The kev. R. H. Whitford, this years clairHan of the United Guilds,


THE REV. R. H. WHITFORD. presided, and Mr. W. H Tllomas was in the viceclair.
The guest of the evering was Canon G. R. Wood Rical Dean) Anondshury annd Rtral Dean), and among
those present were Rev. ht, these present were Rev. H,
G. and Mrs. Heber Thonas (St. Stephen's), Flev. F. H Crews, Mr. J. Bullock \{Master of the Ancient Society of College Youths), Mr. A A. Hughes (treasurer of the College Youths) $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mr. A. } \\ & \text { Walker (Depaty }\end{aligned} . \begin{aligned} & \text { Zingine }\end{aligned}$ Master, St. Marín's Guikd Bismingham) and Mrs Walker, Mr. C. F. Jolinstos (Croydon), Mr. and Mrs. J. Mr.. and Mrs. G. E. Fort Mr. aud Mrs. W. F. Paul, (Buistol) Mr. C. sipuriel (Bristol), Messrs. S. Pal-
merthorpe and J. Holman. (Sheffeld), J. W Jones (hon. secretary, Elanduft and Monmouth Dio cesan Guild), J. T. Drke
(hon. secretary, Bath and Wrils Diocesan Association), S. Jones (Newport), J. P. Fidler Longlaharmigh), S. R. Roper (Croydon), C H. lennings (Wyke Regis), W. ヨ. Lloyd (Taunlan), and Sergt. Hading (Cheltenliam). In addition to blie large number of 13ristol Hnd district ringers present, there were also representatives of bands at Bath, Keynslam, Evercreech, Westou-supor-Mare, Dursley, Mere, Chew Magna, etc. Apologies for abselle were received from Mr . . I Hunt (Taunton), Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Smalwood (Derby), and Mr Auderson (Bristol's okest ringur).
$A$ the comelusion of an execllent repast the loyal toast was honoured. AN EXTRAORIUNARY CHANGE.

The Chisirman, it proposing the tonst of "The Ghureh,' said it was a Wery happy thing that the Bristol Unied (iuilds should choose, for the lonour of being chaimman, souctimes from the laty and sometimes from the elergy, su hat in proposing that foast they got, as it were, impartial expressions of opinion from bolh sides. He supposed it was natural to refleet, at a gathering of that kind, that by the term 'Church' they miglit mean wwo things. First, there was the material haikiag, and tlien there was the spintual building. It was obvious that if the material huilding did not exist, if, that was to sry, there were no charehes and tharch buildings, there would be ug such gatherings us thet, hocause there would be no bells, and there would he mined of ringers. When they took the spinituai meaning of the Chweh, they might reflect that ringers were also like the Glurch, because, as the Church was made up of all sorts and conditions of men and women, so were ringers. They Jitd in their ranks, he believed, certain of the nobility. They liad admirals of the Fleet, they had those who were offiecrs in His Majesty's Army, workmer, labourers, clerks, mud last, hut not least, they had a fow elergy. He put that last because, in the history of the Church, and of ringing, they sow a mosl extraculimary clantre. When bells were first used in the services of the Chumeh of God, the ringing of them was cutrusted almost entirely to the clergy or those, at any ratc, who were at that time in minor orders. That was insisted upon in the Chureh. They had heard a good deal during the past few years of rules and rubrics, and one of the rules of the Clurch originally toll a bell, Evidently, the clergy uf (hose dars had to know liow to
ring. Unfortamately, in bhe course of fime, indeed, within the conrge of : few years, those words which seemed to insist that the clergy should be ringers, were changed, and the sentunce read that they should cause a bell 10 be tolled. Appurently, the clergy got teu lizy for their oflice nut dequted the ringing to others. That, he thought, was mulortanatre in many ways. After that, things went from had to worse; the dergy let things slite, and the belfrias of the whureh became noterl as the meeting-plue for atl the seallywags of the parish, and if they rearl some of the inseriptions on the bells they would see that somehow or other belfries and bells and heer twetrine assuclated tagether. After that period, belfries and bellringers got into a better condirion, and nowadays-he spoke as a ringer-ringers were more atul more definitely recognised hy those in abthoritw in the Chutely (applase). Fe did not say entirely as they ought to he Her hath often bern asked questions by Bishops and othera ahatal many things, hut never by any of those in authority whether he could ring a bell n' not-as if fhat did not matter. While they, us ringers, rejoies in the fact that they wore being more anal more reeognised as thamelworkers, he hoped all ringers would rio ryerything they could to keep that respect and recognition (hear, hear), There was a dumger to-day-they came noloss it once or twice last year when certain hodies of ringers went out on Sundays oan what was obviously a pleasure jaunt, aud desired to ring in churehes on their way, and, maybe, iluey were refusen, and as ringers they wanted to keep up hueir reputation in tha eycs of those ius authority. Let them not endanger that reputation by towering the dignity of Sinday and the way in which it was spent. One thing he deaired to say in conclnsion, They had during the past year or two laeurd a great deal about crises in the Church. When one read history om found that from ihe beginning there lad always been chises in the Church. What land been the result? Controversies and contidets had raged, and higls words had been used, but the Church liad alwayg come ont of these crises stronger and botter. If any mads were troubled hy the at hubbles and diffieuties of the present dits, let Lhem jusb look at the history of the Churcts, and they would see how, time and again, she had gone through these eonflets und hat come out of then a stronger, il better and a more glorious Church (applause).

MENORIFS OF 'TUEE GOOD OLD DAYS.'
Canon G. R. Wood, who replied, said lie was glad to be pesent, not only for this own anke, buit also in the sense of representing his bell-ringing son (applauso). It was extremely gratifying to find that some of them knew him. His son wrote to him from Glaspow and begged him to say how sorry lie was that he was mot able to be there himech, bull he would be wery much with them in spirit, and hoped they would have a very plensant evening. His son hat also asked him to say that, nllongh be was having a yery busy life, he was not being ide eampanologicalty. He was iu touch with hnoline 'conspirator' in Glasgow, Mr. Jewis, who was known tu many of them, and they were boping before long to be able wo reend \& peal hy residemes iu Scotland (liear, hear). Camon Wood continued inat the controversies within the Church were a sigat Hiat the Church whis alive, that the Chureh was awake, and, despile all her faults, she was frying fo do ber job. He added that so far as his experiente went the rolations between the clergy and ringers, whick were so iniportant, were steadily improving. There was a growing fecling of friently understanding belween them, and there ought to be. Whacu he looked back to his early days at Ahandslury, thirty sears ago, he could contribute a litile personal evidence. in support of what the ehairmay had said as to the conditinns of the belficies in what they called 'the good old days.' At that time he found his relations with his ringers were not aliogether at the very best. They were sometinies a little strainct, and periajus if was hat to lie wondered at. The riagers steadily refused to acknow.
lecige that the belfry was a part of the church; they maintainerd that the incumbent liad mo right in the belfry, and hat nothing whatever to say to the fingers about tho bells (lauglater). Hir roulat see now, in his mind, the barrel of beer in the corner of the helfy which was faily fregtently used (laughter), nad the ringers garied the belfry as a elubroom. Those days, lee was glad ton hind come to an und. He did not know if there were stitl any hel fries to be fotmi wherc such a condition existed, but as fur us his knowledge went he believed there hat heen a wouderfal improve ment. He colald not speak for other diaceses, but he conld say that
 clergy generalle were reeply somsible of tho deep debth of gratimute which they owerl to the ringers. They made what some of then thought-alukough, forhaps, it was nob universally allowed-sweed music on the belis; bey kept alive what was a peculiarly Engisi tradition and custorn of change ringine. They calied the people 10 ringers showed a wonderfal keenmess and enthusiasm in their jol and althougla there might be differences of opiaion-that was only matayal and ineritable-they did show a wouderful example brotherhood and fellowship, which was good for all to see (asplause GUILDS GENEROUS GIFT
The Chnirman said they would all know that the Gloucester nul
Bristol Diocesan Associetion had had a particularly active pod busy yenr, inasmuch as thy had, some months ago, celebrated their jubilec. It was his husineas and pleasure to band to the associntion
 expronscs conneated with the jubile meeting and obher parposes (applause). Notices were sent out widelr, and this sum was in part the response to that appeal. He also wished to say that the Bristol Waited Guilds harl purblished a ringers divectary. It was their drgire to make it more and more perfect as lime went on. About a month ago he received from a man latmareds of miles from Bristol a fetcer, loping that in course of time tins would be able to inelute wibl the mames the ocoupations and atmuspmbis of the ringers, and,


Mr. W. L,ansdown aceented the gift with the graleful thanks of the Gloteester and Bristol Assoulation, ant rhanked the Bristol Tnitert Guilid for the wonderful work thay rlit, and the help they gave in conneclion with the juthileo. The whole of the amangenents werc carried ont by the Guids, nud now, in addition, they lad confributed that very landsome sum towards the expenses. He desired to think everpone who likd in any way coniributed to this ent, mind especially he wished to Hank Mr. Guise for the wonderful work hr lad done as secretary.

Tha loast of "The Gloucester and Aristol Diocesarn Association ${ }^{3}$ was submithed by Mr. A. A. Huthes, who mok the opportumity, on lochalf of his collongue of the Ancient: Sociely of College Youths,
 lte said they all had read that excellent raview of the history of the ansociation in last year's report, written by heir Master (Rev. C. walts of the association, and slowed bliem how devotion to the couse onadad the founders to overcomo the extrandinary difficulbies which presented themselves at the time the assucialion was started in 1878. Ho bond only repeat flat the association stood for betuer singers, hetlow ringing, betier belfrios, and much bettat conditions of rings of balls. Tfe wished prosperity ant continued success to the associetion, und boped it miglditways have us efficient mnd devoted officers and as loyn shpport in the future as it lind at the present time
(applause).
W\%, Fdgar Guise, the hon. secretury of the association, briefy responded, and thanked Mr. Huglies for his timdly remarts nnd good wislues. TBTAS AND TTFE MICROPHONE
"The Viee-Chatinan propesed 'The Visitors," who, he said, land conn from dimbly, sonth, east, and west to support them. Some of the vigitors lad become 'hardy ammats, and the hoped they would become havider thon erer. Some had come for the first time that night, but he fele it wotid not be their last risik (hear, heari. The
Wr. Albert Walker, who first responded, ongratuhatid the Bristal United Guilds and the Glotucestor and Thristol Assomation on their rffaris during the past ycar. The jubiles celebrations hat beed a
 lati anriod oul was tlae compilation of the Pingers' Directory, and fre laged that oventually it would grow until it contaned the names of all ringers. They were glat to hear thal their fricods at Gloueces
 in rinuing in Gloncester (applatuse). He inviled all who could to
 and promised uny visitors a cordisl reception. Refersug lo the hrondsasts of the now balls at St. Martins, Birminglam, Mr. Walker Th. 11 . $C$. engineors wanted to see if it could be fupther impucamed the therfore, on the lash occasion, the mierophone had been moved to Htalline position. The restilt, however, was not so satisfachory, fud a further ehange would be made before the mext buodeast. In this commedian, he athled that na one slould judge bells, especially, new bells, hy hearing them over the wireless. The position of the lat foum the moper position tor the mierophone at the Winster Ther" would huve much better reception hear, heari.
Mr. T. P. Fidter also responded in a hamoreus spech.

## SGHEME FOR THHU FLTTIRT

Mr. W. A. Cave proposed 'The Ringing Wortro.' He saicl bley constratly spoke of powerful men itn the Excrcise. Different men had difliment sarls of power. When he started ringing, the most powerlinnes, hecnuse lie was the learting innm in thoge Eays. They hard tra of the College Youthother powerful man-Mr. Jas. Fullock, hfasPaster Manday lie rang SE. Pranl's Cathenas tonom to ar beal af Stedman Cimgnes (implatise). Then they liad reprosentatives of the hell founting firms with them, anul 引lo. Jolnston Enew something of power in patidng ap an 18 ton hell. Fe blought, however, the most powniful man in the Exercise toriay was the Fititor of
'The Ringing Work, who wielded a power ing the lanug. Continang, Mr, Cave said one of ihe most intereshing maters that was publishens in "The Ringing Wayla " lash year was an article with refrence to certificatos for lingers. "There were al ways two opinions on the subject, and aret in their own association
onr hram strangly supported lie proposal for diplanas, and
another was just as shougly against it. The subject came helore the Council, and if was defeated, betruse if the Council did a Hive they did it thoroughly and well. He thought diplemas and certilicates miglat come, but, if so, it would lue on a proper basis. He would like the Editor of 'The Ringing World' to arivocate n plan modelled on the procedure of the mont Musical Societies (hear; bear). If the thing wns worth anything at all, it was worth paying for, and it would the more appreciated if those who went in fol certificates paid in the same manmer that candidates paid for mosice examinations. They should be properly, examined by proper examiacrs and recelve recognised certificates if they qualjfied for them. He shagested that examinations should be helf quarterly in all the dioceses, and that there should be practical and Ilieoretical examiaations. He suggested that in the practical examimatians there slould be five grades-the first for round ringing and call chages, to prove that the ringer had proper command of his bell hefore passing on to the next grade. His candia opinion was that in their endeavour to make change ringers to-day they started them on change ringing too soon as a gencrat rule thicy started change ringing before they could handle a bell properly (hear', hear'). There were, in his schame, other grades running up to No. 5 , which woulrl be for ability to ring a peal of Surprise Major, or, what was, perhaps, even it little higher, to ring seven 0 simiar liuns, sund to mellods. The theory examination should be on ond and and cover the cost they should charge, say, 5s. per entiant, to be paid
to the Ceutral Counci], who would provide the examimer. Such a scheme might not come in their time, bat if ringing and ringets were to be raised to the slatus he wand like th see, something of that sort would cone presently. He threw ont these suggestions to the Editor, iti the hope that he might he able to take them up. The Exerecise, he added, liad never been better served by the Editor of athy ringing paper tian oy Mr. Cioldsmith, hut if there was one thing which le would like to see introduced as a featare in 'The Ringug World' it was a page of compositions, which would be of great interest to all conductors.
The toast was accorded musical hovours, and Mr. J. S. fioldemith, on reply, while risclaiming that he had any special pownr itn the Exereise, said it lazd been ihe object of 'The Ringing World ' Ausing the elghten years of its existence to use its influme to clevate ihe polier. "The Ringing World" would advocate anylhing ealculated to advance that. end, and it would give all its suppord to any practieable scheme of diplomas that could be formalated on lines suggested by Mt. Cave. With regard to the suggestion that a page of compositions should form a regular teature of the paper, Mr. Goldsmith sated no one woula be more pleased than bitaself if ft unual ho adopled, but, apate from cansiderations of space, there was always the difficulty of seosting original compositions. Many people were anxions to get lheir figures published merely to ascerfain if thoy were origimal, and some even to find nut if they were true, and it was hardly fair to ask The Ringing world to become the nedium for that kind of bling. Further, the Ceneral Council had published several books of peals, and the diffoulty of finding any realy new compositions to make a regular fenture was considerable. At the same time, efforts were made to priblish the figtures of as many uew peals as possible. In conclusion, Mr. Goldsmith oxpressed thanks to Mr. Cate for bis kind! y remarks, and thanked the company fou their enthusiastic recention of his mame.
Mr. F. J. Hay gave the toast of The Artistes, and said that as their hon. secretary had taken pari in the hambell ringing, he was able to include Mr. Guise in the thanlsa which they desired to give bhose who had kindly entertained them. They had now had elght of those dinners, and Mr . Guise lad conducted fle business armagements for then all, and they knew the success which he had schieved. The musical part of the procedings had hecti the thauds: of their old friend, Mr. Road, for many years. He was pand and pareel of the Bristal Ringers Guild, and with Mr. Emery anuagly provided them with a most deliglitinl programme. They heartily desired to thank these gentlemen and anll who had contribulec to their entertajument
Mr. Charles Read, replying, said it was always of pleasume to don That they could to assist the Brisfol Upited Guitds This concluded the tonst list. The musical proaramme was of a very diverified mature. It was arranged by Mr. W. S. Ernery and Miss C. Spurrier, and Mr. C. Read, T. S.M., was the accompanist. Mo. Roberts ana Harold Knott gave a htmorous recital and a dever exhbilion of chapeauograply.' Another clever turn was a devengtration of paperograply' loy Wiss Molly Hydo, and by permission of the mavagement of the princess Theatre Miss Jennic Hartlay and Mr. George Lacy, of the l'antomime cast, very kindly gave ap a few nimutes to entertain the company. T.n addition, there was landbell tane ringing and change ringing, all of which went to make tup a most enjoyablo evening, whith eoneluded wilh 'Auld Lang Sytne.
The splentid arrangements marte for the gathering were carried out by a committee consisting of ilie chairman and vice-chairman,
Messrs. $P$. C. Williams (hon. treasurer), W. A. Cave, J. G. Tefleries, W. Knight, Miss E. Smith and Mr. F. Way (stewards), Messrs. U. Brawen J. A. Burford, J. Gould, F. T. Jowell, W. Lansclown, H. Pring, F. G. Leaker, W. H. Parker, F. Burt, R. G. Seager, W. Emery and G. F. Why, with Mr. Edgar Guise as hon. becretary.

## PEALS ON FIVE AND SIX BELLS.

## MINOR METHOI COLEECIION HELD UP.

## To the Cditor.

Sir,-Ontil the question of eix-bell peals is settled, we camot finish the newt Collection of Minor Methorls, and that must be my exeuse tor writiug aboul it.
The: old idea of a six-bell peal was that it must consist of at teast seveu true and complate extems. The words 'true' and 'complete ' and 'extent' have been used in the Fxercise for a couple of cenrintes, and thes always have had, and have, a delinite and unmistakable meaning. Thien came 31: Bankes James' arrangement of Cambridgo Minor. The Exercise has fultr agreed that this is a valuable composition. It pueets a aced; whether or ua it falls wilhin the old ideas of what a peal should be, it cannot the ruled out.
The resolution passed at Tiereford was en attempt to adapt the ohl rule to the altered conditions; and it is. I think, not unfair to say that the intention of its promoters was to make just sufficient alieration to admit this arrangement (amer, of course, any others axactly similar'), but to exclude anything further. They feared, not withoub cause, that a wider vale might lead to lower the standard of six-bell peal ringing. The plan they allopter was to approximato this arrangement $\rho s$ far as possible wiil the old rule, and ibey tried to bring it within its spiril, if nob within its lebter. Thes aryued something like this, tf you withe out the rows which coniprise Mr. Jumes' Cambritige fon will find that, allhorgh it does not consist of seven Round Blocks, yet, if fou count Rounds at the slant, you lave 720 trie rows, followed by another 720 true rows (nut beginning and ending with lounds), and so on for seven times, and therefore the arrangemen does consist of seven true and complece extents. I think the argtument is quite wrong, and I thiak that if you consider what ringing actually is and what happans in thu tower, you will see why it is wyong. In the first place, ringing
is change ringing, and no trow ringing. Jthe flistinction gaes to un very miture of ringing. The starting round is not a clange. The Dixercise never has considered it as a change, aud does not de so now. It is a misuse of the word 'change' to call it so. And umpess you che connt rounds at she start as a change, six of the seven $720^{\circ}$ channot hy any stretch of the word be considerecl true.
cunnot see why people stould hoggle at the meaning of the word
change.' It is ath ordinary English word with an ordinary and definite meaning. It is not used in ringing in a technical sense, except so far as we tratally restrict it to the orders in which bells are rung. Primarily the word means the alteration from one thing to another, or one state to another; and it is essential that for ane clunge there should be two things. By an not uncommon process in the Euglisid langugge the word is used in a seemudary sense of the thing produced by the alteration. The double use of the word is as wid as clange ringing, and wus fuite familiar to the early vingers. Thus. if vou are going away for a weel-end vou might sar. '1 hink I will take a change with me, menning that you would whi an
 cal lave on
When we apply the word to ringing we catn easily see what Stedmank meant when he said that in Bols Minor there are seven hum${ }^{1 t}$ rers amd twenty clanges 10 he made. You start wilh 123456. Your first change is 214365 , and it is a mather of mathematieal fact that if you are going to have a true auf complete extent, the 720 hin musi
be 123.456 . If it is anything else, thas 720 is neither thrue nor complete, nor an extent. If you want any proof of this youl have only fo take the action and opinion of the Exercise for three hinndred years. Nobody would dream of saying that Hole s recu-part was Frte or complete or an extent unless the lasl Single is made, althongh rounds was ruag at the beginning.
Went, then, if we can allow (as we assuredly mus, allow) an arrangement of Cambridge which contains six false anti incomplete $720^{\circ}$ 3, how ean we ia eillier justice or logis disallow an armangemant like Mr. Morris' 240's of Grandsire Dubbles? It may be that yon would not care to ring it yourself in a peal, but how tran you
forbin others to do so?

## MORRIS' ARRANGEMENT OF DOIBLES.

Merr Sir,-Evidenty it appeat's hant my mamalk fiillerto on the suliject have, so far as yots are concerned, failed to wonvey the orthoriox and logical interpretation I specially intemited they slogulid do. Have ever I clamerl that the individual 180' क that constitute the blocks of 240 's are true and emplete? Certainly not. I made this guite cear in ny first letter of ile 141 h nlt. Fet in your remarks upon my last letter you partietlarty centre wour eriticism in dis dirretion, so that it would appenr otherwise. What I did claim, and still claim, is that each of the complete blocks of 240 changes in both Morris' and Pitman's artangements wem the and complete in themselves, inasmuch as each uf the respective 240 blocks contain each of the possible 120 changes (wiec. Where then, I ask, are they (the courplete 240's) false?
I would further like to point out (especinlly addressing Mr. Willthe opinions and conclusions, not consist of abuse and ridicule, but
a fesule of an unbiassed revien and careful surwey of the fants portaming to the case, and, still further, that his arguments mandiating all compositions in this categrory are entively beside the foiat at the present bime. Doubtless, in the mear future, defimite measires wid be taken to establish a recognised moderabading ats to kla abeceplsuce of aholition of such peals, but in the memitime staternats of this nature merely represent an indivintal opinion.
Anyone who has read my recent letters on the subject will have noled that the sole purpose and objects I Irad in view whi hot so much to 'foist ' anything an the Lxereise, but ta emplasise that all compositions or arrangenents on this plan (true in themyelves), being all guilty of volating the Central Council's puting, which, as I have prevously stated, demands that on ald numbers of bells a thte peal shatil in all cases start from aud ent with rounds, must necessarily all be dealt with in the same manner. I regted, sily ny repeated letters in reference to this subject, hat I feel it necensaty in the ends of justice to bring to the fore the exant siluatinn as il is at present, and to emplasise flat. if must inevitably penabin Lhus, unvil such definite measures, as I have alteady spoken of ate sinctioned and endorsed by the Coutrat Courcil.
Jeeds, Yorkslitre.
LESLIE W. G. JORRIS.

## The tirandsire doubles trouble.

Sir,-Perhaps 1 ought to Ced lumiliated, chastiaed, make obeisance, then hide myself ha a coner: but somelrow the spell cloes not work, and I am as puculent: ass ever. T iam nfraicl I ans too weatherheaten and impervious to any pinpridhs hat Mr. J. T. Dyke can inflict. This is not a time for uicelies of expression, or suademís dissertations of hairspliting. The late SIt it. P. IMorwand onca called a cervain methorl 'a basiard-a mongrd.' The quidhanes of his day turned up theip eyebrows, latit it made no diflnence to Sir Arthur, who usually calledi a spade by its fueper asme. Mr. Drke says that he coud exercise me in Dotibles. Well, he might; ind: I liac ayy doots. Fordy-eiglit rea's ago, when I firsi hegar fo ring changes, "Grandsire Doubles" with inside bells is Lreble, was a common thing to the old brigude.
When be says that I 'am enstigrating the five and six-hell ringers, ${ }^{3}$ He is wrong. He and I tave rung seven-mediod peals tograther. I coukd call it by an Etiglish word commons in Linehouse, hiti led us
 ceptibilities of the sestlietic Dominie.
This cold tael remains: The foundation of ehange winging is TRUTH. Shal] we alow this foundation to bu andermined lw mixing fulse and trus?
I say that the word ' Splico ' in this wonection is $n$ misnomer'. You can splice methods, br two auticles, making then ztronger than before. The wansposition of figures is not splicing

At the foot of Mr. Dykes letter was anather, nsking tue same quteries, but Erom a famons six-beli rimger, Mr. C. Sewern, who lias been a conductor of multi-method peals as long as I can vemenber. He calls the latest imovations, "Freaks," and JE KNOWS. - Fours,

## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCATION.

## TASTERN DIVISION ATV TASTBOURNE

A most successful meethag of the binsteru Division was yeld at,
Easthonrue on Satutday, January 12 uh, 42 memhers aticndiny from Brighton (Si. Peter's and St. Nicholas'). Eastlonme (St. Mary's, St. Saviou's, athl Al Saints'), Hastings (St. Clement's). Hizithlield, Lewes, Mayfielt, St. Leonards, and Shoreham Thm belis at St. Mary's Chureh were kept going merrily during tile afternoon. A splendid tea lrad been provided at flie fitman Institute Lheotgh the kindmese of the Ficar (the Rev. Canons Sumateildh, who prosided, and also bocupied thr chair ait the business meeting which followed. Tha Hon. Secretary reporterl the dealls of an old and respected prember, Mr. Josepli Sharp, of Easlboume, and Lha company stand in silence as a boken of rezpect.
 \%on, of St. Clenenl"z, Hastings, and the election of the following nou-tesident Iife members was also toufirmed: Mt. la. Page, f Kenhington, and Mr. C. W. Franklin, Asluford, Fent.
Mr. W. D. Smith; in moving a vole of lhanks, congratulated the Vicar on having been appointed Suffagan Bishop of Lewes. Cumon Streatfeld lat atways been a kind friemat to the ringers of Sinsex. He had been connecterf with the Chatelt since 1889 (a prevoll of 40 rears), and during that time lemust beve hat a great experience of riugers. The ringers of Eastboume especially would lase a kind friend. Mr. Sinftla also thanked the Vicar for the use of the bello and for the substautial iea which he had provider?, and anded ilat the company wishad hitn God-speed in his nowy appointment.
Canon Streatfeik, in reply, Whankeil fire menhers for their kind wishes. He hoped fise association would inform him when the noxt mecting was to fre held, atd he would tiy to athend.
After the meetiner, some of the ringers yetumed to the St. Mary's tower, and other members proceeded to St. Sapione's, where a good hour's ringing was indulged in, methods from Grandsire La Superative and Cambridge Surprise being practisex.

## NOTICES.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637.) - The subscription of 1s. 8d., which enables members who have not attended twenty times in the past year to vote on matters of finance, is now due. Meeting for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on Tantury 31 st, at 7.30 p.m.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sco, Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Lewisham Dis trict.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at St . John's, Depiford, on Saturday, Jar. 26th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m., with address by the Vicar. Tea will be provided by the Vicar and local ringers. Subscriptions are now clue and should be paid at this metting-A. G. Hill, Hon. Dis. Sec., 53, Hengist Roand, Erith, Kent.

CROFTS MEMORIAL DINNER. - The seventh amual dinner will be held at the Welbeck Hotel, Nottingham, on Saturday, Jan. 26th, at 6 p.m. Ringing, St. Mary's, 3 to 5.30. Tickets, 5 s . each, obtainable from the hon. secretary. The new Bishop of Southwell will be present. Visitors heartily welcomed.-F. Blood, Hon. Sec., 91 , Dame Agnes Street, Nottingham.

GUILDFORD GUILD. - The annual meeting of the Farnham District will be heid at Aldershot Parish Church on Saturday, Jan, 26th (owing to Farnham bells being unavailable). Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.45. Tea 5.15 p.m. Business meeting to follow. All ringers welcomed, and a good attendance requested.-B. H. Clark, Hon. Sec.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-Central District. - The annual meeting of the district will be held at St. Martin's, Epsom, on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Service at 5 , followed by tea and business meeting, in the Church Room. - A. J. Trappitt, Hon. Dis. Sec., 57, Mellows Road, Wallington.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-S.E. District.-Next meeting at Widford on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Bells (8) available 2.30 . Service at 4.30 , followed by tea and meeting at White Horse. Chelmsford Cathedral bells available int the evening. Subscriptions are now due-H. W. Kirton, Hon. Dis. Sec., I,ongmeads Cottages, Writtle, Chelmsford.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Bath Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at Twer-ton-on-Avon on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Bells ready 3.30 p.m. Evensong 4.30. Tea and business meeting 5 p.m. - Theo Grant, Branch Sec., Swainswick, Bath, Som.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Lincoln District.Amual meeting will be held at Branston (6), Saturday, Jan. 26th. Tower open 2 p.m. Excellent bus service to and from St. Mary's Street and St. Martis. All ringers heartily welcome. Notification for tea to Harold Marcon, Dis. Sec., 269 , Wragby Road, Lincoln.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Central Divi-sion.-A meeting will be held at Aldrington (Portslade Station) on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Tower open 2.30. Service 4.3o. Tea 5 , in Church Hall. Half rail fare (maximum is. 6el.).-A. D. Stone, Hon. Div. Sec., 16, Belgrawe Street, Brighton.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-Southern District.-The annual meeting will be held at Charlwood on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Tower open at 3. Service at 5. Tea at 5.30, business meeting to follow.-A. J. Bull, Hon. Dis. Sec.; Jesmond, Queen's Road, Horley.

YORIKS ASSOCIATION. - The annual general meeting of the Yorkshire Association will be held at Far Headingley, Leeds, on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Bells (8) avai!able from 2.30. Also St. Michael's (8) from 2.30. Divine service, in St. Cliad's Church, at 4 p.m. Preacher: Rev. Canon R. H. Malden. Tea, 6d. per head. Subscriptions for the current year are now due, and should be paid without delay. A presentation will be made at this meeting to the honorary treasurer (Mr. J. Cotterell) to mark his completion of 21 years of office, and it is hoped that a large and representative gatheringi will assemble to honour the occasion.-P. J. Johnson, Hon. Gen. Sec., 396, Meanwood Road, Leeds.

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - The annual mecting will be held at St. Chad's, Shrewsbury, on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Bells available from 2.30. Tea in St. Chad's Room 6 o'clock. Meeting 6.45. - Rev. F. Tennison, Hon. Sec., St. Alkmund's Vicarage, Shrewsbury.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-A dinner in connection with the Gloucester Branch will take place on Saturday, Jan. 26th, in Mercer's Hall, Cross Keys Lane, Southgate Street, Gloucester, at 6 p.m. (sharp). Tickets $3 /$ - each. St. Mary de Lode bells (6) will be open from 4 to 3.30 . All ringers welcome. -W. H. Harris, Sec., 15, Painswick Road, Gloucester.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Rochester Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held at Frindsbury on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Tower open at 3 . Association service in church at 5 , conducted by the Vicar. Tea in the Village Hall and business meeting to follow. Subscriptions for I929 can be paid at or before the meeting. - Fred M. Mitchell, Dis. Hon. Sec., 114, Sun Lane, Gravesend.

DEVONSHIRE GUILD.-Mid-Devon Branch. - The annual meeting will be held at Paignton on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and business to follow. All ringers welcome--H. J. Hole, Hon. Sec., Tauntonia, Charch Street, Paignton.

LADIES' GU1LD.-Northern District. - Quarterly meeting will be held at Worksop, Notts, on Saturday, Jan. 26th.--H. F. Jacques, Hon. Sec.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.
Portsmouth District.-The annual meeting will be heid at Fareham on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Beils (8) availalale 2.30. Service 4.30, followed by tea and business meeting. Titchfield (6) also available. All ringers weicome. -F. W. Rogers, Hon. Sec., 52, Samuel Road, Portsmouth.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GiLILD. - Northern Branch, Sleaford District. - The annual meeting will be held at Sleaford on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m.-Reginald Scott, Westlea House, Sleaford.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch. The next meeting will be held at Bolton Parish Church on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.-Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., 203, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

LADIES' GUILD.-Lincolnshire District. - A combined meeting with the Grimsby District of the Lincoln Guild will be held at Grimsiby on Jan. 26th. St. Andrew's bells available afternoon and evening. St. James', afternoon 2 to 4 , and evening, 7.50 to 9 p.m. Service at St. Andrew's 4.I5. Tea 5 p.m., 1s. gd. per head. Business meetings to follow. - A. Richardson, Hon. Sec., Surfleet.

MidLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckley District. - The annual general meeting will be held at Hinckley on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Bells available from 3.30 p.m. Special business. Election of local officers, etc. It is hoped a good number of members will be present. All ringers and friends are cordially invited.-W. A. Cope, Local Sec., Smockington, Hinckley.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Wellingborough Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Irthlingborough on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Bells available at 2.30. Serviçe at 4.30 . Tea and business meeting to follow. As the report and balance sheet for the past year will then be presented, a good attendance is re-quested.-F. Barber, Branch Sec., School House, Gordon Road, Wellingborough.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rossendale Branch. -A meeting will be held at St. Paul's, Ramsbottom, on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Bells available from 3.30 p.m. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. Subscriptions are now due. Reports and new rules and diagrams to hand.-Joln H . Haydock, Branch Sec., 8, Oaklands Road, Edenfield.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755). - Annual meeting will be held at the Cathedral on Saturday, Jan. 26 th. Bells available from 4 o'clock. Business meeting in belfry at $5 \cdot 30$ - A. Paddon Smith, Hon. Sec., Donnor, Wellington Road, Handsworth Wood, Birmingham.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. - Grappenhall Branch.-A meeting of the above will be held at Runcorn Parish Church on Saturday, Jan. 26th. Bells available from 3.p.n. The hon, secretary will be pleased to hear from ringers requiring tea.-G. A. Taylor, Hon. Sec., The Village, Grappenhall.
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Basingstoke District. - The annual general meeting will be held at Basingstoke, on Saturday, Jan. 26 tl . Bells available from $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service in the Parish Church at 4 p.m. Tea at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. in the Church Cottage. Business meeting follows,-Rev, D. L. Board, Hon. Sec., Wolverton Rectory, Basingstoke.

HER EFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Presteiga Dis-trict.-The annual meeting will be held at Staunton-onArrow on Saturday, January 26th. Bells (5) available 4 p.m. Service at 5. Tea and meeting to follow. Jabez Preece, Dis. Sec., Lea Lodge, Staunton-on-Arrow. ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.-The quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, January 25th, at Oldham Parish Church. Bells available at 3 p.m. Meeting at 7 p.m.-S. Thompson, Hon. Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-East Berls and South Bucks Branch. - The annual branch committee meeting will be held at Bray on Saturday, Jan. 26ih. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.п.. Committee meeting to follow tea.-A. D. Barker, Branch Sec: ancl Treasurer, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-North and East District. Practice meeting at Willesden, Tuesday, Jan. 2gth. Beils from 7 to 9.30 . All ringers welcome. A peal board, recording the first Spliced Surprise peal rung in the county, will be unveiled during the evening.-C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec.
MIDDLESEX COENTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. - North and East District. - The annual meeting will be held at All Saints', Edmonton, on Saturday, February and.

Bells from 3; p.m. Service, witil address by the Vicar (Rev. R. C. Evili) at 5. Tea, is. per mentber (non-members is. 3d.), at 5.3 . Business meeting to follow. All who require tea please advise me by Tuesday, Jan. 29th. All ringers cordially invited. - C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 21, Vincent Road, E.4.
WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Western Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Kempsey on Saturday, Feb. 2nd. Service at 4 p.m. prompt. Business meeting afterwards. The bells will be available. The branch secretary should be notified how many to expect by Wednescay previous. - 1 . Rowlatt, Branch Sec., Old Street, Upton-on-Severn.
BEDFORD ASSOCIATION. - Bedford District.-The annual meeting will be helci at St. Peter's, Bedford, on Saturday, Feb. znd. Bells (6) available fronn 3 p.m. Service at 4.3 O . Tea at 5 o'clock, followed by business. meeting.-W. Stapleton, Dis. Sec., ${ }^{24}$, New Fenlake, Bedford.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Brancly. -The next branch meeting will be held at Accrington on Saturday, Feb. and. Beils ready at 3 p.m. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. Reports to hand; subscriptions due. Hindle, Sec., 58 , Anvil Street, Blackburn.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Western District. - The next meeting will be beld at Hemel Fiemp. stead on Saturday, February 2nd. Bells available from 3 p.m. Cheap trains to Boxmoor-then regular busservice. All are welcome. - W. Ayre, Sec.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Tonbridge Dis-trict.--The annual meeting of this district will be hedd. at Edenbridge on Saturday, Feb. 2nd. Tower open at 2.30. Service at 4.30. Tea, followed by business meeting, in the Church Room, a fter service. Members requiring tea must notify the district secretary not later than Tuesday, January 2gth. Subscriptions are now due, and should be paid at the meeting or sent to the district sec-retary.-W. Latter, Hon. Dis. Sec., 1i, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Isle of Wight District. - The annual meeting will be held at Carisbrooke on Saturday, Feb. 2nd. Bells. (8) available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting at the Waverley Hotel. Will those requiring tea kindly notify me not later than Tuesday, Jan. 2gth?-B. J. Snow, Hon. Dis. Sec., 2, Collingwood, Daniel Street, Ryde, I.W.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-The third quarterly meeting will be held at Loughborougl, on Saturday, Feb. 2nd. The bellis of All Saints' (ro) ancl Foundry (10) available all afternoon. By the courtesy of Messrs. J. Taylor and Co. the bellfoundry will be open to visitors. Committee meet 4 p.m. at Fearon Hall. Tea, s. gd. per head, 5 p.m., at Fearon Hall. General meeting follows. It is of utmost importance that those desiring lea acquaint Mr. D. S. Colinins, 145, Paget Street, Loughloorough, not later than Thursday, 3 IS inst., or they will be dis-appointed.-Ernest Morris, Gen. Hon, Sec., ${ }^{2} 4$, Coventry Street, Leicester.

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. - The: annual meeting will be held at Doncaster on Saturday, Feb, and. Bells ready early. Service at 5 p.in. Tea $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., followed by business meeting. Presentation to the late secretary and also of attendance cap. A grod attendance -is requested. Subscriptions can now be paid.-P. Gledstone, Hon. Sec.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GLILD.-Leatherhead District.-The annual district meeting will be held at Leatherhead on Saturday, Feb. zud. Bells available from 3 p. 17 . Tea at the Institute at 5 o'clock, followed by business meeting. Will all who intend to be present kindly notify Mr. Arthur Dean, 24, Church Walk, leatherhead, not later than Thursday, Jan. 3ist, so that adequate provision can be made?-F. G. Woodiss, Hon. Sec., 28, Strathearn Road, Sutton.
bATH AND WELIS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. Axbridge Deanery. -The annual meeting will be hetcl at Burnham-on-Sea on Saturday, Feb. and. Bells (8) availathle 2.30. Service 4.30, followed by tea. All ringers welcome.-L. G. Tanner, Local Hon. Sec., 5 I, Locking Road, Weston-super-Mare.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. Northern District.-The next quarferly meeting will be held at Hitchin on Saturday, Feb. znd. Bells (8) available p.m. Tea 5.30, followed by business meeting. Will all members who have not yet paid their subscriptions please endeavour to do so at this meeting, as it is the last meeting of the year? If you are requiring tea, a card will be appreciated. Thank you! - Donald C. Mears, Hon. Dis. Sec., The School House, Offey, Hitchin.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch.
A billiard match and social will be held at the Bolton Borough Police Club, Old Hall Street, Bolton, on Saturday, Feb. znct. Club open 6 p.m. (Names, please). l'eter Crook, Hon. Sec., 203, Devonshire Road, Bolton.
DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-A joint meeting of the Southern District, with the Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association, will be held at Northallerton on Saturday, Felb. 2nd. Bells (8) available afternoon. Tea at Russell's Café 4.30 p.m. Members requiring tea please notify me by the morning of Jan. 31 st.-J. Titt, Hon. Dis. Sec., 7i, Surlees Street, Darlington.
SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Devizes Branch. -The monthly meeting will be held at Potterne on Saturday, Feb. and. Bells (6) ready at 3 p.m. Guild service 4 . 40 . Tea 5 . Short business meeting follows tea.-F. Green, Branch Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes.
LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at Pudsey on Saturday, Feb. and. Be.ls itvailable at 3 p.m. Usual arrangements.--H. Lofttrouse, Hon. Sec., 8, Wortley Road, Armley, Leeds.

HANSLOPE, BUCKS.-A peal board, presented by the ringers who took part in the peal of Bob Minor rung Win July 1 thl last, will be dedicated by the Vicar (Rev. IW. J. Harkness) on Saturday, Feb. 2nd, at 3.30 p.m. The bells will be available for ringing from 2.45- Will all who intend to be present and require tea let me know by Werlnescday, Jan. 3oth? - P. Amos, 47 , Overstone Road, Northampton.
NORTH STAFFS AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. - A meeting will be held at Kidsgrove on Saturday, Feb. 2 ndi . Bells ( 6 ) available at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Will all who require tea please notify Mr. J. A. Cook, Wharf House, Red lull, near Kidsgrove, Stoke-on-Trent, before lan. 3oth? C. S. Ryles, Hon. Sec.
PETERBOROLGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northamplon Branch-A quarterly meeting will be held at Pitsford on Saturday, Feb. zand. Bells (5) 2.30. Service 4.15 . Tea 5 o'clock. Will all those who repuire tea please nolify me not later than Tuesday', Jan. 2gth?-T. Tebibut, West Street, Moulton, Northampton.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN G['ILD.--Eastern Branch. The annual meeting will be held at Buttervick on Saturday, Feb. and. Bells ( 6 ) available from 2 p.m. Divine service 4.15 p.m. Tea 4 . 45 p.m. Business meming directly after tea. Will those intending to be present kindly let me know by Wednesday, Jan. zoth? - Juhn Phillips, Hon. Sec., School House, Butterwick, Bostom, Lincs.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Wigan Branci. The next meeting will be held at Hincley St. Peter's on Saturday, Feb. and. Bells ready at 3 oclock. Meniny at 6 . A good attendance is requested. - Jam CW . Grounds, Sec., 8, School Lane, Standish.
SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. - Next meeting will be held at Penistone, February and, Leils open early. For tea please advise Mr. James Tinker, Church Street, Penistone, as early as possible. - R. Harrison, Sec.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIAIION.-Canterbury Dis-trict.-The annual district meeting will be held at Canterbury on Saturday, Feb. 9th. A special service will be held at St. Alphege Church at 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting at the Oddfellows' Hall, Orange Street, at 5.15 . The Cathedral bells will be available after 4 p.m. Will all those intending to be present kindly notify me on or before Thursday, Feb. 7 th? Members' subscriptions for 1929 are now due, and may be paid at this meeting.-Percy W. Smith, Hon. Sec., Fair View, Littlebourne, Canterbury.

DEVON GUILD.-Exeter Branch.-A meeting will be held at Newton St. Cyres on Saturday, Fel. gth. Service 4. Tea 4.45. Bells (6) available; also Lpton Pync (6) and Crediton (8). All ringers welcome.-Miss E. Lomas, Hon. Sec., Sandfords, Whimple Devon.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCLATION. - The annual general meeting will take place on Saturday, Feb. gilt, the bells of St. Clement Danes' heing available from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m., after which a short service will be held. There will be a tea and meeting after the service at the Parish Hall. The bells of St: Dunstan's-in-the-East will also be available during the afternoon. Meetings for February . St. Clement Danes", Sunday, the 3 rd, at 10 a.m.; Monday, the 1 th and 2 arh, at 7.30 p.mı. : St. Mary's, Lambeth, Tuesdar, the igth, at S p.12.-S. C Moye, Gen. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCLATION.-Rochdale Branch. -A meeting will be held at Leestield, Oldham, on Salurday, Feb. gth. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meetiny at 6.30 p.m. Subscriptions now due. Reports and new rules and diagrams to hand. A peal board commemorating a peal by the local band will be unveiled at this meet. ing.-Willian Horan, Branch Sec., 2, Greenhirst Hey, Todmorden.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch. -The usual monthly meeting will be held at Childwall on Saturday, Feb. gth. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service $5 \cdot 30$ p.m. Tea, is. each (Childwail Abbey, 6 p.m.
Those requiring tea must notify me on or before Turs Those reguiring tea must notify me on or before Tuesday, Feb. $5^{\text {th }}$. - Claude I. Davies, Branch Sec., Caerleon. Dunbabin Road, Wavertree.
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OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-V.W.H. Branch. A meeting will be held at Buckland on Saturday, Feb. 9th. Tower open 2.30 . Service 3.30. Those requiring tea must notify the secretary, G. A. Webley, Faringdon, by previous Thursday.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Reading Branch. The annual meeting of the above branch will be held at Reading on Saturday, Feb. and. The bells of St. Giles' avalable from 3 p.m. Application has been made for St. Lawrence's. A ringers' service will be heid at St. Giles' at 5 p.m., to be followed by a meat tea. Business meeting and smoking concert at the Rising Sun Coffee House, Silver Street, at 6 p.m. Tickets is. each. All intencling to be present please notify the secretary by Wednesday, Jan. 3 oth.-FF. W. Hopgood, Hon. Sec., 75 , Kensington Road, Reading.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Andover District.-The annual meeting will be held at Whitchurch on Saturday, Feb. 2nd. Beils available from $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.30 , followed by tea and business meeting in the School. All reguiring tea please notify by Jan. 3 oth the hon. secretary, the Rev. F. C. Sear, St. Mary Bourne Vicarage, Andover.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Wednesday meeting at Houghton-le-Spring, on Jan. 3oth. Bells available from 2.30. Tea at Parkinson's Café, Sunderland Street, at 5 o'clock, is. 6d. a head. Reply as to tea to Mr, Parkinson, 1, Northview Terrace, Fence Houses, by the 28 th. .-George S. Taylor, See.


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## TEN BELL PEALS.

NORTH SHIELDS, NORTEUMBRELAND.
THE DORHAM \& NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Wednesday, Jauary 23, 1929, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutcs, At Carist Church,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, D000 CHANEES; Tenor 19 ewt .
Jamas E. Scott ... ... ...Trebie Ernest Gospen ... ... 6 Ernest E. Ferry ... .. 2 "Robert Pariinson ... ... 7

 William J. Davidson $\quad . . .4 |$|  | 4 | William Sigeaton ... | ... | 9 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | James L. Gray ... ... ... 5 | Aday Deas... ... ... ... 7 enor Composed by C. H. Hattersley. Conducted by Edward A. Hern * First peal on ten bells. HASLEMERE, SURREY. THE GULLDFORD DIOCESAN GULLD.

On Sathrday, Janayy 26, 1929, in Thyce Hours and Twenty-Four Minutas, At the Cherce of Sx. Bartaolomhw,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 6000 CHANEES; Tenor $3^{3} \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Jonn H. B. Hesse ... ...Treble Alan R. Pina ... ... ...
Riceard Hayes ... ... ... 2 Majrice Smither ... ... 7
Raybond Overy... .... ... 3 'Arthor J. Bartilett ... $g^{g}$
Jearles H. Hazelden ... 4 William R. Melville ... 9 C. Ermest Smith ... ... 5 Albert Harman ... ....Tenoy Composed by George H. Cross. Conducted by Albert Harman. * First peal of Royal. A birthday compliment to the ringer of the 2nd. DERBY.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ABSOCIATION. (Sheffield District Society.)
On Sutwridy, Jannary 26, 1929, in Thuee Hours and Twendy-Eight Minutes, At tee Chergh of Si. Andrew, Litceorce,
A PEAL OF LITTLE ROB RGYAL, 6184 CHAHGES;

| - Harold Incrle. |  | ....Tpebls | Frederick A. Adams |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - Walter Wallace |  | 2 | tMatrice E. Wilson |  |
| - Cearles E. Hart |  | 3 | Sidney F. Palmer ... |  |
| Arther Knigets | $\cdots$ | .. 4 | A. Percival Knigats |  |
| Aebert H, Ward |  | - 5 | John Thorp |  |

* First peal in the method, + First peal of Royril.

BROMSGROVE, WORCESTERSHLRE.
THE WORCESTERSHTRE AND DISTRIOTS ASSOCIATION.
(Northern Brangh.)
On Saturday, Janary 26, 1929, in Thre Hokrs and Tebenty-Twa Minules. At ige Choreh of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAE OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5022 CHANGES;
Tenor I8 cwt. (approx.).
Harry Price ... ... ...Troble tMiss Amy Jobnson ... ... 6

- Arthler J. Martin ... ... 2 f William H. Cooper.. .7
josepa D. Joknson ... ... 3 |Harold F. Martin ... ... Grorge E. Large ... ... 4 Walter Farley ... ... 9 tHardld V. Coorer.... ... 5 | fGeorgr Perry ... .... .... Temor Composed by Geozge Hayward, Conducted by Harold F. Martin * First peal on ten bells and in the method. I First peal on ten bells. $\ddagger 1$ irst peal of Giranasire Caters. Rang as a birthlay compliment to Elie conduetar.


## FEDNESBURY, SIAFFS

THE SOCLETY FOR THE ARCEDEACONRY OF STAFFORD fon Suturday, fundoy 26, 7929 , in Thwee Howys and Seuenteen Minutes,

Ai ibe Chorch of St. Bartholomew,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5067 CHANCES;
Loves S. Crietiths ... ... 2 Frbderick W. Rishworth
Josefb I'igott ... ... ... 3 | Benjamin Gotge ... ... 8
Christophrr Wallater... 4 .Herbert Knight ... ... 9 Morris J. Morris ... ... 5 * Aebert J. Hubble ... ...Tanor Composed by J. E. Groves.

Conducted by II, Kniget. * First peal of Stectman Caters. Rumg after meeting short for Trcble Ten. W. Fisher has now rung ench bell in ten-bell peals.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

ROMFORD, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCLATYON.
On Tue.day, January 8. 1929, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
At the Church of St. Edward.

## A PEAL OF GRANESIRE TRIPLES, GOHO CHANGES;

Holt's Ten-part
Tenor 15 cw t
Wizleam FI. Theobadd
Trable
"James Hoawood ... ... 2
Geprar R. Pre... ... ... 3 Ernest J Botler
fAlfrge Prior ...... Conducted by G. R. Pye

* First peal, nged 65. + First peal in the method.

FELSTEAD, ESSEX
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sntwrday, Jantary 19, 1929, in Thyce Howrsand Tew Minutes, At ine Chorch of tas Hogy Choss,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDRE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Jognson's Transposition of Midmleton's

Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cws}$.
 Basil Redgwell ... ... 4 Arthor Sadnders ... ....Tenot Conducted by W. Kerele.
First peal in the method on the bells, and the second peal on them siuce they were rehung in 2915 . The band wish to thank the Ficar and Mrs. T. Baker for their kind hospitality afler the peal. Mr. F. Claydon's 200th peal.

NEWPORT, MONMOU'1HSHIRE.
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCEBAN ASSOOIATION.
On Monday, Janary 21, 1929, in Three Hows and Thirten Minttes, At the Cborct of All Saints.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor 55 cwt


Composed by Joun Carter. Conducted by Joun W. Jones.

* Tirst peal. The condactor's $300 t h$ peal. Rung half-muffled as a lasi luibute of respect to Mr. Harry Morgan who was buried on this day, and who, for the past fiftech yearg, had been a regular Sunday service ringer at the above church.

WOOLTON, LIVERPOOL
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Tucshay, Junvary 22, 1929, in Thra Hauys and Eightacn Minutes, At mhe Chorch of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANEES;
Groves' Transposition of Parker's Twelve-part. Tenor 20 cwt in E .

- Teomas Lee
..Trdib| Henry Grace
-Jofn M. Broadbeni ... 2 Edward Cadnce ... ...
"Thomas W. Hesketh .- 3 Ernest L. Homphriss ... 7
"Percy Gindey... ... ... 4 *Peter R. Sompter ... ...Tenor Conducted by Eqxest L. Hompariss
* First peal. This peal was rung with the hells lialc-rintaticd as a folken of respect to the late Aklerman A. S. Mather, E.B.F... J.P., being the first peal on the bells since they wore relnitag , to ball


## REDEAHALL, NORFOLK

THE NORFOLE QUILD.
On Thesday, Janayy 22, 1929, in Thee Hours and Thirty-Two Minutes

## At tge Chorch of St. Mary

A PEAL DF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOR MAJOR, EO24 CNAREE
Terror 24 cwt. in D.
Edwin R. Goate... ... ...Tyoble |Walter Barreit ... ... 5
George Corson ... ... ... 2 Caarlas F Sayrr ... ... 6
Fred R. Bonrett $\ldots . . . . \quad 3$ Ressell Riches ... $\quad . .$. George Howlett ... ... 4 | William Stggqale ... ...Tenor Composed by Gro. H. Cross. Conducted by E. R. Goate.
First peal in the method as conductor, aud 50th peal.
EXETER, DEVON
THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.
On Wednesday, January 23, 1929, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes, At tee Chorch of St. Thomas,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR; 5024 CHANGES:

Mrs. E. S. Puwell... ...Tyebie "William S. Letbbridge... 5
John Arbury ... ... ... 2 Rev. Everard S. Powell 6
-William Howe... ... ... 3 William Richapdson ... 7
Teonas Laver ... ... ... 4 Efnest W. Marsh ... ...Tenor
Composed by J. Barker. Conducted by Rev. E. S. Powell.

* First peal in ile method.

NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE)
THE GEESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thuysday, Jamary 24, 1929, in Three Howy and Onc Minute,
At tee Churce of St. Thomas,
A PEAL OF BUPERLATIYE BURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 GNAMSER:
Tenor I4 cwt. I qr. 22 lb , in F .

| - Richarde. Jongs .... | ...Tyeble | Williab Fernley ... |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| James Fbri.. |  |  |
| 5 |  |  |

Walter W. Wolstencroti 6
Janes Fernley, sen. ... 3
Harry Langley
Composed by James S Wicde John W. Hartcry ... ...l bmoz

Conducted by Tom Wiede.

* First peal in the methed.

RATVFORD, LANCASEIRE
THE LANCABHIRE ASSOOLATION.
(Wigan Brangi.)
On Thursday, Jambay 24, 1929, in Three Hours and Nine Mintors,
At tae Parise Chdree,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Groves' Transposition of Parkrr's Tweeve-part.
Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 7 lb .
James Cowley
…
...Treble | William Bagley
Henry Hesketa...
...
Conducted by Peter Shaw. Grorge Saint ... ... ... 4 Peter Shaw... ... ... ... Tener Conducted by James W. Hali
Eirst pead by all the band, and first on the hells by a local bant. LONG STANTON, GAMBS.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Snturday, Jantary 26, 1929, in Three Hows and Twenty-Five Minules. At tae Ceurch of All Saints
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 0224 CHANBES;
Tenor 7s ewt.
Frank E. Haynes
Frederick J. Coox
Frank G. Gieaves
Grorge E. Crisp
Treble $\mid$ T. Reginald Dennie.
2 Alfred G. Rivers
Corma 4 Christoperer W. Woolley tenor
Runge with the bells foll muffled as a last tribute of respewt the late Rus. Horace Bernard Woolles, heloved Viear of tha : thova chturh since 1905, who passed peacefull away on Jannary 19tla, after a brief illuess, agcd 63. Mr. 1:. Warvington's kinulness in mafting the hells and giving up his rope to anothor is much nppme ciated.

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A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, $\quad$ b040 CHANGES;

Thorstans' Foor-part.

Frederick C. J. Torner ...Tyble | Alfred W. Groves .... ... 5 Richard Divallj... $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2$ Alfred J. Terner $\quad . .$. Јack M. Cripps ... | Herbeht Tomseti | $\ldots .$. | $\cdots$ | .... | 4 | William Sienning | ... | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | Conducted by Kemita Hart.

HACKLNGTON, OANTIERBURY, KENT. THE KENT COUNTT ASEOCLATION.
On Saturday, Jan*ay 26, 1929, in Two Hours anit Fifty One Minutes, Ait the Caurch of St. Stbpaen.

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Pistrow's Variation. Fred G. Breti ... ... ...Troble |Herbert Neville ... ... 5 Fred Weller ... ... ... 2 Charles R. Millway ... 6
 Conducted by Edwin $G$. Boesden.

* Elented a member previous to starting. The band desire to thank Mr. M. Pierce for talking a rape ai ihe last minute owing to the suithlen iliness of Rer. F. J. O. Helmore.


## LONDON

THE MTDDLESEX COONTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOGESAN GUILD.
On Satherday, Jantayy 26, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
At fhe Cborch of 5 \%. Gules-in-ihe-Firlds, Bloomsbury,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

## Tenner 18 cwt .

Williah J. Nudds ... ...Tyable Grorge R. Pye ... ... ... $^{5}$ Grorgi M. Kiles $\quad . .$. William R. Madgwick ... 3 Albert W. Colzs ... ... 7 J. Armiger Trollofe ... 4 . Williah Pye ..........Tenor

Composed by Arther Kniguts. Conducted by Willism Pye.
BROXBOURNE, HERTS.
THE MDDLESEX COUNTY AESOCLATION AND LONDON DIOGESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Janusy 26, 1929, in Thive Howrs, At the Church of St. Augustine,
A PEAL OF PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 Changes; Tenor 20 cwt .

 Miss Frida E. Orr ... ... 3 James E, Dayis ... ... ... 7 George H. Cross ... ... 4 Reubrn Sanders .... ....Tekor Composed and Conducted by Grorge H. Cross.
Fiust peal in the method on the bells, in the county and lyy the gisucintion, also first peal in the wethod by all the bond, and rung nt the first attempt.

> CRESWELL, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
(Sebffield and Distrigt Society.)
On Siturda), January 26, 1929, in Thre Hours and Ore Minute,
At the Church of Si. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAdOR, 5184 CHANGES; Tenor 12l cwt.

 Composed by Gabrirl Lindofy.

Conducted by Joan Finint.

HALESOWEN, WORCESTERSHRE
THE WORCESTERSHIRE'AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (NORTHERN Branch.)
On Saturday, January 26, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifly-Eight Minutes, At the Choreg of St. Joen-teg-Baptist.

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 60EG CHANGES, Joenson's Varlation of Midderion's. Tenor in cwt. in E flat. | Willam B. Cartwriget | Tredie | Thomas Hemming | ... | ... | 5 |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jobn Bass | .. | ... | ... | ... | 2 | Jobn Smith ... | .. | ... | .. |
| 6 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

 | Joseph H. W. Weite | $\ldots$ | 3 | Clifford Skidmore ... | ... |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Frank E. Pervin | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 4 | Alfred Hackrit | $\ldots$ | ... | Conducted by Wm. B. Cartwriget.

Rung on the eve of Mr. nod Mrs. Mathew Hackett's golden wedding. Mr. M. Hackett has been a Sunday service ringer at this church for over 50 years. First peal of Major on the bells since they were rehung.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

ESEER, SURREX
THE GULLDEORD DIOCESAN GULLD.
On JWedneday, Jantary 16. 1929, in Two Hoursard Forty-One Minules, At Christ Church.

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 50®0 CHANGES;

Being seven 720 s . Tenor 73 cwt.
Wickins MIassey...
Frank E. Hawtuorne
...Tyedis
 Marry Barber Conducted by W. T. Berson.
First peal of Minor on the bells.
JARROW-ON-TYNE, DURHAM.
L'FE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOGEBAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, January 22, 1929, in Two Hours and Thirty-Sooen Minuces,
At tee Churgh of St. Prter,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being two extents each of Double Oxford Bob, Oxford Treble Boh, Kent Treble Bob and one extent of Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cut. John Turnsoll. ... ... ...Treble |James E. Scoti ... ... ... 4
 Edward A. Hern Conducted by Edward A. Hern. HOUGF-ON-THE-EILL, LTNCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tuesday, Jantary 22,1929, in Three Hours and One Minute,
At the Chorch of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 6040 CHANEES;

Reing 720 each of St. Clement's, Double Court, Oxford Dob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Single Court and Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cm . *Wiellam Nicholson ...Tyeble Yenry Squires... ..... .4 -Miss Gladys Nicholson... 2 *J. Frederick Milner -.. 5 Henry Haynes... $. . . \quad . . .3$ Artgor Mackgars ... 3 ...Teroy Conducted by Arthor Machears.

* First peal in seven methods. Mr. J. F. Milnor was clected a life member of the Guild before starting.

MARKET DEEPING, LINCOLNSHIRT.
THE LINCOLN DIOOESAN GUILD.
On Salurday. Jamaty 26, 1929, in Three Hours and One Minwt.
At the Cgurch of Si. Gutblac,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR, BOAO CHANGES; Rev, E. Bankes James' arrangement.

Tenor 16 cwt. -Edward A. Sneatr ... ...Tyeble | John J. Jotson ... Wileiam Rose ...... Horace M. Day ....... 3 -Willian Tilery ... ...Tenor Conducted by H. M. Day.
First Surprise peal, also first peal of Cambridge Minor for the Guild.

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## HYGHAM-ON-THE-HILL, LEICESTERSHIRE

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCLATION.

## (Hinchegy District.)

On Satkrday, Juntary 26, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seqen different extents.
Saherl A. Martin.

- Leonard Woodrorn

Horace V. Rowley.
'Penor 10 ewt. 3 qu. 8 lb.

Conducted by A

* First peal. F First peal inside. Rung with the bells halfmuffled as a token of respect to the late Mus. K. Fisher, patron of the living, who was interred on the same day.


## HANDBELL PEALS

MANCHISTER.
'HEE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, 7arwary 21, 1929, in Two Hours and Fiften Minutes, At ib, I.ime Grove.

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;

Tberstans' Foor-part.
Tenor size 20 in E.

Alfred Barars | ... | ... | .. | I-2 | Allen F. Baile |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ... | ... | .. | $3-4$ | Peter Laflin |

Peter Laflin



* First peal of Stedman Triples in hand, and 100th peal. Kung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. A. F. Bailey.


## BRAINTRIE ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Saturajy, Jantary 26, 1929, in $T$ wo Hows and 7 wenty-Three Ainutes,

## At 3, Cressing Way,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAdOR, 5024 CHANGES;

## Basil Redgweel... <br> Wicilam Kezble... <br> I-2 Lewis W. Wiffen

Composed by Janes Htas.
3-4 Albert Wiffen

## SURREY ASSOCIATION

OENTRAL DISTRICT SECRETARY RETIRES
The amutal moeting of the Central District of the Surrey Assaciation was hela at St. Martin's, Epsom, on Saturday last. Good use was made of the ring of ten betls until 5.30 , when the party, numbering abont 30 , rdjourned to the Ghurch Room for tem.

The business meeting followed. Mr. A. W. Clark, being re-elected Master, toot the chair. The remaining district officers were elected as follows: Mr. U. F. Reading, treasurer ; Mr. D. Cooper, secretary Mr. A. Gower, auditor; and Messrs. A. J. Trappitt, J. Beams and F. Woodiss Jepresentatives on the committee. A hearty voie of thanks was proposed to Mr. A. J. Jrappitt, the retiring secretary, for his past work in the district.
Meetings for the Jear were decided an as follows, riz: A Ahtead on Easter Monday, Ranmore Gonmon in June, Kiogston in September, and the anmual district meeting at Camberwell in Jamuary, and also a joini meeting with the Leatherhead District of the Guildford Diocesan Guild, to be held at Ewell in May. It was also suggested, if possible, to hold a joint meeting with Guillford District at Guildford on August Bank Holiclay.
The tasual votes of thanks were accorded to the Rector for the use of the bells, the ladies who waited at tea, and the steeplekeeper who bad everything in readiness.

Ringing was afterwards thone in all the standard methods, including Bristol Surprise, until 9 o'clock.
The new district secretary is now Mr. D. Cooper, 5, Hairison's Rise, Croydon.

## OXFORD DIOCEGAN GUILD.

The first monthly practice of the East Berks and Soully Butks Branch hekd this year augurs well far the jubilee celehrations fixed for April 27th. Bray, still famed for its Vicar, seems to bave an ever-increasing attiaction for ringers, and though there were about thirty young ringers of trotil sexes prosent, amongst the older ones was that pionecr of ringing it this branels, Mr. J. J. Parker, of Farmham Royal.

Ringing was restricted owing to the fact that the bellfounders have not yot completed their takk, but everyone was satisfied, and it may be mentioned that a fixst-class Deputy Bramel Ringing Manter has beea discovered.
The Vicar and other kind frieuls provided a most satestying tea in a warm and comfortable room, where the committen weeting was afterwards held, and to which a number of other numbers returned for handbells, on which change ringing and harmony brodetht a most fuccessful gathering to a close.

## SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

Ihe amual general meeting of the Eociety of Royal Cumberland Youtlis was held at Si. Martin-in-1he-Fields, on Saturday week. Ringing commenced at 4.15, ant continued until 5.30 , after which nembers were entertained to tea in the erypt,
The Vicar, ihe Rev. P. MeCormick, was present at the business mecting, which took place in the Chureh Room, and addressed a few words of welcome to the members, remarking lataw pleased tie was to see so many present, and how much pleasure it gave him to do all in his power to make the socieliy's mentings a success.-The Master (Mir. J. D. Mathews) responded and expressed the thanks and best wishes of the members.

The treasurer presented the balance sheet, which was passed. Next on the agenda was the election of officers, which resulted es follows: Master, Mr. J. D. Matthews; secretary, Mr. J. Sparrow, Ghevington, Baulon Rise, Wallington, Surrey; treasurer, Mr. (f. Steere; auditors, Messrs. 7. Newman and R. Yewan: tristees, Messers. F. Smith and A. Hardy; senior steward, Mr. C. J. Matthews; junior stoward, Mr. T. Bevan.
Other business having been disposed of, nad eevernl now mermhers evrolled, a vote of thanks to the oficen and those responsible for the tea arragements brought the meeting to a close, aud members returned to the tower for further ringing.

Great pleasure was expresed at the progress made by the society during the past year, thinks largely to the efforts of the Master.

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

SUCGESSFUL ANNUAL MEETING OF SOUTHERN BRANCH.
The nonual meeting of tha Southern Branch of the Lincaln Guild was held at Grantham on Saturday week, with a good attendanee of members of the branch, ringers heing present from Surflest, Spalding, Pinclibeck, Dommington, Market Deeping, Lincoln, Hough Bottesford, Sleaford, Folkingham, Rippingale, Orston, and the local band. Service was held in the beautiful parish Clurch, the Rev Canon Markham conducting the shon't service and giving a very eppropriate address.
The tea followed, hela at the Black Dor Inn, at which 33 sat
down. Rev. H. Law James (Mastor of the (flidd) presided over the business meeting. The election of officers for the ensuirg yenr took place. No change6 were made, the whale being ve-elected en bloc.
One new honorary memłer and four performing members were elected.
The place of the next meeting was then discussed, an? Hough was decided upon.
It was thought by lhose present that rhe amual report mifht be enlarged in the future, and benthil up to pre-was spandard again by entering the names of all members.-Ti was decided to leave this for the discussion of the Guild Commituee.
The peal of ten beils was kept gaisty during the afternoon and evening in methods ranging from Grandsira Caters to Cambidge Sumprise Royal.

A Fote of thanks was paseed la the Rector for the use of the bells and for conducting the service, also to the Ror. H. Law James for presiding over the business meeting, rud to all who anade the necessary arrangements for a successiful meetint.

## SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

quarterly meeting of the above society was leld at Penu on Saturdey, fan. 12t1, when there was a tair aitemiduct. Apologies for now-attendance were received from the Vicar (the Rev. Ji. Finatill) Ehrough ilhness, and N1: Churehwarden Twentyman. The gervice was conducted by the Rev. W. I. Crump, and line Rew. C. FI. Farker (clerical secretary and treasurery presiden in the orgnmetc. An excellent tea, provided by the wardens and Churh Council, was laid in the Clareh Room, to which 35 sat down.
The Rev. C. H. Harker moved that a vite of sympathy be sent to the Vicar, with the hope that he would soon he restured to lapalth also one of thanks to the chavelawardens for the tre timiness in pro riding tea, and to the lavics for assisting at ibe taliles.
It was decided to send the sum of latif-a-guinea to the "John Briant Memorial Fund.'
Handbell ringing was induged in by some, while arliers unturned to the tawer.
The noxt maeting is provisionally arranged to fake place at waisat] on Apri] 13th, when it is hoped the new ring of lwelve will be ready.

## 142 720's OF MiNOR IN 107 METHODS. <br> BUCKNALJ RUNGERS' RECORIT.

During the year 192B, at St. Mary's Church, Buoknall, Staffs, 142 720 s were rung in 107 methods, The ringers taking part weve: Mr. W. Wheeldun 101 (conducted 251, Mr. C, Preston 84 ( 81 , W. Fradkey 104 (25), Miss Alice きrustor 114 (20), C. Bowris 101 (28),
 During the jear the Minor methods in the Central Couvel Collection of Methods were completed, this befng the frist time it has been done hy ane band.

## THE LATE REV．H．B WOOLLEY

A SCRATCH IN THE BELERY RESULTS IN FATAL BLOOD POESONTNG．
The death of the Rev．Horace Bernard Woolley，which we recorded last week，aptead gloon and regret throughout the Gambridgeshire village of Long Stanton，where，as parish priest of All Saints ${ }^{2}$ since 1905，he lad won by his devoted services the love and esteem of his parishioners．
In the previous week the Hev．H．B．Woolley，while oiling the helly it the helfry of All Saints＇Clurch，serathed his land．It was It very slight wound，but blood poisonitry set in，and an operation parfonmerl in the Evelyn Nursing Home，Cambridge，was of no nvail．On the Sunday ofter the accident he ollieitad as usual，but he pusterl awry on the following Saturday．
During has loug incambency，he built up the chutel life of the vil－ lage，and held the affection of the parishoners．His life－long recrea－ tion was the art of hellringing，and it was a joy to him to be able to complete the peal of bells in the tower of All Saintes by adeing three bells．For soma years he was secretary of the Furts District of lit，Elly Piocesan Association，and one of sts leaders to the end af lis life．His two sons，as well as lee，were members of the Ancient Sociely of College Youtus，and he was one of the oldest meabers of the Cambridge University Guild．
$T^{1 h}$ ce deceased cleric was an old Persean，and lie graduated at Carn－ bridge with a secoud class is1 the Historical Tripos of 1885．Four years later he was ordained priest，and le held curacies at Brent－ wood，Trimston，Mildenlall and Bury St．Edmunds，before receiv－ ing the benelice of All Saints：

In addition to increasing the bells of A11 Saints＇Ite fumislied the thurelh，and his most recent work in connection with the fabric was Lle resoofing of the south aisle．

## VHLLAGE IN MOCRNING．

The werning parishioners at the funeral service on Tuesday week testilied to the love which he liad of them．Women sobbed quietly during the smwice，aud several had to leave the church becanae they were overcome by emotion．The whole parish was motnning，and the parishionsers filled the chunch．
Officiatine at the service were the Raral Deav，the Rev．R．P． Moline（Reetor of Cotienham）and the Rev．Canon Baron－Suckling （Ructor of Barsham）．Others of the clergy present were the Rev． F．T．I．Dredge（Lolworth），W．W．Partridge（St．Luke＇s，Cam－ hridge），A．C．Hare（willinglam），H．（G．Hooton（ImpingEon），C．F． Stebling（Swnvesey），F．C．Weston（Over），L．B．S．Abbot（Con－ nington），The immediate mourners were Mrs．Woolleg（widow， Mi：C．W，Woolley（son），Miss Gertrude Woolley（sister），Mr． Richatt Woolley（nephew），Mrs．Wright，Miss B．Wright，Mr．John Oliver，Miss Q．GIulterbuck，Miss L．Clutterbuck，Mr．and Mrs． Thorogood．The elder son of the Vicar is in Bomeo．

The Guild of the Servants of the Sanctunry was represented by Mr．r．R．Aihson avd the Rev．W．W．Partridge．The Old Persean Soniety sent Mr．Roger Smart and Mr．J．R．Butock．Tha Ret．A． C．Blyth，Dena of Selwyu College，was present with a mumber of midergradutes，members of the Selwyil Boat Club，of which Mr． oolloy＇s soll was captain．
Tho following ropresented the Ely Diocesan Association：Rev．R． Copeman（goneral secretary），Messits．T．R．Dewnis（ireasurer），C． W．Cook（who is also cliurchwarden of Long Stanton），F＂．Warring－ tern，G．J．Grisp and F．J．Cook（Long Stantonl，A．G．Rivers，E．G． Hibbins，H．J．Hazell ancl Miss V．Shorter（Cambuidge），Messis．W． R．Mntann（Godmanchester）and F．G．Gleaves（Willingham），Fhe sidemmen atted as bearers，and the hymis sung were＂Jepusalem the golden＇and＂The King of Love my Shepherd is．＂＂the＇Nume Dinuituis was chantert ais the coffin was carried from the church．
Large numbers of wreaths were sent from friends and various organosntions，indading the Cambridge Tiniversity Guidd，the Ely Diocusan Assomition，the Lang Stanton ringers，and the Fiston ringers．
On Sntaratis a muffed peal of Bah Major was rung at Long
 24ils，atamet－peal of Grundzire triples was rung with muffen beils
 P．Webl（conductor）2，R．Clements 3，E．Flitton \＆，W．Hutley 5 16．Villey 6．W．Flitton 7，A．Lilley 8 ．

## THE LATE REV．H．C．COURTNEY．

Sirs－lt may not be knowf to the biographess of the above that the decenstd was a peal ringel long before lie joined the Glounester and Rristol hsacintion．His ustme seemed farniliar and stitred cer－ taill memoribs：and wathening up old recolds［ found that he rang a pend of＂？＇riples with zue at St．Nicolas＇，Numeaton，on churselar， Murch $241 \mathrm{~h}, 1892$ ．He was then Rector of Hatton，Wamickshime， ant on that cecasion bought with him his gastemer，Mr．W．Nale， Who than rang his first peal．The next time I met Mr．Male was lasl year at Warwick．

## GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUIED．

GUILDFORD DISTRICT＇S FIRSI ANNUAL MEETING．
The annual meeting of the Guildford District was held at Guildford on Saturday week．The bells of the Cathe－ dial Ohurch and of S ．Nicolas＂were available，and were made use of during the afternoon．The service，lield at the Gathe－ dral，was conducted by Canon E．C．Kirwan，and the Rer．J．D． Carter，of Witley，gave the addrebs．He based this on the text， ＂Whatsoever ye do，do all to the glory of God，＇from 1 Gor．X．This was the spirit，he said，in which all members of the Guild should enter on their dutfes．To his mind，bells were the mos：attractive of all ways of producing music in the open ait．He touched briehy on the history of bells from the time of the aations of antiquity through the gradual development of the art of rincing in this coun． try down to the prosent time．He reminded bis listeners that bells had played a prominent part in the history of the deltic peoples， especially the lrish．One of the first uses of church bells wes to call people to the services．This was an sbsolute necessity in the days when there were no watoles ar clocks．Bells were great mes－ zengers of joy and sorrow．They seemed to carry mestages for each season of the jear．He referred to the strange stories of the ties （now all past）to which belis and helfries were put in former days， and reniuded the members that the belfry was a sacred piace．He concluded by appesling to the Guild to do their duties in the spirit of lis text．
Members from the two Guilaford towers，Old Woking，Shalford， Godalming，Shere，Cladon，Haslemere，Granleigh，Worplesdon，Pir－ buight，Ewhurse and Albury，and visitors from Farnham，Pul－ morough，Chertsey，Ottershas and Aldersloot，to the number of 66， sat down to tea in Holy Trinity Hall．
The business meetinc followed，at which Mr．W．Haruson pre－ sided．Tauvary 18th，1930，was fixed as the date of the next：annual meeting，and it was resolved to hold the service at S．Nicolas Church．

The balance sheed，showing a balance of 55 18s．3d．in hand，was read and adopted．
The members stood in silence for a short time as a token of re－ spect for faur deceased members，Mr．Luf，of Ghiddingfold，Messrs． Jelly and Tickenc，of Worplesdon，and Mr．Harwood，of Pirbright．
The Ringing hifaster，in his report，stressed the importance of the attendance at combined practices of nembers at whose towers these were held．In future，he eaid，the combined practices would be leld at the various towers on their usurl practice night．He had not kept a record of the peals rung in the district during the year．－It was resolved that in futute the Ringing Master should keep the District record of penls．
Distritt meetings are to be beld during the coming year at Gran－ leigh，Chiddingfold，Shalford，Pirbright and Godalming．
It uras recolved that in future the election of offineus of the Disfrict should be by ballot，and it was dacided to recommend that offeers of the Guild should be elected in the same way．Ifappily，there was no meed to ballot at this meeting，as in no case was more than one nomintition received．
Mr．N．V．且arding hat ta resign from the sechetaryship owing to business reeasons．The members expressed their segret，and thanked him for his work during tine past year．
The following officers were elected：Mr．G．Grover，of Clandon， hon．secretnry；Mr．©．Hazelden，Ringing Master＇前esszs．Rurdock and Whittington，representatives to the Exenulive Commitee，and Mr．N．V．Harding，district anditor On the resignation of Mr． Melville from the assistant secratarysinip，this office whs abolished．
Everyone was pleased to see Admiral Walker well enough to attend．

## OEATH OF A NEWPORT RINGER

The passing of Mr．Harry Morgan，of All Saints＂，Newport，Mon， has removed a well－known and highlyrespected figure fram the rauks of South Wales ringers．Ot Monday，Jauuary 14th，he was to all outward appearance in failly good leallh，and took part in Church on Thestay．On Werlnesday evening he was taken suddenly ill，and succumbed to heart failuar
The deceased was an cx－country polteman，and whilst stationed at Chepstox learmed the livst rudiments of change ringing．Remowing afterwards to Trellech and Blaina，where there were no bells，he had no opportunily of limging imtil he retired from the Force and moved to Newnour，where he joined the All Saints band，sud on Tune 26tlı，1913，vang the twelile to his firgt pea］．He was not keen on peal ringing；and allogether had mung onfy about half a dozen peats ol Grandsire．In touches，he was capable of ringing the four standard methods．
The funcral took place at Newport Cemetery，the last rites，per－ formed by the Vicar of All Saintsi and hon．treasurer of the associa－ tion，heing attemed by uniformed poliee，of which deceased had been a member for 26 years．Ringerg attended from St．Woolos＇and All Snints＇Cluwches，Newport，日ind frome Caerleon．Mr．Mor＂gan will be saints cinw inissed in the beltry

## THE FIRST PERFORMANCE OF HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sin, tit your issue of the 11 th inst. you give particulars, supplied by Mr. (. H. Cross, of records of Holt's Original laving becti conducted on two oceasions in 1752 at Norwich by a ringer takine part in ithe peal, as taken from the 'Norwich Mercury' by Mr. Thbilip Eadler and you state that Mr. Cross remarks that the clain that this was the first achieved at St. (iles-in-the-Fiedds, Lonalon, in 1791, by tile Ancient Society of College Youtis, slould be rorrected in the recently published hiatory of that society. It might be well, therefore, for me to give the source from which the record clained by the College Youtis was taken by the comanitted appointed to revise and draw up the new Rule Boot.
In Snowdon"; 'Grandsire' on page 138 appears the following:-
Folt, as has already been related, called his one-part peal from a manuscript copy, and did not take any other part in the performance. the may be sure that many a conductar would fend ambitious to call the peal without such assistance, but jt was not until forty veara after itg first performance that this object was uttamed. On Stwday, October 23rd, 1791, the College Youtlis rang this peal at St. Giles-in-the-Fields, when it was conduated by James Bartlett, who rang the tzeble, and thus gained the honour of being the first man to conduct the peal and takc part in the ringing.'
One would hardy have supposed that at ringer of the parts of Mr. George Cross had not perused the pages of this interesting work of outstanding merit in the art of change ringing, and that he was apparently unaware of Snowdon's remarks on this subject, seems strange, to say the least of it. Passing over this point, however, if the statement now elaimed of there being two previous performances of this peal at Norwich and another at Saffon Walden is corrent, how can it be explaned that Snowdon, in his patient nud painstaking research work, should not have come across these records, or should have ignored thero altogether, if he did? Snowdon must lave been brought into very intimate contact with Norwieh when collecting data for his various books, and the question atises, Was there insufficient proof to satisfy lim that the peals referyed to were the fampus Original?
Wiils reference to Mr. Cross' recent letter in your issue of January 1814, imquiring whether the peal of Bob Triples rung at St. Peter Maneroft, Norwich, in 1715, was not the first peal of 5,000 changes ever rung, he will find this point very fully dealt with in Snowdon's 'Guandsire' on pages 117 and 118, and I would suggest his poseessing himself of a copy of this book.- Yours faithfully,
G. N. PRICE

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

A successful meating of the Soutin-Enstern Division was held ist Widford on Saturday last, thirty-seven members, representing nine towers, and one risitor from St. Andrew's, Folhorn, silting down to tea, which was presided over by the Rector of Widford (Rev. F. R. Thurlow).
The Distriet Master, Mr. G. Green, presided ovel the mbeting, at which four new hon. members were clected, and several ringing and probationary mernbers were also admitted.

Fryeruing was chosen as the place of the next meeting, to be held in March. After the menting, which ended in smoke, a caurse of Grandsire Caters was rung on handbells, and flae tower was again visited, and various touches brought round in nethods ranyiag frore Bob, Minor to Cambridge Surprise Major. Chelmsford Cathedral bells were also pade good use of int the evening Rnd Grandsire ant Stetman Caters, Treble Ten, etc., rung.

NORTH-EASTERN DIVISION'S FINE MEETING.
On Saturday, January 19 h , the annual meeting of the Nothlastern Division was beld at Wiveuhoe. Ringing commenced soon after 2 p.m., and at 4.30 p.m. a special service was lield at the Parish Church, conducled by the Fiotr, the Rev. R. F. Jack, who gave the association a weleome to Wivenhoe. Afterwarda, nearly 70 members sat down at tho IParisjt Fall to a splendid meat teit provided by the local branch and their friends. The Rev. Jack presided, supported by the churchwardens and their wives, the organist, Mr. C. H. Howard (Master of the associfiton), Mr. W. J. Nevard (Great Bentley), and the district secretary (Mr. R. W. Stanaard). At the subsequent meeting the District Master and district secretary were unanimously re-elected, Mr. Howned thanking them for their past services, and concratulating hine districi itpon haring two such men to fll the positions.
Two lonorary members, sus ringing momivers, and five lady ringing members from the local company were elected members of the assaciation.
Mr. Nevard and Mr. Hotyard thanteal ihe local ringers for theit hospitality, and the vote was responded to by the Ficar.

No fewer than 23 companies wero represented at this meeling. The next meeting will be beld at Wormingiom in April.
The sum of 8115 s . was collocten for the widow of Mr. Sadler, of Braintree, who is in needy circumstanges, and $16 s$. 2t. was received in the collection in church towards the nssociation's. Hell Restoration Fund.


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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

The Cambridge University Guild celebrates jits jubitre on Hondry, for it was on February 44h, 1879, that it was foundel, ansi thus tollowed the example set a few wears before by ine sister utuwersity at Oxford. The carcor of the Cambridge University Guild, however, has been a much more active one than that of Oxford.
Ringers thronghout the country will hear with regret of the thl ness of the Rev. F. J. O. Helmore, the veteran hom. secrelary of the Kent County Association. He is dowa with an attark of ple-trisy;
Those visitors to the Slterwood Youths' dinnex ac Nottilyghan on Saturday, who stayed orer Sumay, had the privilege of inspucting the new hour and quarter-bells icast by Messrs. Taylor und Co. 1 hung in the new Nottingham Exchange. The hour bell is 112 tons. and the total weight of the four quarter bells is about $10 \frac{1}{2}$ lous. The clock is being sapplied hy Messrs. Cope and Co
When completed, the Excliange will be one of the fintsi publie buildings in the country. Across the front is carved in the stentework a fricze representing Nottingham indastrics. A yell is it re minder of the craft carried ou in the city by the oldfields.
In the secoud of the two peals of Ipswich Surprise Major, publishled in our" issue of Jansary 18th, there should be a wob at "home' the 9th course instend of in the 8th, as printed.
Rope guides and a centre lamp heve been fixed in Ienleton towet by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, which greatly favilitate :inging. The bells are rung from the contre of the church, and there is a long fight of rope to the ceiling.
Tuesday is the anniversary of two long peais. On liobunay 5th, 1783, a peal of 12,678 Bob Major was rung in 7 hirs. 48 mins. at Bromley, Kent, and on the same day in 1888 12,041. Stedman Caters was rung in 7 lirs. 26 mins. at Appleton.
Tempus fugit. Many readers of 'The Ringing World, will recollect the astouishment with which they read of the ringing of the first peal of London Surprise Major on handbells by the hrotiers Pre and Mr. W. Keeble. This greas performance took place tweatyfive years aga rext Tuesday,
The bells of St. Botalph's, Bishopsgate, were openet on Felruary 7th, 1783. And what an ontening! Three different bauds eacll raug a peal. The Coliege Youthis rang two peals of Oxford Treble Holh Major, and the Cumberlands a peal of Grandsire Triples.
A peal report from East C'rompton has been sent withoul the name of the conductor.

## YORK MINSTER BELLS.

To the Editor.
Dear Sir,-It would be interesting to know whether your corvespendents, Messis. Kippin and Darby, have actually liearl Yurk Minster and St. Martin's, Birminglian, bells, either in the towers or their immediate vicinity, or whether they are voicing "pinions they have formed from hearing them broadcast.
in the latter event, $i$ sliggest they would be welt advised in reserve judgment wati! they have had an opportunity of bearing thems at elose yuarters. It is a well-known fact that some poor hells "come over.' the ether very well-take, for instance, the bells of tha Gathedral (St. lhilip's), Birmingham. These ate a vory poor lota venlly miserable ring of ten-and yct I have received from time to time scores of expressions of appreciation when they hare been broaleast Many of these have been from ringers, some of whum have taken me to task for saggesting that hes should be recnst not broadeast. I kuow irom personal experience that they do sound quite passable over the wirelesa, hut that does not alter the factio that as a ring of bells they aré $n$ disgrace to bibe Cadiedral and to tho city.
Again, I have just received a letter fram a ringer of rery wide expericnce who says that he hopes soon to have another opportunity of a pulf on the line new ring of twefle at St. Marvin's, hat adde, 'I don't eare for them much on the wireless.' This surely melientes that one is not snfe in forming an opiniou as to the tone: und guadity of bells that have only heen heard per radio. Pobsibly your correspondents bave heartl the bells direct, and, it so, 1, fil surprised that they should aver that York Minster belis have a nasad twang.' I don't know what this means-it doesn's sound very np-proprinte-but, as oae who bas heard ami rung on them, I would like to express the hope that it may prove to be a highly vontagious disease, and that other rings of bells up and lown the country may soon be 'suffering' from it.
A. PADDON SMITH.

## Birmingham.

## THE WIRELESS EFFECT.

Dear Sir,-I lave noted the remarks of Messrs. Kippin and Dar'lay in the issue of 'The Ringing World ' dated January 18th. I wonler if these gentlemen have heard York Minster bells oflher than oyer the 'Wireless.' If the answer is in the affirmative, thens ting point at issue is an matter of upinion. If the answer is in the negrtive, lisen they are not in a position io judge what fork bells heturlly sound like--Yours truls.
York Minster.

## THE SHERWOOD YOUTHS.

## W. D. GROFTS COMMIEMORAITON DINNER

In the aucient history of change riaging hise Society of Sherwood Fouths played a not uniaportant part. Establisherl in the year 1672 -in the days of Fabian Stedman--the society has continued with farious vieissitudes down to the present day, and its most famons member was the Noitingham solicitor, Williari Doubleday Crofts, who was born in 1742, and died in 1809 . To him the Sherwood Youtha owed a great deal of their fame in the laiter part of the eighteenth century, and by his ability as a tinger and conductor they achieved many great performances. The resuscitation of the society was brought about largely in order io keep green rhe memory of Crofts, as well as to enconrage the not and to extend social intercourse among the ringers in and around Notinglasm Since 1923 a commemoration dinner has anmually been held. This year's gathering, which took place on Saturday ati Nottingham, bought tagether a party of between 60 and 70 , who spent an extremely enjoyable evening at the Welbeck Hotel under the chaimmanship of the Master (M1: Albert Coppock). The Lord Bishop of Southwell was the guest of the evening, and other guests were Canon Gordon (Rector of St. Mary's), the Slieriff of Nottinghann (Alaerman William Green), anti Mr. A. T. Baker ('Irenæus Pistor'), who was accompanied hy his daughter, Miss Muriel Baker. Among others present were the Rev. R. F. Wilkinson (OrdsalE), Mr. C. F. Johnston (Croydon), Messrs. C. Farrison, J. P. Fidler, D. Collins (Loughborough), W. E. White and J. F. Marshall (Gotgreve), G. Walker (Birmingham), Wiseman (Groxton Kecvil), J. S. Goldsmitlı (Woking), I. R. Cobbin, Miss I. B. Thompsan (hon. treasurer of the sceciety), $\mathbf{M r}$. F. Bioad (hon. secretary), F. W. Bailey (steward), Messrs. A. Archer, J. Ward, M. Bend and W. Flinders, veteran Nottinglam ringers, ete.
A feature of these gatherings is the entertainment, which is always a feast of good chings, thanks to the Master, who is closely in toncl with the musical fraternity of the dity. Miss Alice Varley -sang songs, including old favouribes, very sweetly, and took part in a duet with Mr. Coppock; Mr. Charles Worley, a talented tenor vocalist, yendered a number of snlos in great style, while kumorous contributions eame from Mr. Charles Riley (who alsa recited "Kissing Cup's Race' with great dramatic effect, and Mr. Eflgar Roulstone, who acted as accompanist. Variely was introduced into the programme by the solo dances of little ifiss Kathleen Pearce, Whose skill in this direction promises to take her far in the Jerp-
sichorean art. In addition, eonrses of Grandsine Caters and Triples, and tumes were runs on handbells.

## A VERY IMPORTANT BODY.

After an excellent dimmer, well served and thorouglily enjoyed by the company, the Chaimaz proposed the loyal toast, which was cordially honoured. H.e then thanked the Bishop of Southwell and the Sheriff of the City for honauring the sathering with their presence. He poinced out to the Bishop that ehange ringing was as cricket was a Larwood or a funm, or any of the other fanous old mames, they felt it their dutiy to keep his menory alive.
Mr. J. P'. Fidfer proposed 'The Churoh, and remarked that in the church bellringers they had the mosf efficiently arganised body of voluntary chumohwarkers. As ringers they prided themselves on
their work, which they did fa tine best of their ability. It was due to the ringers' organisations that a great change was introduced into the towers, which, while at one time places of ill-reputie, were now often kept and as much thought of as the annetuary. He thought the Church mud State, who of fate had been mgaged in sonewhat beated controversy, might follow the oxample of ringers, who, if tiley had differences, mot at dinner and hecame good friends. Dinmers such as the one they were enjoying that evening were lield in a number of centres, and they had a wonderful effect

The Bishop of Southwell, in responcliug to the tomst, said it was a geat honotir and a great pleasure to accept the kinc invitation given to him to be preseat tlixt evening. They were a gathering not merely of ringers but of a really fine body of charch voluntary workers, and he recognised that they were a very important hody. He was grateful to them for all they did, and he honoured their calling, although be was hopelessly ignorant of their art. He hard bad the honour of attending ringers dimers before, for in his patish at Poplar, and also at Hackney, there was a fine peal of hells.
So it was not the first time he had had the pleasure of sitting fown to dinner with bellingers, and lie recoguised fory sincerely what the chureh owed to then-itiowed them an rery great deal. Whatever bellringers might have been in taws grone by, there was lo-day ho finer hody of men connected with the church. He saw on one who was but a boy. In ringing; they had al! ages and types, oid and young, drawn together by their common interest is that wonderful science and art of ringing. He wished them all fod-speed in their work, and he gratefully acknowledged the debt which the Church owed to the noble band of rivgars all over the country (applause).

## PEAL OF TWFLTE SLGGTSTED

Mr. Geurge Walker submitted . The City ${ }^{+}$That, he said, was a gatherins of sherwoor Fontlis, and he was himsulf an old Sherwond

Youth. Every Sherwond Yourh loved his own caunty and was proud of it. He left Notingham over forty rears ago, but $h_{\text {te }}$ Thought as mueh of the wity as ewn he did, nad loved it more every time he returaed to ft. Mant mprovements had taken phace in Nottingham since he lived there, and the city was holding its own with other places in its desire to keep abreast of the times. Nothurham, however, had noi got a peal of twelye bells, but it had, in St. Mary's Church, a magnificent and historical structure in whinh to put inem-one of the finest parish hurches he had ever seen. There could be no liner tower than St . Mary's in which to hang a ring uf twalve, and he hoped he would live to see the day whon there was a peal of twelve in that tower applause).
Mr. Sherifl Green replied in a racy speech. Public men, as seen through the Press, were, he axit, a bad lot" (hear, buar, and laughter), bat, howerer they might differ in their opinions, thathk God that in the public life of thas city and the country there were Christian men who stood for Christian principles and netiont (hear, hear). Nottinghan was the finest city in the world, without a shadow of doubt, with the firest Lord Mayor God ever sent into any city (applause), and they had tinc finest set of eity councillors amt abdermen in the country flaughter and applaise, Mr. Walher apparently found it well to migrate. but he found it necessary ta conte back to get a good dinner (langlater). Mr. Walker had told them
that iney liad the finest mother thureli he bad ever seon, and ho (the speaker) trusted they hat the same respect Eol the Vicar of that mother church as they had iov the building. The Sheriff went an to refer io many improvements which had been carried out in the city, schenmes which had reduced the rleath rate and marle the plafe a healthier, a happier, and a mave pleasant place to live ins
Anong other things they lad improved the satitation, fthey had Anong other things they lad improved the satitation, they had
built a mew wiversitp, ther frad widoned thein streets, fund hade lovely boulerards, and they had built a new magnificem markel hall. Such improrements cost money, and when they saw what had been done, the ratepayers ought not to grumble, although it was usual for those who had to foot the bill to say that those whe linu
spent the money ought to be kicked out of offica (laughter, is chureh worker limself, the Sheriff spoke of lis own love of the hells, and he reminder the ringers that in thein work they were sending out a call to the people, biddiag then como into the House of Gorf to worship. 'Thoygh they might tail in their hask, the ringers were
recognised and apprecinted tor" bloe servies they renderol in the Chureh (applause)

## Mr. W. E. White pr comed to Nottinclaam <br> roposed - The Visitors, ${ }^{\text { }}$ whon he cordially wel-

Mr. G. F. Johnston, who first responted, expressed the thanks of the visitors for the enjoyable time the Sherwood Fouths liad griver them, and recounted some of the interesting experiences of his recent 16,000 mile tou to the west Coast of America.
Mr. J. S. Goldsmith also responded.
The Chaimen mave ' The silent Toast,' and mentioned that during the year thete hat passed away Mr. Darid Soith, of Manslielcl, Mry, Hichard Lovett (who was at the Sherwood Youths last dimuly, and one, who, while not a ringer or a menber of any ringing ussocio-
tion, would be remention as a violinist in a band which had played for theit dameing, Mi. William Mann, who nict hifo dwath under tragic circumstances ju hat very hotel.
The tonst was honoumed in silence.
The Rev. R. F. Wilkinson, called upon for as spech, reforreal to the brotherhood which linked ringers together iu a romarkatile way, amd oongratulated Nottingham on the wonderful entertuinnemt which it had provided that uight. They knew, he said, who was the origimator of that very pleasant evenimg, and who was responsible her $24 \mathrm{in}^{2}$, 1924, lie (the speakery took part with other Sherwaod Fonths in a peal of Oxford Treble Bob at Mansforl, which the Masker conducted. The reason for the peal was tliat the wht wherwoor Youtle walked from Notwinglatis to Mansfield and rasta a peal of Oxford Treble Boh on Septeribor 24th, 7774 . In that peal annes Wilkinson rang the 2nd bell, and the Rev, R. F. Wilkinson watg the 2ad bell in 1924. There was one great differenee, howower, that that was, whereas the ringers after the 1924 peal went across to ithe James Wilkinson, ho doubt, took bis bind in 1774 ficross to tha Ram Imy (laghter). That showed how hey had progressod. He hopod the days of the Sherwood Fouths would be very long, aud be more and more successful (applatuse).
This concluded the speecties, and the remainder of the evening was devoted to music, the procedings being broight to a close with "Anle Lang Syme.'
In the afternoon many of the ringers took part in louches fan the bells of Su. Marres Charch.

## MUFFLED BELLS

On Sunday, Jan. $27 \mathrm{l}_{1}$ at St, Marys Church, Sprotborough, for H. Metcalfe 1, M. Fowler 2, O. Greathead 3, 3. Short 4, W. Dont 5,
 token of wespect to 3ns. H. Frreligg, wite of one of ilac Sprothomanh

## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS

'MIXED' $5,(120$
To the Ediour.
Sir,-lrom what the Rev. H. Luw Jazees says in his last letter :t appears that ho is prepared to read unt thing into the definition of peals of Minor. I will just totech on the ous statement that 'the mation allows us to rivg geyen lrue andil couplete compositions mixed up in any way we like.' Then the following 5,040 of Lontion Minor consists of four frue and cothple exteats wilh the 6th cullen WRW, and three with the 5 th tallod RWR, and it contains Hothing else cexcept the bobs added tis d.. the mixing and to secure variation. It is given by the ends of the farts of two courses each, nut lias the tenors right way at bavk. Considerabie variation is proysible on the nlan. I ask Mr. Jimes it he thituks this peal comes within the definition.-Yours truly, JOSEPH W. JPARKER.


## WHERE IS THE YACtE

Sir-1 had intended that any first lewter en this subject should also ine the lagt, but Mr. Trollope rames rist of one or iwo phrases in Lhis week's issua of "The Ringing World' Finich call lor some
 Bankes fanes' arrangement of Canaluilge Surprise Minor is a valuahle somposition. May I ask, in all hunility, where the ralue comes in :
always thought that for anything te the of ralue it should be Iref tront taints of auy description. Surely, Mr. Trollope would not have tho six-bell ringers to believe that beculuse Mr. James' arrangememt brings up all the $5-6$ 's at lonek stroke, and in doing so strings torecher six 720's which are all fulse, it is at ling of any value? I mosh emphatically say ' No." Then he goes on to suy: 'It neeets a nerd.' Miny I ask what neex it mectis Surely, Mr. Trollope is anare that Canlvidge can be called in a grent miany different ways. I caal string togedier seven 720 's in seven Ruund Blocks, each block heing Ime in itself, that will test the caprbility of the best Bob caller to mogotiate successfully. Certainle, all the 5-6's will not be hatk-strolen changes, but they will have lens 5-6's at hand stroke than
 Whe Couneil's book of legitimate Minor methecls.-Yours traly
killanarsh.

## THE GRANDSJRE DOEELES TROLJBLE.

Therf Sir,-The letter in your list isstle under the above lieading is typienlly Willsonian. Strippet of thin Hialectie rings, which with airy lirilliatece gre throwh round our heads, the letter contains mol hing ol' use, and this was the chivi renson for ny remarlss oa W.W's' previous letter. The contrual lnetween it and Mr. Trollope"E adruirably reasonod contrilbution is great indeed.
Mr. Wrillson's ietler contains its usual misstatement, which, alLhonth trivin, is nevertheless characteristio. He snys wo lave rung srevelin method peals Iogeliber, wherein he is wrong. We rang togethor nule urly.
'truth '
, as applied to five and siz
bell peals is necesчarily canaparative. From one poind of view they aro all false. splice I ased in the ringers sense-i... to joins broken ends. If methmis if inserted into a six-score dues hat do this, then what 1 Int forward in my last letuer the opinion that 50 six-scores rung differmity is a bigger task than au orditary seven-method peal of Minar. As I am one of the only two men in the Fxercise who are 11) in masition to know, 1 think than due consintmation slould lave been areorderi the conclusion to which I have atrived.
3t: Willson, on the strenglh of having rang some six-scores of the Yyip many yerrs ngo, uppeat's loo doubt what have said. 3 Hy I canclude with at appeal for raistructive criticisms, as agnitis: thu ruthless teaving iown of ohat people's ideas. If you must testray, do put somiling else in the plinee-Y Yours, ete., T, DYKE

## NOT - LFGAL TENOER.

Sir,- Mr . Trollope, in his most serious mood, is at the same time musi numorous. After spilling a columan oi ink in support of the Iratitimil of tinging and lending lis vemiens - itp the garden in the
 in his last parngrapl, viz.: 'Well, if we minait his, as we assuredl', must.
Hail ho prefixed the par by sayiug I thiuk, not a wort conld the said, but Mr. Trollope, in he ntunghe Wle, presumes to speak ten the whole lisercise. He dae not. Th. question taturaliy arise, Why must we: nssuredly adurit it (Continned in next column.)

## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD. BIRMINGHAM.

SECRETARY RETIRES AFTER TWENTY FEARS WORK
The annual meeting of the St. Martin's Guild for the Digeese of Birminghem was held on Salurday last at the St. Martin's Hotel, the bella of the Cathedral having been at the disposal of members during the aftemoon.
The chair was taken by the Guild's Presiding Ringing Master, Ald. J. S. Pritchett, M.A., on whose proposition the Lord Bishop of Birmingham was re-elected president. All the viee-presidents the Rector of Birmineham, Aderman Pritchett, Messrs. J. H. Ehepherd, W. Keat, T. Russam and 7. George) were re-elected, and the name of Mr. Jas. E. Groves added, as a mark of appreciation of his services to the Guild as Deputy Ringing Master for many years.
On the proposition of the secretary, Mr. Alderman Pritchett was umanimously re-elected Presiding Ringing Master, the Secretary adding that all present would wish to congratulate him on laring entered upan his 75th year in the hest of health and full of vigour.The Alderman said that he should be pleased to retive in favour of a youngor man, if the members thought it would be desirable, but, as they unnimously showed, the mernbers thought the right man was in the right place. Mr. Pritchett thanked them for the expression of contimued conflence in him, and suid he would do his best to attend the meetings, efc.
Mr. Alhert Walker was re-elected Depudy Ringing Master, Messes. T. Russam and I. II. Reores trustees, Messrs. J. Preston and E. T. Allaway auditors, and Mr. G. F. Swann lib:axian.
Mr. Smith then said that, owing to husiness pressure and frequent absences abroad, he could no longer give the time and attention demanded by the secretarial duties, and tendered his resignation. He added liat he had hold the office for twenty years, and that it was, perlaps, time they had a change. Incidentally, fle remarked that his predecessor, the late $W$. H. Goddon, had also held the secretaryship for exactly the same period. Mr. Smith then proposed that Mr. T. H. Reeves be elected socretary and treasurer in his stead.-This wis seconded by Mr. W. Dowding, supported by Mr. A. Walker and Mr. F. Price, and carried thanimonsly.
The following resolution, proposed by Mr. Alderman Pritchatt and seconded by Mr. Walker, whs then passed with acchmation: That the warmest thanks of the Guild be lendered to Mr. A. Paddon Smith for his invaluabla services as secrelary during the past iwerty years.'-On the proposition of Mr. Perrens, Mr. Smith was elected a
mes aecided to hold the next quarterly meeting at Coleshill.
The balance sheet for the past year was received and adopted, the financial position of the Guild being shown to be very satisfactory. It was decided that the Hemry Johnson Commemoration Dinner should be lield at Satartay, March 2nd, next, at the usual lime.
A careful note should be made of the new geatelary's address Thomas H. Reeves, 136, Newton Road, Sparkhill, Birmingham.

## WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

The annual meeting of tho Winchester District took place at Wincliester on January 19th, over fifty memberg attending from neighbouring lowers, including North Stomehayn, Wootton Hill King's Somborne, Highclere, Winchester, Twyford, Stockbridge, Micheldever, Rortsmouth, Hursley and Eling
Ringing took place at the Gathedral and also at St. Manice's Church, where sorvice was conducted tyy the Rev. Waison, who gave a splendid adidess.
After the service. Lite memberg adjourned to Messis. Dumpers ${ }^{3}$ Restanrant, where an ample tea iwaited flipm, the Rov. Watson and Rev. Theophilas, of King's Somhorne, joining the company.
The business meeting followed, with the Vicer of St. Maurice's in the chair. All the offeers were re-elected, dates and placos for the quarterly meetings were fixed, and votes of thanks werc passed to the Dear and Clapter for the use of the Cathedral bells, also to the Rev. Watson for the use of St. Maurico's betis. After this at adjournment was mate to the towers, where furtler ringing took pluce.
vantage the mixing of false and true in each cxtent gives over the original entity. There is a strong suspicion abroad that had the Cambridge Minor been the wark of a less illustrious composer then Rev. E. B. Jarnes, it would have been laugled out of court. It is on a par with a case that came before the Grimimal Court recently. A man was charged with engraving and nttering counlerfoit bank notes. So cleverly were the notes engraved that they bafled both counsel nad the judge to detect the false from ane irue, and called forth admiration for the work enlailed, but this did not deter the Lord Chief Justice from sentencing the prisoner to penal servitude. The notes were not 'legal tender.' They would go into the museum of curiosities, and that is where the latest Minor and Doubles productions ought to go. Clever, but not " legal tender." We assuredy must not accept the cleverest concoction in composition, no matter from whon it emnnates, when the same results-the extents-can bo obtaned in the lergimate manner-- yours, ete., Wr. WLLLSON.

## DEATH OF MR. HENRY WILLIAMS, OF HEADINGLEY

 A GIFTED CONDUCTOR.Ringers of Yorketire have sustained a great loss by the aleath of 31. Henry Williams, who for move than thirty years was the conrluetor of the ringers at St. Miclael's, Headingley; Leeds. Bom sixty-4hree years ago, at Wolverley, near Kidderminster, tine decoased migrated it sll early nge ta Kidderminster, and was soon ideatified with a famous band of that period, whu made ringing history, under the able leadership of Mr. Richard Groves. His galling, that of a gardener, took him to Leeds rather more than thilty years ago, and it was not long before his commanding personality and wonderful ahility gatheved romad him a band who made it great name for themselves, both as splendid strikers and as pioneers in method ringing. Woe to the nowary visitor to Ecadingley at that day, who lhad nothing to commend him beyond a knowledge of a wide variety of methods, for he would be sharply teminded thut accurate striking was more important than a pletitiful supply of methods.

At that time Headingley was a splendid Lraining sroumd for the young ringer, and the visitor who showed aptitude and keenness was assured of a great welcome. An anistanding gift of Mr. Williams was the one of rehearsing the whole of the changes in his head while ringing was in progress, and it was no novelty to hear him lalk off the changes as they were being rung in some news and abstruse methon. At Feadingley was rung the first peal of London Sturprise in Yorkshire, in 190t, and at that time it was the ustual thing to lave five Surprise methods rung for Suuday service. On one momordble occasion the writer remembers ringing wilh the band al that day no fewer than eleven methods an the fine ring of eight at the Priory Church at Bridlington.
The deceased is believerl ta lie the only ringer to conduct a handharl peal blindfolded, this performance heing well authenticated. In all, Mr. Willians Jang 45 peals for the Yorkslare Assovirtion, and 35 For his agtive association of Worcestershire.
Neglect of a chill, contracted early in the year, brought on a sharp attack of pueumonia, culminating in death on Jantrary $22 t h$. The funeral took place at Armley Churcls an the following Tuesdsy, when the Yorkshire Association was represented by the prosident (Rer. C. C. Marsialt) and many of the principal officers of the associafion and members. In an aidress in the churols, the Vicar of Ampley puid a high tribute to tha deceased, and after the final prayers in the church bad been said by the presidents a well-struck plain course of Grandsire Triples wha rung at the west end of the nate lyy Messrs. F. Renton, $\mathcal{A}$. Cothorell, $P$. J. Johinson and J. Broadley. Anong Dhe ringers present were Messrs. Arthur Craven, Mr. and Mrs I. Coterell, Mr. and Mrs. T. Mahde (of Pudsey), Hessiz. I. [Brondley, E. Wheater, A. (bill, F. Renton, G. Tittoringtim, J. W. '「. Holgate, S. Sadler', W'. Whitaker, Cf. Barratough and J. Jobinson

The tecased will be greatly missed by a very wirle chele of frionds, antl this opportumity is thken of offering deep and sincere sympatliy to M s. Willians and ler riaughtor in their bereaveneut.

## MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION

## LTICESITER DISTRICT TO HOLD MORE NEETINGS.

The annual meeting of the Leicester District was held at St. Petcr's, Belgrave, on Saturday week. The bells were raised about 3. 40 p.mb, after which ther were kept going to Kent Treble Bols Minor, Grandsire and SLedman 'Trjples and Bob Major: After tea the belfry was again visilad, and many other ringers lad tyy this lime arrived. It was pleasing to note a specially Targe party from Rathy. The hells were soan set going again, the methods rumg being Grandsire Doubles, Rob Minor, Kent Treble Bob Minor, Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Boh Major, Kent Treble Boh Major, and Double Norwich. The bells were lowered in peal just before 7.30 p.m.

Tlibe yingers then madi, qheil way ta the Talibot Inn (the place of several former meetingsj, where the husiness meeting was held. Mr. 4. S. Hains occupied the chair. and 26 members were present. On the propasition of Mr. W. Fi. Clarke, seconded bs Mr. W. Rrewin, the lowal oflicers were re-clecter en bloc:

As the annual general meeting of the M.C.A. Fisils at Leiecster this yeas, two extra members were elected lo the committee to help in making arrangements for this meeting. These wert Messrs. Nornan S. Bagworth and Rowland Barrow.
'Phe 'general' officers of the astoviation were also renominatent.
Pive new nembers were thon clected, viz., Mr. Edward C. 'I'urner, of Leicester Cathedral band, three from Ratby, and one ivom Husbands Bosworth. Mr. Fred Buwley, of Kirby Muxloe, was te-elected is memher of thic association.
It was decided to bry the experiment of holding eight mentings a year instead of four as at present, the hica heing to let the amual and quarterly meetings continte as at present, and in between ench of these to lold a meoting at some five or six bell tower, nom seldom if "ver visited, with the hope of raising interest in those guarters. Will members please note, and do their best to support the meetings, the lirsi of which will be at whetstone.
The muetiug close with the usual vintes of thanks to the Ficar and townikeoper, and the remainder of the evening was spent in the and towntreeper, and
way ringres like best.

## DEVON GUILD

## BRANCH MEETING AT PATGNTON

The annual meeting of the Mid-Devon Branch of the Devon Guikt was held at Paignton on Saturday, ringers being prosent from Paigeton, Collaton, Brixiam, Cockington, Torguay, Newtou Abhot, Buekfastleigh, Exeter, Lowton and Clyst St. Geotge. Ithe belle were kept going in the Rrandsire method duwing the afternoun, nud a service in church was conducted by the Vicat of laignton (Rev. Prel. H. Mackworth Drakel, who gave an excellent addyess. Tea was served in the schoolroon, and was followed hy the husinoss meeting, presided over by Mr. E. J. Laxton, of Torquay (chairman). A repart of the pust yuar 3 work was presented and adopted. Messrs. F. J. Laxton and H. J. Hole were hoth reselected chairman and secrefary respectivels, und hoth suitably weturned thanks.
A letter was read from the Ficar of Staverton (Rer. E. D. DrakeBrocknan), whe was elected an Ion. member, invitimg the branch to hold a meeting theve, and this was accepted, the dute chosen being Saturday, May IIth.
A discussian arose as to whether two of the four meebings a yenr should be informal meetings, and it was agreed ta this suggestion.
A discussion also took place us to a Euggestion that the Guild inaugurafe an ammal dinner, zud it was decided to supporti the propasal.
The Chaiman moved a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, for conducting the service, and for his adluess, also to the orgavisi, and this was carried.
There tomelues of Ge business, and the lawer was visited again, where touches of Grandsire and Stednan Triples were rung

## SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION

The annual meeting of the Shropshire Association wita leld at
Shtewsbury on Saturday lasl. Over 40 members wero preseht from Shtewsury on Saturday lasi. Over 40 members were prescht frorn
Clive, Broseloy, Coalbrookdale, Wem, Ellesmeme, Mrovetun Gorbet, Lualow, Wellington, Councl, Worthen, Malinslee, Oswesurs, Slirewsbury, etc., also षisitors from Crewe and Wrexham.

Ringing comanenced at St. Hary's, hut had to be stopped at 3.15 owing to a service. The members then visited Sf. Cland s, and rang on the line pal of twelve until 6 oiclock. Tes was then partaken of in St. Chad's Institute, and the husimess meeting follumed, Mr. F. A. Baruett, of Wem, presiding.-Apologies for alesente were res ceived from the president and Major Cortantf.

The Secretary real the reporif and presanted the bulance sheet, which showed a balance in hand of over E4O. Six ments have been rung during the fear.
The instructor, Mr. W. Short, has resigned on accoumi al illomallh, and it was decided to leave this affite vacanl for a tirite.
The Rer. C. B. Crowe, one of the committec, hitwiar left the district, the Rev. C. S. Jackson, of Broseler, was elected to this office, Mr. E. F. Rodenlatirsi, assistant seeretary, asked to he relfeved of
the daties, and Mr. A. Pritehard wh appointed to sumeth him, A the daties, and Mr. A. Pritehard was apponted to sumeth anmservites.

All the other officers were re-elected, and fourtecm new members added to the Guild.
Quarterly meetings for this vear are to be lyell, at Wellington, Moveton Corbet, and Whitolurch.
The mecting close with :s vote of thanks to the Ficar of St. Chad's for the use of the bells, anail the members retirmed io St. Chat's foit further ringing zuntil g oclock. Melhorls rumg during tha day wore Grandsire Doubles, Triples, Calers, and Cinquas, Stednan C'aters
Royal.

## NETTLEBED'S IMPROVED BELLS.

 in the ban rear a band of Diotesha Guila ringers, it thu invitatimu of the Yicar (the Rev. Ki. G. Harding), jommeyot from Rieadiag to tyy the hells, abd to meei the local ringers, wha are Guild monlobers. They found ithe hells improved almost oul of knowledge the their
visit to the whitelape] Foundry for toning, while the wort of revisit to the Whitelapel Foundry for thning, while ine wor't of re-
linging by Mr. R. White, of Appleton, left nothing lo bo desired, and linging there is now a real plensure.
A 720 of Cambinge Surprise Ninor was rung in gnod style lyy F. Hapgood, H. T'ucker, Mis Dusis, Rev. C. Jenkyu, L. 'T. Hiblzerd,
 The whote party then adjourted to the Village Hall, whete theyt were most hospitably entertained to tea ly the Vical and Wrs Haviling.

When at length it was fime to return from the showeelad heights to the Tlatares Valley it was agreed hy all Ibat they had spmin a really good afternoon.
GUILDFORD.-On January 24th, at S. Nicolas Chincoli, tor avensoug, on the eve of tle Feast of the Convision of St. Inal, 1,335
Stedman Caters: F. Radford 1 , C. Hazelden 2, C. N. Rucloofi 3, E. A. Ftherige 4 , Mis. Hazelden 5 , W: W. Therne $\mathbb{S}_{\text {, G. Tomsett } 7 \text {, }}$ E. Radaloa 8. S. Radfari (conducter) 9, R. Radford 10.

## MINGLING AND COMMINGLING.

## BY IRENETS PISTOR.

Sublay, January 20th, is set down in the menowande of the writer, firstly because it was the dedtation day of a paic of 'silver turmpets 'at St. Wilfyed's, West Hallom, Yorks; secondly, because one into whom he inculcated the first rudiments of the art and geience 'fell over' him withaut a word of apology or a kindly cheerio," hut passed by on the other side, like the Levite of old. Such 'chimeti ill' with the mingling and the commingling music of the glorious little octeve, whose trebles merrily sing out 'TAY-LOR ' before 345678 , which contain the metal of a mediaval ring cast by the Heathentes, of Chesterfield, metal cast by Hy. Oldfield in 1618, and metal cast by Wraner 1876.
Gone are those items mentioned in the Edwardian inventory, mingling and commingling in ous homogenaity in the back six. Gand are those who indented their signatures to the memoranda-which was given to the oflicers of the Boy King '-mingling and comminghing are their crumbling lust, goue to the bosom of Mother liarlh. Mingling and commingling 'neath a richly-ebrned altar tomb 113 the morth side of the chancel lies all that is left of the once mighty Powtrells; yet, reader, mingling and commingling in that eongregation were tine descendands of those whose names wore inficribed in the parochial registers of SE. Wilfred's, when the noble House of l'owtrell held zway over the parisla and manor. Mingling and commingling with those assembled to witness the simple and soul-stirring dedication were the shades of those who had gone before. They passed and repassed, like some phantasm, before the broken and shattered casements of the writer.

Hingling and commingling, nevertholess (at my olbow), in ous's own flesh, ran the blood of Elizabeln Topplice, whose transgressions lusd been mystically washed away at that massive octagonal font, which whe at that tive some 300 yents old. Lizaie, not content with the primary rita, didst, with love such as only Weat Hallam damsels can bestow-beguile one Robert Carryer, whom she married it 1658. Mragling and commingling it the veins of a ringer-who sat in the rear of the writer, at the base of that embattlea tower which was rehuilt by the Powtrells-ran that which whe a liferiving stream in the earthly habiljation of Cassandru Hodges (daugliter of one Richard Atut Abs Hunt), who was born in 1648.
(iono are tho Powiclls, Portes, and the Dowghty, yet there remanolh living witaesa of the lumble Eliabbelh and the meek Cas"abldra, mingling and commingling. Risen phochis-like from the ashes of the past to a further life-let the hope of centuries, are those bells which mingled and commingled with the very life, work and worship of Elizabeth Topplice and Classandra Iunt, wingling and commingling with the round, soft and velrety tone of the increased peal, ringe out in clarion accents the words chosen by the Lord Bishop of Derby for his text on this day of days, nud taken from 1 Cor. ix. 16: 'Vae Mihi $\$ i$ Non Evangelisavero.' $A h$, reader, Whe is me if I preach not the Gospel -truth-for there is no ' masal twang ' in either this light peal of Taylor's which graces the steeple of St. Wilfred's, or in that rery triumphant example of Loughborough fame, which atoms the minter of Ehor.

Nnsal hwang ' is obviously mingling and commingling in the 'cheap recoiving set, owned by the Limited Company, who adversely criticiso the noble peal it York.
hanks, Mr. Editor, far your indrulgonce, but, finally, may I offer a lint to the owners of the 'cheap set '? If the nozzle of the village blacksuith's bellows is inserled into the lower end of the laternl curvature of the splac of tho Jond speaker, amd about two pull's are administered, it will renove all fragments of old conversations, liobates, and French lessous, that are mingling and commingling, without tuestion, therem,

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES

LONDON, On Sumday, Tnnuary 20th, at St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate, for evening service, 1,248 l?udsey Surpise Major: T. Watker 1 , Tiss Freda Or' 2, C. Roberts 3 , W. Madgwick 4, E. Pike 5, W' Hrwelt 6, J, Jentish 7, J. E. Davis (conductor) 8.
 ing service, a quarier-peal of Gramisire Triples in 44 mins. William IT. Gutteridgo (lirst quarter-peal) 1, Q. H. Gutteridge 2, J. H. Lueas 3, R. Warnett 4, E. G. Swift $5_{3} I^{2}$. E. Jones 6 , F. Corke (connactor) 7, C. Nicholls 8.
ROGK FERHY, OEESHIRE.On Sunday, Tanuary 13th, at St. Peter's Church, for evening serviee, 720 of Bol Minor: Miss D. I. Lestlam 1, Miss M. Cooke 2, Miss F. M. Gooke 3, T. Jinch 4, J. Cooke 5, W. Dean (couductory 6. Fhis was arranged to enable the three lady ringers to ring a 720 altogether.

## LATE NOTICE.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-GuilsRavensthorpe on Saturday, February 9th. Usual arrange-ments.-K. J. Cater, Althorp Park Station, East Haddou.

## NOTICES.

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MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. - North and East District. - The annual meeting will be held at All Saints', Edmonton, on Saturday, February 2 nd. Bells from 3, p.m. Service, with address by the Vicar (Rev, R. C. Evill) at 5. Tea, is. per member (non-members is. 3d.), at 5.30 . Business meeting to follow. All ringers cordially invited.-C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 21 , Vincent Road, E.4.
BEDFORD ASSOCIATION.-Bedford District.-The annual meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Bedford, on Saturday, Feb. 2nd. Bells (6) available fron 3 p.m. Service at $4-30$. Tea at 50 'clock, followed by business meeting.-W. Stapleton, Dis. Sec., 24, New Fenlake, Bedford.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -The next branch meeting will be held at Accrington on Saturday, Feb. 2nd. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. Reports to hand; subscriptions due. - F. Hindle, Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.- Western District. - The next meeting will be held at Hemel Hempstead on Saturday, February 2ad. Bells available from 3 p.m. Cheap trains to Boxmoor-then regular bus service. All are welcome.-W. Ayre, Sec

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Tonbridge Dis-trict.-The annual meeting of this district will be held at Edenbridge on Saturday, Feb. 2nd. Tower open at 2.30. Service at 4.30. Tea, followed by business meet1 ag in the Church Room, after service. Subscriptions are now due, and should be paid at the meeting or sent to the district secretary. - W. Latter, Hon. Dis. Sec., 11 , Dudiey Road, Tunbridge Wells.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.--Isle of Wight District. - The annual meeting will be held at Carisbrooke on Saturday, Feb. and. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., followed by tea and business meeting at the Waverley Hotel-B. I. Snow, Hon. Dis. Sec., 2, Collingwood, Daniel Strect, Ryde, I.W.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-The third quarterly meeting will be held at Loughborough on Saturday, Feb. 2nd. The bells of All Saints' (ro) and Foundry (io) available all afternoon. By the courtesy of Messirs. J. Taylor and Co. the bellfoundry will be open to visitors. Committee meet 4 p.m. at Fearon Hall. Tea, 1s. 6d. per head, 5 p.m., at Fearon Hall. General meeting follows. -Ernest Morris, Gen. Hon. Sec., 24, Coventry Street, Leicester.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GLILD.-Leatherhead District.-The amnual district meeting will be held at Leatherhead on Saturday, Feb. 2nd. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea at the Institute at 5 o'clock, followed by business meeting.-E. G. Wondiss, Hon. Sec., 28 , Strathearn Road, Sutton.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Axbridge Deanery.-The annual meeting will be held at Burnham-on-Sea on Saturday, Feb, 2nd. Bells (8) available 2.30. Service 4.30 , followed by tea. All ringers welcome.-L. G. Tanner, Local Hon. Sec., 51 , Locking Road, Weston-super-Mare.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Northern District.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Hitchin on Saturday, Feb. 2nd. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Tea 5.30 , followed by business meeting. Wiil all members who have not yet paid their subscriptions please endeavour to do so at this meeting, as it is the last meeting of the year? If you are requiring tea, a card will be appreciated. Thank you ! - Donatd C. Mears, Hon. Dis. Sec., The School House, Offley, Hitchin.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Boltor Branch. A billiard match and social will be held at the Bolton Borough Police Club, Old Hall Street, Bolton, on Saturday, Feb. 2nd. Club open 6 p.m. (Names, please). Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., 203, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

HANSLOPE, BUCKS.-A peal board, presented by the ringers who took part in the peal of Bob Minor rung on July I $4^{\text {th }}$ last, will be dedicated by the Vicar (Rev. W. J. Harkness) on Saturday, Feb. 2nd, at 3.30 p.mm, The bells will be axailable for ringing from 2.45.-P. Anros, 47, Overstone Road, సorthampton.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GLILD.--Eastern Branch. The annual meeting will be held at Butterwick on Saturday, Feb. 2nd. Beils (6) arailable from 2 p.m. Divine service 4.15 p.m. Tea 4.45 p.m. Business meeting directly after tea.-John Phillips, Hon. Sec., School House, Butterwick, Boston, Lincs.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Wigan Branch. The next meeting will be held at Hindley St. Peter's on Saturday, Feb. 2nd. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6 . A good attendance is requested. - James $W$. Firounds, Sec., 8, School Lane, Standish.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. - Next meeting will be held at Penistone, February 2nd. Bells open early. For tea please advise Mr. James Tinker, Church Street, Penistone, as early as possible. - R. Harrison. Sec.

OXIFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Reading Branch. The annual meeting of the above branch will be held at Reading on Saturday, Feb. and. The bells of St. Giles' available from 3 p.m. Application has been made for St. Lawrence's. A ringers' service will be held at St. Giles' at 5 p.m., to be followed by a meat tea. Business mecting and smoking concert at the Rising Sun Coffee House, Sitwer Street, at 6 p.in. Tickets is, each.-F. W. Hopgood, Hon. Sec., 75, Kensington Road, Reading.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Bromyard Dis-trict.-The annual meeting will be held at Bromyard on Saturday, Feb. 2nd. Bells (6) available 3 o'clock. Service 4.30-A. S. Tomkins, Post Office, Bredenbury,

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. (Established 1637.)-The subscription of is. 8d., which cnables members who have not attended twenty times in the past year to vote on matters of finance, must be paid - before February 28th. Meetings for practice will be held at "St. Michael's, Cornhill, on Feb. 5th; St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 7 th; St. Magnus' on the 14 th and 28 th; *St. Paul's Cathedral on the rgtl; Southwark Cathedral on the 21 st; all at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting after-warls.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, $3^{2}$, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis-trict.-The annual district meeting will be held at Canterbury on Saturday, Feb, gth. A special service will be held at St. Alphege Church at $4-30$ p.m., followed by tea and business meeting at the Oddfellows' Hall, Orange Street, at 5.15. The Cathedral bells will be available after 4 p.m. Will ail those intending to be present kindly notify me on or before Thursday, Feb. 7th? Members' subscriptions for 1929 are now due, and may be paid at this meeting.-Percy W. Smith, Hon. Sec., Fair View, Littlebourne, Canterbury.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - The anntal general meeting will take place on Saturday, Feb. gth. the belis of St. Clement Danes' being available from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m., after which a short service will be hedd. There will be a tea and meeting after the service at the Parish Hall. The bells of St. Dunstan's-in-the-East will also be available during the afternoon. Meetings for February: St. Clement Danes', Sunday, the 3 rd, al to a.m.; Monday, the rith and 25 th, at 7.30 p.m.; St. Mary's, Lambeth, Tuesday, the igth, at 8 p.m.-S. C. Moye, Gen. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch. -A meeting will be held at Leesfield, Oldham, on Sat urday, Feb. gth. Beils available from 3 p.m. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. Subscriptions now due. Reports and new rules and diagrams to hand. A peal board commemorating' a peal by the local band will be unveiled at this meet-ing.-William Horan, Branch Sec., 2, Greenhirst Hey. Todmorden.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-LiverpooI Branci. -The usual monthly meeting will be held at Childwall on Saturday, Feb. gth. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service 5.30 p.m. Tea, is. each (Childwall Abbey), 6 p.m. Those requiring tea must notify me on or before Tuesday, Feb. 5 th.-Claude I. Davies, Branch Sec., Caerleon, Dunbabin Road, Wavertree.

PETERBOROUGH AND LINCOLN DIOCESNN GUILDS.-A joint quarterly meeting of the Peterborough and Southern Branclies will be held at St. Martin's, Stantford, on Saturday, Feb. gth. Bells availabie afternoon and evening. Will those requiring tea please make their own arrangements, as there are several restaurants?-C. T. H. Bradley, Folkingham, Lincs, and W. H. Waldron, 137, Scotney Street, Peterborough, Secs.
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Alton District.-The annual meeting will be held at Alton on Saturday, Fcb. gth. Bells at the Parish Church available from 2.30 . Service 4.30 . Tea in St. Lawrence Church Room at 5. Those requring tea kindly notify ne by Feb. 7 th.-B. C. Taylor, Binsted Vicarage, Alton.

GLILDFORD DIOCESAN GULLD. - Chertsey Dis-trict.-The annual district meeting will be held at Chertsey on Saturday, Feb. gth. Bells (8) avaiłable from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock. Business meeting to follow in Church Room. Will all those who require tea notify me by Tuesday, Feb. 5th? - H. J. Chafley, Upper Childown, Longcross, Chertsey.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.- South and West District. The annual meeting will be held at Isleworth on Sarurday, Feb. gth. Ringing from 3 p.m. Members entertained to tea by the Vicar and churchwardens. Those requiring same please notify me by the 5 th inst. Wha, H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-V.W.H. Branch. A meeting will be held at Buckland on Saturday, Feb. 9th. Tower open 2.30. Service 3.30. Those requiring ten must notify the secretary, G. A. Webley, Faningslon, by previous Thursday.

IINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. - Elloe Deaneries Bratich,-The anmual meeting of the above will be held at Spalding on Saturday, Fels. gth. Bells available from 2 p.m. Service 6.30 p.m. Tea 4.45 p.m. Business meeting afterwards. Will those intending to be present kindly let me know by Feb. 6th?-George Ladd, Hon. Sec., l'inchbeck, Spalding.

DEVON GUILD.-Exeter Branch.-A meeting will be Held at Newton St. Cyres on Saturday, Feb. gth. Service 4. Tea 4.45. Bells (6) available; also Upton Pyne (6) and Crediton (8). All ringers welcome.-Miss E. Lomas, Hon. Sec., Sandfords, Whimple, Devon.

ËSSEX ASSOCIATION.-North-Western Division.A meeting will be held at Royden (Herts) on Saturday, Felb. gth, at 3 p.m. Arrangements as usual. Those requiring tea kindly notify me. - C. Beeston, 5, King Strect, Bishop's Stortford.

BEDFOORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Luton District. -The annual meeting will be held at Dunstable on Saturday, Feb. 9th. The bells (8) will be ready at 2.45 p.mı-A. E. Sharman, Hon. Sec., 199, High Street N., Dunstable.
ONFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Newbury Branch.A mething of the above branch will be held at Cormpton on Saturday, Feb. 9th. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. at is. All ringers welcome. Intencling visitors please notify the Rev. C. M. Jotcham, The Parsonage, Compton, Newbury, not later than Wednesday, Feb. Gth, for tea.-H. W. Curtis, Hon. Sec., Churcl: Road, Shaw, Newbury.
BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Itelester Deanery Branch. - The annual meeting of the alowe branch will be held at Martock on , Saturday, Feb. oth. Service at $4 \cdot 30$. Tea at 5 o'clock. Meeting to foilnw: Eindly say not later than Tuesday, Feb. 5 th, how many we may expect from your tower for tea.- $F$. Farratt, Hon. Local Sec., North Street, Martock.

DLRHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOClATlON - The Pre-Lent meeting will be held at Blaytom on Feth. gth. Bells of Blaydon and Winlaton will be available after 2.30. Committee meeting at 4.30 and tea at 5 o'clock at the Co-operative Cafe. Will members intending to be present please advise me by Feb. 7th? fieorge S. Taylor, Sec., 149, St. Leonard Street, Sunderland.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GLILD. - Hereford Dis-Irit.-The annual meeting of the district will be held at Hereford on Saturday, Feb. $9^{\text {th. City bells available }}$ during afternoon and evenhg. Service, All Saints, 4. I5. Tea, Booth Hall, 5 p.m. Please notify me not later than Felb. 5 th. - A. Gwynme, Dis. Sec., Deanery Cottage, Cistle Street, Hereford.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch. The next meeting will be held at Preston St. Mark's on Salurlay, Feb, gth. Tower open [ron 3 p.m. Teas at is. ©i. at head to all who notify Mr. J. Eccleston, 8 , Mafeling Road, Ashton-on-Ribble, not later than Feb. Sth. - Fred Rigby, Hon. Sec., 8, Carringtōn Road,

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.-The next monthly meeting will be held at Monk Bretton on Saturday, Feb. 9th. Bells ready early. Tea can be provided if sutficient number apply before Feb. 7 th to C . D. Potter, Prospect Villa, High Street, Royston, Barnsley.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District.-A meeting will be held at Sandy on Saturday, Feb. gth. Bells (6) available at 2.30. Tea at 5. Ail ringers welcome. A good attendance is requested.-C. J. Ball, Dis. Sec., 2, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Ashford Disirict and Romncy Marsh and District Guild.- A joint meesing of the above will be held at Tenterden on Saturday, Fels. I6th, by kiud permission of the Rev. M. L. Mann (Vicar). Tower available 2.30. Service at $50^{3}$ clock, followed by tea at $5 \cdot 30$ and business meetings. All ringers wekome. A card to either secretary by the 14 th would be appre-ciated.-Kent County Association, A. C. Kay, 6, Sturges Road, Ashford; Romney Marslo Guilel, A. Battin, Heronden Hall Gardens, Tenterden.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Nottingham District. The next montily meeting will be heid at Bingham on Saturday, Feb. i6th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Tea at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Will all those requiring tea please notify me not later than Feb. I 3 th, without fail?F. W. Bailey, Local Sec., $4^{2}$, Rupert Street, Nottingham.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester Branch.-The next meeting will be held at Brookfield Church, Gorton, on Saturday, Feb. r6th. Bells ready 3.30. Meeting. 7 o'clock. Subscriptions due. Reports to hand. Hoping to have a good attendance.-J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting.

HERTS ASSOCIATION.-Feb. 23rd, meeting at Watford (8). Ringing from 4 p.m. Tea 6 p.m. Cheap trains to Watford from all stations.-C. H. Horton, 53 , Aldenham Road, Bushey. Tel. City $42 \%$.

## MARRIAGE.

BIBBY-SUMMEREIELD. - At St. Lawrence's Church, Frodsham, on Saturday, Jan, 26th, Francis Bibby to Hannath (Annie) Summerfield. New address: Abbots Acre, Townfield Lane, Frodsham.

## SITUATIONS WANTED.

Trustworthy married couple (turned 4o) desire position as cartakers or any place of trust. At liberty any time. Man, change ringer on 8 , io and i2 bells.-Box A, "The Ringing Work ' Office, Woking.
HANDYMAN.-Unemployed, desires permanent situstion. Married, aged 43 years. Abstainer. General repair work, joinery, turf laying, etc. Bellringer 26 years, St. Margaret's, Tanfield, Co. Durham, Further particulars and references on application to Wm . Irwin, Crookgate, Burnopfield, Newcastie-on-Tyne.

## FOR SALE.

A SET OF HANDBELLS (I2), in excellent condition. -Vicar, St. Budock, Falmouth.
WIVLLISCOMBT,-On Ianuary 23rcl, at St. Audrew ${ }^{2}$ Chanch, quartcr-peal of Graudsire Triples ( 1,260 changes), Carter's Twelvepart, composition: W. J. Gireely 1, J. Parkman 2, W. A. J. Kinighs (hirst quater-peai no conductor) 3, A. E. Harrington 4, H. Rawle 5, 1. Harinell 6, W, Jarlnell 7, S. Furze 8.

St. Marys Chureh, a quarter-peal of Stedman Thanary 15 th , $n t$ St. Mary's Chureh, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples in 55 mine, W. Rolinson 1, A. W. Brighton (Lionion) 2, W. Nevinsnn 3, E. Jellnings 4, F. Hindle (Biackburn) 5, T. J. Hewertson 6, T. E. Newtout (condactor) $7, \mathrm{~W}$. Fialser 8 .

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. ELECTION OF OHJTCERS.
The annual meeting of the Barnsley and District Association was Held at Barnsley on Saturday, January 12th. The bells of Str. Mary's Church were ringing early in the afternoon, aud service was held in the Lady Chapel at 4.30. Rev. Canon Hone, M.A., Rural Dean, was the preacher, and took for his text the words, Rejoice with them that do rejoice, weep with them that weep, being of one mind one towards another.". His application of the text towards ringers' isociations was admirably put. The upward path to great success in the art of change ringing must always bs attended with trials, failures and disappointments, but unity of purpose, faith in one another, rejoicing with those who win, weeping with those who lose, would eventually create that union in which all would be of one mind one towards another.
Mr. W. Palmer (Badworth), a former president, presided at the organ, and the service was much appreciated, and joined in heartily. A tea was provided in St. Mary's Parish Room, about 34 ringer and several dallies sitting down. Afterwards, the business meeting was held, Canon Hone taking the chair. Letters of apology were rear from Mr. A. Hartley and Vice-President W. Reyuer (Sandal), who were unwell and unable to attend, also from Mr. Geo. Lewis, who was that day attending the funeral of Mr. Evinson, a Sheffield ringer.
A letter was received from Canon and Mrs. Hone, thanking the members for a beautiful photo of the association's garden party held in July last, when Bishop Eden extended.
Further business concerned the ringing contests to be held during the conning year, but the discussion was not so general as one would have expected on such matters. Members seemed to prefer to let the bells give a pronounced answer at the cetual contest, so matters will go on much as before.
There was only one nomination for president-Mr. A. Nash, Fath. This nomination of a popular, practical and active ringer was promptly and unanimously carried. For the office of treasurer, Mir. A. Panther was reelected, and the same applied to the office of secretary, to which Mr. D. Potter was reappointed.

The auditors (Messes. A. Nash and A. Goldthorpe) announced that the financial report of the treasurer had been found correct and in good order, and these were passed by the meeting.

No application being to hand for next place of meeting, the securetry was requested to secure wonk Rredinn.

Canon Hone was warmly thanked for all his work [or, aud interest in, the association.
Further ringing followed, and completed one of the best meetings ever lade by the association.


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## THE REVISION OF HUSTORY

History is being called into question by letters which have recently appeared in our columns on the subject of carly peals and the first performances of Holt's Original. First of all a correspondent questioned the College Youths' record that a peal, rung in $1688-9$, was composed and conducted by Benjamin Annable, when, according to Snowdon, in 'Grandsire,' quoting from 'The Clavis,' Annable died in 1755 between sixty and seventy years of age. Mr. E, A. Young's reply to this was the suggestion that Annable was alder than he was thought to be by those who recorded his age in. The Clavis.' Since this there has come another challenge to the records of the Ancient Society, viz., that the claim that its members rang Holt's Original on the first accasion on which it was called by a ringer taking part in the peal can no longer be upheld, other performances of this peal (between the years 1752 and 1754), with the conductor ringing one of the bells, having now come to light. In defence of the College Youths' claim, Mr. G. N. Price puts forward Snowdon's history of the Grandsire method, in which the peal of 1791 was treated as the first, and Mr. Price asks, if the other claims to earlier peals are correct, how can it be explained that Snowdon in inis patient and painstaking research wort should inot have come across these records, or should have ignored them if he did? 'Snowdon,' says Mr. Price, 'must have been brought into very intimate contact with Norwich when collecting data for his various books, and the question arises, was there sufficient proof to satisfy him that the peals referred to were the famous Original?"

On the question of Annable's age, it is doubtful if anyone can now provide definite evidence unless it can bo supplied from some of the ancient parisil registers. The question of the 'Original,' however, seems to be fairly plain. In the case of one at least of the Norwich peats the full details were given is the 'Norwich Mercury ' of the time ( 1752 ), inctuding the names of the ringers and the added intimation that the peal being so intricate the London Bell Ringers thought it impracticable for a man to ring one of the bells and call the bobs at the same time.' The particulars of the two peals, in 1753 and 1754, at Saffron Walden, were discovered about 15 years ago among some old newspaper cuttings from publications of the period, and in these, also, the names of the ringers are given. In view of these facts, therefors, there seems little doubt that the College Youths' peal of r79I was not the first time the 'Original' was performed under the same conditions.
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Jasper Snowdon was, as we all know, a most painstaking man, but even he could not have searched all the newspaper files throughout the country, and it is quite easy to believe that the records of the Norwich and Saffron Walden peals never came under his notice. Had they done so it is only reasonable to assume that he would at least have mentioned them, even if he had had some doubt as to their authenticity, because he analysed at great length many other of the early performances. Even the questioned 1689 peal he accepts, with limitations, in the phrase 'it seems not improbable that such a performance may have taken place at this date.' Had Snowdon known of the Norwich and Saffron Walden peals, he surely then would have said something about them and not merely have left the subject with the statement ' we may be sure that many a conductor would feel ambitious to call the peal without such assistance (manuscript), but it was not until forty years after its first performance (1791) that this object was attained.

## TWELVE BELL PEALS.

NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.
THE DURHAM \& NEWGASTLE DROCESAN ASSOCIATION
Oh Tuesday, Januay 29, 1929, in Three Howrs ard Fifty-Five Minutes,
At tez Cateedral Churgh of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN GINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;
Tenor $37 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.
 LIVERPOOL.
THE OHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Febriary 2, 1929, in Threc Hours and Forty-Fonf Mintits, At the Chorce of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CINQUES, 5081 CHANGES;
Tenor 39 cwt .3 qr . 10 lb.
Robert Sperring
John Hayes...

 John hayes ... .... | $+*-$ | $\cdots$ | 2 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 3 | Ernest Cotsforth

$\qquad$ $\begin{array}{cccc}\text { Richard T. Holding.,. } & \cdots & 5 \\ \text { Harry F. Holding } & \text {... } & \text {... } & 6\end{array}$

Composed by A. Knights.
Grorge R. Jones
James Morgan ....... $\cdot . .7$ James Swindley.... $\qquad$

First peal of Grandsire Ciuques by ringer, and first peal of Cinques by all the band, excepting the $5 \mathrm{th}_{2}$ ringer, and first peal of Cinques by most of the band.

## TEN BELL PEAL.

SWINDON, WIJ'SS.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOOIATION.
On Saturday, Fobrkiry 2, 1929, in Three Houys and Nineten Minutes,
At ter Barish Chorch,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5067 CHANGES;
Tenor 22 ewt. 9 lb.

| James H. Shepherd ... | ...Treble | Charles J. Gardiner |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ernest Bishop ... |  | H. W. L. Wells... |  |
| Jobn Adstin... ... |  | Wizliam C. West |  |
| Sidney Wiltseire |  | Lodis A. Wilson |  |
| Herbert W. Bishop | 5 | W. A. Bollock |  |
| Composed by Rev, C <br> J. Austin hails from | P. D louces | es. Conducted by jo <br> S. Wiltshire from |  |
| W. C. West from Me Bassett. | ham, | L. A, Wilson fron |  |

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

## CRICE．DERBIFHIRE

EAST DERBYSHIRJ AND NOTTIKGHAMSFIRE ASSOCTATYON On Sanrday，Jannary 26，1929，in Tro Hours and Fifty－Nine Mintes，

At the Chorci of St．Mary
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES， 5040 CHANEES；

THURSTANS＇FIVE•FBT．
－GevfFery Astiman ．．．．．．Treble
GEDFFEEY Asham ．．．．．．T Tyeble
1Vilffrad H．Boxton ．．．． 2
玉RANK F゙．Hill ．．．．．．．．． 3 Millias A．Parsons

Tenor I2 $\frac{1}{6} \mathrm{cwt}$ in E sharp．
$\begin{array}{lllll}\text { WVIE．iam E．Drake } & . . & . . . & 5 \\ \text { Josera Lord } & \text { ．．．} & \text { ．．．} & \text { ．．．} & 6\end{array}$
Herbert G．Fretwrle ．．． 7
－Edgar Ashman

Conducted by Josrpa Lord．
Firgl peal，＋First peal on eight bells．First peal on the beils since recostang and augnientation．Rirugers of treble， 5 th and tenor are lucal service mingers．

BRESTWOOD，ESSEX

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION．

On Monday，Tarwary 28，1929，in Tow Howes and Fifty－Fioe limutes，
At the Chorce of St．Thomas－the－Martyr，
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES， 5040 GHANEES；
Holt＇s Ten－pari
Tenor $19 \frac{3}{7} \mathrm{cwt}$ ．
－John Peters
†Roeery Heazel
Albert Rainbird
Gegrge R．Pie．

| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ Treble |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 |
| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 |
| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 4 |

Frank Ringe Eranest J．Butler
．．． 6
．．．$\cdot \cdots \quad 3$ Conducted by $G$ R Pre
＊First peal．＋Firat peal away from treble．
OLD WINDSOR，HERFS
THE OXTORD DIOCESAN GUILD．
（East Berks \＆Sodit Bucrs Branch．）
On Wedmesday，Janary 30，1929，in Three Hours and Fony Minutes，
At the Churce of St．Peter，

## A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR， 5088 CHANGES；

## Tenor If cwt． 2 gr． 21 lb ．

William H．Eqssell ．．．Tyeble Harry Wingrove ．．．．．． 5
Cecil．C．Mavne ．．．．．． 3 W William Hencey ．．．...
＂Fegderica W．Goodfelzow 3 Ricuard Bockland ．．．．．． 7 Peymlis M．Mess ．．．．．． 4 William Wellisg ．．．．．．jero， Composed by H．Dains．Condueted by W．Welling －Birst pea！in the method and 50tt peal．First peal in the method as conductor－Rumg as a ${ }^{\text {t }}$ send－off，to Cecil C．Mayne， Master of lize Brancl，who is leaving the district for Hourmemouth．

LOLGHBOROUGH，LEICESTERSHTR 3.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOGIATION．
On Thursaiay，Janaly 31，1929，in Two Hours and Foyty－Th pee Minutes，
At the Bele Fodndry Campanile，
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR， 5056 CHANGES； Tenor 6t crit．
 Clarence Bollard．．．．．．． 3 ．．．Daviu Collins ．．． Erxest Cartwright ．．．i｜Edward Reader ．．．．．．Tanar Composed by J．R．Pritceard．Conducted by E．Reader． 4 Lirst peal in the method． NORTHAMPTOK．
THE PETERBOROWGH DIOGESAN GUILD．
（NORTHAMPTON Branch．）
Tharsday．Junwary 37，7929，in Thre Howrs and Two Minutcs
At the Cedrcy of the Holy Seporgere，
A PEAL OF 8TEDMAN TAIPLES， 6040 GHANGES；
Pitsiow＇s Variaiton of Therstans＇．


## THE KENT COUN＇TY AS8OOIATRON

On Fiday，Felarmary 1，1929，in Two Hours and Forgy－Thes Whates． At tee Chorch of St．Patlinue
A PEAL OF DOUBLE OXFORD BOB MAJOR． 5088 \＆HANCES；

## Temor $2 \frac{3}{7}$ cwt．

## Edwin Barnett，sen．

John H．Cheesman．
＊Ronald H．Bulden．． Herbert E．Acdsley
Composed by J．W．Parlier
＊First peal of Double Oxfor ＊First peal of Double Oxford．This peal conraive $\$ 0$ Bobs and 50 Singles，the calling being arranged to eut oui 1310 in of the lang dodging when the tenors are on the front．

## BRAMLEY，IFEDS．

THE YORKSHRRE ASSOOIATION．
On Saturday，Frbruary 2，1929，in I duret Hoars，
At the Cherch of St．Peter，
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREELE BOB MAJOR． 5088 CHANGES； Tenor 12 cwt ． 15 Jb ．
J．W．T．Holgate
．Tyeble $\ddagger$ IS．Hellivele
W．Waterhoose
$\dagger$ Frank Blackite
$\ddagger$ Fred Blackrte
．．Tveble
$\ddagger$ S．Helliviell...
$\ddagger$ F．Jackson ．．．
$\ddagger$ Harry Blachith
Composed by Hy．Hubsard Conducted by T W．T．Holgate
＊First peal away from the treble．H Firse peal．First peal in the method．Rung in honour of the marriage of 3．N．T．Holgate．

QUEENSBURY，BRADFORD
THE YORKSHERE ASSOOIATION
On Salurday，Febraty 2．1929，in Thye Forers and Ons Minate，
At ine Cborch of tBe Holy Trinit
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR， 5056 CHANEES； Tenor 142 cwt．

 Composed by J．A．Trollope．Conducted by Willas Ameler．
＊Firsi peal．+ Soth peal．
PROWNDDGE，LANCASEIRE
THE LANOASHIRE ASSOCIATION． （Preston Branch．）
On Satarday，February 2，7929，in Thre Hows ant Tuenti－I wo Minwes．

## At the F．C．Chorch or St．Nafs

## P\＆L OF BOUBLE MURWICH COURT BG日 AAJOA，5024 CMAMEIEI

 Tenor ifcwt．in $F$ ．James Miller
Benjamin A．Knights
Treble William Sharfles
Fred Rigby．．．
Fred Harwood
5

Harry France
John T．Miller 7 ．．．．．．．．． 4 E．Reger Martin ．．．．．．Tinor Composed by Arthor Knights（i56）．Conducted by E．K Martin First peal on the augmented ring，and ring hald－wufflect to the
 February 6th， 1928 ．He monmenceu the sclacme jor lis－retiocation of the clock and bells，but died whilst the work wal in prowess．The thanks of the band are due to Mr．J．Wilson for his trind hospitality after the peal．

RAWATATSH，IORESHIRF
THE YORKSHIRE ARSOCIATYON
（Sheflized \＆District Society \＆Barngley d District Socibty．）
On Suturday，Febravy 2，1929，in Three Hours and Tie．Thindes，

## At the Ceqreg ce St．Mary

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOF， 5988 CHANGES Tenor 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ cut．

## Frederick C．Wilson

William Green ．．
．．．fyrbir
Milion Fowler ．．．
$\begin{array}{ccccc}\text { Arthor Firti } & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & 4 \\ \text { Composed by Arisur Kigelts．}\end{array}$
Arthtr Pasimer

Tinford Conducted by A．Nash．
Firsh peal of Oxford hy all exerpt ringers of 3ru and Fih．Mese



HARDEN，KRN゙T，
PEE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD．
 Ait the Chorch of St．Michael asd All Angels，

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES， 5040 CHANGES；

Pitston＇s Variation．
Tenor thf cwt．
F．EDwards．．．
$\begin{array}{llll}\ldots & \cdots & \cdots & 5 \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & 6 \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & 7 \\ \cdots & \cdots & \ldots \text { Tenor }\end{array}$

Conducted by E．G．Baesden．
Finat pras：in tha method on the heils．
EFDINGTON，BIRMENGHAME
THE BT．MARTIN＇S GUILD POR THE DIOCESE OF BTRMINGTAM．
On Suturday．Febraty 2．1929，in 7 wo Fours and Fiffy Sertulwintes， At the Cevery of St．Barambas，
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR，5024 GHAHEES： Tелв $5 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt．іп F ．
－William C．Rhodes
Trehle Marris J．Morkis
 George E Large ．．．．．． 4 William Davies．．．．－．．．．Thor Coraposed by A．政NigHts，Conducled by Josepe W．Prmberton．
n Firse peal of Hajur．＂Fibrt feal of Theblo Boh．Rung as insthiny wemplinent to dan fathor of emmuctor．

LEANTRTSNNH，GLAMORGANSHIRF．
TEE LLANDAEF AND MONMOUTH DIOGESAN ASSOCIATION． un Subwday，Febmay 2．r929，in Thye Hows，

Ai the Pabish Chorch，

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES，BO爪O CHANGES；

## ThorgTans Foor－pabt

Tenor Iz $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt．
Harux Page ．．．．．．．．．Treble lyemas Parie $\quad$ ．．．
Gegrge Wines．．．．．．．．． $2 \quad$ Wilitan Parse ．．．．．．．．． 6
Frbderick Lasburi＇．．．．． 3 Wilfred Williams ．．．．．． 7
－Epsust Stisch ．．．．．．．．．． 4 Georgle Popnele ．．．．．．Tenor
Conducted by W．Williams．
Toth peal．First peal of Citciman on the bells．Arranged an a Inlhbuy compliment to Mra，Page，Ton Pentre，mother of the freble，
Fil ant Gith ringers，on the occasiun of her 74th biethday．
BEBINGTON，GHESHIRE．
THE GEESTER DIOCEGAN GUILD．
（Wirral Branch．）
O！Satiruay，Foblary 2，1929，城 Two Howrs and Fifty－Five Mindas，
At the Chorch of St．Andrew．

## A PEAL DF LITTLE BOE MAJOR，5040 CHANGES；



fromas Rogers
（．Ronald EDwards
Treble Lester L．Gray
Jahn Brebse
fJome Cooke

（ Conducted by J，C．E．Sinpson，
First patal of Major． 1501 perl．First peal iu the method by lhe bund．

SOLTH ANSTON，YORKSHIRE．
THE NORTH NOTTS ASSOCTATION．
O．Suturday，Fobrwall 2，7929，in Two Hows and Fifty－Stien Minutes，
At the Chorch of St．James，
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR， 5088 OHANGES। Tenor I 3 cwt I qu． 5 lb ．in G ．
F゙きRHERI TORNER ．．．．．．Treble
MISS Khtharine Burchnall a
Lise Grace Bofchnall ．．． 3
11 sRaEax HAtgh．．．．．．．．． 4
Composed by $\mathrm{M}^{\text {．Harrison．}}$
Gordon Torner ．．．．．．．．．4 5 Harry Morgan ．．． 6

Conducted by Harry Morgan．
Cirst peal of Major Fot treble and tiftly fingers，who are father nut an，and are local men．Rumg on the 37 th wedding anniversary ：31：L．F．Fowlet，waductor of the Anston ringerza A binflany

## LETTOX，ESSEX．

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION．
On Salurday，Fobrary 2，1929，in Two Howrs and Fify－Fowr Minuds， At the Parish Chorch of St．Mary，

## A PEAL OF EAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR， 5058 GHANGES；

 Middleton＇s．Tenor $8 \underset{2}{ } \mathrm{cw}$

| Charlas A．Hegres ．．． | $\ldots$. Tyeble | William Millbr | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| William H Theobald | $\ldots$ | 2 | Ernest J．Botler | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | Conducted by Edward D．Smith．

First peal on the Jells． MILFORD－ON－SEA，FHMPSHIRE
THE WINCEESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUMD On Saturday，Fobructy 2，1929，in Thrte Honts and Eleven Minutes， At the Chureh of Alc Sajnis，

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR， 5152 OHANGES！

 Tenor $12 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$ ．
－Alfred T．Gryenwoos ．．．
Fredrrick W．Rogres ．．． 4 Edwin J Harding，shw．．．． 7
Fredrrick W．Rogers ．．． 4 George Williams ．．．．．．Teror
Composed by C．Middeeton．Conducted by George Williams．
＊First Surprise peal．First peal of Surprise on the bells．
SHOREEAM，SOISSEX．
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION．
On Saturday，Fefrury 2，1929，in Threk Hours and Fonr winmes， Ai the Cegreh of St．Mary－the－Virgln，
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES，5040 CHANGES；
Thorstans＇Fodr－part．
Tenor Is


Alered W．Groves ．．．
Conducted by leeith Hart． CHEADLE，CELSHIRE．
THE CHESTIER DLOCESAN GUILD．
（Stockport Bahnce．）
On Saturday，Februly 2，1029，in Three Honss and Nine Minutes． At the Chouch of St．Mary，
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES， 5040 CHANGES；

＊First peal．＋Fixst peal of Grandsire Triples． PHILLACE，CORNWALL
THE TRURO DIOGESAN GUHLD．
On Saturday，Febrayy 2，1929，in Two Hoursand Fify－Three Mink＇s．
At the Chirch of St．Felack，
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES， 5040 GHANEES；
Rev．C．D．P．Dafies＇Ten－part，No．I．Tenol 4 cwt．iqr 5 Ib
Arthor S．Roberts ．．．．．．Trable｜Wieliam H．Southeard ．．． 5 John Sedgley $. . . \quad . .$. John Wood．．．... Philif J．Hitchens Conducted by $A$ ．S．Roserts．
Rung on the Feast of the Purification of B．V．M．First peal on the bells，a beautiful bew ring by Mesars．J．Taylon and Co．Also fiszt peal on eight by a band all resident in Coruwall，for the Guili， as conductor；and on eight by the tenor ringer．The thanks of the band are due to the Ficar，the Rev．Anthony Wills，for providing tea at the $\nabla$ icarage after the peal．

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NORTH WNGFIELD.
THE MIDLAND COUNTLES ASSOCIATION.
On Sahurday, Febrvary 2, 1929, in Thyee Hours and Fifteen Minutes, At the Caerch of St. Lawrence,
A PEAL DF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES; Tenar 18 cwt.
T. P. Tarlton
Miss O. Tarlion
Miss D. Tarlton

Miss D. Tarlto
F. Knowles...
..Treble $\mid$ SWain

Composed by A. Knights.
E. Malender $\quad . .$.

B. Wheeler ... ... ...Tenaf

Rung in hanour of the conductor's 67th1 birthday. First peal by ringer of the 7th Mies 0 attempt. First peal of 3ajor by the sagociation before stasting for the peal.

## SIX BELL PEALS

IGHTHAM, KENT
On Twesday, October 9, 1928, in Two Hours and Fifit-Five Minues, At tee Chorch of 5 t. Peter,

## A PEAE OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Tenor 9 cwt.

- Wileiam Hollanan

Treble Frederick Woolway

- Josepy Hodges...

| 2 | Waltbr Neale.... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 4 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3 | - Henky Sianigy | ... | ...tenor |  |

Conducted by Walter Neale.

* First peal. Firet peal on the bells by the local Sunday service singers. Thib peal was rung to welcome home the Rev. Roland H. Streatfelit, Rector of Ightham, from his convalescence.


## EAST CROMPTON

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Rocedale Branch.)
On Satwany, Jataty 26, 1929, in Thre Hours and Two Minutes,
At tee Church of St. James,

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

Heing 720 ench of Merchant's Remurn, Woutbine, Sandal, Sinsston, London Scholars Pleasure, Oxford and Keut. Tenge 10 ewb


Conducted by J. Betrerworth.

* First peal. Rung to celebrate the completion hy Mr. G. Wilde of 50 years as a service ringer at the ahove clarch, duvilug most of which period he las been ilte leader. It was alao a birthiay peal for the conduetor, and a welding anniversary peal for the 3rd cinger. All the above are service ringers at the above chusedi.


## EEYTONSTONE, ESSEX <br> THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, January 28, 1929, in Two Hours and Forey-Fing Minutes, At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;
Being 720 each of Landon, Wells, Deverley, Fork, Durham, Cambridge and Ipswieh.

Tenur 15 ewt.
-Robert molton
... ...Treble
 Williay Miller $. . . \quad . . .3^{3} \mid$ Euward D. Smitia ... ... Tenot Corducted by George Dawson.

* First peal of Treble Bob. First peal as comituctor. wollastor.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Nortarrn Branch.)
On Thosday, Jotnuary 29, 1929, in Two Howss and Forty-Ti.a Minhtes,
At zhe Cadrch of St. Jambs,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
42 six-scores, tou callinge
- Samigl Thompson

Harolit V. Cooper
...Treble
John Bass Harold V. Cooper...
t Sidney Thompson Conducted by Harold V. Cooper.
$\rightarrow$ First peal. + First peal of Doubles inside $\%$ First peal of
 Gibbs, a member of tite lseal hand.

RROMHAM, BEDFORDSHIRE.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOOIATKON.
On Satuday, Jantary 26. 1929, in Three Hours and Twenty-One R2inutes.
At the Ceurch of St. Owen,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 Woodbine and Kent, two of Osford Treble Bob, abe Oxforl
Bob and two Plain Bob. Tencr 23 cm .
 Conducted by Pearl Inskif.
First peal.
SLINFOLD. SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNT'T ASSOCIATION
Un Sunday, January 27, 1929, in Tew Hours and Forty-Two Mintles,
At tae Chorch or St. Pater,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Baing four 720's of Kent und threc 720 s of corford, with different
callings. callings.
Walter Cearman
Peter Charman...
$\left.\begin{array}{c|l}\text {..Tyedt } & \text { Alan R. Pine } \\ . . & 2\end{array}\right)$ Joun Cook
Reginald Jounson
Conducted by W. Stanford.
WOR'H, SLSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASEOCIATION.
On Wednesday, Janmay 30. 1929. in Two Hons and Thirty-Seven Minutes,
At the Chorcy of St. Nicholas,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine, C'ambridge Surprise Kent and Gxiorci
'Irebie Bob, Oxford Single Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Phan Brts
-Grorge Olliver ... ...Trebie Cpeie Nice
-Kenneth Snbluing ......${ }^{-.} 2$
-Nzlson Elliott .... ... 3 Oliver Sippatie
Conducted by 0. Spepetts.
First peal in seven methods, Firsi peal un the denis, whitla have


MISTLIEY, EAGEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

At ing Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF MINOR, $\operatorname{GOAD}$ CHANGES;
Being 720 eaeh of Cambridge Surprise, Drientl and Kurn Thelte Bu
Double Court, St. Clmment's, and wo ize's if Plaizt Bob.
Tenor 12 s cwr.
Josepr Bowell...
..Tveble $\mid$ Georgr W. Muss

- Charles A. Andrews $\quad . . .12 \quad$ Gborge A. Andrbws ... .... 5

Stanley G. Moss .. .... 3 Walter Honeyhood ... .... teme
Conducted by G.A. Andrews.
First peal of Yinor. An 18inh hivibay wapliment to the vinger
 from Grear Bromley, the rest lomal.

## handbell peal.

MaNCHFSTER
TEE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Thursdry, Jathary is, 1929, in Two Homps and Forty Minnies.
At 16. Lime Grove.
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, g joio changes;

Harold Jackson ....... ... 3 Peter Laflin
Composed by Gabriki Lindoff.
 a much respected member of the Laucashive A-oratill and ( hester Diocesan cuild.

## ACCIDENT TO MR. JAMES GEORGE

In the evening of December Itat last, wheu itligliting incin a Amin 70 Birmingham Scation, Mly, George was paslnen betwern the fuintform and train, injuring botl legs badly.
 Evities.
This note will explain his sudden silenre of bir many triends.

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

## LINCOLN JHSTRICJ!

the anaual meotigg of the Lincoln District took place al Branston on Suturduy, January 25th. It was previously arramged that a dis trict meeting should be held at Branston during the lalter part of last yeas, but owizg to a serious eago of illness near to the chureh the ereut had to be postponed. Anobler date was chosen, and at the tirae when proparations were almost complete, the opening of thu Cuhbudal bolla was timed to take place on the sane day, conseruently whe disfrict meeting sulfered a second postpanement. In vew of these circumstances, the holding of the dishriet's annal mecting at Branaton was, in a way, compensation to that towor. $A$ fine diay furourgd the occasion, and the attendance, numbering about 50 rugers, was very grafifyiug. The towers pepresented were: Lincoln Cuthealral, St. Peter-at-Arches, SL. Peter-at-Govets, and Sl. Bocolih's, Baesinglam, Blankacy, Burdney, Metheringham, Washaghotoagin, and Hranston, and there were also risiting riogerg from thee North Notts Association towers of Sultou-vn-Trent, Norlh Collinghatu, and Worksop.

Louches in varidus methods were rung during the aftornoon, when the Guild's service was conducted by the Rev. R. Bond, of Limcoln. Tha ieason was read by the Rer. P. S. Poecock, of Bassinglam, and Hfe Recto! of Branston (the Rev. J. J. R. Pells) gave an address, in the course of which he explaned a number of the inseriptions appearjug out tho local bolls. He montioned that, according to tradition, the fifth ball, which was the oldest in the tower, was said to have beell rumg at; the time the Spanish Armaria was defeated. Next in age came lite tougr, the ithird amd the fourth, which are of the Elizabethan period and. lostly, the treble and second, which were installeri ahnut 30 years ago. "Ille flector went on to explain various pointa of interest iti ther chureh.
ai male voice effect, manultw

Tea was then partakell of in the Rectory, and the caterers were the recipionis of appretiation lor the excetlent tea provided for the small charge made. The day secmed brimful of inuovations, for, whilo the visiting ringers wero having tea, a $\mu$ umber of the local ringers were giving a few of theil musical items on the handbells.
A busimess mesting followed, aud the Rer. R. Bond, who is persident of thi distrith, accupiod the ehait. We referred to a number of past year's myents, and mentioned Lincolu Cathedral bells. Ho congratulated the Gathedral riugers upon the rapicity of thoir plongess. Similarly, the Chairman referved to the achievement of the hand hiant accomplished their peal of London Surprise Alajar after suaty susuccessful aftmupts. With regard to the Lasemby peal ne hall- thr C'laisman intimated that the bells hach now gone to thu fonll iotnileps, and upon theil retnin the district
These remarks from the elomimman eonstituled good news for the districh, and lituy were received with applause.

Al the officul: were re-elected for nuother year, thus exemplifying tha: conlidence. Itw ringers have in the leaders. The oflicints are: Rev, R. Bonk, president; Mr. H. Marcon, secretary; Mr. J. Waldon, Ringing Mnster and also district representative.

Four mething wero nppointed to take place during the fear at the following מinces: Notilebam, Bardnoy, Lavenly ar Brant Bronghton, and Caythorro, and the correspanding mocting to Saturday's cwent thake place at Washinghorougl noxt rear.
Three now members were elected, and, coincidently, they were all lady tingers, consaquentiy their acceptance was reecived with applanse. They wore Mrs. C. MeGuimess and Miss S. Norton, of Lincoln, and Mrs, Fast, of North Colliuglam. The latter was elected as a notr-resident life nember.
th the closn of the business, handioll ringing was indulged in, and aftel if few altempta, a course of Stedman Caters was accomplished. Thamethori of College Eingle was chosen for preferentia] study for he Nettloham meeting in April.
The bells were lowered ahout nine o"clock, bringing to a close a mussi sumessaful meeting.

## HENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

A vary sucessaful meeting of the Maidstone District wras held nt eroming. fouches of Grandsiro Doubles, Plain Boty Treble Dob and Cambridge Surprise were rumg. Members aiteuded from most of the towerg in the district, flso from Asinford, Ganterhury, Trombidge and Rochestor districts, 17 towers being repressnted. At the service the association form was aseri, Tea was partaken of af the Old Cliequers, 40 mombes loeng present.
In the absence of the Viear, Mr. Wr. Neale presided at the business menting, when 24 new mombers wore elected, including the Luands of Ightham and Swothand.
It was decided to hold a bye-meeting at Bearsted on February 23 rd .

A collection on behalf of Mrs. Bntes was taken, aud amounted to Ef hearty wota of thanks to the Ficar brought the meefing to a

## GUILDEORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

SUCCESS OF COMBINED PRACIICES.
The annual menting of the Leatherhead District of the Gullford Diocesan Guild was held at Leatherhead on Saturday, when 32 urembers attenderi. The districh towers represented were Banstead, Leatherhead, Si. Martin's, Epsow, Nowrligate, Ashtead, Cobham, Dorking and Ewell, But there were wisitory from Guildford (Cathedral and S. Nicolas'), Walton, Thames Ditton, Beddington and London. The ringing durimg the aftemoon and evening inchuded ropada for some who bad nol proviously rung on 103 , and metlieds ranging from Grandsire Triples to Cambridge Surprise Roval.
The busineas meeting was held after tea at the Institute, Mr. Albert Harman, District Ringing Master, presiding, in the ahsence of the Rector, who was unable to remain for this part of the proccedings.
The Ringing Master reported that the ringing had been very sugcessful. Twelve penls had been rung in the district, including two of Treble Then one of London Surprise, four of Double Norwicl, ane each of Kent Treble Bob Major, Oxford Treble Bob Majot, Bob Major, Grandsire Triples and Oxford Treble Bob Minor. This last was the first peal by the Guild, and was rang at Gapel. The combined practices had been successful, the most votable feature of which had been that flose who attended had advanced hoth in the the standard of ringing and the methods rung. Fie hoped they would conlinue to work together for the advancement of ringing in the distriet.
Mr. A. H. Winch, who was respousible for organising the nomhined practices, roported that 33 of these practices had been held, and there had been a good average attendance. The main object of these practices slould not be overlooked-that of giving the lacal bnad visited the advantage oi practising with arore advanced ringers, atad he hoped the memhers would do all they conlal to eonLinue to make these meetings successful, and especially to atitend at those towers where there was nor af present a full band
The Hon. Secretary (Mr. T. Ge, Woodiss) said the district had had a very successful first year, and they hoped to do still better in the coming year. In looking down the lise of towers, bowever, they would see that a number had mot got a full band, and they must do thoir best to make these bands uy as quickiv as possitule. He particularly thanked Mr. Harman (Ulse Ringing Masterl, Mr. Winch and Mr. \&. Dean, of the Leatherhead Lower, for all the assistance they hat given him. The future looken rosy, and ther looked Forward hopefully to extending their induence and making up the Sunday service bands at all theil towers.
The number of memberg in the district was 65 ringiug and thee honorary members.
The balance sheet, whicla showed a smald balance in hatud, was adopted, and the generul secretary (Mr. I. S. Goldsmith) congratiolated the district upon the work accomplished, and the lead it lad given to the other districts, particularly in the matter of combined praclices.
No new nominations having been recised, the retining officers were re-elected.
The meeting unanimously accepted the invitation to hold a join meeting with the Surrey Association al Ewell on May IIth, and decided upon the following places fou rlistrict methings furing the year: Christ Chtivel, Epsonn: Nowdigate, Dorking: St. Martins Epsom; Ashtead, mend the annual mectang at Leatherliead.

A discussion took place on the rule requiting a fortngluts notige of nomiation for office, and it was fitated that this would be reviewed at the next anmua! zuceting
Mr. A. E. Pulling brought forwatd whe queslion of what should be recognised na a penl of Minol or Doubles, and askid lie menbers to study the question, which what amportant one to the Exercise. The meeting concluded with a vote of lianks to the Ructor for the use of the bells, Mr. A. Dean and nembers of tho Leatheytiead towas for the arrangements made, and to the officers for 1 hiof services during the past jear.

FARNHAM DISTRICTS SUCCESSELE IEAR,
The first abumal meeting of the Farnhan District was held at Aldershot on Jgnuary 26 th aud was attended by a muster of $45 \mathrm{mem}-$ bers and visitors from Ash, Aldershol, Bagslat, Fanhant, Fru anham, Scale, Brixton; Chertsey, Finchampstend, Guidford Cuthedrab), Ottershaw and Woking. Among the visitor's were hiss H. M. Miller lon. secrebary of the Southern Distriet of the I:Riles' Guid, aow well on the way to recovory to health ufier her serious accident, Admiral T. P. Wnalker, hon, treasure ot the Guith, who is recovering from a protracted ilhess, Mr. A. H. Fullag, whe took light exercise on the treble of Alrlerahot's limh ring of eiglat (tenor 8 cift and Mr. W. J. Paice, hon. secrebary und treastrer of the Sonning Demnery zranch of the Oxford Diseesan finihe.

Canon Girling, Rector of Farnham, condteted ine Gnidds servige, and a splendid tea was afterwatds partaheu of in the Papish Hall.
Afler tea, the business meeting was presided over by Canon Girling, after he had heen proposed by Admiral Walker and sceastled by Mr. R. Hasted as an honorary member.
The year's work was revewed. Finst, the Ringing Master Mr Hasled ) reported that three peals had hem rang and thee lost,
The Secretasy reported that they land passed a rather quiet year. They had opened the year with 14 honorary members and 86 ringing
mombers，and closed witit 16 honorary and 104 riuging members respectively from a district of ouly 11 towors，only one of which was not in union with the Guild．Most towers were affileted under the Guilal＇s seheme．＂llie year closed wilh a really haudsome balance in hand．Ihre Secretary also said that dming the sear lie had given help to the Ashl hnad，and now they were able to ring Bol，Minor for Sintay service，while some of the band could also ing Keni Treble Hol．＇He also reported that Frensham，aiter about six weeks＇ Enition，were able to ring Grandsire Double for service．Entil last Nowember this was a＇stoney＇tower．There still remained Crontall， Benfley and Hawley to convert．

Atthe tho secretary＇s teport，the distriet warmly thanker，him for his first yeares work，which．by his report，showed be had accom－ plislied a great denl．
inr．A．H．Pulliug，as a visitor，congutulated the distriet and the othicers，and saicl that this was tho hest report hie had heard，and sitar lie thought the secretary had done really wall by hreaking new gromat so successfully．He hoped the district would be proud of him．
For he post of Ringing Master，Mr．R．Hasted was re－elected，as his was the only mame nominated．

Although the secretary was nominated again to fill that offee，he satd that he wisled to retire and let someone else carry on，but afler some discussion he agreed to eontinue in affice．
No other mominations had been received for district representa－ tives other than chose in office，and they were re－elected except Major－Gieneral Deane，who had left the country．
Miv，T．F．Neiglibotur，of Seale，wus elected，subject to his being willing to stand．
＇like following list of lixtures was proposed and approved：March， Cronclall：May，Bagshot：Tuly，Farmhorongli；August，Hawley； Norember，Seale．The Hawley meeting is to he a combined meeting with the Oxford Diocesan Guid．

The Secretary said that lie lioped the Winchester and Portsmonth Guicl would join in with them in this meeting and arrauge for the use of the Yateley bells for the afternoon aud evening．He had written to the hom．secretary of the Basingstoke District of that frimild（Rev．D．Boavd），asking him to pat it before his district，who were also liolding their meeting that day．
Mr．W．J．Paice sain he would like to see this joint meeting an nunal afiair，gad that his Guild would support it wholeheartedly． Nine now members were elected，viz．，two from Seale，four from Fremslam，and lhree from：Aldershot．Two new howorary members from Farriban were also elected．
（Continued in next column．）

## THE WIRELESS EFFECT．

I＇o the Eiditor
Denv Sir，－I lave zead with interest flabe ratious letters on this sumject，and think the letter of MI：A．P．Fmith gities the key to the salution．He says that while＇St．Philip＇s（Birmingham＇are really a miserablo ring of ten，they come over the ether wery well．＂ Now my humble opiaiotis that twelwe lolls are too much for broai－ casting，especially the modarn fings will so many tones and notes， and the rapid striking that is necessary to ring Cinques does not give the microphone a chance，anu！so the nasal＇Wang＇is proaucen．
If we could liear the back 8 or even 10 ar York or Sb．Martin＇s， I thiak there would be mome different opinions foumed．Yours truly， GEO．F．SWANN．
JUDGED BY PERSONAL SATISFACHION．
Dear Sir，－May I trespass upory your valuable space in acknow－ ledgmeat of an article I luve read by＂Irensas Pistar＇regarding the crude criticism of Birminghana beils，which were broadeast？I would fike to draw the abovenamed gentionan＇s attention to the fact，first，that the sef did not belong to the．Limited Company， and，secondly，it is not a set which oue would class clieap，ns the average working man would haw？to fayd atengthy period and sapis all his earnings in the endeavour of buy the＇pheap set．＇Bells，Ifte voices and other musical instruments，are judget hy personal satis－ faction，and maturally enitised accordingly，allawing everyont froo－ dom of choice．Yours faithfully，JELZABETII E．DARDY．

## EXPER1MENTS．

Further experiments wibh the position of the mimornone ave to bs made at St．Martins Parislı Chnreh．Birmingham，befuro the acx： broadcast of the belis lakes place from that clarch．A peal attempt nex Tuesdar will give the B．B．C．their opportunity．

## （Continued from previous columin．）

The ladies who carried out the catering were warniy praised by Mr．Stroud for the splendid wey they had provided for the wanis of the visitors，and they were accoried a wery hrarty wote of thank－． At the conclusion，thanks were accorrled to the Ficar of Aldershoh． （Rev．H．Le Fleming）for the use of the hells，the curafe thev．I．
 （whe is hoth argaunst and ringer at Frensham）for his services it the organ．
This may well be called a ringers＂meeting，us all who took path in tit were，ringers，from Canon Ginling，who condncted the service， to the Iadies who catered，and even the＂blower＂of the organ． Ringing took place both kiuling the aftembon and evening．

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The Bishop of Guildford will Gedicate the lwo new trebles at Woking Parish Church, converting the present sin into $\pi$ wing of eight, on Eaturday, May 11th. The bells are boing provifed finough the energies of Admiral I. P. Walker, D.S.O., who is one of the local service ringers, and are being cast at the whitcchapel Foundry-

We would remind intending visitors to the Johmson Commemoration Dinner on Safurday, March $2 n \mathrm{n}_{\text {, }}$, that all applications for ricketa slould be urade to Mr. Thomas H. Recwes, 156, Newton Rotad, Sparkhill, Birmingham, the newly-appointed hon. secretary

Thirty years ago to-day the first peal of Forward Major was vumg. It was composed and conducted by Mr. Johm Garter, and was ymg at Deritend.
Tho first peal of Superlative in the 'xfetropolis' was lumg hy the St. James' Society at Bethal Green on Feluruary 9th, 1850

On February 11th, 1810, the spire of St. Nicholas' Church, Liverpool, fell with disastrous rasults, a number of worshippers, jucluding several elithtren, being killed.
A peal of 14,016 Kent Treble Bob was rung th Oldham in 7 lň 26 mins. on February 32 th, 1821.
One of the early long peals of Grandsire Cingues was ring at Cornhill on February $14 t_{1}$, 1731. The length was 7,018 .
The longest peal on twalve bells, 13.001 Grandsire Cingues, was rung at Painswiek on Tebruary 14th, 1920.

## LIGHTING THE BELFRY.

## To the Editar.

Dear Sir-Please allow we to thank those who have replied to my t'equest for adviee, both those who have writien to you and to the many who have written to me direct.

There is one point which puzzles me. Everyone has saicl that it is necessary to hare the lights on the stairs fixed on three wires, so that they can be turned off either at top or hotom, but mo one has said wly. It seems to me to be merely a stunt, the awantages of which are outweighed ly the disadvantages.
What is required is a liglat which ernuot be turned aff by anmume outside flae ringing chamber. This is casils arranged here, aj we ring on the ground foor. and the main switch is on the floor athors (the clock chamiber'). The stair lights should be simall, and each connceted to the chamber to which that flight of stains leads. They will thus be a sigu lhat that particular chamber is in use, umd who. ever is occupying it will not iundvertently be lecked up from below.
I agree that a eentral ligtit ower the bells, within reach of anyone standing on the hell-frame, is bost. But in ous case it wonla tue rery diffeult to enct at ihe centre of the roof (just under the leansi to lix it, and equally dificult ond costly to got theye for reparsTs the only alternative a bracket lamp over tie door?

HERBERT DRANF
THE J. LOWE APPEAL
The following shms have been received on thelatf of the appeal fox Mr. J. Jowe, nade by the Lancasinire Ass chation

Manchester Homels
Rouhdale
Rossmatale
Liverpool
Blackburn
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Pryde
Bolton
Furness and Laku District
Rer. Canon Elsee
Mv. R. Newtor, U.S.A

ML: J. Goothead
Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Deal
Mise A. Byidery
Mr. and Mris. W. Wolsiemerof
Mr. A. Barmes and Friend
Mr'. E. Jemniugs, Fendel
Mr. G. Lindaft, Dublin
Mr. A. E. Wreaks Paisles
Mr. W. Tdle, Dewshury
A. and H. Leen

Tricnds at Glossop (per Mr. J. Backley)
Mr. R. Best
Friends at filadwich (per Mr. W. Wolstencrofi)

## Total



Any friend willing io subseribe to the shove sland send their contributions ro Mr. J. Hall, 22, Siltrer Sireet. Miles Platting, Manchester.

## PEALS OF MINOR AND DOUBLES.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir,-There ras be mo reasonable doubt that the intention of the Council at Hereford was to widen the rule for five and six bell methods to meet the situation caused by Mr. Bankes James arrangement of Cambridge, nad at the same time provide a barrier against. merely freak peals. The intontion of the people who were originally responsible for the resolution was to open the door just wide enougl to le in Mr. James' Cambridge (and exactly similar compositions), but to bur it tightly against anything further. You, sir, will correct me if I am wrong liere. But the inteatiou of many people, who both spoke and voted in favour, was certainly wider than that. Mr. Law James seconded the resolution, and, if I temember righty, he assured us that its scope was wider. The Council can hardly have had the intention of disallowing his arrangement of London because it liad not then been pat together. It was, in fact, composed and published as an example of what the resolution did allow.

After the meating there was quite a lot of discussion and disagreement as to what actually the resolution did mean, and I think it is certain that, though the whole Conncil was agreed on the main prineiples, the details-the point at which the line was defnitely draws-were anything but agreed to.

Now let us turn to the resolution itself. And first it must bo pointed ouf that it must be read according in the ordinary grammatical meaning of the words and in view of the generally accepled custem and tradition of the Exercise, The intentions of its authors or of tive people who voted for it are not to the point. It lays down that a peal of Minor shall 'consist of at least seven true and complete $720^{\prime}$ 's. That is quite plain. Now, Mr. Bankes James Cambridge does not consist of seven tue nud complete $720^{\circ}$ s. Even if you count starting rourds and so reckon 720 true rows, the 720 is not complete. For a 720 is something pore than 720 rows. It consistis of so much luating, dodging and place making, so wany bobs and singles, and without these it cannot he complete. For instance, could you say that you had rung a complete 720 if the final bob or plain lead was not made? In the tower it is the work which maters above everythigg else, and if that is not complete the 720 is not complete.
Therefore, the resolution, if read according to the natural meaning of the words nud in light of the custom and tradition of the Exerthat is why I smy bat it does not express the intentions of the Council or of its anthors.
Mr. Bankes James' composition is not mate un of 720's. It consists of ane true 720 and two blocks of 2,160 . Each of these is madie thp of three incomplete $719^{\circ} 3$, no one of whicls can be brought rotind, and the three are joined together hy one $Q$ set. If you will turn to any 720 of Hoh Minor (single, hinll-way and end), where the Inalf-way is 43256 , you wild find an exachy similar composition. There ilie incomplete 719's are joinerl by Singles, and you will fimi the same construction in mpny old peals-Reeves' 13,440, for inEtance. The only difference is that Wr. Jomes las used eash of his 720 rows three times, anet seeing that in at 5,040 each row must he repeated, he was thoroughly justifierl in daing so. If you want io see what the composition really is, upply bir ancepled rules of variation. You will sperdily see that uny idea that it can he cousidered to be in separate 720 's, goes by the hoarl at onee.

The fact is that Mr. Tames has made a new departure in Minor composition. It is all in aceordance wiblit the antural development which is always going on in ringing. We should, I think, wy and see what it involves and what good we ean get ant of it, rather than try and form it by an unnataral mse of words into the old ithas. One thing [ mast say, and that is that il: recognises to the fiall the principles of truth und eompleteness on which sou and others rightly set such store. Antd so, too, doe- Mr, Morris arrangement of Dotales.

And now lel me ask you same phain questions. A'e we, in preparing this new bosk, to abide by the resolution passed at Hereford and exclude Wr. James Cambridge? Or ate we to read it liberally and twist its plain words so fs to ndinit if? And if we may so read it, why canat we also admit Me. Law James London? Dr muslif we wait until the Council has rleared up the mess? A leading ringer said to me, when we were in the miflle of that other dispulo about the names, "Why don't you go ahead and use your own furdgmend and "hance the result?' i' snid that I proferred. the thing to be dune legalty if possible, and lue only laughed. Would you like us to take his advice in this instance? I am unt at all sure that it
was not goot andice, but even the Methods Comnilfer has somme regatri for the opinions and wishes of others.
fully recognise Mr. Severn's abilitieg as n six-hell ringen amd his right to speak on this matter, but I think he will tind his answor in the fact that other six-bell ringers are increasingly asing Mr . Jnmes' arramgoment, and that shows that it does meet a need.

Mr. Willson is more funny (unintentionally than convincing. He ledures me for presmang to say that we minst assuredly admit Mr. James' armagement that heing the opinion of the Central Conncil and probably the majority of the lixeresel, and a fen liges lator he
forgets his lecture and announces pontifieally that we must not admit it.-Yours iruly,
T. ARMIGER TROLLOPE,
[As Mr. Trollope asks us a plain question, we would give a phatis answer, and say that, if the Hereford resolntion excludes Mr. Banhr:
James' acrangement of Cambridge, then the committeo should nat. include it in their new publication-Em. "R.W.']

## ORTHODOX OR UNORTHODOX.

Dear Sir:-It has always been declared, all through the histors change ringing, to

## Ring out the false, <br> Ring in the true,

and righily so. It is the bed rock, fine very foundation of elange ringing, and a beautiful ideal.
It may, perhaps, be true that circumslances and conditions an different to-day, as compared with those prevailing at the lince of the commeacement of our art. But the word true has the same, identical, unchanged meaning to-day.
In the course of our ordinary, usual ringing, when a ciange comes up' a second time, a chango that has atready been pung, the ringing ceases, as this repeating is not true. No ringer, partimpating in a peal, on learing rounds ' come up, will contimue ing, because sumething hos lappened which causes the elange= be untrue, and the antrue will not be counterameed.
Perhaps the proper word to use to deseribe the controversial pranls of Doubles and Minor is "morthodox,' hecuase these compositions are vousual, away from, out of, the ordinary.
The rounds rung at the "pulling off" of the bells is mot pari of the peal composition, but the rannds at the conclnsion is the lat at clange. This final change, romads, completes the peal. That is 1hes orthodor. Therefore it is for the Central Counci? to say whether it will recognise orthodox and morthadox, or anly orthoilox compositions, or draw a line and recognise certain? whorthorlor composio ions, but refuse others.
I cannot see how the Central Council can vefuse others, and j orthodox compositions are accepted, it, must tend to make migige unorthodox, unasua, out of the ordinary-ycs, untrue.
But whaterer fule is passed, it must be properly worthed, anal
But whatever rule is passed, it must be properly wortled, and ith and fout or cliariots and horses.
Of course, it the Central Council does deaide io fail to tecognise anortherlox compositions, it does not necessintily folthw that they wil] nat be rung again, for the Central Gouncil cannot forbill.
Mr. Prollope, in paragraph 2 of his lelter, 011 pago 59. eay in If cannot ke ruled out; and in the last paragraph: "If we man allow as we assuredly must allow.' Whay 'must allow '? Theru is nu unst about it. If the Central Conncil chouses, it ean rule it out.
FIow ahout an enterprising conduotor, out for a fresh reent dressing the hawd about to slart for a prait, in some such suyl this: 'Now, my lads, whem I call "Go," don't go afi in the srsaal way, but lilag so and so (say 46157836), which is the $2,753 \mathrm{fl}$ elmaye. of the camposition, but don't get flurried when rounds "come un, but ring on to the $2,752 n d$ clange, und I will call " Tlinf" Ronals will " come up" in the middle.
Would such a porformance be countemanced as a peal It is hot enough to say, 'Oh, hais!' or something like
does not answer the question. Shall we call it a peal?
It behoves us all, as true change rimgers, to see to it dhat
is done to dathage this foundation of our art, bat ever continu
Ring out the false
Ring in the irne.
Referring lo the word change, has it nol been given oni Frollope in articles in 'The Ringing Worlul that a clange is mot a row, but that whicla takes place belween the
m munble opibion, an excelhent point af view is esplvest Whe lates part of paragraph $f$ of Mr. Troilopres article on may
which tends to show that the suit (the row) if the chanore, and which tends to show that the suit (the row) in the charare,
chnnge is ner between the two suits (the twa rowat, whith chnnge is nor between the two suits (tib
the at of danging.- Yours sincerely,

## NOT TEGAL TENDER

Sir,-As was to be oxpected from previous letters on the sotwallen! extents of Doubles and Minor, I think our "versndile journahiat of what these . Mral wos , han not legal tender, which I take it means "counterfeil."
This, surely, is suflicient to warrant these compositions be excluded from nny performance as a peal venord.-Yonrs, ele.,

## ADHERFFTO "TRUTH.

Sir, Mis. Mrollape's letter in your issue of Jarruary 25 h has. imm the point of view of the Jxercise, a damaging one for the cantral
Council's ropatation, to admit that six out of tefen 72$)^{\prime} \mathrm{s}$ arn not true to the Council's rulings and in the same sentonce su must admif it. Why must? You, Sir in your leading artich week, say 'it is accoptahle to the Fxercise.' Admittedly that is $=0$, ba1 the Council's rlity lin regard to this mater is not to judge whether


#### Abstract

 onve blae cunncil gives way on that poind to wminent composers or to popalarity，the Exercise will lose its eomfidence im that body－ The Hexi neeting of the Council will the an important ons，isa they will ihma lave to dedede whother they will matintain the shambat of  a resmation eoncernisg thia Minor guesion，tu publish it yoth paper   ordinaty fingers catanol see on tie fince of it．－Y゙ours，ele．

』．H． $1^{3}$ LíliLIN $x$.


## FINE PIECE OF WORK．

Sit，－I newor intended to join in the controwersy re ahore，yet this Week＝R．WV．contels mar．May I apologise foy buting in．Mr． SuruTa sitys，Where is the value？＇There is none，froms my point of wion exupt lio the conductor．I find in rimging peals of Minou 1hre clijuqent batig I have met cave not for the dificrent 700 s，but what $"$ look shoufd a $6-5$ Lum up！Secently we rang a peal of Sur－ prism，und previous to the preal I warmed the land to the prepared for a．real strparise．I＇his is the rebart 1 gotis＇Call the bols where youl fikt：butilg live－six up right way，and we will ving the method：＇Willt Whr．Willsos＇s remark，not legal tender，J agtee，lyut all the same it is ulthe piece of wort of the Rev．E．is．James．Ti ever I call This pual I sinall，howerer，call the W．R．W．frest，This，I cantend， wondel be the trone 720 first，the other six wottd naturally finish as the（Gmpospa＇s first six．Ringing is an arl by itself．Lex us keep is frum the＇Husal twang of notes in Count．I have rung seven complete，different 720 ＇s，with $5-6$ the right way．I slionk $5 a y \mathrm{Mr}$ ． J．W．Marker knows how．Yet I wonder if this woukl he wacepted ficme my pert？－Yours trity，

F．WARRINGLON．

## 7，thy Stamon．

## SGRAP THE LOT．

Hemr Sir－I quife agrea with your views regarding the Minor aud Duylates．If E．B．Fatues＇Cambeidge means the inctusion of H．L． fanaes Lundun aud the Donbles，I saty，scrap the lot．－Fours faith－ ful｜w

W．H．BARBFR．

## Neweastle

## （Other Iotters are unavoidably held over．）

## THE MINOR METHODS COLLECTION

## To the Eiditar

bon Sir－It is proposed to give in the uew hook a large selection of live－bell methorls，ibeludiag some that（if judged by the standards a）Bincr inti Mitjor mothods），wonld hardy be called regular．We anh rluint this，because the scope of tive－bell ringing is so very
limined．shonld he glacl if anybody wo has the figuras of any old mathorl will sombl them to me with its old nane．It is the uames I an unxiontis to gat．－Fours truly，

T．ARMIGER flROLLOPE．
52，Latman 巴atk Road，W． 5.

## HEREEORD DIOCESAN GUILD．

EINOERS FROM TWWELVE YEARS（IEO）TO FFCHH＇L
 foril 1 hocesman Guild，was heht at Elambon－un－Artow，fiter yinging wul so merve，conducterl hy the Vicar（Preb．S．Cormioh Watkins， N．A．， Hoprombling seven tuwers ant of aiglt int the disitiot．The basiness nawting foflumbed，the Vicar wesiditg．
 Eutitisland und Pmoringe simee the fast menting．In the past yeal suwn combind pratices linu been held，with an average sutembance ot airlut mimblists，tud three meetings with an average of wenty． mmontro．＇Thee porls had been wung and nine menbers hatl
The Dialrixli Ringing Mastay（Mr．W．Evans，Lronshall）ond the aistret
chectivil．
T＇wo new members from Kinglon nud six from Dilwy were elected
for 1929 ．
II was devided ta hold a combiued practice at Kington in Febru－

 ＂Hanms rote of thanks to the Viens and Mrs．Warkine for thair
 maribied ar the orynus．

The lower wat rgain visited，and，other lingers having arrivend haginy was Iept ug tutil nine oblock fin the following methods．


## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION

## NOIRH AND おASt．DISTRLC！

The ammal mecting of the North and Fast District took place at Edmonton on Saturday last，and，in spite of the ankimel elements， a large number of members attenked．Risging lagan almost punc． tunlly at 3 p．m．，continuing until 5 p．m．，when divine service was helfi．The Ficar（lRev．R． C ．Evill）in his address gawe the associa－ tion a cordial weleme，and reminded the members of their services to God，which were most important services．He made sympathetic reforence to the passing of George Pafee，an old and valued member of the association and a ringer at Edmonton for some 25 yeare
THea was afterwards served in the Institube，a company of 50 sitling down to an excellent meal．The Vicar presided，berug supporterl by Mr．E．A．Crusha（organisi），Mr．J．Parker，the diswiet officars，ete． It was a great pleasure to tave amongst the company Mr．W．A． Gave（Bristol）and Mr．W．Lawroner（district hon，secretary Herts Association）．
At the basiness meeting the chair was taken by Mr．W．Pickworth． Reference was made to the absence，through illncss，of che president， and the secretary was instructed to write to Mr．Milue conveying the sympably of the members．A vole of sympathy wats also accorded Mr．W．Dell，of Hadley，who ig geriously ili

A last tribute of respect was paid to the fate Mrr．G．Paice by the members standing in silence for a few momonts．

The balance sheet，showing a crodit balance of $£ 2217 \mathrm{~s}$ ．Trl．s and angets to the raluc of $£ 96113$ ．Kil，was adopted，subject to andit，on the proposition of Mr．W．G．Oram，seconded by Nr．H．J．Eldred．－ l＇welve new members wore admitteri．
The whole of the district officers were re－elecled，as also were the anditors and members of the Contral Comanition．The next district meoting wan fixed for Stansford Eill（Si．Ann＇s）on Narch 16th，and Southgate was clasen for mexd ycar＇s famal meeting．

A discussion took place on the Spliced Minor and Doubles con－ toversy．
Hearty rotes of thanks were accorded to the Rev．R．C．Evill for his address at the service antrl for the use of the bells；to Mr．E．A． Crusha，the organist；and to the tacal ringers，mentioning Mr．W． Bowder，for arrangements nade．－The Vicar hriefy acknowledged the thanks of the members，once again expressing tis pleazure at the wisit of the association．Mr．J，Warker，on lyelalf of the Ednonton band，also wolcomed the menhers，and hoped the meeting lied been enjoyed by nil．
A well－struck course of Stedman Cinques was jumg on hanibells by Mrs．G．W．Fletcher，Messis．G．W．Fleteher，G．H．C＇ross，G．R． Pye，w．Pye and J．Thomas．A cotrse of Camhridye Surprise Major was alsa rung，Mr．C．W．Roberts taking part．Tloe tower was again visited，and ringing continted until 9 p．Mn．Bost of the standard methods were rung．incluting four Sinpmse nothorls，which were rung separately ama spliced together．An eaworaging feature was the progress made by several of the youngej menbers of the association，which it is to he hoped will continne．

PEAL BOARD UNVEILED．
A practice mecting was held at Willesider on Tuecilay．Tatmary 29th．A good attendanee crowded the small belfry，and it was tomd difleult to slow awny those hot rar be monem taking part in the ringing．During the eveling the Rer．A．E．Smith risitert the belfry for the purpose of unveiling a peal board recording the tirst peal of Spliced Surprise Major rung in the county．The Ficar expressed his deep appreciation of the honoun done to Willesten hy tha ringing of suoh a peal，and congratulated the band on being sucurssful．Fe was especially glad at the share taken in ringing the penl by mem－ bers of his own hand．The Vicar noked Mr．H．Killy to．unveil the board，which was rone，revealing an excellently wribten rowt，done in gold lettering on a bleck backgronnd，of the peal．
Mr．C．I＇．Goles，in thanking the Vicar for his attendance，urged upon ringers preseat the necessity of perseverance．Only br this could they succeed，whetler iu easy methods，or in the kind of ring－ ing which was recorded on the board just unveiled．Mr．Colez also expressed grateful thanks to Mr．Harry Killoy for presenting the board，and to Mr．J．Bothum，E Youthful memher of the Willesten band，for so weld writing the sarme．

A short touch of 224 clanges in four Surprise mebliods was then rung by Messis．F．Lankester＇，J．A．T＇rollope，G．M．Killy，G．R． Pye，C．T．Coles，J．Benmett，II．Kilby，W．Pye（conductori，in the same order as they stood when the peal was rung．
Mr．W．Pickworth and Mr．N．A．Tlonlinson ably looked after the ringing and saw that methods were rung to suit all presenk．Alta－ gethei a very pleasant and stucossful meeting．

## MUFFLED BELLS

Ou Thursday，Jnnuary luth，ai St．Marie＇s Chturel，Shefficid，mem－ bers of the district companies met and rang various touches of Plain Bob，Kent Treble Bob，Grandsire and Stedman Triples，with the bells muflerl，as a tribute of respect for the late Mrs．Dixon （wife of Mr．G．O．Dixon，a member of St．Marie＇s companyt，who was interred on that duy，Mrs．Dixon died on Sunday，January 6th． Of a quiet and retiviug disposition，she had，unfortunately，been a great suffere for several yeans，having undergone severe operations． Slee leaves，in addition to her husiband，a family of grown－up sons and danghters to mown her demise．

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

## 31R. C. H. JENNINGS RETURNS TO OFFICE IN DOROHESTER BRANCH.

Thic anmual mecting of the Dorchester Branch was held at Dorchester on Salurday week, and thers was a fine attendance of members, repmesting Abhotsbury, Bradiord-Peverell, Berc Regis, Charminster, Dorchester, Fordington, Wool, Wyke Regis, while welconed visitors ousitle line branch were the Rev. C. A. Phillips (hon. secretary, East Dorser Branch), Messis. A. $\mathbb{F}$. Davis (Bournemouth), G. P'esion (Chtriatolurelh), J. Davis and E. Townsend (Poole), W. Inghann (Parkstone), W. Cheater (Ringwood), and W. Bastable (Swannge).
The beils of frordington and Dorchester were available during the aftemoon and evening. Service in St. Peter's Church was conducted by ille Rector (the Rev, Dr. G. C. Niven), the Rov. U. A. Phillips reai uhe lesson, and the Rev. J. Wynn-Wernick (Vicar of Syding) gave an iuspivirg addiress. The service was fully choral, and was led gave an choir.

Subsequently, tea was served in St. Peter's Institule, and at the business meeling which followed, the chair was taken by Mr. R. N. Diawes (chairman), supported by tbo Revs. Dr. G. C. Niven and C. A. Phillips, Messrs. J. T. Gorwin (churchwarden), J. Benger (hon. secretary), aud J. W. Smitl (assistant hon. secretary), wilh members ampl friends to the mumber of 70.
The clairman welcomed then all, and egpecially their risitora, anti he gave a hearty welcome to their old friend, the Rer. C. A. Pliillius. He proposed a liearty yote of thanks to Dr. Niven for all he had done, to the choir nud organist, to the ladies for waiting at the tables, mat to all who had assisted in any way.-Dr. Niven, replying, said how mich he welcomed thern to St. Peter's. He thought at times the ringens were too much ignored, and he wished some poople could be there that day to kee what they had done aml were capable of (appiause). A letier of apology was received from the Master of the Guild (the Rev. R. H. Gundry), who had had sucls a serious illuess that the doctor and specialist almost gave up hope of his recovery. In his letter he said: The King amd-I have heen ranuing level all along, aud now we are both on the mend hat fearfully wenk." Tlue Rev. F. LI. Edwards (gencral sectetary) also wrote. He said he had heard of tho impending resignation of the hon. secretary, and they were greatly indebted to hina for the hinsintestike way he had carried out his duties. The Rey. C. D. Jols, Fiear, aud Messrs. W. Willians (West Lulworth), Hewlett (Puddletown), Funt (Buckland Newton), A. H. Drew (Brighton), the latter an old member of the hrancl, also sent apologies.
The Secretary, in his report, said three meetings had been held, ancl u great feature of the year was that 27 new members had been elestered.
The balanze sheet showed a halance in land (including savings nuptiditatesi of $£ 101 \mathrm{ts}$. $\mathrm{Z}_{2}$ d.. which was considered very sutisfactory; Mr. R. N. Dewes wrs re-elected chairman of the brancl, amid
applase. In retarning thanks, he said how glatifyiug it was to see so many young men cone forward to take up ringing. He hoped this would continue. The Chairman stated Mr. Benger had writien to him, sending in his thesiguation. ML. 13euger said he had increased work, and he hial nut think he was nble to carry on, as it was vers
tifitiont for hina to get awny on Saturdays.-His vesiguation was receined with regret.
At this juneture the chanman sprang a pleasant surprise on Mr. Benger hy presenting him with a founthin pen, nued asked hirn to
 mery time he used it he wonddedink of the happy occasions he hal hat with the branch (applause)- Mr. Benger was anrdially received whil Itanked the chairman and members most sincerely. He said he wond certainly do as the chairman had stated.
The Chairnan said, on recciving Mr. Benger's resignatiou, they hat to look rounel for another secretary, and they thought there Was no one more euergetic and suitahe innu therr old secretary, grma, pleasure in preposing him for his old post, which he carried Hut from the formation of the hranch until he went away--Mr. Bengeb endorsed the claitman's remarks anil secondert the proposition. No sther nominntions coming forward, the chairman put it to the meating, aud it was carried with applanse. hin. It was ture as the clazirman had saifl, that he was inein lirst seerelary on the formation of the branch, and carried it on for He said it did not matter how to thergetie a secretary was support. no: make it a great success umless hir lat the co-operation of them itll, and he appealed io thent to do their very luest.
Wr. 't. 'I'. White (Dorclester) was re-electel Ringing Master, ame Mi. II. A. Runyard ( Alessts, K. Spier ann , Wescota (Chnrminster), A. Lovell and S. Symes (Sydlingl, and J. Gillingliam (Frampan) were electeff mentine ers.
'Ithe plage of next meeting. Wyke Regis, was proposed, bui Mr. A. Rtise (captain) pointed oul that July was much better for them. mim it was agreed to lold the second quarterte meeting there, and the first quarterly gathering was left in the hands of the secelary to the first
nrrange.

Mr. Benger suid how le would lika to thank his assistant secretary, Mr. J. W. Smith, who had greally helped lim in the work of the brancl.
The Rev. C. A. Phillips sad he brought goun wishes from East Dorset, and congratiatated them on haciog Mr. Femnings as their hon, secretary ugain. He wished to thank hin for the way he had assisted the East Dorset branch in their monthly practice is the higlier methods, he not baring missed one during the year. IFe also thanked Mr. C. Benger, who liad elzo given them valuable help. F.e wished the branch all prosperity for 1929.
This comduded the busimess, and the two towers were again ribited Thauks to the belp of the visitors, some finc touches were bronght round, inchuling Grandsire and Stednun Triples, Little Rols and Kent 'rreble Bab and Double Norwich Major.

## DEVIZES BRANCH.

The monthiy meeting of the above was held at the beautiful chureh of St, Mary-the-Wirgin, Potteme, on Saturday, February 2nd (Feast of the Purification).
Ringiug conmenced about 3 p.m., and continued tilj 4.30 p.m., when the Vicar, the Rev. Gamon Kewley, R.D., unveiled nud dedicated a beantiful peal board, designed and nade by Mr. Geurge Wells, the cost of the lattering (which is done in gold leaf) being borae by Mu, C. S. Burded, a nativo of Pottcroe, and a respected nember of SE. Paul's Cathedral ringers rnd the College Youths. The board records a peal of Grandsire Doubles ( 5,040 clatrges) wung there by Potterne ringers on Thursday, October 2nd, 1924: Thomas Raddon treble, George Wells 2, Sidnej Hillier 3, Clarles S. Furden 4, Cecil Raddon 5, Wiliam Mead aud Leonard Swift tonor. Conducted by 8. Hillier:
After the dedication, at the request of Camon Kewler, those present stood in silence ins memory of Thomas Raddon aud William Mead, who have passed away since the peal was rung,

The Guith service followed in the church, contucted by Ganon Kewley, ifrs. W. Holtway being the organist, in consequence of the Ellness of Mrs. Kewley
Tea followed in the Parish Toom, after which a shovithusiness meating was heti, Mr. C. D. Heginbothon, claiman of the bramel, presiding. He thnoked Ganon Kowley for the reverent manner in whinh he had unvelled and dediented the loord, and sad it made a great denl of diference to the ringers. He also referved to the denth of Mr. T. C. Day, of Warminster, churchwarden of the Minster, who, alt langhin not anger, took a graat intarest in the brils ant the ringers of Warminster, and welcomad tho branch when the meetings were held there. Those preaent stood in silinee.
It may be interestiug to state licre liat the last pulalic duly the late Mr: Day performed in commection wifh tho church was to attend tic anmual meeting ol the Wammaster ringers the welnestay before lis dentls, which occured on the following Friday:
Several new mealiers were elected, and, on the motion of the chamman, a wote of thanks was passed to Canon Kewley for the use of the bells and conductiag the service, to the organist and those who prepared the tea.
Canon Kewley, in his reply, regretter the absence of Mrs. Kewley, and suggested the adrisability of gelting a proper form of service suibable for the dedication of peal boards.
A tonch of Grandsirc Tripies was rung on Mr. Fijlier's inandbeIfs by F. F. White, C. D. Eeginbothom, S, Jillier anti F. Gieen, fohlowed by some Grandisire Dombles by the three last-named.

The ringers returned to the tower, nat ringing continued till nhout 8 p.in. The followigg towerg were represented: Devizos, St. Jolan's and St. Mary's, Potterne, Brathon, T3radforl-on-Avon, Bishop's Canuings, Holi, Molksham, Rowde aud Wanainster.
Touelacs of Grandsire and Stedman Dontules, Whan Uols nued Kent Treble Bob were rung during the afternoon and evening. .as spite of the wol werather, a very plensant time was spont.

## A BRIGHTON GATHERING

A party of ahont hwonty spent sh sery engoyable eveung at Brighton on Wednesday, Jamary 23 ri, when the St, Nicholas ringera
 Resturamb, whicia was presided asme hy the Ficar (the Rev. H. Collinsont, who was supparterl hy his thurchwardens.

The Viear, in replying to is lunst proposed by Mr. J'. Benmett
 and congratulated them on the inceasend strengtin of the bund, Mr. R. Hoather, who, unforduntrly, met with an accident, and
is at present lying at tae Royal Sussex County Hospital, was the only nember of the hand alssent, hat he was not forgoten, although Hmahle to be present. Good wislies for his speedy recovery were oxpressed, und the sceretary whas asked 10 send hims a lotier to this pffect.
Wiblt Mr. Marsh at the piano, sangs, eic., were rendered hy Jesses. Rleach, Burchett, Cumb, Hart and Dawe, while a few womes on the hambulls loy Mrs. Hairs, Messis. Remmett, Drew and Huis, made the evening ga with a swing, only to conce to a close loo yuickly will the singug of Athlatiag Syne.

## DEATH OF A WELL-KNOWN KENT RINGER.

It is with deep regret we have to zecord the death of Mr. A. C. Winser ('Charlie '), a ringer well known in Kent cireles, more esmecially in the Rochester District, who had been attached to the Frindsbury lower for upwatds of 40 years, and was also one of the band att Rochester Cathedral.

The Into Mr. Winser had been ailing for the past fons months, and passed peacefully away on Sundigy morning, Jantary 20th, at the Hare of 56.
The interment took place at Chatham Cemetery on Sahralay, January 26uh, when, singularly enough, if meeting of the Rachester Eisiriet was held ai Mr. Winser's lome tower at Frindsbury, and, corsequently, the bells were rung half-muffled.
In addition to the femily mourners, the Kent Association was ropregented by the following members of Rochester Distriet: Messus. W. Raigla and W. Spice (district Leprosentatives), F. M. Mitchell (rlistrict secretary), E. A. G. Alleu, C. J. Norris, W. Easter, F.
Brosey, H. Springate, Mr. nal Mrs. E. \&I. Spice, R. Snith, W. Br Isey, H. Springate, Mr. and Mrs. E. EI. Spice, R. Smith, W.
Walker, C. M. Mitchell, auratn of Frindsbury was ibe officiating elergyman, in the umavoidable nbsence of the Vicar:
Alter the commital serwice a course of Grandsire Triples was rung over the open grave hy Messis. E. A. G. Allen, W. Haigh, W. Easter and C. Norris.
His fellow-ridgers at Rochester Ciatheiral and Frindsbury sent lonutiful foral tributes.
The passing of the late Mr . Wiuser leaves a gap in the associatiou's ranks which it will be hard to fill. A member of the Kent association for nearly 40 yeurs, he hlways took great interest in the lusiness of the association, and if was very rave he missed a district meeting. By his cheery disposition he emeared himself to all his follow-ringers. As at ringer he was alwuys willing to give his assistance, whether in in peal attempt or helping a stuggling band of "surgsters.'
The late Mr. Winser commenced his ringing rarece at jriudsbury at the age of 14, and he has been continamoly atiaclied to that tower until his death. He rang his first peal (Kent Treble Foh Major) at Gravesend on April 20ih, 1901, and his last at Jrindstory m October 20lih 1928.
flis romplete list of peals, as far as is known, was: Kent frrehle Hoh Major 17 (conducted 2), Oxford Treble Boh Majer 5, SLedman Triples 18, Double Norwich Major 16, Grandsire Trizles \&, Victory
 Treble Bub Royal 3, Oxford Trefle Bab Royal 1, Tob Major 3; total,

## 78 (rondmetex 2).

## WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

## NORTHERN BTANCEI CREATE A RECORD

sacessafol meeting of tho Novthern Brauch was helat Olabury on Saturilny, January IOth. Whe bells were made good use of hating ila afternmon, nud senvice was conducted hy the Yicar (tien Rey, instend of the usual adrivess gave a form was used. That In w pleasant it was to be in caeh elher's company.
Ten was scrved in the selools, and the business meeting which followed was presided over lyy the Vicas, who was surpported by Mossrs. Hall and Alsop (churthwardens), Mr. O. Skidmore (Ringing Mastar of the Northern Branch!, and Mr. A. J. Skeliling braneh spectetary
Hranch would unt be unfalt for say that a recoril was set up by the Dranch iu electing lbred whole "ampanies of singers, numely Old frota other towerg, made ap at colul of who, with indiwidual ringers 6 hemorary menbers. Instruclor's were also applied for for these fowers.
JItreseralary shated that at i.te opening of Bewdley hells in Sep-
 he very pleased to linve the hmand at Bewdlay tho the would mecting
as unamimongly dectled, nom proposal of Nr. Th. I. Salter, arerph the Rector"s invitation.
 Hhe lime of his tragic death, M1. Smith had been a very old ment her of the assamintion. At the Secretmy's suggestion, if was decides that he vioula personally conver the associstion's deepresi sympathy Mr. A. E. Parsous moved at very hearty wote of hanks to the Vicne of chabusy for the tase of the hels, and for arrazgiug the scrvice, to all those who had provided such a splendid ten, and to if the llation had so findy wilted upon them. He coupled with 1 hwir liest to make the meeting sincil a hate success. The Vicar, u ackuowledging the voto of thanks, saith he hopert that he would fave ilic plensure of the members' cmupany again in "the nen. iture His ringerg hud become rev, keen, and the thought with an Hstructor they woulh soon makw inpial progress-Tlhe Vicav then Hand a voto of thanks to the serretary for his work, and this was Pawd a wote of thanks ta ine sermetary for his wor
atrieal annimously, tho secretary hriefy replying.

## SURREY ASSOCIATION

## SOUTHERN DESTRICR rO FOLD HORE MEETINGS

The members of the Soulhern District of the Sutrey Association hold their ammal general meeting at Charlwood on Saturday week. Over 40 members from Reigate, Redhill, Betchworth, Buckland, Burstow, Merstham, Horley, Gharlwood, Godstone, Oxted, Limpsfield Chart met at 3.30 p.m. and rang various touches. a service was held in the church, and a short address was givon by Rev. W. Guainger Thompson. Mr. H. Bashford kindly presided at the organ. Tea was provided at the Half Moon, after which the business meeting was held. The Rev. W. G. Thompson was elected to the chair. Mr. Maurice A. Northover referred to the loss the association had sustained through the death of Mr. F. H. Bcaumont, of Buckland Court. He said that Mr. Beaumont was lowed and respeeted by all who knew him, and not only would his passiag be felt by the Snuvey Association, but by the village of Buckland and many organisations throughout the county. The Buckland Society had lost a wrue fricnd. - The membars present stood in respuet of his memory.

The committee recommended that six meetings, including the anmual general meeting, be held amually, instead of four as in the pest, and that the remaining five meetings be held at Lutigh, Limpsfield Chart, Betchworth, Kingswood and Redhill, subject to it being possible to carry out the necessary arrangements.-This recommendation was adopted.
It was decided to thold the next ammal general meeting at Unotstone. The next cuarterly peal is to be attempted at Buckland, the methor to be seven Minor methods, and to be conducted by Mr'. L. 'L'idy
Mr: George F. Hoad, of Reigate, was re-elected as Master of the district for the ensuing year, Mr. Alfred Bull, of Horley, was reelected hon. secretary, Mr. Maurice A. Northover, of Reigate, was re-elected hon. treasurer, Messre. D. \%. Burt, H. Hooper and L. Tidy were elected on the committer, and M1. A. Gear was re-elected as a uditor.

Mr. Bulls the hon. secretary, submitted the ammal report, which was adopted. Twenly-soven how members liad been elected during the past year.
Mr. Norhover, hon. treasurer, presented the balance sheet for 1528, which slowed a satisfactory balance. This was received num adopted.-Mfessrs. W. 'Г. Pooley, W. Slaughter, G. Woodman and R. leukins were rected members.
Rev. W. G. 'Thompson was thanked For presiding at the meeting and for addressing the members at the service. A wate of thanks was then necorded to the secretary for his untiring efforts during the past year. At the conclusion of the meeting, ringing was resumed, methods from frandsire to London Surprise being ruag.

## COALBROOKDALE RINGERS' DINNER

Tho Coalbrookdale Society held their third annual dinner at the Coalbrookdale Ins on Jaruary 19th. The Vical (the Rev. T Eland) presided, and was supportch わy Messus. F. Fuyhts ant F. Joheson, thumbwardens. Alderman Walter Roberts and Comeillor J. S. Barker, Messry. A. E. Edwards, F. EI. Fowler, T. Jought, F Francis, A. J. Garbett, N. Grifliths, H. Thowr, W. Burd and W Westhrook wexe amongst the visitors. Sixteen of the local ringers
were present, and the sidesmen were represented by Mr. F. Folsnson. The function was arranged hy Mr, William Sammers thead ringer and towerkeoper), and ans excellent meal wat served hy the host (Mr'. E. Bailey), ably assisted by Miss Miaund. Affer the loyal tonsts had been duly lonoured, Councillor Barker proposed "The Church and State, and extended a hearty welemen to the newlyappointed Vicitr.-The Chaiman very suibubly respanded.
'The Visitors' was proposerl by Mr. Fred Johnson, End Mr. T Doughty replied.

Alderman W. Roberts submitted tilne lonst of 'Coutinued prosperity to the Coalbookdale ringens, and Mr. W. Saurders suitably

## repilied.

The Jealth of The Chairman ' Was proposed by Mr. 'J. Donghty, and the Vicar respouded very feelingly.
Uuriug the evaniog NT. Saumders explaned the origin of the function, and saint ils object was to promote ib feoling of goadwi]l amorigst atl the ingers.

A musical programme was remdered during tho avening by the fobl lowing: Alderman Walter Robevts, Messrs. 1'. Figighwan, A. A. gelections were readered by the Coabmooklale ringets, and in. F. Fletcher was the aceampanist. At the close of the eveming the clainman veferred to his pretlecessor, tile Rev. Pich. C. B. Crowe, aud raked all present to drink to his health and suceess ins fiss new parish at Morpeth, Northumberland. This was supported by Councillor Barker and Mr. T. Doughly.-The singing of the Natioural Anthem bronght a very enjogable evening to a close.
HYDE, CHESHIRE.-On Tuesday, January 29ll., at SL. George's Church, $n$ guarter-peal of Double Norwich Court Fob ${ }^{\text {Major }}$ (1,280 clannges) in 48 mins.: W. Shaw 1, A. Haughton 2, J. Hrienley 3 H. Norgrove 4, J. Slaw 5, S. Rowker 6, T. Wilde (composer and conductor) 7, A. Hough 8. Rung on the eve of the 50th aunivarsary of Mr. James Slaw's first peal, which whs rung on January 30 thl,

## NOTICES.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. (Estaillished 1637.)-The subscription of 1s. 8d., which enables members who have not attended twenty times in the past year to vote on matters of finance, must be paicl before February 28 th. Meetings for practice will be hedd at St. Magnus' on the 14 th and 28 th; *'St. Paul's Cathedral on the Igit ; Southwark Cathedral on the ${ }_{2}$ ist ; all at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards-William T. Cockerill, Hon, Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W. 4.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis-trict.-The annual district meeting will be held at Canterbury on Saturday, Feb. 9th. A special service will be held at St. Alphege Church at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., followed by tea and business meeting at the Oddfellows' Hall, Orange Street, at 5.15 . The Cathedral bells will be available after + p.r11. Members' subscriptions for 1929 are now duw, and may be paid at this meeting.-Percy W. Smith, Fon. Sec., Fair View, Littlebourne, Canterlury.
LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - The annual general meeting will take place on Saturday, Feb. gth, the bells of St. Clement Danes' being available from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m., after which a shorf service will be held. There will be a tea and meeting after the service at the Parish Hall. The bells of St. Dunstan's-in-the-East will also be available during the afternoon. Meetings for Felbruary: Monday, the ith and 25 th, at 7.30 p.m. St. Mary's, Lambeth, Tuesday, the Igth, at 8 p.m.-S. C. Moye, Gen. Sec.
I.ANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch. -A meeting will be held at Leesfield, Oldham, on Saturday, Feb. 9th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Neeling at 6.30 p.m. Subscriptions now due. Reports and new rules and diagrams to hand. A peal board commemorating a peal by the local band will be unveiled at this meet-ins.-William Horan, Eranch Sec., 2, Greenhirst Hey, Todmorden.
IANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION,-Liverpool Branch. -The usual monthly meeting will be held at Childwall on Snturday, Feb. gth. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service 5.30 p.m. Tea, is. each (Childwall Abbey), 6 p.m. - Claude I. Davies, Branch Sec., Caerleon Dunbabin Road, Wavertree.

PETERBOROUGH AND LINCOLN DIOCESAN GLILDS.-A joint quarterly meeting of the Peterborough and Southern Branches will be held at St. Martin's, Stamford, on Saturday, Feb. gth. Bells available afternoon and evening. Will those requiring tea please make their own arrangements, as there are several restaurants?-C. T. H. Bradley, Folkingham, Lincs, and W. H. Waldron, 137, Scotney Street, Peterborough, Secs.
WNCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GLILD.-Alton District.-The annual meeting will be helct at Alton on Saturday, Feb. gth. Belis at the Parish Church available from 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea in St. Latwrence Church Room al 5. - B. C. Taytor, Binsted Vicarage, Alton.
GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Chertsey Dis-trict.-The annual district meeting will be held at Chertsty on Saturday, Fel, gth. Bells (8) available from 3 p.inl. Service $4 \cdot 30$. Tea 5 o'clock. Business meeting io follow in Church Room.-H. J. Chaffey, Lpper Childhwn, Longcross, Chertsey.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND 1.ONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West District. The annual meeting will be held at Isleworth on Sarmday, Feb, gth. Ringing from 3 p.m. Nembers , ittertained to tea by the Vicar and churchwardens. - Wm. H. Holier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4*

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. - Elloc Deaneries Branch.-The annual meeting of the above will be held at Spalding on Saturday, Feb. gth. Bells available from 2 p.m. Service 6.30 p.m. Tea 4.45 p.m. Business meeting afterwards-George Ladd, Hon. Sec. Pinchbeck, Spalding.

DEVON GUILD.-Exeter Branch.-A meeting will be held at Newton St. Cyres on Saturday, Feb, 9th. Service 4. Tea 4.45. Bells (6) available; also Upton Pync (6) and Crediton (8). All ringers welcone.-Miss E. Lomas, Hon. Sec., Sandfords, Whimple, Devon.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North-Western Division.A meeting will be held at Royden (Herts) on Saturday, Feb. $9^{\text {th, }}$ at 3 p.m. Arrangements as usual. Those requiring tea kindly notify me. - C. Beeston, 5, King Street, Bishop's Stortford.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Luton District.
The annual meeting will be held at Dunstable on Saturday, Feb, gth. The bells (8) will be ready at 2.45 p.m.-A. E. Sharman, Hon. Sec., 199, High Streel N., Dunstable.

ONFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Newbury Branch.A meeting of the above branch will be held at Compton on Saturday, Feb. 9th. Bells (6) available at 3 p.nn, Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. at 15 . All ringers welcome. -H. W. Curtis, Hon. Sec., Church Road, Shaw, Newbury

BATE AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Helester Deanery Branch. - The annual meeting of the above branch will be held at Martock on Saturday, Fels. 9th. Service at 4-30. Tea at 5 o'clock. Meeting follow: - E. Fartant, Hon. Local Sec., North Street Martock.

DCRHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-The Pre-Lent meeting will be held at Blaydon on Feb. 9th. Bells of Blaydon and Winlaton will be available after 2.30. Committee meeting at 4.30 and tea at 5 o'clock at the Co-operative Café. Gienrge Taylor, Sec., 149, St. Leonard Street, Sunderiand.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District.-A meeting will be held at Sandy on Saturday, Feb. gth. Bells (6) available at 2.30. Tea at 5. Al! ringers welcome. A good attendance is requested.- $C$. J. Ball, Dis. Sec., 2, Tempsford Road, Sandy.
lancashire association.-Preston Brancl. The next meeting will be held at Preston St. Mark's on Saturday, Feb. gth. 'Гower open from $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. - Fired Rigby, Hon. Sec., S, Cartington Raad, Chorley

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Hereford Dis-trict.-The annual meeting of the district will be held at Hereford on Saturday, Feb. gth. City bells avalable during afternoon and evening. Service, All Saints, 4.15 . Tea, Booth Hall, 5 p.m.-A. Gwynne, Dis. Sec., Deanery Cottage, Castle Street, Hereford.

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.-T he next monthly meeting will be held at Monk Bretton on Saturday, Feb. gth. Bells ready early--C. D. Ipolter, Prospert Villa, High Street, Royston, Barmsley.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GLJl.D. - North Dorset Branch.- The next meeting of the alrove braneh will be held at lydinch ( 5 bells) on Saturday, Feb. gth. Ringing from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 . Tea 5 (Gd. for members). Meeting to follow. Towers available: Lydinch (5). Hazelbury Bryon (5), Sturminster Newton (6), Stalbriclge (G). - A. E. Nedinam, Hon. Sec., Compton Abbas Rectory, Shaftesbury.
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GLILD.-Guilsborough Branch.-A special meeting will he held at Ravensthorpe on Saturday, Fehruary ghth. Usual arrange ments.-K. J. Cater, Althorp Park Station East Haddon.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Ashford District and Romney Marsh and District Guild.-A joint meeting of the above will be held at Tenterden on Saturday, Feb. 16 th, by kind permission of the Rev. M. L. Mann (Vicar). Tower availabie 2.30. Service at 5 o'clock, followed by tea at 5.30 and business meetings. All ringers welcome. A card to either secretary by the 14 th would be appre-ciated.-Kent County Association, A. C. Kay, 6, Sturges Road, Ashford; Romney Marsh Guild, A. Battin, Heronden Hall Gardens, Tenterden.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Nottingham District.-The next monthly meeting will be held at Binghann on Saturday, Feb. 16th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Tea at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Will all those requiring tea please notify me not later than Feb. 13 th, without fail? F. W. Bailey, Local Sec., 42, Rupert Street, Nottingham.

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester

 Branch.-The next meeting will be held at Brookfield Church, Gorton, on Saturday, Feb. 16th. Bells ready 3.30. Meeting 7 o'clock. Subscriptions due. Reports to hand. Hoping to have a good attendance. - J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles PlattingMIDIAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-The next meeting of the Chesterfield District of the aloove association will lse held at Eckington on Saturday, Fels. 6 th. All those requiring tea kindly notify Mr. Jervis, 7 , Littlemoor, Eckington, not later than Feb. $13^{\text {th }}$.-J. P. Tarlton, Hon. Sec.
T.ADIES' GUILD.-Northamptonshire District. - A meeting will be held at Thrapston (8) on Salurday, Feb. (filh. Ringing from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 U'clock. Will those requiring tea kindly let me known by Tuestlay, Feb. 12th? -S. Thursfield, Cranford Rectory, Kettering.
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Western Divi-sim.--The annual meeting will be held at West Tarring on Satturday, Feb. 16th. Bells available from 2 o'clock. Sorvice 5.45 . Tea (free) 4.45 . Heene bells will be available in the evening. - A. W. Groves, Dominion Rearcl, Worthing.
WARWICKSHIRE GUILO.-A munthly meeting will be held at Allesley on Feb. w6th. Bells available during alternoon and evening.-J. A. Fenton, Hon. Sce., 6, Freflerick Street, Rugby.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Sonning Deanery Branch.-Combined practice at Binfield, Saturday, Feb. thih, from 6 till 9 p.m. All welcome.-W. J. Paice, Branch Sec.
HERTS ASSOCIATION.-Feb, ${ }^{2}$ rrd, meeting at Wiatforl (8). Ringing from 4 p.m. Tea $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Cheap trains to Watford from all stations.-C. H. Horton, 53 , Aldenltanz Road, Bushey. Tel. City 4270 .

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Maidstone Dis-nict-A bye-meeting of the above will be held at Bearsted on Saturday, Feb. 23rd. Tower open for ringing 3 orlock. Service at 4.30 . Tea, by kind invitation, in the Parish Room after service. All ringers welcome. Kindly notify me not later than Tuesday, Feb. rath.-C. H. Sone, Hon. Dis. Sec., Bungalow, Linton, Maidstone.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. - West Dorset Branch.-The Langford memorial meeting will be held at Bratpole om Saturday, Feb. 23 rd. Bells (8) ready at 2.30 p.m. (iuild service at $4 \cdot 30$. Tea 5 , followed hy short meeting. Numbers for tea by 20th insi. - T. Hervey Beans, Hon. Sec.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch. The next meeting will be held at Holy Trinity, Bolton, on Saturday, Feb. ${ }^{2} 3 \mathrm{rd}$. Bells available $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Meeting 7 p.m.-Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., 203, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

HERTS ASSOCIATION.-Saturday, Feb. ${ }^{2}$ grd, meeting, Watforcl. Bells open from 4 till 8.30. Tea (Old School) 5.40. Number for tea by 2oth. Cheap trains from all parts to Watford.-C. H. Horton, 53 , Aldenham Road, Bushey. Tel, City 4270 .
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -The next meeting will be held at St. Michael's Church, Blackburn, on Saturday, March 2nd. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Meeting at $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. A good attendance requested. Reports to hand. Subscriptions due. - $F$. Hindle, Hon. Branch Sec., 58 , Anvil Street, Blackburn.
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A meeting of the Certral Division was held at Aldrington, a sixbell tower, on Saturday, Jantury 26 hh , the number present being 21. After ringing in the afternoon, s short service was conducted by the Rector (Rev. H. T. Mogridge), who gave an excellent address. A capital tea was served in the Church Hall. The Rector took the clasir at the husiness meeting which followed, and was supported by the Master (Mr. J. T. Rickraan). Mr. Keith Hart kindly undertook the duties of the divisional geceretary, Mr. Stone being unable to be present. Mr. and M+s. F. I. Hairs, St. Nicholas', Brighton, were the new menbers flected; and the election of Mr. Alfred T. Greenwood, of Portsea, as a non-resident member, was confirmed.
A vote of thanks to the Rector for the use of the bells and the hall for iea, for the service, for his address, and for presiding at the meeting, was cnrried, and acknowledged -by the Rector.
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Again, those writers who are so anxious to rearl into the Hereford resolution something which is certainly not apparent on the face of it, are endeavouring to persuade the Exercise that they alone know what the Council intended. Thus we have the Rev. H. Law James persisting in the view that the resolution means, not what it says, viz., 'seven true and complete $720^{\prime}$,' but seven differently constructed 720 's. In this definition of a peal of Minor the word 'seven' is used, we take it, with the same meaning that it has aiways been used since the Council defined a peal of Minor; it is used in conjunction with the words ' at least ' to indicate that any number of $720^{\prime}$ 's less than seven do not constitute a peal. It ought not to have been necessary to emphasise a point like this, but the argument that only by an arrangement of seven different 720's $\quad \boldsymbol{H}^{\prime \prime}$ a peal of London Surprise Minor be got, which would comply with the Hereford resolution, shows the shifts to which members of the Methods Committee are reduced to justify the views which have been put forward. Mr. James would hardly contend that in the corresponding resolution relating to Dotbles the 'forty-two' means that number of differently constructed six-scores.
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Then the Rev. E. S. Powell suggests that the Hereford resolution was pushed through a jaded Council at the end of a tiring day; as if the matter were sprung upon hinem and they were mentally so exhausted that they were unable to grasp the issues. Mr. Powell's implication is entirely misleading, for, as everyone interested in the proceedings of the Council knows, the exact words of the resolution were published three months before the meeting, and it was actually discussed at a number of association meetings up and down the country. The majority of the Council was, at all events, wide awake enough to know what it intended, although some of the Methods Committee may have been so nearly asleep that it took them six months and the shock of an article in 'The Ringing World' to come to the conclusion that the resolution did not represent the intentions of the Council.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

GHEFFIELD, YORKSHIRE. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCTATION. (Shefrield \& District Society.)
On Saturday. Fobvary 9, 1929, in Thren Hours and Forty-Two Minwtes,
At the Cathenral.
A PEAL OF BOB MAXIMUS, 5016 CHANGES;
Tenor 40 cwt .

- Sidngy Briggs ... ... ...Treble Sidney F. Palmer ... .... 7

John Thorpe $. . . \quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 2 \quad$ FFriderick A. ADams.. .8
-Albert Smithison ... ... 3 "Magrice E. Wilson ... 9
-Albert B. Ward ... ... 4 Walter Wolstencroft ... io

- Wlelitak Bartor ... ... 5 Hayden Thorpe ... ... il

Arthor Knights ... ... 5 A. Percival Knigats ...Jeror Composed and Conducted by Arther Knights.

* First peal of Bob Maximus. Quicicest pesl of Maximus on the bells.


## TEN BELL PEALS.

## IPBWICI.

## THE 드NOLE GUILD.

(St. Mary-le-Tower Sociery.)
On Sadurday, Febritary 9, 1929, in Three Howrs and 7hiry-One Minutc,
At the Chorch of St. Mary-le-Tower.
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANEESI Tenor 32 cwt.

* Hardld E. Symonds... ...Tyeble| Harry R. Roper ... ... 6

William P. Garrett ... 2 Frederick J. Tilleit ... 7
Chables A. Catchpole ... 3 | Lheslie G. Brbit ... .... 3
*Leslir C. Wightaran ... 4 | Georgr E. Simonds ... 9
-John F. Tilebtt ... ... 5 |-Edward P. Duffield ...fithar
Compased by W. H. Barber. Conducted by George E. Symoyns * First perl of Oxford Treble Boly Fayal.

## LEICESTER

THE MIDLAND COUNTLES ASSOGIATION.
On Saturday, Felyway 9, 7929, in Three Hows and Fifican Minutes, At the Cafhedral Chbrch of St. Marim,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, EDAD CHANGES; Tenor 214 cwt .
C. Harry Webb ... ...Treble E. Harry Stoneery... ... 5 -J. Fredqrick Milner ... 3 Percy Harrison... ... ... 7 †Alfred Ballard, jun, $\ldots .$. C. Ferguson Howitt ... 4 Ersest Morris ... ... ... 9 Redvers F. Elkington ... 5 Frederick H. Dexter ...Tenor Composed by J. W. Parker. Conducted by Renvars F. Elkington * First of Cambridgo Royal, and 100th M.C.A. peal, t Fist on ted bells. Quickest penl of Ropal on these bells. Jung as a token of thanksgiving for the convalescent of H.M. King Goorge V. after his prolonged and serious illuess.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

LAYENHAM, SUFFOLK.
HHE SUFFOLK GUHD.
On Su\%vidy, Junary 26, 1929, in Three Howrs and Two Minutes, At the Chorch of SS, Pater and Padl
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAdOR, 5088 CHANGES Stedmáj. Symonds ...Trelta| Fredemick Borehah ... 5 - Machic T. Symomds ... 2 Fredirick F. Mortlock... 6 Arthum Symonds ... ... 3 Ladrence Poulson... .... 7 Thomat Chinery ........ 4 William R. J. Podlson ...Temer Comn sed by H. Fardy. Canducted by S. H. Symonde.
*Finsi peal in the mothod. T. Chinory belangs to Lang Melford, the rest pre local ment. Rung as a complitacnt to Mx. A. Symonds, towerkeeper, on reaching lis 71st birthday.

READINGEEY, LEEDS.
THE FORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Weducsday, Jamary 30, 1929, in Thre Hours and Nine Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF DOUELE MORWICH COURT BOB MAJ日R, 5024 EMAMEES, Tenor 20 련. cwt.
G. Wilfabd Slack

..Treble
Mrs. J. Cotterell lames Coithrali. josepf Eroadley Composed by E. Barnett, she

Grorge W. Siack Grorgi Robinson

| .. | $\cdots$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| . | $\cdots$ | Sydney Sadler ... ... ... 7 Percy J Johnson ... ...Tenor Conducted by Percy j. Johnson

Rung with the bells lalfunffled, as a lest tribute of atfection and respeci to the late Mr. Henry Wihlams, who was conductor at Headingley for more than inirty years.

## WORKSOP, NOTVS

THE MIDLAND OOUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
(Sahffield and District Society.)
On Saluday, Febrary 2,1929, in Two Howrs and Fifty-Five Minutes,
At the Priohy Chomch of SS. Mary and Coibberi,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, $595 B$ CHANGES Tenor I2t $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
John H. Brothwel ...TVeble Charles Mason ... ... ... 5
Rev. R. F, Wilikinson
Jozn Hocman
Harold Kenz Compased by C. Meddleton. Jesse J. Moss
$\begin{array}{ll}\text {.. } & 5 \\ \text {.. } & 6\end{array}$
Artacr Pashley
... 7 Conducted by J. Filint. metiod on the bells. Runs to C1ume the south transept of the Pry Chumeh, which was reopeacd for service on January $24 t h$, after being m luins 400 years.

## OLDHAM.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Rochbale Branch and Oldham and District Society.) Cu Suturday, Fobraly 2,1929, in Two Hows and Fifty-One Mintes, At the Cedrch of St. Mark,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Tzorstans' Five-part.
A. Barcow... $\qquad$ ...Treble J. Leres
. Marlor ... ... $\quad$... $\begin{array}{ll} \\ \ldots & 2 \\ \ldots & 3\end{array}$ G. W. Schotield . ....
O. Moores ... Conducted by G. W. Scxorizld.

* First peal.

WILLTSSDEN, MIDDLESEX
TGF MIDDLEGEX COUNTY ASSOGIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Ticsity, Feduray 5. 1929, in 7hree Hoters and Forty. Eight Minhtes, At the Church of St. Marv
A PEAL OF RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR, 5280 EHARCES; Tenor 10 cwt .


Alrbit W. Coles...

## Composed by Arthrfr Craven. Conducted by William Pye.

Fiost peal in the methot by all the band, aud by the issomition. It wis parg without previous practice. First peal in the methort int the Soath of England. For eomposifion, seo The Rioging thorta, October 26th, 1923.

GHESTER I.E-STREET
THE DURHAK \& NEWCASILE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Thesday, Febwayy $5,: 929$, in Thre Hows and Eight Minhles, At the Chorch of St. Cuthhert,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor 25 cwt.
-Thomas J. A. Edmondson Treble Willam Brown...
Ernest E. Ferry ... ... $z$ George Sidmle
Sampel C. Walker ... Loadman Donnison...
Composed by J. Parzer. joun Crawrord...

* First peal. All are service ringers at the ahova cliurch excult the conductor.

TWYFORD, BERKS.
"HE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wednesday, Febrwoy 6, 1929, in 7 wo Hours and Fifty-Sit Minvis, At tur Chorch of St. Mary-The-Vircin,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holi's Ten-part.
Tenor Jz $\frac{7}{2} \mathrm{cw}$
-Gordon Cross ...
..Treble
Miss Marie Cross
Mass Vera Rueinson
Miss Stella Davis...
Fredrrick Dhetry.
5
7 Conducled by R. T. Higeert.

* First peal. First peal of Gratubine on the hells.

PLYMPYON, DEVON.
THE DEVONSEIRE GUIED.
Da Sutwrday, February 9, 1929, in Thre Howfs and Mine Minures,
At the Ceurch of Si. Thomas,
A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Holt's Ten-part.
Tenor 15 cwt. (approx.).
-Bertram Whbber
Trebl: | Whillam G. Lavers.
Wililan A. Wonnacott.
Erank Packer
William Richards

## Conduct

* First peal of Triples. HWirst peal of Gramalsire Triples witts . bob bell. First peal of Graudsire thiples as conductor. Ringers of the treble, 2nd, 3rd, 5th and tenor are resideute of Plympton.

WILLESDEN, MJDDLREEX.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Salurday, Febrwayy 9, 1929, in Two Hotu same Thiriy-Five Mimutes, At the Ceurcil of St. Mary

## A PEAL OF DAMBRIDEE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5050 CHANEES,

 Tenor 10 ewtEdward Lanzester ... ...Treble Georgh R. Pyr.
Wicliam Pye
Charles T. Coles
2 Harry Kiley
Гhomas Lock ...
3 William J. Numds
Composed by C. Midderton. Conducted by Charees T. Goles.

## DUNMOW, FSSEX.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCTATION.

On Saturday, Fpbrayy 9, 7929, in Thwe Fowrs and Twend-Six Minuts.
At the Chorgh of St. Mary,

- PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES।

Johnson's Valiation of Middleton's. Tenotricwl is E,
Walter Smith ... ... ...Tyeble Alegert Wifpran
[basil Redrymll ... ... 2 Whelabl Kebber
Williamj. Nevard
3 Walter Arsohth.
Lewis Wi. WIfFEM ... ... 4 ARTHER Sadaden
Conducted by Wileiam Keuslr
First poal in the melhod un the lecels. Fung it
:hchay of W.r. W. I. Nevate

[^12]NUNGATON, WALWIOKBHIRFI THE WARWIOESHIRE GUILD.
(The Nineaton Society.) On Thatsday, Fotraary 7, 1929, in Two Hours ard Fifty-Eight Minwtos, At tae Parish Church,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Heywood's Transposition of Thurstans' Four-pari Tenar 14 4 oft.
 Stone $\quad \cdots \quad$ Conducted by D. H. Argyle. HELMINGHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFIOLK GUILD.
On Friday, February 8, 1929, in Three Hours and Fifteon Minubss,
At the Chorch of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF GRAND8IRE TRIPLES, 5040 ChaneEs;

Holt's Ten-part John Gooch ... ... Wililam Weeden Gzorab Piyke ... Jamrs Bennett, jun.

Tenor rg ${ }^{\frac{1}{4}}$ cwt.

Conducted by G. Whiting.
. 11 the uhove are Sonday service ringers at the above church. OHESTER.
THE CHESTEEE DIOCESAN GULLD.
On Suturday, February 9, 1929, in Three Houys and Sotion Minutes, At phe Cedrch of St. Mary-without-the-Walls,
a PEAL OF DOURLE MORWICH COURT EOE MAdOR, 5024 CHAMEES Tenor 20 owt
Grorgrir. Jones... ... ...Treble $\mid$ Henry W. Wilde
coliert Sparring ... ... $z$ Jambs Swindley .
Eisward V. Rodsnburgt ... 3 Jambs H. Rimisg .... ... 6

Composed by HI. W. Wilde. Conducted by J. H. Riding. lung as a bithiay complimeat to Mr. A. F. Pegler and Mt. Fr. W. wilde.

## WOROUSTER.

THE WORGESTERSEIRE AND DISTRICTE ASSOOLATION.
(Western Brancu.)
On Suturday, Februmy 9, 1929, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,
Ai the Chorch of St. Helen,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDEE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Mindleton's.
"Dennis Mirris...
Frank lambenge.
William C. Jones
Sipney T. Holt

Tenor i83 cwt.

- Firth poal of Con
gWANSEA, GLAMORGANSHIRE
THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Fobymity 9, 1929, in IWres Hours axd Fourteon Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,


## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Teror Iy量cwl.
George Popnele John W. Jones Alutert J. Pitman John E. Bloxham
Composed by I. R. Prbitchard. $^{4}$
fijist peal of Major on the bells. cuth for the (?uild. 50 th penl together by the ringers of 3ret and Thanks are given to Mr. A. Edwards for having bells up and thing randy.

## BURNHAM-ON-SEA, SOMEREEX'.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ANBOCLATION.
On Saturday, February 9, 1929, in Ihree Hours and Five minktes. At the Cherch of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 8040 CHANGES;
Therstans' Four-part. Alemander Eyans ... ...Treble fin Tenor 23 cw. - David
 Pbrcy Merson … … ..... 4 Handucted by Hary Lawrence...

* Firat peal and first attempt.

WROTHAM, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Febraary 9. 1929, in Threa Howrs and Five Minutes,
Ay the Church of St, George,
A PEAL OF BUPERLATIVE SURPRIBE MAJOR, GD56 GHANGE8:
Tenor zo cwt. so lb. in Eflat.


THE LLANDAFF AND MUNMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, February 9, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes, At the Churce of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor 13 cwt 6 lb.
Wileian Dond ... ... ...Treble | Wililam Alsop... ... ...
-Cyril G. Hooper $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2$ Samurl Jonss
Arthor G. Sparkes... ... 3
Arthor Lewis
Composed by J. W. Pabrer.
Wiletam Elooprr ... ...Teno
\# First peal inaide. † Firat poal.

> ALMONDSBURY, GLOS.

GLOUCESTER ANO BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sahrday, February 9,1929 , in Three Hours and Four Minules. at the Chorch of St. Mary-zbe-Virgin,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Groveg' Transposition of Parker's Twelve-part. Tenor 22 cwt . in D .
Harold Robbins
Cectr H Pawgy ... ...Tybble Alsert R. W. White
Cectl H. Pawsey
"Albert Nash
… . 2 Stephen H. Wood
Victor Wills ... ... ... 4 Henry Kington... ... ....Tenor Conducted by Stephen H. Wond.
First peal an an inside bell. Rung as it farewell peal to the Rev. Canos F. R. Wood, father of the conductor, who is loaving the parish afler 30 years' devoted ministry. He has always takel a keen interest both in dis bells and his ringers.

ROWLEY REGIS，STAFFOLDSHIRE．
THE EOOLETY FOR THE ARGEDEAGONRY OF STAFFORD．
Un Safurdilv．Febinary 9，1929，in／hree Howrs，
At the Cherch of St．Giless，
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES，E040 CHANGES；
Parker＇s Twelye－fart．
－Harby Boswell ．．．．．．Trible
Lonis S．Ghirpiths ．．．．．． 2
 Samoer J．Hoghes．．．．．． 4 ｜Alberi Addison ．．．．．．Tomor Condacted by Agrafam Greinfigld．
＊Firat peal of Grandsira Triples，t Tirat peal on eight belle． The condiuctor，who bas previously rung a peat on each of the above bells，has 日ow conducted a peal on each bell，and is the first ringer to accomplish this in this tower．

BRRATALL，FORFE．
THE YORKGRIRE ABBOCIATTON．
On Satnyday，Tebruary 9，1929，in Thyee Hours and Fifien Minulas， At the Chorch of St．Peter，
A PEAL OF 8TEDMAN TRIPLES， $60 t 0$ CHANREA！

Teurbiane＇Fodr－part
Thoras B．Kendall ．．．．．．．Treble
Mre，James Cottrrell ．．． 2 Joserf Bromdlyy ．．．．．． 3 James Cotterele

Conducted by TH

Tenor 22 cwt ． gr .7 lb ．

Conducted by Thomas W．Sthangeway．
Hhouse B．Kendall＇s 200th peal．Ringer of the treble from Ship loy，2ad，3rd and 4th from Bradord，5th and 6th from York，7th from Rothwelk，tenor from Armiey．

## SIX BELL PEALS．

HETCHAM，BUCKS． THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GULLD．
On Salurday，Fibyaty 2，1929，in Two How s and Fifty－Fowr Hitwies， At the Chdreh of St．Mary，
A PEAL OF TRE日LE BOB MINOR， 5040 CHANGES；
Being three extents of Oxford and four of Kent，rung slternately Tenor 6.1 cmit ．
Willian E．Taylon ．．．．．．Trable Miss Kaihlaba Fletcher 4 Migs Bertha M．Mills ．．． 2 •Miss D．R．Fletcher ．．． 5 Grorgr Martin．．．．．．．．．． 3 Grorga Gilebrt ．．．．．．Téna Condacted by Gro．Gilbert．
＊First peal of Minor．Rugg as a birthday compliment to Mier F． Berry，at whose house the band were afterwards entertained to a sumpluaus repast．

PINCHBECK，LINCOLNSHIRE．
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD．
（Elloz Deaneries Branch．）
On Wedncsday，Febrwary 0，1929，in Threa Hours and Tuenty－Twe Minutes， At the Chorch of St．Mary，
A PEAL OF MINOR，EOHO GHANGE\＆
Eeing two extenta each of Orford and Kent Treble Bob，and two of Double Court，and one of Plain Bob． Tegar 27 cwt．
Wichiam H．Sution ．．．．．．Treble George Ladd
Arther Grodnd．．．．．．．．． 2 John Curry．．．
George Sewill．．．．．．．．．．． 3 John G．Ames
$\begin{array}{llll}\cdots & \cdots & \cdots & 4 \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & 5\end{array}$
Conducted by Jorn G．Ames．
Rung as a hirthday compliment to the conductor． HENDON，MIDDLESEX．

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCEGAN GULLD．

On Solurdoy，Febsuay 9，1929，in Three Hows and Ten Minutas， At ine Cevref of St．Mary，
A PEAL OF EOE MINOR，G040 CHANAES：
Being seven $720^{\prime} \mathrm{g}$ ，each called differently．Tonor 164 cwb ．
Crarlag H．Martik．．．．．．Tveble Friderick S．Tubb ．．．．．． 4

 Conducted by Freverick A．Barmer．
Hung to commemorate the 3 thth anniversary of the wedding of Mr ． C．H．Martin who very kindly consented at the last moment to fill the place of one of the band who was taken ill．Erneat Bonfield Was elected member of the association prior to starting the peal． The band wish to thank the Rector for the ase of the grand old bells deting bach 300 yeare．

## CADELEIGH，DEVON

THE DEVONEHTRE GULDD．
On Saturday，Febrailiy 9，1929，in Two Howrs and Fifty－Two himult， At the Chorch of St．Mary，
A PEAL OF RRANDSIRE DOUBLES，BOHO GHANGE ；
Being 42 six－stares with ten different callings．Tepor 10 ont
Frank J．Davey ．．．．．．Tveble Arthor G．Selley ．．．．．． 1
Samele j．Hopkins ．．．．．．． 2 Harry Pook ．．．．．．．．．． 5
－Ricbard Harris conducted by FrankJ．Davey．
＊Firat pea！．Firat peal on the belle．
WINOHCOMHE，GLOS．
THE FOUR SEIRES GOILD
On Satnyday，Febrnavy 9，1929，in Two Hours and Forty－Five Minutes． At the Parish Chorca，
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES，RO40 CHANEES； Being $42120^{\prime} \mathrm{s}$ ，with 13 callings
P．S．E．Aston ．．．．．．．．．Trabli W，Large
W．Colehan ．．．．．．．．．．． 2 G．Hiati ．．．．．．
J．Gardner ．．．... Conducted by W．Large．
First peal on the belle．
GTAPLEFORD，CAMBS．
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION．
On Saturday，Fibruary 9，1929，in Two Hours and Thirty－Stuen Minutes． At the Church of St．Andrzw，
A PEAL OF BURHAM SURPRISE MINOR， 5040 CHANCES ；
Beimg 日even 720］．
Tervor 7 exw in $A$ fla
Rogery Howard．．
Trable Albgrt E．Aostin
Miss Kityy Willers．．．...
Jonn W．Ward ．．． Conducted by Ronert Howard． GHARNBROOK，BEDS． THE BEDFORDBHIRE AESOCIATION． On Salurday，February 9，1929，in Three Howrs， At the Cherch of S\％．Peter．
A PEAL OF LONDOH SURPRISE MINOR； $50+0$ CHANPES； Being seven 720＇s．

 Conducted by Erarles W．Clareg． BLETSOE，BEDFORDSHIRE． TEE BEDPORDSELRE ASSOCIATION． Ow Saturday，Fobvayy 9，1929，in Thrue Howrs， At tae Church of St．Mary，
a PEAL OF MINOR，EO4O CHANGE ；
Being 720 Cambridge，Oxford Bob and Plain Bob aed tmo 720 y each of Oxford Treble Bob and Kent Treble Bob．Tenor 16 wwt．
＊Ernest A－Qoe ．．．．．．．．．treble｜John Potipr
†John F．Shith ．．．．．．．．． 2 Herburt L．Harlow．．．．．． 5
－Joserf Crishll．．．．．．．．．．． 3 ｜John T．Newington ．．．．．．Ther
Conducted by $]$ ．T．Newington．
First peal in lye methode t First peal．J．A．Smith was elerled
a life momber of the sssociation in the tower．
WELLINGORE，LINCOLNEHIIRE．
THE MNCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
（Northern Branch．）
On Saturday，February 9，1929．in Two Hours and Fifiy－Fivf Cimuiss At taE Church of All Sainis．
A PEAL OF MINOR，GPHO EHANBES？
Being 720 each of College Single，Double Court，Bingle Court，St． Glement＇b，Doubie Oxford，Oxford Bob，and Plain hob． Toner 11：cwt．
 Mobre Billinge．．．$\quad$ Conducted by F．W．Stoxeg．

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## MORTFN, DETRYSHZRE

LAST DERBYSHIRE XND NOTYINGHAMSHIET ASSOCIATION On Satirddy, Febwhyy 9, 1929. in Two Howrs and Thirb-Nitt Minntes, At the Chorch of the Holy Cross

## 8: 3 A ${ }^{2}$ A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Compriging-q20 of College Single, one ol Spliced Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, two wach of Kenn and Oxforal Treble Bob, one of Plain How.
IERGARD Balley...
Ernest T. Maleznder
...Treble
Fred Clarke

## Conducted by E. Knowles.

Rong in honouls bit the wedating in India of W. G. Latham, son of Rector, of, tht, aluese, duturcli.

## HANDBELL PEAL.

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TEE GAMBRIDGE UNIFERSITY GUILD.

Un Surday, Fehpary 3. 1929, in Two How's and Twemy-Two Mintes, [s Trimity Coliegr.

A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

## Tenor size 17 in A.

E. M. Atmins (St. Caths). S. H. Wood (Magdalene)
C. W. Woolcey (Selwyn).
3.4 F. E

Wood
Haymes (St. Caths)

## R. Doffie

Composed by E. M. Atkiss.
This porth was nol comblueted, ha d there what miness if was is not elamed as strictily silent the above Cuitd, which was founded ou February 4 th, 1879.

## KLNG'S NOKTON GUILD

The King Nortun dixilal stand a werr plensitul evening on Satan dny. Fohruary 2nd, as the getsis wi theip late Ringing Nastec, M F. I3. Yalus, Jlue company, which ineluded Messrs. IF. J. Snallwood (Derhy) nud Ahert Wulker und Jumes George (Birminginam), sat down to an excellent dimater of Chwistmas fare at the Bull's Hond, King's Norton. Arter dimmer, ant the loyal tonsl, had been
enthusiastinally received, the ringurs setted down to it vers enjoyable progranume of music and handbell rifuging. Songs weve mopitaliy remteren loy Alesses. A. S. bownes, W. Duwhing and Harry Withers. Tha horl gave the loask of "The Guitc, aud expressed his regret that he hat hoen ahliged in rowign fron the position of Ringing
 Elue (Gniti and join the ringars in the tower as often as possible in the fubum. He regreuted the absence hom the gathering of Mr. $P$. 6. Itaflin, through illness, and exprewsed the indebtedness of the liuild to Mr. Ladin for the excellutit work he had done for it in the past. He hoped lin would spuedily recover, and be back unongst tham again sons. He expressed his conflenence ui his successon, Nr. Ginas. Welhh, and congratulated hita upon lis appointment as Jaingilig Minster.

## the Cinilat monty success

Mr. Wobly in replying, printed ant that the future of the Guida dupsumal vory much upon what the mealocs made it.
Mr. Spencer proposed the ghatrann's hettit. This was sumported Y. Mr. A. Walker, amb received wilh musica! honours.

Al those who contributed to the evening's onjoyment acquithed thamselpes well, but special nemtion must he made of the redoultable Mr. Harry Withets, who, in aridition Ita, playing several tonches in ringing methads on the piano, produced a whistle and rendered items in a, stylo which ostunished the company and protheed munh mirtin. It is a far ery from the plaging of a aphisule to performance ail a carition, bit Mr. Witherg appears to be able to cornjpletely lill the space.
Onc vary plensing incident during the evening was the tonst of
The Reng pleasing incident during the evening was the toms of that the Editor would be raising lis glass al llat moment to all Hue ringers then assombled togetiter

Aulif dang Syne and the National Anthem hrought to a conelitgion atmost enjoyable and stmecossít

## METROPDLITAN POLICE GUILD

 arrvice, ou Sunday, January: 27uh, 720 (biandsive Doubles, with 4-6.8 covoring: ]'C. Wilhaingtan I. ['S. Sthlewter . 2, Inspeutor Bottrial (conductor) 3, H. Spink 4, P.C. Digby 5, J. Ridpath (churchwarden). (first 720) 6, P.C Davis 7, P.C. Stapleton (first 720) 8.
This fower is now the headquarters of the Metropolition Police Gifild of "Change Ringers, who hope to instruct the local fingers in methot ringingy as only'call changes luse keal int fiere for trany years.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

IRESLNTATLON TO THE HON. TRFASURER.
The anumal meeting of the Yorkshire association was held at Far Headinglex, Leeds; ons Saiurday, Januaty 26th. The day's proceudiugs commenced with the audit in the Chutch Schoole, by Messre, G. B. S. Webly and. Gi. Noble 'The day luilug exceptioually fime, a lamge number of visitor- arrived to take ndwantage of the ring of eight, at St. Chat's amil the ring of eight in the neighbouring towor of St. Michael's Churelr. Cha annual service took place in St. Cliadis Chureb; previous to which M1: H. Perct Richardsou grve a recital on the splendid organ, which was much appreciated. The sermon was preached by the Vierr of Headingley (Rey. Canon R. H. Malden). Taking as his text 1 Col., x. 31, the proacher stated that the ringiag of bells was a Cluistian thing, All art was born of religion, ant bellringing existed for religion. There was sometimos a danger of that litik being forgoten, as some who rang seldom, if ever, entcred the Fause of God. Such ringing nusi be regarded kis hypocritien, and any sual ringers must have forgotten the words of the text. It would seem that mors was thought of self-glory then the glors of God. This outlook on life, wherc it existed, was wrong, and the art sloould be actuated ly the deaire to serve religion.
Tea was served in St. Chad's Sehools, and (as is the chaslony) many move visitors required tea than those who had ordered it, to the embarrassment of the providers.
The business meeling followed immediately afterwards, witlr the presiclent (Mr. R. C. G. Marklall) in the elair, he buimg supporteid by Mr. Raymond Heppar and the prinepal officers of the associdtion. Apolegies for nou-attendance were regeired from Messis. J. H. Blakiston, J. N. Addison aud T. Cole.

In proposing the acceptance of the annual report of the committee, the President called attention to the attendance at lbe Snowfon dinner, and u'ged nembers to make ut offort to-mlend that funcfion in future. Attentiou was also davin to a resolution by the genera! committee, "I'hat as the peal af Liversedge Spliced Treble Bob, rung at Liversedge ous PcinMary 4 th, does not comply with the rulings of the Central Council, iu that Bolu Majar lead-ends sre not prooliteed, nor is it possible fo ving a plaim course in the method, it doos not resire a repelition of Elas performances and it requests als members to respect the rulings and decisions of the Central Comeil when tontemplating the vinging of a pual in any melhod.'
Opportunity was taken of vongratulatiug Mr. J. Brondley on laring rung 331 peals for the association, this lueing the highest number tuug by any member refident in the county
The Eresident, in moving a rate of condolence to the widuw of the late Mr. Henry Williams, of Headinglay, prid a warn trilaute to the depeased, who had served the association in Lurn as general
 ried ly the members tising in sileuce.
The halance sheel was carvieri, on the motion of Mr. B. G. S. Webls, seconded by Mr. W. Harton, aud the audtlors were tuanked for thetivernices on the motion of tine prettenth geconded by Mr. Corterall.
Opporthnits was taken at this mocting to atark-clue completion of twenty-ohe years of office as fon. genomb treastrer by Mr. Jimes Cotherell, and he was presented witl 4 gold watela as a token of the feyand and estem of the members. In making the presentation, the President thataked Mr. Cotterell for his many valued services, and conveged the good wishes of the assombion to hinh, trusting that tie would be spared fou many years to conlinte in the post he has It was moved by Mr. J. Wholer, soconded hy ilv. W. O ralliot that a maeting be arranget if possilale at Whility on Jiastor Manday. A vote of thanks to the Vicar of Fra Fendiagley nad wadens, also to the preacher and oteranist, was moved hy Mr. P. A. Jolmson, secauded by Mr. C. D. Potter, Luis motion including a vote to the Rev. Canon R. H. Malden for his wrmon, and to tho whadens of Hearlingley for kindly granting the ato of the hells.

A vote of thanks to the local rampany, mad the lanties who waited at the tea tables, was responded te havi. G. E. Lawson, who gare a warm welcome to the assoctialion.
It was moved by the President, and soconded by Mr. G. Lewis, that Mr: Raymont Hepper be aected an honorary mensor, and on this leing agreed to, Mr. Hepper innte a most interuating speecl.Messrs. J. Smith, W. E. Fowuend, F. Adersom, W. Hick, - E. Wost and the full band at Marden, were alacted an nembers of the association, and fle meetiug rlosed with a vote of thanks to the clazir-
man, who ocupies the dual offees of Tien of Far Headingle and mau, who occupies the dual offices of Ficat of Far Headingley und pleasant day and meetiag, train time calling a hatt oventuatly to all the ringing netivitics.

## A BIRTHDAY COMPLIMENT.

At Lavenham, Sufitk, an Sunday, Jatuatw 13th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1,260 changes) in 48 mins, A, Symonds 1, W, R. J. Poulson 2, W. Fayers 3, F, F. Mortlock 4, M. Symonds 5, S. H. Symonds (conductor) 6, F.A. Poulson 7, F., A. Turner 8. This quater-peal is the composition of the editpry of The Ringine horlid (Mr. J. S. Gphlemith) and was vung as - A lirthdas compliment to him. the hard wishigig himy-many fappr returns.

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

READING BRANCH'S SUGGESSEUL YEAR.
'Lhe anmual mecting of the Reading Branch of the Oxford Diocesam Guild was held at Reading on Saturday, February 2ad. During the afternoon tottohes of Grandsire Thiples, Stedman Triples, tsol, Najor, Double Norwich, and Grandsire Gaters were rung on the bells of St. Lewrence's and St. Giles'. A service was held at St. Gilles' Clarch, canducted by the Rev. E. Sheppard and the Rev, F . Phillips. The Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn (Master of the Guild) gave the meitess, bis text being, "Let us wait on our ministering (Ram, xii. 7).

A splendid tea was then served af the Silver Strect Eall, a company of 55 sitting down, members being present from most of the iowers in the branch, together with the Rev. O. W. O. Jenkyn InLaster), Mr. A. J. Wright (treasurer), Mi. L. Joyce (branch (elamman), Mr. W. S. Pearton, the Rew. St. George Edwands, the Rep. H. G. Harding, and visitots from Faringdon, Hillingdor, Newhan'y and Bucklebtery.
The husinoss meeting and election of offeers followed. Mr. L. Jowee was elected chairman witla acclamation. The balanec slect wis read and adopted, and the sectetary's report showed it had anco more bean a successful year, there being an increase it hon. and ordinary members, and an increased balance. The quatterly meetinge held during the year, too, had been successfol.

The Master spoko of the restovations which lad faken place in the buanch during the year, namely, Henlay, wettlebed, and st. Mntry $s_{1}$ Reading.
Thie lom. seererary (Mr. F. W. Hopgoori) was then re-elected, and Messms. Wiggins and Foster were elected auditors. ${ }^{\prime \prime}$ line geueral commiuse, Messrg. W. Applaby, H. Tucker and J. Swain, were reelactert.
The grarterly meetings for 1929 were atranged for Shiplake, Nuttheberl and Fenley.

Satisfactory tower reports were given from most of the foremeu of thermanch.
Thanks were ncoorded to the Viear, the Rev. Cauon F. J. C. Gilj. mot, R.D., and the organist, Mr. P. R. Scrivenor, F.R.C.O., of St. (iiles', for the beaufiful service which was rendered.
tis impromptu conecrt followed. Miss Peggy Pocock sang delight[ifly, necompanied by leer sither, Miss Vera Pocock. Messrg. Furdery and Gasls also entertained with songe, and Miss D. Ford with recitations, Humurous stovies wera enjoyed from Messes. Curtis, Gash, and Hopgood.
'ILL' meeting coneluded with the singing of the National Anthem.

## DEVON GUILD.

The spring quaderly meeting of the Exeter Brancl was lield nut Newton St. Cyres on Felituary 9th, about 80 members Leing presenn, including representatives from 15 bands in union, several honorary members, and visitors fram other branches. The service in chareh, at whinh the Vicar, the Rev. J. E. B. Ball, oflicisted and gave: a most inspiring address, was followed by a toa and business meeting. the Rev. E. V. Cox presiding.
Six change ringing eertficates were presented by 縣s. Powell, wife of the president, and three new associate members were elected ton the branch. The date of the autumn meeting was fixed for Scpternber 7th, at Kenu.

Parties visited the towers of Newton St. Cyres and Upton Pyme, where the bse of the bells was much appreciated.

## LAD'ES' GUILD.

The guarterly mecting of the Northern District was held an Saturday, January 26th, at Worksop, Notts, and although the Weather was exceplionally favourable the attentance was very poor. Consequently the quality of the ringing left much to be desired, the methods leing limited to Grandmre Triples and Bob Major. A splendid tea was provited in the old fiate Fouse, wbich stands at the entrance to the grounds of the Priory.

After the tea, which was lhoroughly enjoyed by all, the business meting took place, the Vicar's wide, Mrs. D'Arey, puesidiag.

A decision regurding the deaign aud itscription of the peal tablet which is to be placer in Fandsworth belfy commemorating tho firgh peal of Major ever rung liy ladies, was subsequently arrived at. and the work is to be starled at once. The subscription list atill remains open, as the necessary amount in oot yet forthcomiag, ant donations, however small, will be very gratefully achnowledgod. Dufheld was suggested for the next moeting, and the date fixd for April 14th, when it is hoped all mambers will endenrour to attend.
Votes of thanks were extended to Canom D'Arey for the use of the hells, io his wife for taking the chair, and to those responsible for providing such an excelient tea, creciit for this being ebindy dur to M1's. Scat, of Rolberbari, who had persoadily undertaken tho catering.

All those present then altendan the short evensoog, and befor going baok to the lelfry slayyd to inspech the giories at the maunificent off Priory Chureh, which is a splendid gpocimen of Norman architecture, dated 1103 A.d. Firther ringing took place in the evening, and brought an enjoyable meeding to a close.

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One hundred and forty years ago to-morrow, Et. Martin's Youths, Birmingham, rang a peal of 14,224 Bob Major at Astan in 8 lrs. 45 mins.
London last a ring of twelve beile on Februery 17th, 1830, when : destructiva fire occurred at Chrish Church, Epitalifelds.
The old Society of Trinity Youtis, now defunet as an wgenisal tion, but some of whose members are still to be found, rang their first peal, which war Grandsire I'riples, at St. Nicholas', Deptiord, on Fébruary 18th, 1782.
The frrst peal of College Single Major was rung 40 years ago nexi Monday al Warnham, Sesser

Henry Haley, ono of London's groatest ringers, was unrn oul February 19th, 1819. He did maty brilhant things, including composing and conducting the firtit peal of Stedman Cinques rung on handbells. Alto and composed 105. He was the ling to utilige in a peal romposilion the 'handstroke' position in Stedman Caters.
The first silent 'peal of Stedman Cinques on handbells was rums at Leicester on lebruary 21st, 1803.

The sender of a report of a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major, rumg at Moorgide, Oldham, on February 2nd, bas omited the number of changes.

## JUBIEEE OF THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GULLD

The Cambriage University Guild celebrated its 50lh birthdey on February 4ib, having been founded on that date in 1879.

Owing to the unfortunate death of thbe Rev. H. B. Wooller, one of the Guild's oldest members and firmest friends, it was decictert to postpone the jubilee celebrations till September, when the Guild will be holding its annual toar in the Cambridge district.
The occesion was, however, cclebrated by a noan-conducted peal
Bob Royal, which was sung on hathbells it the rooms of the Rev. A. H. F. Boughey, president of the Guidd, in Triaty Coldege, on we evening preceding the jubilee day (as reported elsewhere in thits issue).

## PARSON WHO "LOATHES' CHURCH BELLS

St. Michael's Church, Derby, has do hell, but the Cathedirul Church on one side and St. Alkmuad's on the other each possessen a peal. The ringing of the bells apparently interfereni with the parochial meering at St. Michael's, and the Vicar, the Rey. C. A. Page, made the following culburst:-

- Personally I absolutely loatho church hells. They are like a red rag to a bull to me. They are a mere row-no music at all.
'I always class three things together-church bells, Scottish hag pipes and eats at right. I do not know which is the worst.
I often wish that campanologists were made to camp on Sitis bury Plain and stay there
We have to thank a great many correspondents for sending us copies of the above, and regret we cannot print all the comments which we have received thereon.
One writer, however, asks what Mr. Page is going to do ahout his future destination. "There may be bells in heaven," he says: "in the other place there would be no risk of hearing them-the cemperature would melt them."


## DEATH OF ANOTHER SUSSEX PIONEER.

Another old pioneer of ringing in Sussex passed away on Jajuiaty 30 th, in the person of William Palmer, who was for about 40 years a member of the St. Nicholas' Society, Brighton, and for some 35 years of that period was captain and steeplekeeper. In early lifs he was a sailor, but settling in Brighton be joined the St. Nicholas Society, and in company with the late Jamea Scarle, Jobn Jay, (i. F. Attree, Harry Weston and others, laid the foundation of change: ringing in Brighton. He joined the Sussex Association at its stalt in 1885. He kupt no record of his peals, but he rang about 170 altsgether. An excellent treble ringer, he rang that bell to a large number of Surprise peals in and around Brighton. Througla illhealth he gave up ringing about three yeara ago, and about two years ago had, under the doctor's orders, to give up work. Though well provided for, to walk about doing nothing was more thars 'old Bill" could stand, and he had lo bo taken to the Mental Hospital, at Haywards Heath, where he died, and was buried on Fobruary 2nd. Thus passes another veteran, highly respected lis all who knew him.

## A FALSE PEAL. <br> To the Editor.

Dear Sir, -I have been informed by the composar, Mr. A. Kiphis, that a peal of 5,728 Kent Treble Boh Major, rung at Willesden by members of the Middleser County Associntion on January 10th, 1925 , is false. This peal is therefore being withdrawn from recards. I had expected this to be notified by the conductor, Mr. J. E. Syhes, but it is possible that ke is away from home. Yours faithfully,
C. T. COLES
C. Tin Jotatyon Se

## PEALS OF MINOR AND DOUBLES

## CONGTRDCTION OF LONDON MINOR GROUP

 To the Editar．Sir，－The Ringing World of February 1st contains a leading article，a lether from Mr．Parter and anothar irom Mr．Severn， Which ghow the writers have not yet underatoed my position．

About 15 montbr ago sumoone wrote and asked me for soven 720＇s of London Minar in which 5 －6 never come up the wrong way about at the linek．Under the ofd definition this is impossible；there are enly four 720＇s which will do mo．
When the molion was moved at Hereford，I seconded it，because I conld see that it would enable us to get a real peal of London Minor containing this very important condition．That answers Mr． Severu＇a question．
Mr．Parker publighes what be eatls a mixed 5,040 of London Minor， which he glates contains four extents having the tenor called WRW， but this is impossithle．There can be only one extent in which the tenar is calied WRW，and there is only one in which the 5th is called RWR，and 60 Mr．Parker＇s arrangement aloes nat satisfy the gondition．
To satisfy the definition as passed at Hereford we must have seven $720^{\circ} \mathrm{s}$, not one repeaiced seven times．
Hore are the four old ones which seep $5-6$ the right way about behind：－A


Q sets bobbed． 283646
There bre five more which alse heep 56 right，and I select the following three：－


Now $E$ and $F$ have 18 bobs in cach，but they fall into three eparate round blocke．$G$ has 9 bobs and falls into two threg－ part round bloget．

We introduce one of these round blocke into $E$ and the other into F，and obtain two round blocks containing three true and complete 720＂s．The $Q$ sets of cach are differently trested．Thus we got the ＊oven：－


Finally，Mr．Severn etate that my brother＇s seven 720＇s oi Cam－ bridge are all false．
It is very easy to make falae statements，and Mr ．Bewinl must either withdraw this statement of prove it true，and this br ema－ not do．

H．LAW JAMBA．

## AGREEMEAT DEGIRED．

Sir，It is surnly a eithle unceasonable on your part la ery out lut． cause you canaot eat fowr cako And keep it．As Mr．Trollupe has already atated，the Methods Committee propose to ingert in the wis edition groups of $720^{\circ}$ on the Bankes James＇plan suitable for all ＇Irebie Kob methods as well as grouping，like thoge of his by＇ofls＇l
 lines indicated ill Mr．Abring＂letter in your assue of＂asuary Ilılı last．
The weight of epinion expressed in jour eorresponfence molumbls daring the pask weeks is undonbtedly due to the effect that all thas ure eaciuded by the actual wording of the resolutions passed at Herro ford．Some writers thing that cortain of the arrangements chan ral through the meshes，but moat take the view that all are suchluduh．
At the same time there is a strong feeling（whethor that of tha majority，time alone can show）that some at least of thom should be permitted．And if they aro to be allowed I am convincmal hat the members of the Exercige Fould wish to have the recognised al＂ rangements permanently available in the nam colleation．At $1 i, t$ same time it would be abviously improper fot the Mothout Gorm－ mitter to issue groupinge of 720 ＇s and six－scored which are now to hit accepted for peal ringing purposes．As a committea，we nre thst interested either was，It is for tha Contral Conncil to hay duw＇r ita policy，and then，whatever tha decision，we shall carry it ont
But with all respect to you，sir，there is grave doubt wt the moment as to whac the real policy of the Council is．The resala－ tions themsefres were pased somawhat hurricaly at the eñl of a long session，whea the mamberg were guite obviously tired．Murs－ over，the gentlemen responsible for bringing the mattor up lasi spoken witly divarse and even contradictory voices，Mr，i．h＂ Frrker would insist on 720 difforent rows being rung，abal theat another 720 rugg simatarly，and sn on，but is npparenty indifteruma as to how the seren rioupa aro spliced togelhor，but on no armounl would he accept spliced extenls such as those in Mr．Atjins letwr Your position in leading articles is somewhat gimilazr while Mr． Goldemitb，in proposing the resoltitions at Hereford，slateal eam gorically bofore the Gobncil that thoy wore intonded to admit frutil－ ings on the plan mentioned by Mr．Athine．Mr．Law James，who seconded the regolutions，puhliahed a fow weeks later the comprosin
 which Mr．Parker repudiates so strongly in your issue of Fubrany 1st．No one will imagine that 3 r ．Jages would havo put thesc odi had ho then thought they were forbidden by a resolution whiw lite himself had assigted in fathering．
Let me state onco more that in a matter of this kind thy int＂u tjous of those who proposed or roted on the lesplutions is wat lhat really important considerstion．Committes of Guilds and Astueia－ tjons are bound to take the wording of resolutions fa they stanti and act on them，and not on the supposed intention of thase who have legislaued for them．And your correspandence gons to show that some agociations would fecl bound to rejoct all peals an illinor and Doubles in which the 720 ＇s and 120 ＇s are nol in rowad blueks while other associations mould accept some and reject othn⿰⿱⺈⿵⺆⿻二丨⿱刀⿰㇒⿻二丨冂刂灬丶丶

As an Fgercise we Hare got to make up our mind what wa witll and get if laid down in terms about which there can be ab aisput． －Tourts efe．

5．8．PGMHMル。

## AN APPEAL FOR EIVEBELL RINGERS．

Dear Sir，When Mr．W．Wilmon objects to＂nioetien of exprus－ gion＂and＂hair splicting＂he forgefs that these works deacrilme Lis own letters．They are expressiong of his disagreament with otduct， and he＇gplitg＇the difierences of epithots to descrito them，finally plumping for the term＂freak，＂With this conclusion I thoroughi＊ agree．But most developments in anture，as well as in art，Jutht gtarted with a freak．The first crobs per］＂must have apperatod at freak to men mho onjy knew＇plain changes，and spliced ramgise certainly aommed a freat at firat．If we try to legislate againal lin possibilfty of frenks appearing，we shalt bring about tha gieriljty wi death．We want our art to develop，and when freaks appuat wu want to teat them thoroughly，to gee if they can produce a boblaly developmont．
Mr．Willson teils us that a splice makes what is joined shronger thata before；but I would remind him that this does not spply to a splice that is bad or incomplete or imperfect，And it is becalab I am afraid that ane of theac terms applies to these splices，that int itot enamoured of them．
I ghould zile to gat how much I agree with all thet Kr．Trullope： has wititen on chis matter，bui，unfortunately，big lagt letter hu4 onte comes io a conclurical inmongigtent with the former age：amd sis

I liave alrealy expressed my agrecment with the former letter I am now in somewhat aif $n$ difficulty. Before, we understoot that those apileed arrangements were trio but mat complete. Now he says that suntil a peal is nuither true, nor complete, nor an extent.

Late us see. Suppose we write out the six rows of the changes on thred hella on six cerds. Now thense cards can be arranged in two dethodox ways, one of which would be a Stedman Quick Six, and the afher 4 Elow Six for you can call one A six in Even Mownment, uml the olber in Odd).

Hal we couldi also nrrange them in oliter ways, say, by drawiag frum a hat. Now each of whese arrangonents would be true, for olivionsly no row could be used twice. Also eath would be an extont, for all tho anards would bo used. And if each is tyue and an exlont, it does not seen possible to deny that cauh is complete. What is missing is not trutin nor completeress, nor the extent, hut sumntaing which porhaps many fue better deseribed as perfection. Thertly, it is a cortect thythme which is missing, but probably warald he beste deseribed by saying that these sixes are inperfect.
Tho siry that they are unorthodox at present is begging the ques. tion, as the question is whother we are to allow thom to be ranked nts orthodex.
(Simblat atguments, applying to splicing, could he uspd with art rangements of 12 cards, on whinh the six rows were writters out Iwite over.)
Wita regard to Me. Trollope's question as to what is to be cione witu regard to the Report, obvjously le canmot gel a definite answer from your colmoms. It is hy we meane certan that lue would get It1 answer if la loft it to the rext Conncil meeting. The Council mitht wall follow precedent, and sny it is not a mater on which Hay wers enpable of deciding.
Woudal it not satist'g evoryone if these arrangemeats were iuserted the Report, with e note saying that they ave contrary to a reision of the Council, but seem worth 2 ecording?
(Similatly, would it wot ha possible to note flant some call the " Woh' melhod 'D"lain, and also to sugges 'van alteruative to the two whes which rre still objected to.)

Bat what i shond like to mapport with all the power [ can is whe mase of live-bell ringere. Think of it, having to ring the same whi $120^{\circ}$ - week after week! I anm glad to lhenr that a large aumber live-bell medhods are to be publishod, and 1 hope ifiat while गuty he fis rigid ns we like an seqch or more lienlis-may, even (id walles, whothey of methats on chaling, for five-bell ringers.

HERBERU' DRAKT.

## SUGGESTION JO ASEOCJAJJONS.

Wear Sir, Wilh reference to the dibenssion which is going on, as dem whenthesitions of Loubles und Minor, 1 should like to bring agatin in tho notice of all ringors the coneluding part of your lead ing arlicle in the issue of Fobruary 1st. Ilense print it again: If Whe thells it a pest on six belld are not to strike in 720, or on five beils in 120 thiforent orders before heginuing the mext 720 or 120 ,

Surck lhat puls the whole thing as plain as a pike staft. And,
 whal is mat to be recognised as a trus poal of Mincy or Doubles. Mry I suggest, sir, liation dizarict aecretaties he asked lo inolude flin item on the ngenda for discussion at thoir moetings bebweon mow and the next meeting of the Central Coutwil, and take a vote
on the question, so that the vepresentativos for delegates; ilsy are senuing to the Central Counen meeting may know exacty the upiniou of their members on the question, and vote accordingly. It raight bo put to them in some sath form ass follows: Is it yout funsicler opd opion that the Central Canmel should adait composifions of Mirot and of Doubles in which the bells do not strike in 720 ancl 120 diferent orders respectively, before beginning the nest 720 w1 120 ? Yes or No.'-Yours faitlifully.

ROBHET WHITTINGTON,
Guildford Diocesan Cuilnt.
(0ther latters are unavoidably helal over.)

## (Conthatil from next column.)

sto the bell founders for the value of the bells unlawfully taken jussesgan of and broken up by them, I must, therefore, snmetion
 His tuso (though fise petition in unopposely in Court. hecause it is a fypical instance of what takes phace too often in regatd to our mhineheg, and, would rppeal to bell founders and to sill concernens in rantrathing for, Chureh work, that they concem thenselyes not
mind with the gaing but winh the good order of the, transaction nam see that the proper sanction which glone makes it legal isc,given. I nut sure that in so, doing they will gain the esteem of fre community


## THE RESTORATION OF CHURCH BELLS.

## DMPORTANCE OF OBTAINING A FACULTY

At a Consistory Court held at St. Prul's Catbedral, the Chancellor of the Diocese of London (M1- F. H. L. Errington) heard a petition of the Viear and churchwardens of the parish of St. James Clerkenwell, for a freulty to conlium the removal of the bells from the churcls, and repairs to the organ, which had boen carried out, without a faculty having first been oldained. It was stated that the bells had been hroken up and were ready to be recast, after which it was intended to replace them in tho church with whatever inscriptions they previously hore. There was no opposition to the petition.
Evidence was given hy the Vicar (Rav. C. X. Parker), Mr. How (Vicar's clurchwarden), and Mr. G. F. Johnston, of the Croydon Foundry.

## THE JUDGMENT:

The Chancellor, in delivering judgment, suid that esnction for ar
minor work in connection with the organ was also asked for, and minor work in connection with the organ was also asked for, and
this would be granted asy matter of courge. Proceeding, the Chancellor said that the church was consecrated in 1792 winh a peal of oight bells made by an old-established firm of bell makera, whose business is now oarriect on undor the style of Measers. Moars and Stainbank, of Whitechapel. He had no evidence that the bells were not a good avorage ring. In 1904, however, one bell craeked and was recast by Messrs. Mears and Staimlink. No faculty was asked for or obtained. In 1924 the bells were in need of repair, and Messrs. Mears and Sliainhank reported that they were in such a condition hat they must be either properly hung or left alone, and that the fitings needed rencwal. At the end of Januan', 1925 ,
Messrs. Qillett and Johnston, of Croydon, were called in and were mainly responsible for what follawed.
In Fobrualy, 1925, they Fecommended various repairs, involving the rencwal of numerous littings, and gave an estimate of $£ 187^{\circ}$, which included the remoral of the hells of their works. Owing apparently to lack of funds nothing was done until July, 1928, when the matter was re-opened by the petitioners, and the same firm offered to do the repairs at the redued price of 8180 . This quotation was accepted, and ihe bells were removed, no factuty being obtained.
On Soptemter 12th, 1928, Messrg. Gillett and Johnston for the First time suggested the recasting of tho heils. In a letter of that dats they set out the atvantages of the live Tone Farmonic or Simpson principle of tuming. The retuming, wauld involve the recasting of the bella, and liey grave an eslinate of EET5 for the work, or, with cerfain improvements in weight and offerwise, e345. The estimate of $£ 345$ whs accepted aind a contract signed- According to Messrs. Giileti and Johmston this systom of tuming was practised iu the Netherlands 300 years ago, and liad beon iately rediscovered and improved. Opinion, however, was not unamimous on the advantages of this system. What was gained in tuncfingess might be lost 'in power' ; and, hawever this might be, thert was obviously a great differenee hotween tuning the origimal bells in this fashion and breaking up and recasting an existing peal.

## AN APPFAL TO BELE TOUNDERS

Refercing to the fact that no faculty hat been applied for until after destruction of the bells, the Chancellor said: 'The interest in the preserving of old things whiel now happily exists has, owing to the more expert, innowledge roquincd; nati get spread to the bells; and they grantly need the protection of this Court. J'ingy are fyequently takelz awny, mutilated by eutting of the en ons and ather-
wise, and then put back withou reforence to the Court on the ground that these are merc repairs. This is, in fact, the excuse put forward by the incumbent in the present case. I desire to point out that when repairs amome really to a remaking of the object concemed or involve its remoral fronin ahareh (I am rof concerned, of course, with trifing matters) they require a faculty. The incumbent has in this cass alan ploaded ignorance, which I bave to accept, though it is a source of canstant sunplise to me that many incumbents take so little pains to acquaint themselves with the rules reluting to thoir temporary occupation of their churches. Such ignorance on the parti of the clurchwardens who aro the officers of: the. Ordinary, is still less excusable.
"So far as conceris the bell founders, and having regard to their lange connection with churches, they arc, in my opinion, the worgt offenders becauge they, are ignoring that law in thejr own interest., Had the petitioners applied for a faculty int the lisual way the mattor would have boen refored to the Advisory Committee, and the petitionors would without any expense have obtained an expert opinion as to the work to be done On ith coming before me I should hare been able to exercise an informed discrotion as to the best mode of carrying th out. But by the precinifane petion of the petitioners, the Court has been deprived of all discretiona.

I camot leave thfochurch without its bells and lif not desive to adopt the altarnghe courke of directing the ghtyohwardens to

## HOLT'S ORIGINAL

## To 颔e Editar.

Sir-Though my hand is still suffering from the attack which overtook me a month age, I cenoot refrain from trying to write a line to shy how deeply interested $I \mathrm{am}$ in the historieal question at present at jssue regarding Holt's Original and other early composilione, and with what keemess I look forward to its unravelling Hoth ${ }^{1}$ in Grandsize and Stedman I simply followed the lead of Mr . Insper Snowdow, end, with all others, amon only too flad to welcome amy aclditional light that can be shed upor it. Being a College Toutli, I shall be sorry if we lave to mbandon our claim to its linatr porformance with the conductor himself ringing, but truth is bruth, and comed before all other considerations.-Yours truly,

GHARLES D. P. DAVIES.

## Keurierton,

## Februar'y 8tb, 1929

## ANCIENT RECORDS UNKNOWN TO SNOWDON

Dear Sir, -As I whs the one wito showed to "The Ringing World who first oalled Holt's Origimal as well as ringing it, gexy I be allowed to answer Mr. Price's question? I claim that the 'Original' whs firgl rung at Norwich by eight men only. "The Norwicla Mercury' gives the recond of the peal and also clescribes the composition as lanving been rang in London amd Stoubam Aspal, but was rang by these men withont a prompt.' Tlue record also states "that it wng thoughi so intricate that no man could ring a bell and catl the hobs. ${ }^{\text {a }}$ It was again rung in Norwich a short time after. Alr. Priee asks if the gtatement now elaimed of there being two previons performances of this peal at Norwich and Saftron Walden is eorrect, how dan il be oxplained that Soowdon should have igoored them altogether?
May I inform him that Mr. Snowdon visied Norwieh in 1877 or 1879, and got what information lo coutd, but at that time the ringers at Nomwich had lost sigllit of the performances and forgotten all about them. Thoy did not know of their existence. If Hey had, when they redreanised their society (the Norwich Scholgrs) Lhay would have incladed these two peals in their list of performnuces. In a cony at the rules of the Norwich Scholars in my possessiun, dated 18解, no mention is made of a peal heing rung hetween 1737 ann! 1760 , and for the information relating to the pends rung in 1760 nati 1769 they relied on the Oshornc MSS.
Hotwean these dates the Norwich mon rang a peal at King s Lym in 1766, sitso 10,192 Riob Major in 1768, neither of which appears in the list of peals rung by the Norwich Scholars. Thus it is ensily explained. The men that rang it Norwich did not know of these pralt, and the recorts of them were brought la light and mate frowin through fle efforts of M1: P. Sadher and Samuel Slater, who careftaly fiearehed all the East Anglian newspapers seeking for ringing listory. Mr. Snowdau did nat know of the exisfence of iliese peal treotds. They were not brought to lirnit until after his thentilt.
On pare 118 of his 'Grandsire' Mr. Snowdon suys from what souree the College Youths got their intormation rolating to the peal in $1689-90$ tho is mable la sny, and that he helieved that tradilinu was ihn only sowre to which this stalement cha now be traced. 1 have henct tho question asked, Where dit they get their informalion frons" "hat all the change ringing historians lave tup till now been uuable to answer the question.

On page 118 of Snowdon's "Grandsire' ihn nuilor' states: 'As fap an the is aware, there is max exting record of a true peal of 5,000 changes liaving been rung prewious to the peal at Norwich in 1715 . 1 luavenat a record of one lawing been rung earlier,-Yours truly,
Hunt"s Hiti, Glemstorn.
THEODORE E. SLATER:
| Mr, Stater's letter, which was received atter our leading article of last woek was writhen, came to hand just too late for insertion in bla last issue. It bears aut our suggestion that Jasper Snowdon was mawre of the existerce of these records.-Ed. R.W.']

## REVISION OF HLSTORY

 wergone who has studied the numerous books by tho late Jasper W. Snowdon cannot fail to be astonnded at the ameunt of researeh into history he made, spending-as lie must have done-much time, money, and energy in personal invegtigation and pationt engairs lndoed the lexercise owes $\Omega$ great debt to his memory, for un-
anntuedy lie was anc of the greatest historians. Yot oxen be coult not hape to include all the earliest peals. Many of these recorda He lost for ever many have come to light since his times manr mil: yet come to lipht.
[' know of several pents of Triples, for instance, not shown in Showdon"s "Grandsire' Bueh as at Yarmurth 1728; Bungay 1732, Leicester 1730 and 1731, tlie latier record stating that a considerable wager was wen thereupon lity five mintres ${ }^{2}$ (will Mr W. Willson mols this poal in bis. Ledeestre ringens? book, as I don't think this is shown. (henpin), Ketteping 1730, when the ringers say' "which we hins as artan, a. Bertorraance as that of the Leicester Scholars.'
In Forwich if am tolid, several nucient peal records haye bean found thit, evers, the Norwivls mell of later days were upanato of,

The numerous extracts, frow old newspupers made by that late Samuel Slater form a most valuable asset to ringing bistory, umd have revealed many performances that would doubtless have buen losi sight of or forgotfen I have-through the guncrosily ni his son, Mr. Theodore E. Slater-been given certain copies and hafmelur others, many of which would hava been unknown to Snowdon.
I might add that I bave recently undertaken to write of JHistor of Change Ringing, and during the past few weeks have - heet privileged to sean and take extracts from valuable MSS. and bows lent through the generosity of many ringing friends throughour the Exercise. As you, sir, are aware, my own lesearhies and books on the subject are fairly extensive, yet even so, there ate many ancipuf performances of which I am ignorant. Will you, therefore, alluwe me to appeal to any friends (especially in the Norlis of Enyland, whers 'ancient' records seem few), who have, or know of, sarly performences or records of old societies, kindly to send me conjes for inclusion in my forthcoming 'bistory '? Fours sincerely,
24, Coventry Street, Leicester,
ERNEST MORTRIS.

## PEALS OF TRIPLES To the Editor.

Sir, -I bog to give notice of my intention to invite a blatal af ringers to ring witls we the following amangement of Grandive Triples, and in order to avoid subsegment contraversy I wish to be assured beforehand that there will bu 110 caril made anressonably niferwards against its being accepted as a peal. the "rillgifg will start from handstroke instead of the wsual bacikstrake, the first change being:

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Frons this point ithe calling will bo that giwn in Showtonts 'Grandire, page 113, the last row heing" 216:735. This conpleters good ellough to inform us more than onve, 5,040 Lanm and complete clanges. That it is not a round block is unfortumate, lata it is -inevitable on the plas proposed. It is, in fast, exacty similar in all respects to any mavidual 720 in Mr . Banda a mones anmageninh. $\rightarrow$

## BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION

A rery suceesslul meeting was held at Sandy an Siturday, Frbrimary 9th, members heing preeent fromz the Jolluwing lowats istries Shephard, of Swindon, and the local company. At the mectinjo ludd arter tea four new members wore elected, Hind it was proposel to
hold the next meeting at Eaton Socan on Saturan, Felman 23 rot.
 evening, the methods rung being Cambidga Swiorise, Colloge Exatcise, Kent, Oxford and Woodbine Treble J3ab, Oxford and Flatu Bols
The secretary wishes to thank all those presernt for voming oli weli : wet aflermon to help maka the meding the sucesis it was. He would especially thank those from Kempstom, wha nis a great hup to the Biggleswade District.

BEDEORD-DISTRICJ SECRFTARI IRTINEFS
 Chareh Hall on Salurday, Februniy 2nd, shont. 30 members In in
 presented and aceepted, and the following offery "row 1929 wore mected: Secretary, Mr. J. T. Nrmington; commilnu, Mossm, H. Gaytom, H. Staplion, H. Beard, J. Tysue aut li. Fromark.
Messis. Gayton and Stapleton were appoinfict to athend the nosuciation's annual committee. meeting. One Hew thather sa- ulso elected, aud Sharnhmote was agreod upon as the noxt phace of ancting on March 9th
It was decided to hold monthly instead of guatcorly meetings duting the carrent ycar.
Votes of tlianks to the Rector for the use of St. Fieter's bells and or conducting the serviee which preveded the noceting, and to Mry . Stapleton, the resigning secretary, were recorded
St. Peter's thells were made georl use of thring flie aftermson and evenirg, mumerous methods being fung.

## DEATH OF THE VICAR OF FULHAM

The Rev. Gerald K. S. Marshall. Vicar of Fulham, passod peatenfully away on Sundry evoning, January 27lh, after a stort illuest at the age of 62 years. He bad heen Vicar of Fiullam for 15 yraps! He was buried it the ald churchymer on Whaneday, ofan, \$0hit, the Bishop of London conducting the service. There wore alsp present tho Bjshops of Kensington, Willesden, Steprey, Bationgham, ant Fulhan, and ovar 30 otler clerry. The ringers met in line everime to pay lieir last tribute of respect and will the bella liafemufreil A. Cutmore 3, A. Waddington 4, W. T. Elson $5, A$. H. Fulwell 6 . . Skevinglon 7, E. Edwards 8, J. A. Trollope 9, J. W. Driver 10: Touches of Grandsirc and Stedman Cators followed: Other tingen taking part were H. C. Page, H. Eilig, F. C, Natris; G. A. Bhek,


## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

THE QURSTION OF UNATTACRED MEMBERS.
The quarterly mecting of the Lewisham District of the Fent County Agaociation was held at St. John's, Lewisham, on Saturday, Wanuary 26th. Thm belle wers kegt going in various methods, ranging from Grandsire Triples to fondon Eurprise, throughout the afternoon atal evening. The antociblion form of service was conducted by the $\boldsymbol{V}$ icar (Rep. IO. R. Neil), aspiated by Rev. 1. McLaren (curnte), a very incerestiag address being given by the former. After the sorviee, $s$ magnifieent repast, generously provided by the Vian and churehwardens, was gerved in the adjoining Church Hall, some sixty-bve members participatiog. Several of the local ladies ministereil tu the membera' ereature comforts. Immediately niter ten a nourse of Grandeire Cinques was rung on hendbelle by Messrs. Barnutt, Audgley, fr. Brett-Gmith, T. Brett-Gmith, T. Groombridge, jun., re. Groombridge, sen.
Thos business moeting followeri. Mr. W. J. Jefries apologised lor the absence of the churchwardens, who were uvavoidably detained, and stated that the Vicur was unwell, and had gone to bis home to Feat. He hasl maked him (Mr. Jeffrieb) to preside. Three ringers wese eloeted members of tha association.

Mr. I. Emary (district representutive) then gave a report of proctedinge at the asocistion's central committee meeting, mentioning among other things the general secretary's aversion to He growing list of unettached members.
Mr. F. W. Thurnton proposed a vole of thanks, coupled with the menting's congratulationg, to Mr. Emery for his report. Me (Mr. Thornton) regretted to gay that bis name was one of the newconern emong the unatached members, and was airaid that it must continuc so, as long as change ringing was foreign to St. Alphege's, Greenwich.-Mr. J. J. Laml seponded the proposition, and endorsea Mr. Thornton's remark with regard to Greenwieh. -The vote of thanks was pased with rpplause.
The next husiness was the choice of a place for the next meeting. Mr. Thornton suggested that a visit to Greenwich might resuit in good missionary wark being denc.-Supporting this suggostion, Mr. A. Petris proposed, and Mr. E. Barnett, sen., seconded, that Greenwich be chosen for the April meeting-Thin was carried, no other mominations being made-
Mr. T. Groomlsilige, jun., referred to the splendid response that had been made to the appeal on behalf of Mra. Bates, especially mentioning the ronations received from other associstions, He propased that that megting bhonid support the appeal issued on belialf of a ringer of Pendleton, near Manchester, it member of the Lancambire Association. This wha seconded by Mr. R. A. Jenkins, and carried. The collection resulted in the sum of El 12a,, and Mry. Groombridge uadertook to forward this sum to the appeal orgeniser.
Mr. F. W. Tharnton proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, for conducting the eervice, and his address, and ruked the chairman to convey the acecting segret at his ahsonce and sympathy with him. Also a hearty vote of thanks to the organiat for his services, to the Vicar and churchumardens for their Eenerous hoppitality, to the ladics for their waluable attentions to their comfort, and to the chairman for presiding at the moeting. -rhe motion having been carriod with applause, the charman briefly repponded. This coneluded a very succeseful meeting. Then followed a short selection of tunes ou the handbolls by Mesers. IT Groombridge, jurt, and R. Brett-Sinilh, astistell by E. Barnett, jun. This was minch eppreciated. The riagera then retioned to the traves for lurther riugithg.

## CANTHRBURY DISTRICT.

The manul mocting of the Canterbury District was held at Cutterbury on Euturday, February $9 h_{3}$ when 72 mambers alfended from Dover, Bt. Peter's Tbanet, Ashinord, Canterbury, Bt. Niwholas', mur, tharing, Wingham, Herne, Maidstone, Felling, Wye, Workgop (Nutte), and Litiehourne.
Service, coudueted by Fev. Carter, of St. Alphege's, Canterbury, hnd uesisted hy Rev. Tuplor, Wingham, was beld at St. Alphege's Church, the Rev. Carter giving an appropriate audresa.
The tea enirl husiness meeting followed st the Oddfellows' Hall. The Eev. Carter presided, and the diatricf becretary, Mr. Percy W. sinnith, and tho two district representatives, Mr. H. Smith and Mr. F. Brott, were unanimously re-elected.

Meetings for 1929 were resolved upon as follows: Summer meeling, Lsminge $i$ autumn mecting, Wingham; and the anaual meeting, Canturbury. Suggeations inviled for place of ouri bye-meeting resulted in Tebhans being defeated by Walmer by a amall margin.
'Ther Rev, Teyior, of Wingham, was elected an honorary member, and five practising menberg were also elected. Two new towers Were brought into union with tha abociacion, Chartham with eleven members, and Chilham with nine probationer members, both towers being proposed by Mr. E. G. Buesdra.
At the concluaion of the busiaces, the Chairman expressed regret
 said he folt the meeting wea incomplete mithout Canon Helinore's wrogoucc, and on behaff of that mectiog be mould falie the opportunity of wishing him a speedy recovery.


## GEOUCESTER RINGERS' DINNER

SUCCESSFUL GATHERING TO BE MADE AN ANNUAL EVEN'I'.
Fine meaber of the Glouceater Branch of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association held a dimer at Mercer'a Hall, Gloures ter, on Geturday, Jauuary 26th, when 55 members cat down to ut excellent repath splendidly serwed by Mr. Urch. The Rural Denis (Lice Rop. H. M. Braithwaike) presided, supported by the Rev. T. D. B. Camus (Rector of St. Mary de Grypt), Mr. Georgo Jackson (churcbwarden of Et. Mary de Lode), Messre. W. H. Harris (hum branclt secrararyl, T. Baldwyn, f. Austin, G. L. Brundon, J. Clarko (secretary, Hereford Guild), J. T. Dyke (becretary of the Bath amu Wells absaciation), ate.
The toast of "The Kitag" having been duly honoured, the Chairusan alluded to the fact that the bella of bia own Parish Churd (Bt. Michael's) were not fvailable for any extended ringing, by the architect's advice, and referred to the curiew bell and to the many historic occasions on which St. Michael's peal bad been rugg. He expressed the hope that that dimmer would be made an manoal exens.
The Rector of St. Mary sie Crypt also urged the desirability of closer fellowship amongst the mombers, and supporied the Rural Dear in the suggestion that the dinner should be an annuy] affair. Mr. J. Austin said St. Michael's had a peal of six bejls until 1887, when two trebles were ndded in honour of Queen Victaria's ibsi jubilee, and a further pair it 1897 at the diamond jubilee, making a peal of ten. St. Michacl's Inutirs were amang the firat to rint Surprise methods and Norwich Ciaters, alera the first to ring Cam bridge Maximus. T'o accomplisil the latter they Irequently travelied to Cirencester and Cheltenlam io practise, having no twelwe-bell penl in the city. Of late Years, with St. Michael's tower declarud unsafe for ringing, the practice of eampanology hed fallen off in the old city
arding practice, gtating that agreer with the prewious speaker I' garding practice, stating that ringers were like singers, unlegs thay had practice they coulti neither sing nar ring- Mr. J. Clarke (Russ) and Mr. J. T. Dyke also spoke and concurred in these viows.
Ar. Gea. Jackson hearlily congratulated the branch secretary on the snceess of the gathering, this being the first attempt to loold sheh un event in Gloucester

A vole of thanks ta Mr. Harris was passed
Mr. W. H. Farris (branch secretary), in reply, said bo was ushrmely pleaseri io see so miny ringing friends assemble on that dirst occasion. When the anatier was firat mooted it had been wirg gestard to him that the issue might be doubtful, but the many smil ing faces around him proved to the contrary. It had been buggestecl by previaus speakers that the dinner fhould be held annazlly, and as he was always willing to do his best for the association and mern hers, he woud propose the following resolution: "That the dinuer be an annual event, and apen to members, wives and sweehearts and lady ringers.'-The Rural Dean put the preposition, and it whe carried unamimously
The rest of the ovening was deroted to handbell ringing by dit ment menbors and tune playing on the handbells by Mes-1s Aturtin and Williame.
Apologies for absence wero received from the Rev. C. D. I' Duvien (Master of the absociation), who was ill, They. H. G. Hadur (ehairman of branch), Rev. J. H. Scabrook, Rnv. Ganon Hillete, Hev Caton Bryce, und Mr. Horace Barnes.

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

HSHOP'S ETORTFORD, HERTG.-On Eunday, Fobruary 10h, for cyentog scrvice, a quarter-peal of Cambridre Eurprise Major (1,470 changes) in 50 mins.: F. Bird 1, W. Prior 2, W. Morris 3, T, Jordan 4, T. J. Wattg 5, S. Clark 6, W. T. Prior 7, G. Jordan (con ductor) 8. First guarter-peal of Cambridge on the bells sine then were reang and retuned. Huag as a birthday complinent to $I \hat{L}$. Wacey and $B$. Marliect, members of the local band.
PORTBMOUTH.-On Sunday, F'ebruary 10th, for evensong, al the Cathedral Church, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob (1,280 changes! in 54 mins. F. A. Burnett (conductor) $1_{1}$ E. Martin 2, Mrs. F. A Burnett 3, C. Shepherd 4, P. Giles 5, F. W. Buraett 6, J. P. Cooh 7. If. L. Aitkin 8. This is the first guarter in the method and ot the thills by the looal band.
HOUNSLOW. -On Sunday, February 3rd, at St. Paul's Clurch, quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: H. Gash 2, F. G. Goddard 2 J. Kent 3, G. J. Tricker 4, W. Ellingham 5, E. A. Passam 6, F. E, Haw thorne (first quarter as conductor) 7, C. Gash 8

WANTAGE, BERKS.-On Sunday, Jaruary 27tb, brfore evensong a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 47 mine.: H. Gregory 1, H Seymeur 6, R. G. Rice (eonductor) 7, E. White $a$.

## (Continued from previous column.

A vole of thanks to tho chairman for prasiding, and for the zell vice, algo to the organist for the musical arrangernente, was carriad by acclamation, and concluded the merting. The ringers then ad journed to the various towers, where the bells were ayailable for ringing.

## MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION

 SUCOESSTUL GATHERING AT LOUGHBOROUGH.Un Saturday, Fobruary gnd, the Midland Counties' Association held ita third quarterly meeting at Loughborough. Always an athatcion, the 'bellopolig,' as Houghboraugh has been termed, kept up is iradition in spite of the inclement wemther prevailing. Quite eally, visitors artived from all districts of the association's activiies, and good use was made of the ten bells of the Parish Church, notnd for the famous long peal of Stedman Gaters rung on them, onnl as one of the best peals of their weight in the kingern.
Fhe centre of attraction was, of course, the world-renowned bell foundry, which, through tho courtesy of Messrs. J. Taylor and Co., wis open to visitors and friends. Bells, frames, and fittings in great profusion and in all stages of the 'bell founder's art and crait, were to be seen. There were twentr-five old peals from churches all orer the country, amongt them being the fine uew pulal of twelve (tonor 26 cwt.) for Walsall Parigh Church, which Wha tapped' round so that the ribilors might lear them. There was also a carillon for $\$ 4$. Helens (Lanes), and bells for Nassau, Thataras; West Maitland, Ausiralia; Mombasa, East Afriea; Tholo, South Afvica; Lagos, Weat Africa; Oranbrook, Michigan; Ames, Iawa, U.S.A.; and others too numerous to mention. It was indeed plozsing to alf lo note how busy the Taylor bell foundry was, and ikeping fully up to the traditions of their glorious past.
The small peal of ten bells in tho foundry campanile (tenor 6 ! cwt.) was also srailable for ringing, and some very amusing its were seen by visitars trying to handle the little bells; never1 hribes, some touchea did come round.

MESSAGE FROM MR. E. D. TAYLOR.
The committee met at 4 p.m. and carried through the routime 11 incss, and added several recommendatians for the general meetny. An excellent mast tea was gerwed in the Feavon Hall ai th.m., some 120 members and friends sitting down. At the coneluthe general hon, geeretary (Mr. Ernest Morrig) Gist read letters rpology for absence through illness from the presideat (Mr. R. Is. Clambers, J.P., the vice-preaident (Mr. J. Griffin), and Lor. atsurer (Mr. W. Wallace). He then made tbe annonncement that E. Denison Taylor, who, although in Florina, U.S.A, whore the hint have just erected a huge oarillow of 61 belle (teaor $10 \frac{1}{2}$ tons) at lie Mountain Lake-particulars Bnd photos of which bave already anpeared in these columns-aent his regards and kind wishes to the a $-\mathrm{mbl} \mathrm{m}_{\text {, }}$ ant further asked to be allowed to defray all expenses of tea. Needless to gay, this met with great acclamation, rind both M1. J. H. Swinfield, of Burton, and Mr. W. E. White, of Cotgrave, junke on the subject, romarking that within living memory no 2neathud been held at Loughborough without a Tajlor beiog present. Mr. Coltn Harrison, in a fep well-chosen words, replied on behalf Wr. E. D. Taylor and the firm, promising to convey the members' it wiskes and thank for tite generosity bestowcd. The general fon. secretary bas aloo writhen similarly.
In the absence of tho president, Mr. W. E. White was voted to lis chair. Members elected since the September meeting, viz., 43 ringing; 3 rejoining, and 2 bonorery, were duly confiraned.
"ho Chairman gave a brief account of the commilttee's recomrndations reppecting the 1928 report and balaneo sliect (two anditars were chosen to cheok the fattery, and these were accepted the members, and will be printed in due course.
An appeal for funds from Ashbourne, Derbyshice, was heard, and was resolved to grant 555 . when the work of the bells was put hand. NEW PEAK DISTRICT.
The queation of the formation of a new branch in the Peak Disriet of Derbyshire was fully diseussed, and it was felt wy abl that minch good work could be dione-indeed, has already been done by Rev. W. P. Wright, of Eyam, and others-among ihose towers around Bakewell very difioult of access by other branches. Mr . Lewis Cockey, churchwarien and leader of Dore ringers, wha has n suggested as hon. aecretary for the proposed branch, spotie at 1rth on the subject art was fully supported by all. As the 3.A. rules forbid sltaration excepi at the aunual meeting at ter, it was decided to wote on the subject then.
learty votes of thanks to the local committee for sulendid argoments, Messrs. J. Taylor and Co. for foundry bells and ather ractions, the Rector for use of Parigin Church bells, and ladies on catering, concluded a moat sucecssful mecting. Further vinging was induiged in until a late hour.

## DARLINGTON RINGER'S DEATH.

it is with regret that wa have to record the death on Januiry 19th Mr. R. B. Wileon, amember of Holy T'rinity belfry, Darlington, since its formation in 1882, and of the Durhani and Newcastle Dio$\cdots$ wan Association since 1893. He was verger of the church for thr past 24 years, and hed taken part in eight peals. Ho was in his GOih year, but being in failing luealth for some time liad taken no aclive part in riagiag for the past two yeara.

Dn Sunday, January 20th, touches of Kent Trehile Bob and Jonfon Surprise Minor were riteg with the bells half-muftled, and 01 Hir day of the fnneral, Jabuary 22nr, the ' whole pull and slisnal' and touches of Plain Boh and London Surprise wero rtuge The inmeral was ittended by members of the belfry, and a wrentlo was sunt as a last toke of rexpant.

## NOTICES.

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637.)-The subscription of 15. 8d., which enables members who have not attended twenty times in the past year to vote on matters of finance, must be paid before February 28th. Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on the $2 \times t b$; *st. Yaul's Cathedral on the 1gth; Southwark Cathedral or the 21 st ; all at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards. - William T. Cockerill. Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Ashford District and Romney Marsh and District Guild.-A joint meeting of the above will be held at Tenterden on Saturday, Feb. r6th, by kind permission of the Rev. M, L. Mann (Vicar). Tower available 2.30. Service at 5 o'clock, followed by tea at 5.30 and business meetings. All ringers welcome. -Kent County Association, A. C. Kay, 6, Sturges Road, Ashford; Romney Marsh Guild, A. Battin, Heronden Hall Gardens, Tenterden.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Nottingham District.-The next monthly meeting will be held at Bingham on Saturday, Feb. 16th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m.-F. W. Bailey, Local Ser., 42, Rupert Street, Nottingham.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Mancliester Branch.-The next meeting will be held at Brookfield Church, Gorton, on Saturday, Feb. 16th. Bells ready 3.30. Meeting 7 o'clock. Subscriptions due. Reports to hand. Hoping to have a good attendance.-]. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-The next meeting of the Chesterfield District of the above association will be held at Eckington on Saturday, Feb. 16th. -J. P. Tarlton, Hon. Sec.

LADIES' GUILD.-Northamptonshire District. - A meeting will be held at Thrapston (8) on Saturday, Feb. 16th. Ringing from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 o'clock.-S. Thursfield, Cranford Rectory, Kettering.
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Western Divi-sion.-The annual meeting will be held at West Tarring on Saturday, Feb. 16th. Bells available from 2 o'clock. Service 5.45. Tea (free) 4.45. Heene bells will be ava:lable in the evening. - A. W. Groves, Dominion Road, Worthing.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Sonning Deanery Branch.-Combined practice at Binfield, Saturday, Feh. i6th, from 6 till $9 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All welcome.-W. J. Paice, Branch Sec.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.-A montlly meeting will be held at Allesley on Feb. 16th. Bells available durings afternoon and evening.-J. A. Fenton, Hon. Sec., 6, Frederick Street, Rugby.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Maidstone District. - A bye-meeting of the above will be held at Bearsted on Satuday, Fels. z3rd. Tower open for ringing 3 o'rluek. Service at 4.30 . Tea, by kind invitation, in the j arish Room after service. All ringers welcome. Kindly notify me not later than Tuesday, Jeb. 19th.-C. H. Sone, Hou. Dis. Sec., Bungalow, Linton, Maidstone.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUYLD. - West Dorset Branch.-The Langford memorial meeting will be held at Bradpole on Saturday, Feb. zard. Bells (8) ready at $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Guild service at 4.30 . Tea 5 , followed by short mucting. Numbers for tea by zoth inst. - T . Hervey, Beams, Hon. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch. The next meeting will be held at Holy Trinity, Bolton, on Saturday, Feb. 23rd. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.-Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., 203, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

HERTS ASSOCIATION.-Saturday, Feb. 23 rd, meeting, Watlord, Bells open from 4 till 8.30. Tea (Old School) 5.40 . Number for tea by 2 oth. Cheap Irains from all parts to Watford.-C. H. Horton, 53 , Aldenham Road, Bushey. Tel. City 427 c .

ST. MARY THE VIRGIN, ROLLESTON-ON-DOVE.-Buiton District.-The dedication of new bells is on Saturday, Feli. $23 \mathrm{rd}, 3$ p.m., by the Rev. H. E. Worthington, Rector of Seals. All ringers invited. Tea provided.-L. Smith.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckley District.-The next meeting will be held at Barwell on Saturday, Feb. 23 rcl . Bells available from 3.30 p.m. Tea at 5 , with business meeting to follow in the Schools. It is very important that those who require tea should send their names to Mr. C. H. Belton, High Street, Barwell, near leicester; by Feb. 2ist. A gond attendance is hoped for, atll ringers being welcome.-W. A. Cope, Smockington, Hinckley.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade Bistrict.-A meeting will be heid at Eaton Socan on Saturday, Feb. azri. Bells (6) available at 3 o'clock. Terr at 5. All ringers welcome. A good company is re-quested.-C. J. Ball, 2, Tempsford Road, Sandy.
Gl.OUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATJON. Swindon Brancti. - The next meeting will be held at Jurton on Satirday, Feb, 23 r. Tower open 3 p.m. Tea provided at the Vicarage, by dind invitation of the Virar and Mrs. Willis, for all who notify me by Monday, Fub. $181 \mathrm{~h},-\mathrm{S}$. Hopper, Branch Hon. See., 79, Edioburgh Sireet. Garse Hill, Swindon.

OXIORD DIOCESAN GLIILD.-East Berks and Sombl Bucks Branch. - The next ringing practice lias bxen arabsed at Marlow ( 8 bells) on Siturday, Fels, 2 ard, at Go. 30 P. mi. Jubilee celebrations and anmal meeting are lixed for April zoth. Plase note date.-A, D. Ratker, Camhritge, Wexham, Sough.

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETV.-The mext mesting will be held at Adwiek-le-Strect on Satur-
 tha please rotify Mr, B. Rurkith, GS, J.aurel Sireet. Skellow: Tower secretaries with greatly assist if they will When wand sabserintions and formard same to be. "prey Giferlstane, Hon. Sec., 3t, Silterwoci View, Comiclumotert.

MIDIAND COINTIES ASSOCIATION. DR PH Disulfil. -The next monthly mecting will be held at Wrest

Hallam on Saturday, Feb. 23rd. Bells (8) availabie from 2.30 p.m. Tea at 5 o'clock, followed by business meeting. Those requiring tea kindly notify me by Feb, 21 st . -Geo. Freebrey, Local See., 81, Roe Street, Derby.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. The next meeting will be held at St. Michael's Cherch, Blackburn, on Saturday, March 2nd. Bells ready at 3 p.m7. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. A good attendance requested. Reports to hand. Subscriptions due. - F. Hindle, Hon. Branch Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. (Established y 755 .) - The $4^{1 \text { st }}$ annual Henry Johnson Commemoration Dinner will be held at the Imperial Hotel, Temple Street, Birmingham, on Saturday, March and, at 6 o'clock, when the clair will be taken by Canon T. Guy Rogers, B.D., M.C., Rector of Birmingham, Chaplain to the King. To fuliy qualified members tickets will be issued on payment of 25 ., to other members and friends 6s, 6d. each. The bells of St. Martin's (12) will be available from 3 to 5 o'clocis, the Cathedral (io) and Bishop Ryder's (8) from 4 to $5 \cdot 30$. Applications for tickets, accompanied by remittance, should be made to Thomas H. Reeves, Hon. Sec., 136 , Newton Road, Sparkhill, Birmingham.

SUFFOLK GUILD.-A quarterly meeting, Hadieigh, on March 2nd. Bells (8) available, 2. Tea 4.30. Neeting follows.-H. Drake, Ufiord, Woodbridge.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCYATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-Soutl and West District.A meeting will be held at Christ Church, Ealing, on Saturday, Narch gth. Ringing from 3.30 p.m. Tea arranged as usual. Following meeting, a dance and social will be held in Christ Church Parish Hall in aid of the Isleworth Bell Fund. Tickets, is. 6d. inclusive, maty be had from the hon. secretary, Wm. H. Hollier, 29 , Duke Road, W. 4.
SURREY ASSOCIATION. - Preliminary Nolice. The ammal mecting will be held at Reigate on Saturday, March 16th. New dralt rules are now being circulated to members. Any proposed alterations shonla be sent to me in writing at once. Nomination for officers must be in writing and sent to me by March and. Details of the meeting will be issued later. Chas. H. Kippin, ITon, Sec., Winchester, Guy Road, Beddington, Croydon

## SITUATIONS WANTED.

Trustworthy married couple (turned 40 ) desire position as caretalsers or any place of trust. At liberty any time. Man, change ringer on 8, ro and a bells.-Box A, 'The Ringing World ' Office, Woking.

IHANDYMAN. - Unemployed, desires pemmanent sitwation. Married, aged 43 years. Abstainer. General repair work, joinery, turf laying, etc. Bellringer 26 years, St. Margaret's, Tanfield, Co. Durham. Further particulars and references on application to Wm. Irwin, Crookgate, Burnopfield, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

## MARRIAGE.

BOWDEN-COLLARD.-On Febraary 2nd, I929, at the Parish Church, Haslemere, Surrey, by the Rector, the Rev. J. M. La F. McAnallv, assisted by the Rev. O. Walford, Fred Bowden, third son of Mr. and Mrs. L. Bowden, of Haslemere, to Kathleen Elsie Emma Collard, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Collard, of 1, Durham Street, Gosport.-Address:-Bridge Road,
Hasiemere.

## DEATH

KNIGHT.-On February irtly, at 105, Hainault Road, £eytonstone, Jane, the beloved wife of R. K. Knight, passed peaceftully away in her 78 th year. Mr. and Mrs. Knight were married at the Parish Church of St. Mary, Kiederminster, on Marcl: 4 th, 1873.

## HOUSE WANTED

Wanted House, or Flat, London Suburbs. Regular ringer to nearest band (change ringer). - Wi. Bolwell, Harmony, Devizes.

## LATE NOTICES

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Bistol Branch and Bristol United Ringing Guilds.-T he next monthly meeting will be held at St. Peter's (City) on l'ebruary 23 rd. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.jo. Tea in Schoolroom 5 p.m. after which the annual meeting of the B.U.R.G. will be held. Business is important and interesting. Will all members make an effort to attend, advising G. Way, 1a, Seymour Road, Bishopston, wr Mr. E. Guise?

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Dunster Deanery Branch.-The anoual meeting will be held at Wootton Courtenay on Saturday, February 23 rd. Tower open at 3, service at 4.15 p.m. Tea at the Schoolroom at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Business meeting to follow. Those intending to be present kindly advise me not later than February ${ }^{18 i h .-G . ~ S t a c e y, ~ H o n . ~ L o c a l ~ S e c ., ~ 6, ~ P a r k ~}$ Street, Minehead.

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ment. But of one thing we may be certain, the majority of the Exercise will not be prepared to accept compositions in which the 720 's and 120 's are not themselves crue, but are merely constructed so that, in the case of Alinor, no row is rung more than seven times, or in Doubles more than 42 times, in a 5,040 , without consideration as to whether rows naking up the respective $7^{20}$ 's or $120^{\prime}$ s repeat.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

PAINSWICK, GLOS.
TEE GJOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOGISAN ASSOCIATION AND THE ANCIENT SOCIDTY OF PAINSWICK YOUIHE. On Satuyday, February 16, 1929, in Three Hows and Chirig-Fite Minutes, Ax the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CHNQUS, E14T CHAHGES:

Jesse Gillett ... ... ...Treble| Tom Price ... ... ... Tromas Baldwyn ... ... 2 Ernest Bisbop ... ... ...
 Charles J. Gardiner ... 4 Ex. Srgt. J. Williams ... io Jack Roberts ... ... ... 5 J. F. Ballinger ... ... ... if Alebrt Wrigex .......... Composed and Conducted by Acbert Wriget.
Rung for the 9th anaiversary of the peal of 13,001 is the same method, and of the 8,448 Stedman Cinques ruag February 16th, 1858.

## TEN BELL PEAL.

CARDIFF, GEAM.
TEGE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Thwrsday, Februay 74, 1929, in Three Howrs and Hiften Miautws,

AI tee Ceorce of St. Joen-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANGESP Tenor 27 cwt in D .


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

LENTON, NOTTINGHAM THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCLATION.
On Salurday, Febrary 9. 1929, in Thye Hours and Six Minztes,
At the Ceorch of tee Holy Thinity.
A PEAL OF DOUBLE HORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHAMCES\{ Temor 8 B cwt .
Norman Hemmington ...Trebla Fredertck S. Price -.. 5
Samuel Pinder ... $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2$ J. Alfred Barrati ..... .46
W. Richard Drage ... ... 3 •Joun E. Fobbs ... ... ... 7

Joseph Batley ...... Composed by Arthor Craven. Conducted by Frederick W. Ballay

* First peal in the method. Arranged and rung in honour of the golden weddigg of Mr, ata Mrs. H. Chadourn, parents of Mr. L. Chadburn, vies-presicient of the Notingham Distriet. MACHEN, MON.
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCEGAN ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, Febrwary 9, 1929, in Thee Hours,
Ai the Parish Cherch,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES,
Groves' Transposition of Parker's Twelve-fart.
Tenor 12 cwt .

* First peal away from tenor. I Pirst perk. Rung as a, birthriay compliment to the Master, Mr. G. Martin, who was unable to take part, owing to ill-health.

SIBSEY, LINGOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Eastern Branch.)
On Monday, Fobruayy 17, 1929, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,
At the Cedreh of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5066 CHANGES; Tenor 14 owt .

* Haray Jounson.

| .Treble William Hodghton | ... | 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| .2 | William E. Clark ... | 6 |

- Wielian Wilkinson

Fredshetck Leggott...
... 3
Frank Drfey Harold Harper
Rupert Richareson ...Temor
Composed by J. R. Pritchard. Conducted by Raperi Richardson

* First peal of Major.


## NORTHAMPTON

THE PETERBORODGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
n Wonday. February 11, 1929, in Three Hours and Scven Minutes,
At the Charch of St. Petir,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIYE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5 b88 GHAMGES Tenor 14 ewt.
William R. Parker
Tom Tebedtt ... ..
..Tyeble
Thomas Iaw
... ...
Bertie O. Soden
Composed by N. J. Pizstow.

* Hirst peal of Surprise.

ROMFORD, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
in Tiwesday, Februayy 12, 1929, in Thyce Honvs and Two Minutes, At the Ceurce of St. Edward,
A PEAL DF DOUBLE NORWIGH GOURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor 15 cwt.
Alfred Pye ... ... ... ...Treble Ernest J. Botcer
Alfred Prior
Gzorgr R. Pye
$\begin{array}{cc}. . & 2 \\ \text {... } & 3 \\ \ldots & 4\end{array}$

- George Dawson

Ernest W. Furbank.
William H. Throbaid
James Bennett ...
...Teno
Composed by Ergar Wightman. Conducted by George ix. Pye.
Rung is a welcome to Dr. H. A. Wilson, who was enthroned Bishop of Clietmiford on this day. * Firsi peal in the method.

BUSHEY, HERTS.
TEE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, Febyetry 14, 1929. in Thyec FHows,
at the Chorch of St. James,
a peal of douzle morwich court bot major, 5184 chameea Tenor 13 cwt .
-Frank Stacey
...Treble
Madriee F. R. Hibbert...
Henry Hodgetts
Madrice F. R. hibbert ... 2 William Serley...
${ }^{-}$Edward Aylett $\quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 3$ Josete J. Allegn...
Percy Parslow... ... ... 4 Francis A Smith
Composed by W. H. L. Bocxingham. Conducied by F. A. Smitht
Thist peal in the method. t First peal of Major. Fiisti peai in the melthod us conduetor.

BLACKBURN, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Friday, Febuary 15, 1929, in Twa Hours anl Fifty-Eight Mixutes.
At inz Chdrcg of St. Michael and All Angels.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
fors Brown. Holt's Original

Arther Tomlinson

| 3 | Joseph A. Tomlinson | ... | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 4 | Jobn Sanderson | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ |

Conducted by $A$. Tomeinson.
First peal, and hails from Whalley. Rung as a farewell peal to Rop. H. C. de Barathy, M.A., for many years curate at the above church, on his appointment to the Vicariate of St. Paul's, Eilackburn.

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A peal of spliced lomdon, superlative, cambridee akd bRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, EO24 Ch NGES; Tenor 20 cwt .
George M. Kilby
Charles T. Coles
Charles W. Roberys
George R. Pye
..Treble

Composed by Rev. H. Law
 law James. Conducted by Willam Pyb. * First peal of Spliced Surprise. The above comtains 2,g44 of Lardon, 608 Bristal, and 736 earil of Sluperlalive aurl Cambridge. Jlto Cambridge and Supertative were lung in allemate courses.

LOUGHBOROUGL, TELCESKERSHIRE
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Fobruary 16, 1929, in Two Foups and vixten Minutes,
At the Bell Fopmdry Campanile.

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Hevwood's 'Transposition of Thurstans' four-part.
James S. Hotchby ... ...Troble |Chables Alinop..- .... ...
J. Frederick Milner ... $\quad$ a Rejuvers k., Elkington ... 6

Alpred Ballard, jon. $\cdot . .3$
Frederick S. Price ... ... a C. Fbrgoson Howity... .... 7 enay Conducted by Redvers F. Elkington.
This is believed to be the quickest poal ever ming on eight luwer bells. The thanks of the band are due to Mr. Charles Alisop, who obliged at the last uloment.

## EDMONTON

TEE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATTON
On Saturday, Februaty 76, 1929, is Three Hours und Five Minules, At rhe Cedrce of All Saints,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor $17 \frac{3}{4}$ cwt.
Ggorge Radiey ... ...Tyeble Mrs. G. W. Fletcher ... 5

 Composed by C. Midderton. Conđucted by Mes G. W. Fletcher * First peal in the method.

FARNDON, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUIJ.D.
On Saturday. Fedruary 16, 1929, in Two Hours aud Forty-Seven Minntes. At the Chorch of St. Chad.

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5 Gid CHANGES;

Parker's Twelve-part.
Tenor ia cwi, 22 ll .

Robrrt Sperring
Harold Edwards Ronald G. Jones Groffrey Milton
..Truble

3 Georger. Jones . ... 7
Cond 4 James H. Riding
Conducted by Robert Sperring.
Quickest feral on the bells.
CAERLEON, MONMODTHSHIRE.
TEE LLANDAFF aND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, Febytary 16, 1929, in Thres Hokrs and Five Minutes.

Ax the Chorcy of St. Cadoc,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, $50 q 0$ CHANGES; Groves' Transposition ap Parker's Twhlve-part.

## Tenor $7 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

Samuel Jones ... ... ...Trebie Kenneth Knowlfs ...
Charles Greedy
Wililiam Phillifs
Jorn W. Jones
2
3 WILFRED WIELIAMS

- Wilfred Evans...$\quad$...f chor Conducted by Wilpred Wiebiams.
* First peal. Rung with the leells half-muffied as a last tribu:c of respect and affertion to the late Mr. Evan Davies, to whos in itiative this peal of bells was obtainell. Forly years ago last month the first peal was rung on them, aud it was the firgt peal for all 1hat bund. They were all taught by Mr. Davies, by what the pral was condueted. One of the above, the ringer of the ttion look part in that first performance.

TURVEY, HEES
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
Un Saderday, Februrry 16. 1929, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes, At zhe Cugrce of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE OXFORD BOB HAdOR, EO24 CHANAES;

 Tenor 19 cwt.| Herbert L. Harlow.. | ...Treble | Albert J. Eleet... | ... ... 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Hbary W. Gayton |  | William Stock ... |  |
| Itenry Siapleton | - 3 | Edmosid J. Hobrs | 7 |
| Charles W. Clarere. | 4 | Horacr H. Smitil | Tenor |
| Comyosed by Geo. H | ROSS. | onducted by Epmond | . Hobbs. |

ALDERMASTON, BERKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GDIED.
On Saturday, Febraty 1G. 1929, in Two Hows and Fifty-Five Minutes, At the Parish Chorch,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Hoct's Ten-part.
Jamrs Abery
Miss Ruby Hazgli...
Miss Esther Materws Jonn Frankom.

Tenor rol cwt.

* First peal in misilud. Rung niter megting short for Steduan,

Sr'. Erankum kindly stunding in, A birthday compliment to Sem, hob and Tom of the A.S.C. 5 .

SPELDHORST, KENT.
HRE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sainviay. Februay 16. 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes, At tar Churce of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5046 CHANGES;

Holx's Ten-part
Tenor 12 cwt. in G.

- Mtes WinieredS. Turley Trebil

JOHN R. DENTON ... ... 2
Herrert D. Ford $\ldots . . . .$.

Conducted by George Edwards.

* Firsi peal.
$+25 t h$ peal. Tirst attompt for ringer of 3ra. Treble and 2nd beloug io the local hand, 3rd to Sevenoaks, 4th to ThormHon Heath, 5 th and 6:13 to Pensinura, 7 hh to Chiddiegstone, and thon Lo Seal. Congrafulations were accorded ta Miss Truley on het lirst success and perfect control of her bell throughout the whole peral.

COLEMAN'S HATCH, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Febritiry 16, 1929, in Three Hours,
At the Chorch of the Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor II cwt. 2 qr 2 lb.
ILchard B. Lambirti.. ...Troble Ernest J. Lado Friderick J, Lambert, jen. z Frank N. Gurr ... ... ... 3

Joserf Wren l: amposed by W. Matrhews. Conducted by Albert E. Edwards.
Ruog willi the bells half-muffed as a token of respect to the late lishop of Ohichester; president of the Sussex Gonnty $A$ aseciation, and fuctron of the living of Colenan's Hatch. Mr. Dival is the first local liager to tako part in a peal on these balls.

RANMORE, SURREY.
THE GULLDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
On Salmady, Fedrunty 16. 7929, in Three Hours and Siwtech Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Barnabas,
A PEAL OF CANTERBURY PLEASURE MAJOR, 5B6G CHANEES;
Tenor 20 cwt. a qr. I 4 lb . in E.


- alan Iz. Pink

Robert Chapesi-
William Szangord ........ 6
Oliver Sippetts $\quad . . . \quad$.... Ther
Conducted by Oliveh Sippetts
Composed by Walier Cearmani Conducted by Oliver Sippetts First peal in tho methad on the belts. The riuger of the Gth was urimasell a morabor provious to starting. The thanks of ibe band al tuc to Mr. A. Dobinson Cor having all in readiuess.

BRIERLEY HILL, STAETORDSHIRE.
THE WORCESTEREHTRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION (Northern Branch.)
On Saturdaj, Fedruary 16, 1929, in Three Hours.
At tee Chitreq of St. Micgaef.
A PEAL OF 8UPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES ; Tenor 14t cwt.

| Clifford Shidmore ... | ... Trebla | Robert Matthews | ... | ... | 5 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| -William H. Coopra | $\ldots$ | 2 | Hector G. Bird ... | .. | .. | 6 |  |
| Willam Potier | $\ldots$ | ... | 3 | Thomas Hemming | ... | .. | 7 | | - William Potier | ... | $\ldots$ | 3 | Thomas Hemming | ... |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| Harold V. Cooper | .. | $\ldots$ | 4 |  |  | Composed by J. Carter. Conducted by R. Matriews

* First peal in the method.

PJNSNETT, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICTS GLILD
On Satnraay, Fabuary 16, 1929, in Two Houłs and Fifty-Fowy Minutes, At the Charch of St. Mark,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES; Groves' Transposition of Parker's Twblve-fart. Tenor 10: cwt.

| Parcy Hackett | ... | ... | ...$T r e b l e$ | Willian Grybn ... | .. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Walter Fendael | ... | ... | 2 | Gilberi Guest | .. |


Conducted by J. Goodman, Jon.
EARLSHEATON, YORKS.
THE YORKSHERE ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, February 76, 1929, in Three Hours and Eighten Minutes, At the Cherce of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 6089 CHANEES;

Tenor $I_{4}$ cwt. 2 lb . in F .
Hemingway Dransfield Treble M. Hodgeon.
P. Byrom ... $. . . \quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 2$
H. Marsis

$\begin{array}{cccc}\ldots . & \ldots & \ldots & 5 \\ \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & 6 \\ \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & 7\end{array}$ | W. H. Senior | ... | ... | ... | 3 | Fred Hodgson ... ... ... |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| •H. Senior ... | ... | ... | $\ldots$ | 4 | Herbert Dranefield | ... Teror | Composed by G. H. Hardy. Conducted by F. Hodgson.

* First peal.


## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

CHEW S'OKEE, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOGESAN ASSOOIATION.
On Satmay, Fobruary 2, 1929, in Two Hon's and Thinty-Four Minnles, At the Chorch of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 EHANEES;
Beitit 42 sis-scotes, with bell differont callings. Tenor $12 \frac{1}{4}$ cwt.
Charligs Field ... ... ...Trude Jrffrey Tossell..
William Balca
Ernest Baty
$\begin{array}{cccc}. . . & \ldots & 2 \\ . . . & \cdots & 2 \\ & \cdots & 3 \\ & & & \end{array}$
Harolo Blacier
Conducted by H. Blacker.
First peal ou the bells.
ORLINGBURY, NORTHANTS.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GULLD.
(KEtTERING Branch.)
On Saturday, Febrtary 9, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
At ine Cborch of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Being four six-scores each of Stedman, Canterbury, St. Simon's, Old Doubles, New Doublas, Plain Bob mad Chase, six of Antelope and eiglet of Grandsire.
Fredrrick Reynolds...
...Treble Frank Fox
x ...
Madrice Knowles Thomas Butler Ricrard Abrams... $\quad . .$. Conducted by .......Tenor
First peal in nine methods by all the ringera. First peal in nime methods to be rung by an entirely lacal band.

FOLKTNGHAM, LINCS-On Friday, February 151h, at St. Andrew's Ghurch, 720 clanges of Single Court Minor; N. Sharpe (first 720 of Minor) 1, H. Gibbard 2, L. Roll 3, A. R. King 4, C. T. F. Bradley (conductor) 5, J. H. Musson 6.

LYMINSTER, SUBSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Satarday, Febviary 9, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes, Ai the Churge of St. Mary Magdalene,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 6040 CHANGES;

 Tenor 10 cwt.
 Conducted by 3 . Sianding.
The ringers of 2 nd, 3 rel and tenor were elected members of the association previous to starting. It was also their first peal.

## SHIPHAM, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCLATTON.
Un Sunday, Februay 10, 1929, in Two Hours and Teventy-Two Minutes,
At reg Cherce of St. Leonard,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 six-scores, 10 callings.
Cefarles Firld


Tenor $8 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Willeam Balce. Conducted by H. Blackbr.

* Elected a member of the association before starting. The visiting members of the band were kindly entertained to tea after the peal by Mr. and Mrs. Branch, to whom their best thanks are due. LOGKERLEY, HANTS.
THE WINOHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOGESAN GULD. On Saturday, February 16, 1929, in Two Hours and Fopty-Five Minutes,


## Attar Churce of St. John-the-Evangelist,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Comprising seven differeat cornpositions. Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. in $G$.

- Arthor Smith ... ... ...Tredle †Friderick Paskins ...

George Noice.. .1 Conducted by N . Golden.
* First peal on a 'working beli.' + First peal of Minor, and $25 t h$ peal. $\ddagger$ First of Minor. The conductor's 50 th peal and 25 th as conductor. Thirsf peal on the bells, recast by Taylor, 1890.


## HUSBANDS BOSWOR1'H, LEICESTERSHIRE. <br> THE MIDLAND GOUNTIES ASSOCLATION.

On Saturday, Febraty 76, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes, At ter Cherge of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF DOU日LES, 5040 CHANGES;

1,440 Plaiu Bob and 3,600 trrandsire (four Pilman's 240's and 22 six-scores)



Conducted by Norman S. Bagworth.

* First peal, flected a member previous to starting the peal. The band tale this opportumity of thanking Mr. Ernest Marsh for arzanging this peal, and for his most appreciated hospitality afterwerds.

HANLEY GASTLE, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

 (Whstern Brance.)
## On Satkiday, Febynayy 16, 1929, it Thee Hours and One Minute. At the Cgerge of St. Mary. <br> A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of 5 st . Clement's, Double Boh, Double Osiord, Cambridge Sarprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and Oxford Bob. Tenor 14 ewt.
Ernest Gibss
Frank Latrince

$\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Wideiam Ranford } & \ldots & \ldots & 4 \\ \text { Silney T. Holt } & . . . & \ldots & \ldots & 5\end{array}$
Fred Hawkes $\qquad$ Conducted by c. Camm.
Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

## A DATE TOUCH

At St. James' Clurch, East Crompton, Lancabhire, for the Churelh Iads Brigade service, on Suuday, January 20 th , in 1 hr. 9 mins.; a date louch of 1,929 changes, being 729 of London Scholars' Pleasure, 720 Oxiard, and 480 Woodbine: C. Howarth $1, S$. Heymood 2, J. R. Buckley 3, R. H. Byrom 4, H. Butterworth 5, J. \#ntterworth (conductor) 6 .

WENDENS AMBO, ESEEX.
THE BERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday, Febyuary 16, 1929, in Two Howrs and Thirty-Eight Mintes, At feg Cgorch of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF SURFLEET SURPRISE MINOR, 5 g 40 GHANGES;
Being seven 720's.
Rorert Howard... ... ...Treble Aleert E. Atesin
Miss Kitty Wilebrs...
Joun W. Ward
Conducted by Robert Howard.
This is believed to be the first pall is the method rung for the association.

## HANDBELL PEAL.

LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GULLD.
On Satheday, Jantary 16, 1929, in T two Hours,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Seven 720 's, called aifierently.
Frank A. Turner

> Madrice T. Symonds...... 5 f. Conducted by M. T. Syminds.

First peal as conductor in the method. Rung as a birthday corin pliment to F. A. Tuener.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

## THE ISLEWORTH BEX, FLEND.

The aunual meeting of the South and West District was hellid a Isleworth on Saturday, February 9th. Ringing commenced shortly after 3 p.m., and methods were rung to suit all presem. A short service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. P. W. Shepleerl Smith), who gave a very interesting address. The party, to the number of about fifty, then adjourned to the Parish Hall for tea a the kind invitation of the Viear, who presided. He was supported by the charchwardens, all the officers of the district, and amoug the visitors wora Mr. Albert W. Coles, from the North and East District, Mr. E. M. Atkins, of Kilburni' and Mr. Brydges, ireasurer of the Isleworth Bell Fund. After the tea, and at the commencement of the business meeting, the hou. secretary asked ali memhers to stand for a moment in stlence as a mark of respect to lhe late Mr. H. Chander, of Hillingdou, who passed away or December 30th, 1928.

The Seeretary gave notice that a joint rnceting with the Oxford Diocesan Guild had been arranged for April 20th at St. John' ${ }^{\text {, }}$ Hillingdon, and that on March gth a mecting was to be held ai. Clurist Church, Ealing, with ringing froun 3.30 p.m., and in the evening a danee and sccial in the Parish Hail in gid of the Isleworth Rell Fund. The tickels would be 1s. 6d. each.-Mr. Brydges informed the meeting that at present the fund amounted to about $£ 138$, inelading promises.-A collection wns taken, vesultiug iv an additional $\mathrm{EL}_{2}$ 2s. 6d. being added.- A vote of thauks was accorded to Mr. Brydges for liis services as treasurer of the tund.
The Hon. Secretary then rearl the annual report and balance sheet for 1928, and they were both adopted. An encoursging feature of the former was the average attendance ai the montlily meetings during 1928, which was 41 .
Messrs. F. W. Goodfellow and J. A. Trollope were elected Ringing Master and hon. treasurer vespectively. It was ngrecd that it what advisable to lave a Deputy Ringing Master, aud Mr. F. Corke was duly elected. Mr. Hollier was then re-elected hou. secretary, and he suggested tiat au assistant hon. secretary would be of great help to him , as he was very busy.-.The meeting elected Mr. W. G. Wijsoin to be assistant hon. secretary-Messrs. R. Fardon, J. H. Hunnisett and E. A. Morris wers elected members of the Central Committee.

It was decided that the district should transfer their bank balance from the Post Office to Barclay's Bank, as a greater rate of interest could be obtained.
Four new ringing members wese duly elecied members of the assooiation, viz., M1. E. Stepney, of Isleworth, Miss J. Stapleton and Mr. E. Smith, of Twichenlam, and Mr. A. Deronaid, of St. Mary's, Ealing.
It was proposed and, aiter a long discussion, carried hy a substantial majority, that a new rula be added to the district rules as follows: "That no member shall lold the pust of Ringing Master for two consecutive years unless all offorts to find another have failed.' A grant of two guineas was roted to the Heston Bell Fund, and tt was decided that a similar sum should be put aside for the memorial to the late. Ringing Master (Mr. R. E. Helloray), if suffiminorial to the late, Ringing Master (Mr. R. E. Holloway), if sulficorded to Mr. E. M. Atkins for offering to get the board made at cost price, and to the secretary for offering to see to the lettering.
The meeting closed with a voiß of thanks to Mr. Erlgley (churchwarden) for taking the chair, halfway througl the meeting, when the Vicar had to leave.

## CHANGE RINGING RESEARCH.

## WITE TEFFRENCLAO EARLY PEALS.

Tiy W. IT.
Soun 1 the jeare ago, when wriling in ' The Ringing World ' upull nuchine maker, I offery the suggestion that a committee of investigation the formed for encil comnty, wihh it view to looking up ifnme relating to early 'ringing listory' which are huried in the Jitsl issules of the counly press. This woukl entail some time and (ramlite, well worth whito, and mean each county being dealt with separately, the commitiee consisting of hato or three gentlemen who would woluiveer to systematicnlly search the files of the oldest county newspapers and note down lrieily, on special foolscap slieets, all the Indrumging subjects, torether with volume, page and date, they may cunte furnhs. Of course, any paragraph that gave erideuce of a empuptaty peal would be extracted in fuil.

This is no nem suggestiou. Some firty years ago the late Jasper Swowna made an appeal in 'Charch Bells' to the steeplekeepers, enmpusers and conductors of his dizy to send him particulars of old preurl- and copies of nucient poal tailets. For many nonths folJownif the editor of that paper kindly publighed oll peal records, which, incidentally, helped snowdon with the bistorical peal notes aphiristed to liis variaus works on method ringing. Before Snowchan', lime, Ellacombe glemed much ringing matter from the press of his yobnger days grid nineth a century ago severnl well-known ment Hef only had MSs. books lut collected gews cuftings '- Hopkins, of Birmingham, 1800-1862: Fricind, of Huytion, 1804-1881; Riley, of Clulterlıum, 1770-1834; Crofis, Notlingham, 1742-1809; and soveral others in Yorkshire anfl Lancashire, not onliting Rayner, I.O.W., Batlom, of Leeds, I, asrence, of Shifmal, and Hanmond, of Liverpoos. Mosh of these cherments I havo permonally examinad, and their pernsal hat: led me lefieve that vensidegable light would the thrown ufun the carly history of the first Lendon nid provincial ringing societies if the various city newspapers could bo thoroughly examine 1 .
fior the first fow yerrs of its short existenec-1871-1880-' Church Fiells was only in cixculation amongst theologians and churchwardelus, anid Slawilons request for peal information could not linvo rencised mbiny places wisere some additional facts may have been
 iteths of history which me how pussers, ruf in addition to which lie personally wisitert all the knowa ringing centres of his period and corresponided with the camtemparary composers and eonductors; but there still remains mitel veal history to unearth, on task far beyond thee chpabilities of one indiwitual. Had he lived to the age of Barham, billatomlue, or Mansfiela, all the modern doubts raised in vecent issates of. 'The Ringing World 'would never lave appeared.
Ono of the enterprising celitors of abont 40 years ago hit upon an excellent iden, that of reprinting extracts Crom his journal of fifty or at hunched yeary previous. This was saou copied by other editors, and ly this micans the general public were ofton historically refreshed with fitule ringing paragraples of the 18 th and 19th conturics. It is these little 'reprints' that latue enlightenedi the present generation. Thue British Miuseum prides itself on belug the possesson of a cony of evury printod poriodien published in Great Britain. I forget how many miles of storage these newspapers occupy, but a receut extension of premises lins lueen made to meet future demands, and I linve estimated that a body of firty 'investigators " conld wade through the whole-down to, sity, the year 1900- in half a lifetime. For this ramsun I have ugged conuty division aud referonce to the files uf the older newsisuers in llo county towns after soliciting the co-pperation of the respective exitors.
ITere art: one or iwo corteations
Here arte one or iwo 'cartectious' which the press has re-
'ealed that loave no resson for dispte Dakford, Devon.-A touring baud, atier full locnl and counts in quits, clained ' lirst peal on ilse bell's ' September, 1921. The frist wit These beils was achicved be a Bristol land-Graudsive Triples-Boxing Tuy, 1826, nt the opesing of the octave. See the 'Bristol Times and ${ }_{3}$
Hraler-on-Thames.-The first paral of Grandsire Triples on these leells was elaimed by W. Williams atm his Reading baurf, but the
 Ncims. See 'Reading Mereury
Wiadsor.- The parl, Cmindsire Triples, ruag on the Castle bells, Aprl 10th, 1878 , condurted by of. Wurster, was timed at 3 lits. 13 ,

 S885, dealing with the Rells of Windsur' stating that some day the missing lati-minutu, might be aceumted for ? The anzwer came in 1887. When the editor of the Wiadsor and Eton Expuess, in reprinting a paragraph of 1787 , disclosed the fact that 'Ihe hand rang iluir ponl over alyin the next flay hand the visitors were well recuived by the townspeteple. "Now, 1 nm ansious to know why the pent rung on the "fist "hay was dimulowed. Was there $a$ sliftu a misranl, or broken rupes
Willi raferenco to
Willi raference to ilic Wostminster weal, July, I7si, by nine ruen,
 ing fior the tinst tian: if is noteworthe that the preaz of Essex disclosind han fact to Mr, Pitstow inter an interval of 100 rears

Being intercsted in the 'one-part,' I wrote Mr. Eitstow at the time, and got into tovelt with Mr. W. G. Cricktner, of Earl Soliam, wibla view to saving all bite paners of the late Mr. Sitnuel Slater, but I was too late. Not only zews cuttings but some very old Norwich writing an Girandsire, discovered by Sam, "went west "wich thom. However, both the Slatim were fully agreed from information in their possession that Fult's Original pead of Giaudsire Triples had been rung as follows:-

1. Westrninster
2. Shonham Aspall
Tach called from MLS.
by ar 9th man.

According to Mr. Crickmer*s letter the peal was again rung at Not-wioh, "when the composition was callerl for the first time by one of the ringers in tle teazs.' This can be pevified in Norwich, and suverscles the London performance of 1791.
Theodore Ecclestou gave the 10 bells to Stonham Aspal in 1742 when a young linger (to replace bhe old ring of five), aud hoth the and his band were in good trim for Gramasire at the time of their performance. His vasidence at Mortlate far some years gave him practice with itue London Strikers, including Arnable, who called the frst peal on Mortlake belle in 1746; Worster, who called a 6,000 and a 20,000 of Bob Major there in 1775 ; and, perhaps, J. Holt its well (after 1751), from whom he Jay hawo personaliy had the figures of tho peal. Even in those days 40 yearg was a long time for a composition to be knocking about without someone maling an attempt to excel the firs nan, John Holt, to call it.

The Clevis' (Apuil, 178 gi, London edition, given tha figures of the calling, several Norfolk and Suffolk men befg subscribers to it. An earlier edition of the same work was publisher by Raw, of Fpswich, a moted centre from which the figures could have reacher the meighbouring towerg, where the peal was so carly achiovod, in Fgsex, Suffalk and Norfolk. The nuthors of the "Clawis" were evidhenty determined that the famous ' one-part' should to longer remain 'in the brren womb of obscurity."
So show how valuable matien (to us ringers) is ensily lost, 1 quate a paragrapin from Mr. Crickmer's letter of Jamuary 41 , 191 , thet wihh regard to this I hava since nscertaned Llat Mr: Theodore Slater now has some of the papers which be saved hy some means:-
"Am very sorry to hear, aftor Sam's death, a cartlond oi' tuost valuable papers were put on the fire I persuaded the Rev. Penrsor, of Henley, to try and buy them off Mrs, S. Slater, but 1 am afraid he put off going to see har too long. - W.

I well ramember, when living in London, the wife of one prominent London couductor saying, that "if anything happened to luev old man, all his ballringing rubloigh, books and all, would go up the copper hole on a washing kiay." This, I am inclined to thimk. was probably her quict way of expressing disnpproval of his 'teariag shout the couniry at atl hours of the hight peal ringing. And so it will be when we are gone: these mad-hramed men will still ying on.
 1720, 'Norwich Chronicle,' 1761, and " Essex Journal' (Colchester') 1764 , and if the ringers of those towns formed a local committee of research they would discover a great deal of interesting fact of Cross' to the Exercise. Which would aftorl an answer to Mr. Ai. B.
 -Collegian's price solite reguest to historians of the art,
Recently I have gone into the detaily af Anable and lais times, and a fait amount of iuteresting matter lans accmmulatect. Perhaps the editor will find room for this during the "close season ${ }^{\text {a }}$ for peala in Lent.
A few of the notes wero published in January, 1924, when again the press of 1750 eame to out assistance wilh a hews eutting (sont to The Ringing World by Mr. J. . . Jetram, dosetibing the funcral of Annable- Rare Bet -it 1756,
It is quite possithe a search of the Lomdon press may enlighten us further in many ways, tat imay point otit at once that Ammale was not born till lang after the Snow Hill peal of 1690 was suppnsed to lave been rung also that the six-part pal of Bob Triples was not composed tifl aboul 1730, When it was rung at Southwark.
Whilst the entry in the College Youths' rocords relating to the dater performance reads, First that was rang, we must abicle by the society's own offcial verdici and accept it as true, atra not the Snow Hill version.

Loudan possesses four of the most valuable libratios in the warldthe Guildhall, Westriaster Abbey, Lambeth Palace and the Britist Museum. Each are ozien to the London change ringers For historical research, and it is now up to the Gity Guilts and oldor ringlag societies to complete Suowion's task.

## JOHN BRIANT: BELL FOUNDER.

Next Wednesufy is the centerary of the death of John brinat East Herts Arohaglogical Society have by putio subseription evected at tablet in his memory in All Saints' Church, and this will be unveiled and dedicated at a serwice in the afternoon. Briant's combstate in the chuchyard has hear restored hy the society.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

## ROCHESTER DISIMRICI MEETING.

A glamin was cast over the meetirg of the Rochester District ai Friudshurs owing to the lamented death of Mr. C. Winser, a ringer ut this lower for aver forly years, and whose interment took place the same day al Chathan Cemetery. It was only fibting, therefore, that the bells weve rung half-mufled to his memory.
The assortation service was held in the church, conducted by the Vicar (hbe Rev. H. F'. Shepherd), Mr. E. A. G. Allen officinting af the organ.

Then followed in the Parish Hall, over 40 members siting lown.
Before the busioess meeting, Mr. T. M. Mitchell (district gecretary! safil hacy were aware that some of them Had returned from ihe funeral of their very dear fellow-ringer "Charlie" Wiager, and it was a singiniar coincidence that a meeting slould be arranged at the very tower where their late brother had been ringing all his life. In all his associatiou with Mr. Winser, be always found him is 'man,' nan! when he said that lie said all. He asked the company to siand in silence for a fow moments to show their respent.

The business mecting followed, the Vicar of Friudsbury presiding. The tower at Borden, with a band of eight ringers, was admitted to tho association, also three other practising members and two honorary mombers.

Gravesend and Sitinghoume towers were homianted for the next meeting on the last Saturtay in April, the former being selected by a. majority of seven.

Mr. W. Haigh (Rochester) proposed a hearty vote of thaks to the Rev. F. F. Sheplecrd for his kindness to them in their visit to Frindshury, and made touching reference to the loss Frindsbury and Rochester liave sustained in the death of Mr. Winser. He also Hanked Mr. Allen for his services at the organ,--The Vicar, in respanding, said he was pleased to welcome them, and was also pleased to become an honorary member of their association.
Nearly fifty ringers attonderl during the afternoon and erening, and standard methods up to Superlative Suprise werc rang. It was pleasing to notice the goad percentage of joneg beginnors who attonded.

BOWNESS, WESTMORLAND.-On Saturday, January 12th, at SE Marlin's (hurelı, a quarter-peal of Grandsire 'T'riples ( 1,260 cherges) in 45 mins,: E . Miduleton 1, W. Atkingon 2, W. Nevingon 3, A. W. Brighton (London) (conductor) 4, W. Rabinson 5, T. B. Newton 6, T. F. Hewertson 7, W. Fisher 8.

## PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

SUGGESTED RESTORA'PION OF IRGHEGPER BELLS.
I'wenty-two towers were represented at the quarterly meetiug of tie Welliagborough Branch at Irtilingborotigh. Amongst those present were Mr. R. G. Black (gen. sec.), Miss Tiursield (rec. of the local branch of the Ladies' Guild), Miss E. Steele, of Bedford, and Mr. H. Cliapman, of Keystone, and late of Manclagter. Touches in a variety of methods were rung during the afternoon and evenirsg, ranging from Grandsire Daubles up 10 and ineluding SuperlaLive, Cambridge, London, and Bristol Gurprise Majar: The GuiLt service was lacld in the Church, gad was conducted by the Rector, Who also yave a most hepful addaress.

Afler the service tho members adjourned to the Ohureh Schoolroom, where an excellent tea had heen prepared bs the lacal ringeta and their wives, 53 members being present.

Before proceeding with the business, ilie president, tire Rev. C. F. Westacotit, offered a hearty welcome to the Rector of juthlingborough, atrd Mrs. Lidster, on behalf of all thoso present, and hoped before learing the room they would have the pleasure of elening him nu honovary member.-The Rector, replying, said he showld be pleased to become a meraber.
Messrs. J. Towasend, R. Dodd, and Ji, Dunkley, all of IHigham Fersers, were elected ringing members.

Wilby was chosen as the next place of meeting
Guild certificates werc presented to Mr. A. Boddinglon, of Fimdon, and Mr. F. Palmer, of Irthlinglorough, on receutly winging their first peal.
The secretary's report and balaner sheet for the past year wore prosented and passed.
After a short discussion a grant of two guineas was given to the Miners' Distress Fund, on the proposition of tine Reotor of Irthlingborough.
The Secrelary said there was a possibility of the Trehester bells befug restored in tho mear fulure, and hoped that if thera were any funkls to spare thes would be given to that Iaudabie object.
a compranenstve vote of thanks to be Rector, and all who hat helped to make this moeting such a succoss, was proposed by ilu Rer. A. G. Bagshaw, Ficar of Finedon, nnd carried.
After the close of ringing, a well attended social was held in the lauge Joom of the Whate Torse Imu, when touches and selections were given on the handbels by the Finedon and Trthlingborongh members, including a weil-stuck course of Grandsine Caters, with Mr. Earry Chapman taking part. Somga wpre also y'endered by parious nembers of the company, Mr. A. Perkins presiding at-tho piano.


## John Taylor \& Co.


LEADING BELL FOUNDERS

## MEARS \& Foundry Established A.D. 1570 (12th year of reign of Elizabetb).

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

The first quarterly mouting held by ibe East Berks and Suthin Bucks Branch of the Oxford Guild was held on April 26th, 1879, at Boyne Hill, and the jubilee is to be eelebrated on Saturday, April 27th, also at Boyne Lill. The Archaleacon of Oxford has promised to preach.
The bells of Tideswell, Derbyshire, are to be overhaulen by Messers. J. 'laylor and Co., who are also to restore those at Si. Paul's, Staley.
The four bells at Wisborongla Green, Sussex, have been angmentet by Messrs. Trylor and Co, to a ring of six, and they will be dedtcated by the Yen. Archdeacon of Chichester at 3 p.m. on Sunday.
In the midale of tho broddenst of the bells from Birmaghan Cathedral on Sunday evening, the 6th rope hoke. Stedman Caters thereupon resolved themselves into 'call chnnges' on the remoding aine bells.

The greatest performance ever acheved in the Campanistanean Art, as so intricate a tuethod was never practised by any other gett of men whatever," is the description of a "peal' of Cambridge Surprise Major rung by the Ancient Society of College Youtlas al St. Giles-in-the-mields, London, on February 23rd, 1783. The performance was a menotable one jn those far-off days.
The longest lantit of Minor was rung on Febwuary 27th, 1816, when ' 21 peals... making jn all 15,120 changes, were brought round in a gland and masterly stgle in eight hours and 21 mins. without a man quitting his yope.
Twa famous ringers were borlu on February 28th-Fenry Johuson in 1809 and Edwin Howex in 1838.
The time of the peal of Rutland Surprise Major rung at Willesden was 2 hrs. 48 mins., vot 3 hrs. 48 mins., as published. The peal ath Lavenham on January 26 th was lung in 3 hrg. 26 mins., $110 t 3$ !urs. 2 mins., as stated.

## AN OLD MANCHESTER RECORD

A copy of a leaflet issued in 1830 , to celebrate a peal ol the bells of Manchester Cathedral, at that time, of course, the: Parisly Chureh, has been reproduced in the Manchester Guardian.' Surrounded by an ornate forder, and with a picture of the 'Collegiate Charch' standing in isolated surroundings, so entirely different from torday, the recort, after mentioning that the church was founded in the gth year of the regar of Henty V., 1421, by Lord de la Warr, says:-
Its tower, previous to the jear 1706, contained only five bells (put up by Warden Laogley in the time of Edward IV.), in which year they were reenst by the celebrated Abel Ruddall, of Gloucester, when three more were atded, making the whole number eight. In 1835 they received an ardition of two more, forming nuw an excellent peal of ters bells.

CHANGE RINGING
On the evening of Shrove Tuesday, Feb. 23rd, 1830, a seleet baut of the Society of Clange Ringers of the Colkegiate Cluuch, Manchester, ascended the fower and yang a thue and complete peal of Treble Bob Roval, in the Kent variation, consisting of 8,000 isarmowious changes, which was brought round in excellent siyle in five hours and twenty-five minutes, being the longest peal in the above name ever rullg in the North of England. The ringers were sfationed as follows

Itreble .......... Mr. Joseph Kay
Second ........ Mr. Richard Palin Sixth ....... Mr. Walce Worrall Third ......... Mr. Jeremiah Lord Seventh ....... Mr. Joseph Lloyd Fourth ......... Mr. Robert Naylor Eighth ....... Mr. Williarri Boyer Fifin ......... Mr. Nelson Worrall Ninth Mo. Mr. James Shelmetdine
This peal, composed and conducted by Mr. Robert Naylor, was rung by the above then persons only. Weight of the tenor 25 cwt. in the key of E .

## DEATH OF WELL-KNOWN WREXHAM RINGER.

The many ftitnds at M. Jioward (Ted) Rowlands will rogret to hear of his deah, which occurred at his residence, 11, Whitegate Roat, Wrexham, on Thurgday, February 7th. Tho late Mr. Rowlant, who was e native of the town, was in his 72nd yeat, nud just missed celebrailint his golden weddiag, having been married 49 jeats. Ho bad been a most regular and faithful bellringer at the Parisli Church for 53 ycars, and had conducted the ringers for 30 years. He had rung bells throughnut the tinited Kingdom, and lad also conducted many peals.
The funeral took plare on February 116 h . The Rev, Archdeacon Lowis Pryee (Visar of Wrexham) conducted a service at the Perish Chureh, with the assistance of the Revs. J. H. Edward and T. (i. Roberts, and also at the graveside, where a touch of Grandsire Triples was rutg on handbolls hy the Wrexham ringers, who also acted as bearors.

Afterwards half-mufled ringing zook place at the Parish Church as a last tribute to an honoured brother ringer, who was respected

## PEALS OF MINOR AND DOUBLES

## REV. H. LAW JAMES PLEASED.

## Io the Editor.

Dear Sir,-I am very pleased with the way in which the controversy about perls of Minor has been carried on in : The Ringing World, and I am quite sure Elat it will do nothing but goad.
The resolution passed at Hereford states that a peal of Minor must contain seven true and complete $720^{\prime}$ s.

We want to know exacliy what this means, and we must take the svords in their ptain granmatical meaning, without addiag ayything to them, or subtractimg amything from them.
First of all, what is a inue and complefe 720. Consider a true and complete six of Stedman Doublos.

We have six rows, of which 32415 is the first. We

## 23145

32415
23451
24315
24315
43215
342515
43521
 1hat the six is trie, but it is not complete. We must make one more change to complete it, and this gives us 43521, the first row of the next six.
Now, sime we ite considering a peal of Minor and not simply one 720 , this same argument applies to the first 720 of the sevell. We start from 123456 , we make 719 chatiges, and so get 720 rows, the last of which is 124365. We must make one more change to complete the 720 chamges, and we get 123456 , which is not part of the litst 720, but the first row of the second 720, and so on, until we gel 124365 or 132465 as the 5,040 th row of the peal, and we must makc one more clange to complete the peal, as We have only made 5,039 changes so far. This last change bring us back to the first 123456, which is not the last row of the peal, but only the first row repeated.
Now there is one $Q$ set in which $5-6$ are at lome which can be treated differently from the rest. We start from 123456; when we get to 124365 we can make at hoh and produce 142356 ; when we get to 132465 we can go plain to 134256 ; and when we get to the 720th row we get 143265 , groing plain we get 142356, going by a bol we get 134256 , but we are not false, because it is the first row of the second 720. This holds good throughout the peal, but it must come round at the end.
Mr. Powell's idea of ringing 5,040 of Grandsire Triples fails because he will get 5,040 different rows, but he will only tEake 539 changes, and, moreover, a peal must come round.

Secondly, look at the words sevell 720 's.' Does this mean exactly what it says, or can it possibly mean what the writer of the leadine artiele in this week's' Ringing World' seems to think-the same 720 seven times over?
It must mean seven diferent 720 's-that is, the same composition in seven different methorls, of different compositions in the same method.

Turning to Doubles, theme are ton six-scores of Grandsire Doubles with the trable in the hunt, and also ten with the End, Jrd, 4th and Jth-fitty in all, and the same in Reverse Grandsire Doubles, sixty six-scores of Stedman, Carter's Doubles, Reverse Stedman and Reverse Carter, aud also a few six-seores of Dauble Grandsire.
H. LAW JANDS.

## COWPOSITE 720's.

Sir-Referring to Mr. James letter in your last issue, I must confess that he is right in sajing that I do not understand his position. How, sir, can anyone understand him in face of the following, which fis mot argument or theory, but a statement of facts:
In your issue of February 1st, you published an absurdity by me, got, in the main, by dismembering 720 's into their component 240 's. Because it imeluded four $720^{\circ}$ s called WRW, and three with the 5th RWR, Mr. James says it does not satisfy the condition.
Mr. James then praceeds to give the four $720^{\prime} s$ with the tears the right way as follows: A: 5th, RWR; $B$, 6 th, WRW; C and $D$ from balb blocks; C, by omitting hobs when 6th is WRW; D, when Sth is RWR. He then says: ' There ave five more which also keep 5.6 right, and I select the fullowing three.'
And then follow figures which are not $720^{\prime} s$, but are six 240 's, and two pieces of a third 720 . E is the same as the 720 marked C retumer to its component paris loy onitting bobs when the Gh is WRWR and Fis the three $240^{\circ} s$ of $D$ got by omitting when the Sth is dWRW (check it for yourself). From this it would appear that Mr. James refers to three separate round blocks as a 720 , and he may use the same 720 twice, but oithers may not. Enough said!
Seeing that the Methods Commititee desire to include these in their new book, we must couclude that they consider the contention that, so long as each change is repeated soven times only, the peal is in accordance with the defmition of a peal of Minor passed at tle Hereford Council meetimg.
Then why nof include three of the $720 \mathrm{~g} \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \mathrm{C}$ and D twice, and bave a quick or a slow six on the various callings thus:-
$\begin{array}{ll}A=1 & \text { part of } A . \\ B=1 & \text { parit of } \\ 3\end{array}$
$\mathrm{B}=1$
$\mathrm{C}=1$ parit of BI.
C.

## $A A C C B B$

BCABCA
C B $B$ A C coneluding with 720 D .

This method would give four different 5040 's, which, I helieve, would be more acceptable tio the Exercise tlan the Rew. H. Jaw James' mixtures.
However, if the Methods Committee believe that the dismentering of a 720 by amitting luree bobs, and the reassembling of the resultant parts into another well-known block by means of adning three babs, is something hew and origital, thel what can we say? They ought to know ?

Referring to 3ir. Powells s artangemont of 5,040 rows of Granisire Triples, may I say that in be cari find eight hetty men to ring it five times over, it will then come rommd ab the end, and, in my opinion, he will be right in satying that his baud has rung five whe and complete $5,040^{\circ}$ s at Crandsiro Triples.
In conclusion, way 1 atrize the members of the Methode Cominitee that, if they are going to bll the columns of "The Ringing Wordd' with their leiters and articles, they should extol the advartages of the Res. H. Jan* James' peals of Landon Surprise Minor and the Marris-Atkins' Doubles, and not liarp so much on the strings of the Rev. F. Baukes James arrangement of Cambridge. - Yours sincercly,

## JOSEPH W. PARKER.

## MR. SEFFRS REMEATS HIS GUESTIONS.

Sir,-In wour last issue, Mr. Latw James states that I have mot yet understood his position. it he will read my letters again, he will find that I have not leferred either to him or lis arvangement of London Surprise. What I lave written hus been agangt his brother's mrrangement of Ciambridge. He idua goes on to yive 115 a very elahovate statement as to how his arrangement of Lordon Surprise works out, first by giving us the four old arrangements; then he states there are five more, out of which he selects ilutee to complete his peal. Perhaps it will surprise him-or it may not-if I state that it is possible on obtain at least fom more ways in andition to his that will hring 5.6 up at track stroke, but, like his, the only place they are dit for is the W. P.B.
In the last parayraph of his letter, he says it is very easy to make fulse statements, and that I mast-I like the word 'must -either withdraw this statement or prove it fure, and ends wibl these words, and this le cabret do."

Now, sir, I am going to ask you to reprint the two questions which were the subject of hity first lefter:-

1. We are told that 123456 constitutes the first row or change in Mr. Bankes James arrangement of his meal of Cambridge MinorWill he inform your reader's which is the hast row or change?
2. In what way do these fireak arrangements contribute to the interest on adrancement in the ant of finging to live and sis-luell ximgers?
Fimally, let either Nix Law Tames or his hrother answer these that whestions-no canbbing mease then $]$ w
Killamarsl.

## C. SEFERN.

## PHE FOLCE OF THE ASSOOLALIONS.

Dear Sir, - Mr. Whitiugton's iden is just what we wish for, but would ho do the Exerelse a good turn by proposing at the naxt Central Council mecting, That this council be composed of represema-
tives of the various nssuciations, and shall woice the opinions of Ifu association thoy represent

Haviag succeeded with thiz, we call proceal upon the linés lay suggents, atherwise we cantot. Does he remomber 'Badges for leamers'? - Yours faith[ully,

EDCAR GUISF.
Dear sir-I A SIX-BELL BAND'S VIEWS.
one of -I was interetal to Tend Mr. Fowell's letter giving we (the six-bell commany at, Leytonstone) bave discussed the, as several occasions, althougl from a slightiy difforent point of view. We proposed to ring : 720, commencing from the hamistroku, which rould run 'round at hand, thus throwing the G5's all the 'wrong way' ; altematively, to open "our leads at back, thus monking the $65^{\circ}$ s the "right-way-wrang." Further, to choose a method which has the $65^{\circ}$ wrong in certain places, and, in those places, 10 open our leads at backsinoke, thus making the 65's the 'wrong-wilyright.
Is there one who could say fliese 720's would not be 'true
I flink I may safely say that I express the views of my friend an Leytonstone in the following
(1) Rounds is a conventional row, rung in repetition before mal aiter a peal; it commences and ends a five thousand for the sake of convention only, and, as roumis has no bearing upon the truth of a peal. A peal would he guite true, complete, a round blowk, and satisfactory as to ito ' $Q$ ' yets, if it started and ended with 87651321. (2) Convention demands that rounds shat commence and end in peal. If a teu-thousand of Bob Major were brought to a conclusion after the 5,001 st row, none conld say that 5,000 irue and complete changes lad not been yring: and 5,000 true and complete clanges constilute a peal. But not au orthodor peal, which must commence and end with rounds. Tho Bsakes James" Cambridge is quite orthodox in this respect.
 nincteen mows whith inte propletions of ane whicls belongs to the
 particulat one shall be the last of the firsa ten ar the lirst of the last con.
(4) It takes two thiags to make a change. as Mr. Trollope shows with hias suits, so that to get 720 changes wo must have 721 raws, 720 boing true, aud one of them a reperition. Then at "rue and complate 720 charges' is lalso!
(5) A conventimal peai is forced to be a round block, and a true convertional peal cannot be womposed of parts that are roumd blocks. the are sacisfied if a part' endz "at 13425678 , provided that it is true within ilselt.
(6) Then a 720 in is five ihousand, heing one part, may end at any row (it need not be a ramad Wack), prorided that the 720 is trice within itself.
(7) Does lhe Bankes James' Gambridge monfonm to (6), and does Llev daw Janes' London? 'Jherein lies the unswer to the whole qutulion, Yours sincerely,

GEORGE L. JOFCE.
Si. Jolin's, Teylonstone.

## WHY JHHN FUSS=

Dear Sir, Why nll his fuss about what is a livo peal, when the Contua! Council, prion to 1928, hant already definitely lain down a very plath instruction? All I havespuken to aboun it agree bhat it is a poud I'ule: 'That peals of Minor' gonsist of at least seven true and complete $720^{\prime}$ g, the bells striking rouma only once at the end of encli.' 'There is the fliug itz it mutshell, "1wi what ayery ringer, I fael sume, would land who both lanals For, that the liells staike roumal ai the oud. Howover clever anyone may be in composiog, something in whin you have to count rounds ab the slat is mot aconving to rule, and therefore out of order. Of course, it is weil known no one can prevent ringers ringing what firey L the , even Bob Doubles and Gramdside Mimor- Yours faithfuly,

Ј. HUNT.

## Taumion.

## GRANOSIRE DOLBLF

Deat Sin,-I motice that in the last paragraph of the lotber in this week's fasun by tha Rev. H. Drake, he makes the following romark: - Think of it, having to ring the sume old 120 s week after week. Why: i have leard the ringers of thin dishriet of 40 years ago say they unald ring 30 or 40 120's stroight ati. I think these would be masily Grandsare Variations, and would lave the merit of being true 120 s. I hare leard thrm cing many a? them myself. Fours fnitlo Norwicls
W. L. DUFWRED.

## PEALS OF TRIPLES.

## To the Bditor

Burn Sir--Will roference to the notic* unler the heading, "Peals of "I'riples, "on page 207, this is just the kinkl of thing I antieipaterl. Hed us presune the writer of that notice is not leg-puilizg, but in marnest, In the first place, thore is no society named, inerefore, from, sas, n legal point of view, mobody can say it will not bo a peal. On the oblur hand, if this 'artarsement is ytug mader the auspicien of a parliesulum society, is there any societ which defuitely shates in its tules whab a freal must be? I dont suppose there is shac, hud that homg so there is mo societs which ean say it wfll not le a peal. Eut cach ringer has his opinions ant thoughts about such 'Arvangments,' Mat, if rung, will be certain to cause some comment.
Fitels and any lond of vingers enn ring what it choozes, but if some - A"tagement is chosen which is, to sny the least of it, not orthoalus. it mast maturally and reasonably be expected that some vavil will manle afterwards againsi it being aceqpted as a peal.
 monts " lie rules of each society must he brought up ta date to bay them by delinitely shating in the rules what a peal shall be, cherwise I Iere is urs linit to what will come alous as a peal in the way of spmething hew, something exciting.-Yours sincerely, Itrockisy
F. IV. RICHARDSON

## BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

## Wulur sucergat ul meeting was lield at Monk Brettou on Snturday,

 Royston, Shu: when, Sandal, Wortley, and the Darlield, Watl, Felkith, mothods prantiged wore waried ranging from plan to suit probaliuners. up to mental fliglits in Treble Bub Minot, and it was clearly proved that ringers in some towers have adraneed beyour anticipation. while others are progressing, und waty jostlo shoulders with the hest. Surh is the wish of the advamem ones.Thas and the comforts of hearth and hbeltey wore provided, and tha, Vicur (Rey. F. Mercer) loaked in to bestow his best wishes atirl
 fimmibelis and pleasunt banter made nip : fill and happy hour.


## DEATH OF ANOTHER SOUTH WALES RINGER <br> FIRST MASTER OF THE LLANDAFF ASSOCIATION

Mr. Evan Davics, of Caerleon, passed away on Monday, Febranty 11th, at bis native place near Cammarthon. He was buried at Lanllwh Parish Ghurch on Fridny, the 15th, the Yiear, Ihe Rev T. Thumas, officiating, assisted by two lecturers from Carmarthen Gollege, where Mr. Dayios had boon urained for the scholastic profassion. Arnong the mounors were Mr. Williann Davies (brother) of Jiverpool, who for many years had charge of the bells of St. Nicholas. Church, and also Mr. Claude Davies (son), who is nuw brancls hon. secretary of the Lancashire Association at Liverpoot.
Owing to ill-health during the last few years the late Mr. Davies had not been able to take any great part in riuging, but lis lare for the bells was, to tho lasi, as great as when he came to Ciarleon quite a young man. Gaerleon at that time Inad fivo old bells. The teuor (113 cwt.) was cast by R.P. 1695, the oblher four by the same founder in 1660. The bells were all split at the crowns or parted from the waist, and the woodwork was in bad conditian. Canon Elwards, the Vicar, applied to the governors of Williams' Charity, and at length succecded in obtaining a grant of E150. A meeting of tha parishoners was then called, and a committee formet. The anpeal was well responded to, and the old bells were sent to Messis. Warmer and Sons, London, on October 7th, 1881, to be replaceri with a light ring of six. The dedication and epening took placo on December 15tib, 1881, the ringing consisting of calf clasuges only. MIr. Divies then formed a wand and started change ringiag.
A 720 of Minor was rung ou the bells for the first tine on May 28it, 1884. In 1886 the six were iecreased to eiglit by addiug two trelyes, the work of hunging tho bells being clove personally ty Mr. Davies. Progress was made in Triples ringing, and the first peal rung the following Jan. IRth, by the local baud, lit. Davins being the conductor. During the same year peals were rung in the Kent and Plain Bob Major methods. Stedman Triples was practised, and of en for the Sunday services quarter-peals were rumg.
Tha question of fomming a diocesan association resulted in the selection of Mr. Davies ns the first Master on October 13th, 1893, and he was re-elected in 1894 and 1895.
He was not a greal peal ringer, but had taken part in about wonty, peals, iacluding the first peals on the bells at Galdicot, St. Woolos and All Saints Churches, Newport
For forty years lie was headmasher of the Willinms. Eutowed Schools, Caerleon He was an atdent workor for the Church in Wales, especially in the Lanalaff diocese. He also acted as choirmaster of Caerleon Church for 35 years.
Mr. Devies was a recognised authority on the lfistory of Gateleon, mul was honorary eurator of the Musenm of Antiquitien For over 30 years. He was also an authority on ecclesinstical law, and at the time of his death was engaged in wwitiag a conprelnensive history of the Churel in Wales.
On his retirement from tile scholastic profession a few years ago, the was the recipiont of a high tribute from old boys of the school in all parts of the world.
J. W. J.

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

## NEWBURY BRANCH.

A meeting of the Newbury Branch was Jeld at Compton an Sabneday, February gth, when tho following towers were reprosented: Tucklobury, l3rightwalloa, Cast Yaslay, Hampstead Norris, Newbary, Wooltoa Hill and the local ringers. The Rev. L. R. Majenclie (chainman of the branch) was also present. A short service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rew. C. M. Jotcham), who also gave an uddress. Miss D. Hancock presided at the organ. An excollont tea was served in the Vilage Hall by Mus. C. M. Jotcham, hnd c9 sat down.
The business meeting followed with the Rer. L. R. Majendie in the elneir, supported by Mr. H. W. Curtis, hon. secretary and treasurer.
The next meating was fixed for Midghan, on Suiurday, April 13 th. A combined meeting was also fixed for Highelere, Hanta, on Saturday, May 18th, with the Winclester Guild.
An application is to be made to the Oxford Diocesen Guild for a grant towards Nowbury bells, the branch having already voted 25 . A liearty voto of thanks was aceerned to the Vicar for his address, to tile organist and Mrs. C. M. Jatcham for providing the tea, on the motion of tho secretary, seconded by Miss Daris.
A move was then made for the tower, and some good tonmes of Grandsire and Bob Doubles, Plain Bob and Kent Treble Jab Minor were brought round.

## A GOLDEN WEDDING.

A quarter-peal of Grandsive Triples (1,260 changes) was rung in 42 mins. at St. Peter's, Staincs, on January 27 th , in honour of the goiden wedding of Mr. Jickson, also ilse wedding anniversary of Mr. W. C. Parker and 5 . Walmsley, all af whom are ringers at St Peter's: W. Stevens 1, A. J. Hiscorle $2, G$. Walinsley 3 , W, Shorter 4. W. C. Patker 5, E. 1. Lipaleq 6. 1. Jhtlips 7. F. W. Smith 8.

## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. <br> <br> WESTERN DVISION

 <br> <br> WESTERN DVISION}I'fe anoual meeting of the Western Divisiou was held at West Tharing on Saturday, February 16th. Owing to the suow and the slippery state of the roads, there were only 21 present, representing the following towers: Angmering, Brighton (St. Peter's and St. Nicholas'), Ghichester, Heene, Mhorcham, West Grinetead, West Tharing, with Messes. Rogers and Greenwoon, of Portsmoutit. The ringing consisted of courses of Stedman Doubles, Grandsire, Bob Minot. Kent and OxFord Cambridge and London Surpisc Minor, Tea was partaken of at St. Thomas a Becket's Palace, where the compary wore mei and welcomed by tho Rector "(Fen. J. Godber, MLA.), who also presided at the business meeting. He was supported by the churchwardens, Mussrs. W. Jocelyne and W. Larye, The following new members were elected: Meszrs. Alan R. Pink, Dorking, Joseph Green and Arthar Hancorn, Shoreham, A. G. Feasman. W. H. Howich, H. W. Parsons, C. F. Clavey and A. F. Hurelofid, Angmering, J. W. Blunden, G. Dewey, J. Littlemore, E. J. Monday, A. J. Piper, P. Pipers R. Piper, J. Steyning and A. Wates, of Rogate.
the oflicers clected for the cnsuing yeav were Mr. A. W. Groves, hon. seeretary, Messrs. Norriss, Adams and Tucker, with Messus. Hills, Lindup and Netler, eommittee.

II was proposed to lold tho nexi guarterly meeting at Pelworth in May next.

Atter volus of thanks to the Rector for gramting the use of the bells and providing the excellent spead, also to the ladies who waited at table, is shopt service was helf, and an gddress given by the Rev. J. Godbor. The members then agan visited the lower for further ringing, and Heenc bells being available some of the compary rade their way there, and rang Stedman Plaia Bobs apd Oxford Bob Triples.

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

EASTERN BRANCH OFFICERS RE-ELECTED.
The aunual mestiug of the Eastern Mrancl was herd at Butterwink on Falurday, Felruary Ead. Ringers were present from Boston, Butherwick, Frciston, Folkinghan, Leake, Sibset, Spadang, Surfeet, Stickney and Pinchbeek. Ringing commenced about 2.30 p.ru., had at 4.15 p.ma, a short servee with an address was conatucred by the prosident (Rev. .J. R. Jrwter, Vicar of Freiston with 13utterwick). Afterwards, al! bhose present were hospitably ontertamed to a knifo aud fork tea by live president, at the Five Bells lin. The business moeting took place. The president (Rev, J. R. I'rotter) was unanously revelected. The vice-presideuts were reelected en bloc. Mr. J. Philiips was unanimously re-eleeted to the jont oflice of hon. secretary and treasuren. 3ly. W. E. Clarke was re-elected to the offee of Bumbly Riagins Master by a good majority, ant Mr. Alcx. Shatp to that of Guild representative by the casting voic of the president.

Leake was chosen as the place for holding the next meeting.
A very bearty vote of thanks was accorled to the president for conducting bie servied, for the use of the bells, and for his kind hospitality in enterlaining the members, win the proposition of the Rev. Cnnon Houge, Reetor of Benington. Ringing was again the ouder after the meeting and was kept up until ctose upun 9 p.an., when at very successfuil meeting terminated.

## DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY

The funtat meeting of the Doncaster and Disibict Society fook place on Saturday, February 2ad, at Doncasler: Although the wather wis bad, there was a good attendance of ringers, and the bolls were merrily going soon aiter 3 p.m. Farious methods wore practised by the members from 14 towers, and ringing continued until 5 p.m.

FI'le service was conducted by the Vicar of Doncaster (Rev. Canou Broukel, assisted by the Rev. Neadham aad Rev. Machon, who gave a Leiplul adtaress.
Fl'ca was partaken of in the Golton Cafe, the society being honoured by the presence of the Vicur and his curates. As the Ficur had to leave at short notice, he was asked before he went ho make a presenlation to the late secretary, Mr. Harold Walker. 'the gift took the form of a timepiece, suitably inseribed.
Rew. Ir. Machon preaided over the business meeting, at which several new members were elected.
Jdie secrefary presented his report and balance sheet, which showed a gail on the year's morking, and was passed as satisfactory-
I'lue cap for Sunday service attendance was awarded by the late secectary tbe result being: Doncaster 93 per ceat., Ticklibll 91 per cent. Conisborough 90 per cent., and Arksey 89 per cent.
'IJue mett meeting is to be beld at adwick-le-Street.
'The: meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells and for condueting the service, and also to the Rev. R. Machon for presiding over the business metelng, anul to all who made the arrangements for ane of the best gatherings held by the society.

## WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

## 1SLAND MEMBERS' ANNUAL MEETING.

The anuual meeting of the Isle of Wight District was held at Carisbrooke on Saturday, Fobruary 2nd, when unembers from all parts of the Islaud anil a number from Porismoath attended notwithstanding the inclement weather. The standard methods were practiseri on this favourite peal of eight. The Vicar of Carishronke, the Rev. H. S. Footman, took the Guild's Eervice, and gave a short address, Dr. J. Bruce Williamson presidiug at the organ. Afterwards the Ficar entertained the members to tea at the Waverley Hotel, und took fla chair at tha business meeting. The district secretary \{Mr. B. J. Snow \}, being absent thootgh ilhoss, Mr. F. Barton deputisen, and read the searetary's leport. The anditor Mr. F. A. Phillips presentod the statement of accounts, which Elnowed that the sum of f4 had been sent to lieadquarters, after paying the expenses of the district and retainiag a small balance in hand.
The Ringing Master gave his reporl for tho past zear, and impressed upon the disfrict the pecessity of practiaing new methorls in order to make the art more attractive and the Sunday ringing less monotonous.
All these reports were adopted, the various officials being le-electeri to their posts with thanks for their past serwites
The Fienr of Brading (the Rev. A. D. Fampion Weeks) was elected president of the district for the ensuing year. Seweral new members were clected, white Brading was selected as the place for thie next quarlerly meeting, the date to be left to the seoretary to fix.
Th

Fhe meeting concluded wiwh a wote of thanks to thm liev, IT. S. Footmal for his kindiess in welcoming lue Guild to Carislotooke, and also for his lospitaliby, Mr. Hurtuett, ou behalf of the lorts mouth contingent, expressed their appreciation,

## ANDOFER BRANCF

The amual mecting of the Andover Districh luchat whitchurch was attended by 36 membors from Basingatoke, Fighelore, Lawerstoke, King's Somborne, Norlh Stonelam, Overion, Ni, Mary
Boure, Woolton Hill, Wootfon St. Lawrence, Whitchurch :ad WinBourre,
chester:

Serrice was held in the Parish Chumeh, at which the Guild form was used, and an address given loy the Ficar
factory report on the first wear's working of the distriet very sntisthat eight towera were in minton, with a memhership of 65 , and there was every apponrance of the Andover District becoming a strobg, active hranch of the Guild.
'llie district officers were dected as follows: Chairman, Rev. M. S. Douglas secretary, Rev. F. C. Sear: Ringing Master, Mr. R. Rox; auditor, Mr. O. Smart; representative of Central Committee, Mr. F. Kıapi.
It was decided to hold the next nomural district meeting at Whitto bo hele at Amport on ikpril 4ilj, and af Laverstoke and Andover, Line dates of the two latter to be decided later.
It was decided to iuvite the Newbury Branch of elae Oxford Giuld to hold a joint mecting at Higholere on May 18 h h

During the afternoon and evening the fine ping of eiglat hells was made good use of, touches in various methods from thoutheus to Major being brought round.

## BASLNGSTOKE DISTRICT

The annual meeting of the Basingstoke Bistrict was a great sucress, over 60 membors attending fuorn Basiogstoke, Bramley, Eillisfield, North Stoneiam, Oakley, Overton, Sluerlield, Sheriborne St. Jolin, Wolverton, Wootton St. Eawrence and Wiaghester.
Dr. Boustead gave au adilress at the service which was held at
 available for riuging, and good use whs made of them in a sariety of methots during the aiternoon and ereniug.
An excellent tea, provided by the generosity of the Basingstako angers, was enjoved in tha Church Room.
At the business meeting, which was presided over by Rer. G. H. Jeudwine, R.D., the following district oftecers were elected: Chair-
man, Dr. Bonstead; secretary, Ref. D. L. Board; atditor, Mr. F. Wilson; Ringing Master, Mr. C. Oslet*; representative on Central Committee, Mr. Chesterman.

It was decided to hold the next annual districf meeting at Basingstoke on Jannary $25 t h, 1939$. Quirtarly meetiggs weye sho ur
ranged to be held at Sherborne Bt. Jolu, I ateley and Overton. ranged to be held at Sherborne Bt. Jolu, Iateley and Overton
A letiter was read from the Farnham Brancl secretary of the Guildford Guild, suggesting a combined meeting at liateley and Hawley, to be arranged for a date in Angust. It was agreed that the invitation be accepted and left to the district secretary to arrange.

The District Secreiary reported on the year's workiug in the digtrict, which chowed a very satistactory state of iffairs, with 14 towers in uniont Ritt a membership of 115.

The meeting closed with the usual votes of thanks.

## RINGER KILLED ON RAILWAY.

A verdict of 'Acciclental deatio' was recorkled at an inquest held upon Harold William lriylat, aged 30, assistant yurchaster a Temple Mills, L.N.13.R., siding, who tesided at Oaklands, Absles Wourl Road, South Cltinglord, and who was killed while on duty.
Mr. Fright was is ringer, and had in the past contributed to "The Tiuging World articles on method construction.

Mr. Dright went to Chingford three years ago from Catiord Heitere, where for many years his father was stationmaster, on the ohl South-Eastern and Chatham Railway. He left school when he was 18 to join the colours in 1916, and served until the conclusion of hustilitips, He was decorated with the Military Oross. After the war he was a student at tho London School of Economics for three Jenm, ind gainerl the degree of Bachelor of Commerce. He then werved a three years trufic apprenticeghip with the L.N.E.R., and whs utterwards appoiated aseistant yard master at Temple Mills. He leaves a widow and ono child, a little girl, aged only 18 monlhs.

The funeral took place at Hythe, Kent, and among the many beundful form tributes were those from the yard mastern and staff of Trempho Mills, and the president and the St. Leovard's Bellringing Socioty. of which he was a member.

## GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUIED.

MORE SUPPORT WANTED IN CHEXTSEY DISTRICT.
Thero was a good attendance at the annual meeting of the Chertsey District of the Guildforl Diacesan Guik ak Chertsey on Febraary 9th. Jhe district towers represonted were Chertsey, Esher, Eghimm, Hershan, Oetlands Park, Otershaw, 'Ihames' Ditton, Walton, intul there were visitors from Guidford (Cathedral), Leatherhead, Woking mut Crawley

After the Guilat service, and fea in the Church Room, Admiral T. P. Walker presicled over the husiness meeting, at which the how. Becretary (MIr. If. J. Chaffey) reported that there were three honotary and 69 ringing members in the district, but there were still three towers were the ringers liad not joined the Guild, East Molesey, Weybridge and Choblow, although in the case of Chobham the tower fons affiliuted to the Guild. The receipts were ef lis. Git., half of which went to the central fund. The expenses had been el 198., and the District was Ieft with a balanee in hand of El I Es . 9 ch . The halanec sheet, which was eonsidered vory gatisfactory, was atopled.
Tike Ringing Master (Mr. W. T. Beeson) saict that during the fear two peals (Bob Major and Boh Minor) had been rung in the districe. The dificulty in regard to peal ringing was to get the towers. Albough thoy hat 69 mombers in the district, they had found a lack of sumport in the combined practices. He nsked for suggestions for improving the attendance, in order that they might improve the standard of ringing in the district.
support for support for these practiees, mind Mr. A. H. Winch (Leatineriead) polnted out how euccessful the practices were in that district, where they are held weokly.
The only nommations for afticers received were Mr. H. Hancock, as hon. seeretary, and Mr. H. J. Chaffey, as Ringing Master, and these ware duly elected. Mr. Hawthorne and Mrs. Beoson weye ciected to represent the Districh on the Executive Committee, and Rev. W. N. Willis was roappointed as the hon. members' represeaIt was decided to hald the next ammal meeting on February 8th, 1930, at Oatlauds Park, and to hold district mectinge at East Moleger, Horsell, Esher, Eglam and Ottcraba, also to join with Guildford District in a meeting at Woking, and to hold a return joint megting with the Soult and West Distriet of the Middesex Association at Sanbury in the summer.

Seven now menbers were elected, and the meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the offeers for their services darimg the pest yene, to the Vicar of Chertsey for the use of the belis, to the curate for condueting the service, to the organist, and to the tharman for presticliag.

## HASLEMERE RINGERS MARRIED.

Chery fioreating wedking thok place at St. Birtholonew's Church, Haslomere, Surrey, on Saturday, February 2ad, when Mr Fied Bowden was muried to Miss Elsic Collard. Bodin are en Llusiastic ringers of the local company. The Rector, assisted by the Rrev, 0 . S. Walford, officiated, The bride was given away by her father, and Mr. Charles Bowden acted as best man.

Alter the oervice quarter-peal of Grandsire Gaters was runc by H.' T'urlouger 1, J. H. B. Hesse 2, R. Jlliott 3, Miss I. L. Hastie 1. R, Hajes 5, C. E. Smith 6, R. Overy 7, J. Bartett (conductor) 8, G. Luff 0 , Waler Eldridge 10 . Fust quarter-peal an Len bells by Messre. Furlonger aud Lill.
'The many' friends of the happy pair, together with ihe loonl aud visiting ringers, were entertained al the wedding reception at the Bromiway Resiamrant, whore toastis wore given to the bride and bridegroous, and suitable responses wern mede.
On the previous Monday evenimg. the Rector presenten to the luribe end bridegtoom, on bohalf of himself, Mr. Walford and the oend ringers, a copper tea ketle ank dessert dish.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.

13RLSTOL BPANOH.
The annual meeting of the Brisial Hranch was held at St. Wichacl's (Cily)- The service, couducled by the Rector (ithe Rev. W. S. Haziedice), was fully choral. After this a move was made to the Parish Room, where tea had been prepared. About fifty members sat down, and amongst the visitors present were Rew. D. A. Jawnet (SL. Jemes'), Mr. J. R. Jones (TVeston-super-Mure), Mr. H. W. Irussell (Dursley), Mr. A. Burcombe (Stinchcombe), and Miessrs. Knigh! and Coombes, of Portishead. Nineteen towers were representext ailogetier.
The annual meting followed the tea, and Mr. J. Gauta, the chairmen, presided. A vote of thanige was prassed to the keelor, who had to leave early. In bis reply, he said how plased he was to have the association at St. Michael's, and hoped they would come again at some future date.
Six performing and three life members were elected.
The Chairman said he was inclived to agree with what the Rector had said during his address in the afternoon, that it was of temmes the case that people wha were not in the limelight did not lake an active part of the work of an organisation, and he referved purticularly to some members of the brancls who seldom helped with the 'spado work.' He spoke of the good work done during the year' in visiting six-bell towers.
Then followed the secretarys report, in which he thanked the chairman and the few who had supported him very loyally during the year. The report showed that eleven meetings had been helid, with an arerage attendance of 33 . He made mention of the rapid strides made by the members at abson tower, the alflintion of Alveston to the association, and of the joining up of the metulters the opening of St. Ambrose's bolls and the success they laad obtained. He rominded the members, with regret, of the one death during the year, that of Mr. S. Abraham, who was a very staunch supporter of the branch. Fifty-one performing and five assuciate members were elected during the year.
The balance sheet showed a balance in hand of $£ 16133,301$. , to be handed to the gencral treasurer: The expenses for the year were slightly reduced, being 56 Ils .
It was decided to hold the next monthy meeting on liebruary 23 rd at St. Peler', (City), and combive this with the anmual meeting of the Bristol United Ringing Guilds. The quarterly meating of the branch was fixed for St. Matthew's (Kingsdown), and will talte place on Marcla $23 J^{\prime 2}$, and not on the last Saturday of the Montla, as is the usual practice.
Mr. E. Guise proposed and Mr. Thomas seconded that the ofticers be re-ciected en bloc. This was exryied with applause. The offecrs for 1929 will therefore be: Chairman, Mr. J. Gould; hon. secretary mad treasurer, Mr. G. Way; representative on Mauagempmechamittee, Mr. J. Jefferies.
This concluded the business, and the Chapman amounced 11 atis, in adlition to St. Michael's, St. James' bells were available, ind as move was made for these tawers.

## CIRTNCESTER BRANCH TO HAVE A MID-WEEK MEETIN:.

The annual meeting of the Cirencester Branch was held nt Cireucester on Saturday, Jennary 26th, some thirty members and wisitors attending from Girencester, Swindon, Fairford, Wootlon Bassett, Tetbury, Coln St. Aldwyns, Minchinbanpton, Faringdou, Soulh Cerney and Burford.
Watermoor bells were rung during the afternoon, fad tea was served at Messrs. Viner's Restamant. At the business meeting the Rev. A. H. Longley occupied the chair, and the following olicers were elected: Chairman, the Rer. A. M. Coede; hon. sectetary. M1: F. J. Lewis; Management Comnittee, Mr. J. Hope.

Tetbury was chosen for the next meeting, the date being fixed for the second Thursday in March to enable members who cannot athend on Saturdays to have the chance of phttending a meeting.
A wote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar, the Rev. Canon Westmacott, and to the Rev. A. H. Longley for giving permission to jing and for taking the service.

The ringers ${ }^{3}$ gervice was had at the Parish Church, fand was eonducted by the Vicar. The Parish Church bells were then open tor ringing. The methods rung during the afternoon aud spening were Combridge Surprise Minor, Girendsire and Stedman Triples, Hain Bob suil Kent Treble Boh Major, Grandsire and §ledman Caters, Bob Royal and Grandsire Gingues. Althougla the striking was nrti of the hest, a good practice was had in those methods, severa! of visitors having tiseir lirst pull un twelqe bolls.

YATELEY, HANTS,-O日 Ferburury 7th, as a farewell to tha Rer. A. d. Howell, a quater-peal of Crnidsire Triples: A. Whittile 1, W G. Bunch 2, A. Hearmon 3 , $\mathfrak{i}$. Butiler 4, G. Ives 5, A. Goodall B. ©. Riddell (canductor) 7, A. Hearmon 8. On the previous evenitg Holt's Ten-part, which was being conducted by G. Butler, was unfortunately inferrupted after an hour' ringing.

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

HOERNE, LINCS.-On Eunday, February 17th, ab the Abbey Church, for evensong, 720 changes of London Surprise Minor: J . Neal 1, C. T. H. Bradley (first 720 of London) 2, J. W. Lake (conductor: 3. J. Osborae 4, A. S. Allen 5, A. T. Palmer 6.
LUTON, BEDS.-At the Parish Ghareh, on February 17th, for evenivg service, 1,344 changes, of London Surprise Major in 49 mins.: E. Shane 1, A. King 2, H. Button 3, A. Smith 4, H. Wood 5, F. Funt B $_{1}$ T. Kendall 7, L. A. Goodenougl (eonductor) B. First quarter in the method of the local baud.
STAFFORD.-At St. Mary's Church, on Suaday, February 10th for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandare Triples $(1,260$ changes), in 47 mins.: F. R. Wigean 1, A. E. Garbett 2, W. H. Jones 3. H. Evans 4, R. J. Warrilow 5, 5. T. Hayle 5 , J. Warrilow (conductor' 7, W. G. Gurtis $\delta$. This was the first quarler-peal wung by the ringer of the treble, aud the Itrsi quatLer-peal on an juside bell
the ringer of the th.
FUGHENDEN, BUCKS.-0n Situdaz, Felsuary 10th, for evensoag, a marter-perl of Grandsire Triples in 47 nins: : V. Evans 1, J. Kimhel 2, D. Kimber 3, F, Bigg 4. A. G. Janes 5, F. D. Boreham E, R. Tigat (couduetor) 7, P. Nuton 8

1. ANGPORT, SOMERSET.-Or Suminy, February 104, at A] Saints Church, for morning sertice, a 720 Bob Minor was rung: S. Meaker (first 720) 1, G. Lock 2. T. Creed (conductior) 3, R. Mills 4 W. Toul 5, F. Lock 6.

SBPTFORD.-AE St. Johas Chumeh, on Sunday, Februnsy 3 , for evening service, a quarter-meal of Grandsite Triples " (1,260 clanges) iu 42 nins.: J. Colby 1, R. Steers 2, C. Davies 3 A. F $]^{3}$ rie 4. E. B. Crawder 5, A. F. Benninglon 6, 中, J. Jofries (contor) 7, A. Penn (insh quarter-peat) 8.
"LLHAM.-At All Saints' Church, far evening service on Febru3rd, a quarter-peal of Stedmart Triples: A. Waddington 1, H 3 2, A. Cutmore 3, G. Winnȩ 4, W. H. Hollier 5, A. Farding 6,
Skerington (couductor) 7, G. A. Block 3.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

TONBRIDGE DISTRIGT.
Over eighty members of tha Kent County Association attended the numal meeting of the Tonbridge. District at Edenbridge on Febru2nd. The towers repregenfed were Canterbury, Maidstone, Sevenoaks, Tonbridge, Tunbridge, TYells, Fever, Lamberhurst, Wes${ }^{1}+1 / 1 a m$, Shipbourne, Ghiddingsiol.e, Leigh, Godstone, Plaxtol, Last tirinstead, Penshurst, Merstham, Crawley, Limpsficld Chart, Horley, Chislehurst and Speldhurst, and these, with the local band, met at the toner, when touches weve ruug in varions methods from GrandTriples to Superlative Surprise. There was a service in the :linely, and the Ficar, the Rew. H. O. Edwards, delivered gn inesting address, Mr. W. I. Gitman (Canterbury) being at the argan. Tea, given by the Vicar and Mus. Wdwards, was served in the Church School, at which a pleasant surprise awaited the visitors in the shape of a large iced wedding cake, it being the fourdeentin anniversary of the marriage of the Viear and Mrs. Edwards. Their lanalih was drunk with musical honours.
Thie Vicar presided at the amual meeting, supported by the Rev. F. L. Schreiber (Shipbourne), the Rer. W. U. Salmon, and Mr. W. Jatter (hon. district secretars). The Ficar astended a hearty welconke, abd expressed his pleasme ai seeng so many-particularly a large number of young ringers-and thanked when for their kind grectings.
Mr. Later (hon, secretary) preseuted his annual report, which reporpal a slight increase in memhership Mir, Latter was re-elected ristric zecretary, a post which Ine has filled for 33 years, and Messrs. (i. Erlwards and $H$. Markwell were elected representatives on the association committer.
Many new members were proposeri, including nine from Gowden, suen from Shiplourve, three from Chiddingstone, three from Hever, and one egch from Tombridge. Thenbridge, 'thomton Heath, Sevenonks and Limpsfiold.
Mr. G. Edwards reported that the anmual mocting of the Kent Connt: Association wonld be held at Majdstono on Faster Monday, ancl also pointed out the need for new condactors. He stated that the tenor bell at Chiddingshone was in hand for repair.
(1) tas decided to hold meetiag aiuring the year at Cranbrook Chiddingstone or Westerham, Shiploulue nud Tonbricge.
The meeting closed with vates of thanks to Rev, and Mrs. H. O. liclwards for tholr kiad bospitality, eto., to Mr. W. E. Pitman organist), and to ilia lacal members for their arrangements.

## LATE NOTICE.

THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.-Subscriptions to the Central Council for the year 1929 are now due.
The annual meeting will be held at Chelmsford on Whitsun Tuesday, May 2rst, and notices of motions must be sent to the Hon. Sec.. Mr. E. Alex. Young, I55, Rushey Green, Catford, S.E.6., at once.

## NOTICES.

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ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGFAM. (Established 1755. )-The 4 Ist annual Henry Johnson Commemoration Dinner will be held at the Imperial Hotel, Temple Street, Birmingham, on Saturday, March 2nd, at 6 o'clock, when the chair will be taken by Canon T. Guy Rogers, B.D., M.C., Rector of Birmingham, Chaplain to the King. To fully qualified members tickets will be issued on payment of 2 s ., to other members and friends 6 s . 6d. each. The bells of St. Martin's (i2) will be available from 3 to $50^{\prime}$ 'clocik, the Cathedral (io) and Bishop Ryder's (8) from 4 to 5.30. Applications for tickets, accompanied by remittance, should be made to Thomas H. Reeves, Hon. Sec., 136 , Newton Road, Sparkhill, Birmingham.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. (Established 1637 .) -The subscription of is. 8d., which enables members who have not attended twenty times in the past year to vote on matters of finance, must be paid before Felbruary 28 th . Meeting for practice will he held at St. Magnus' on the 28 th; at 7.30 p.m. Williarm '1'. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, $3^{2}$, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W. 4

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Maidstone Dis-trict-A bye-meeting of the above will be held at Bearsted on Saturday, Feb. ${ }^{2}$ rrd. Tower open for ringing 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30 . Tea, by kind invitation, in the Parish Roons after service. All ringers welcome. -C. H. Sone, Hon. Dis. Sec., Bungalow, Linton, Maidstone.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. - West Dorset Branch.-The Langford memorial meeting will be held at Bradpole on Saturday, Feb. 23rd. Beils (8) ready at 2.30 p.m. Guild service at 4.30 . Tea 5, followed by short meeting.-T. Hervey Beams, Hon. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bollon Branch. The next meeting will be held at Holy Trinity, Bolton, on Saturday, Feb. 23rd. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.-Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., 203, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

ST. MARY the Virgin, ROLleston-ON-DOVE.-Burton District.-The dedication of new bells is on Saturday, Fel. 23rd, 3 p.m., by the Rev. H. E. Worthington, Rector of Scals. All ringers invited. Tea provided-L. Smith.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. -Hinelicy District.--The next meeting will be held at Barwell on Saturday, Feb. ${ }^{2} 3 \mathrm{rd}$. Bells available from $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at 5 , wilh business meeting to follow in the Schools. A good attendance is hoped for, all ringers being wel-come-W. A. Cope, Smockington, Hinckley.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District.-A meeting will be held at Eaton Socan on Saturday, Feb. 23rd. Bells (6) available at 3 o'clock. Tea at 5. All ringers welcome. A good company is re-quested.-C. J. Ball, z, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION．－ Swindon Branch．－The next meeting will be held at $l^{2}$ urton on Saturday，Feb． 23 rd．Tower open 3 p．m． Tea provided at the Vicarage，by kind invitation of the Viear and Mrs．Willis．－S．Hopper，Brancli Fon．Sec．， 79．Fidinburgh Street，Gorse Hill．Swinton．

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD．－East Berks and South Bucks Branch．－The next ringing practice has been arranged at Marlow（ 8 bells）on Saturday，Feb． 23 rd ，at $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$ ．Jubilee celebrations and annual meet－ ing are fixed for April 27 th．Please note date．－A．D． Barker，Cambridge，Wexham，Slough．

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY．－The next meeting will be held at Adwick－le－Street on Satur－ day，Feb． 23 rd．Bells（6）ready early．Those requiring tea please notify Mr．B．Burkitt，68，Latrel Street， Skellow．Tower secretaries will greatly assist if they will collect yearly subscriptions and forward same to me．－ Percy Gledstone，Hon．Sec．，34，Silverwood View， Conisborough．

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION．－Derby District．－The next monthly meeting will be held at West Hallam on Saturday，Feb． $2_{3}$ rd．Bells（8）availabie from 2.30 p．m．Tea at 5 o＇clock，followed by business meet－ ing．－Geo．Freebrey，Local Sec．，8i，Roe Street，Derby．

HERTS ASSOCIATION．－Watford，Feb． 23 rd． Bells upen from 4 p．ח3．till 8．30 p．m．Tea（Olcl Schools） 5．1．5．Cheap tickets from all stations to Watford．－C． H．Horton， 53 ，Aldenham Road，Bushey．Tel．City 4270 ．

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION．－ Dipster Deanery Branch．－The annual meeting will be held at Wootton Courtenay on Saturday，February $z_{3}$ rd． Tower open at 3 ，service at 4.15 p．m．Tea at the School－ room at 5 p．m．Business meeting to follow．－G．Stacey， Hon．Local Sec．，6，Park Street，Minehead．

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION．－Blackburn Branch． －The next meeting will be held at St．Michael＇s Church， Blackburn，on Saturday，March and．Bells ready at 3 p．173．Meeting at 6.30 p．m．A grod attendance re－ quested．Reports to hand．Subscriptions due．－F． Hindle，Hon．Branch Sec．，58，Anvil Street，Blackburn．

TOWCESTER AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION．－ A meeting will be held at Wicken on Saturday，March 2nd．Bells at 2.30 p．m．Service at 3．30，at which three peal boards will be cledicated．Tea will be provided for all who let me know by Feb． 27 th．All welcome．－A．J． firem，Wicken，Bletchley，Bucks．

ESSEX ASSOCIATION．－Northern Division．－A menting will be held at Witham on Saturday，March and． Heils at 3 p ．m．Short service at $4-30$ ．Those requiring tha please notify me not later than Wednesday，Feb． 2717 ．Subscriptions for 1929 are now due．－W．Arnold． Dis．Sec．，Holt Street，Earls Colne，Essex．

MIDIAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION．－Burton－ on－l＇rent District．－The next meeting will be held at Netherseal on Saturday，March 2nd．Bells（8）available 3 p．m．Those requiring tea notify J．W．Cotton，Moria Road，Overseal，by Feb．27th．A good attendance re－ quested．Subscriptions can be paid at this meeting．－ John Leach，Hon．Dis．Sec．

PETERBOROLGGH DIOCESAN GUILD．－Kettering 13rmeh．－A special meeting will be held at Broughton（5） on Saturday，March and．Usual arrangements．Will those requiring tea kindly notify me by Tuesday，Feb． $26 t_{1} .-H$ ．Baxter，Branch Sec．，Silver Street，Broughton， だいlering．

SUFFOLK GLiLD．－A quarterly meeting，Hadleigh， on March 2nd．Bells（8）available，2．Tea at Bloomfield＇s Restaurant at gd．，at＋－30．Meeting follows．－H．Drake， Ufiord，Woodbridge．

NORTH STAFIFS AND DISTRICT ASSOClATION． －A meeting will be held at Silverdale on Saturday， Match and．Bells（8）available from 3.30 p．n7．ARembers make their own arrangements for rea．－C．S．Ryles， Hon．Sec．

APPLETON，JERKS．－The anniversary of these bells will be celebrated on Saturday，March 2nd．Dinner att + p．m．Bells available from $8 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$ ．till 4 p．m．All intend－ ing to be present please notify．－R．White，Appleton，Berks．

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GLILD．－Devizes Branヶh． －The monthly meeting will be held at Market Lavington on Saturday，March 2nd．Bells（6）ready at 3 p．m． Guild service $4 \cdot 40$ Tea 5．Short business meeting follows tea．－－F．Green，Branch Sec，53，Avon Road， Devizes．

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIE＇V＂．－The next meet－ ing will be held at St．Chad＇s，Far Headingley，Leeds， on Saturday，March and．Bells available from 3 p．m． Tea can be obtained near the church．－H．Lofthouse， Hon．Sec．，S，Wortley Road，Armley；Leeds．

MIDDLESEX COLNTY ASSOCIATION AND LON－ DON DIOCESAN GUILD．－South and West District．－ A meeting will be held at Christ Church，Ealing，on Saturday，March gth．Ringing from $3.3^{\circ} \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$ ．Tea arranged as usual．Following meeting，a dance and social will be held in Christ Church Parish Hall in aid of the Isleworth Bell Fund．Tickets，is．6d．inclusive，may be had from the hon．sectetary，Wm．H．Hollier， 29 ， Duke Road，W． 4.

DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD．－The anmal meeting will be held at Dudley on Saturday，March git． Bells available at 3 o＇cloch．Service in clurch $4 \cdot 30$ ．Tea and business meeting afterwards．－Herbert Sheppard， if 3 ，Himley Road，Dudley

ESSEX ASSOCIATION．－South－Eastern Division．－ The next meeting will be held at Fryeming on Saturday， March gth．Bells（6）available at 2．30．Usual arrange－ ments．Those requiring tea please notify Mr．A．Brach－ ley，Dodd＇s Farm，Fryernitg，Ingatestone，not later than Thursday morning，March 7th．－H．W．Kirton，Hon． Dis．Sec．

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION．－I＇reston Branch．－ The next meeting will be held at Higher Walton un Saturday，March gth．Bells（8）available from 2．30．A good attendance is requested．Will those requiring vea please write to Mr．C．Clarke， 338, Higher Walton Rond， Higher Walton，not later than March ；th．Fred Rigby， Hon．Sec．，8，Carrington Road，Chorley，

SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD．－ Southern District．－The next quarterly meeting will be held at Morriston（bells 6）on Saturday，Warch gth．Bells open at 3 p．m．Serrice at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$ ．，with tea and meel－ ing to follow．All ringers welcome．－E．Stitch，Hon． Dis．Sec．， 21 ，Cambrian Place，Port Talbot，Glam．

SÚRREY ASSOCIATION．－Preliminary Notice．－ The annual meeting will be held at Reigate on Saturday， March 16th．New draft rules are now being circulated to members．Any proposed alterations should be sent to me in writing at once．Nomination for officers must be in writing and sent to me by March and．Details of the meeting will be issued later．－Chas．H．Kippin．Hon． Sec．，Winchester，Guy Road，Beddington，Croydon．

## SITUATIONS WANTED.

Trustworthy married couple (turned 40) desire position as caretakers or any place of trust. At liberty any time. Man, change ringer on 8, io and 12 bells.-Box $A$, 'The Ringing World ' Office, Woking.

HANDYMAN.-Unemployed, desires permanent situation. Married, aged 43 years. Abstainer. General repair work, joinery, turf laying, etc. Bellyinger 26 years, St. Margaret's, Tanfield, Co. Durham. Further particulars and references on application to Wrn. Irwin, Crookgate, Burnopfield, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

## HOUSE WANTED

Wanted House, or Flat, London Suburbs. Regular ringer to nearest band (change ringer). - W. Bolwell, Harmony, Devizes.

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## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL'S POSITION

A letter in our last issue raises again a pertinent question in regard to the position of the Central Council in the Exercise. It is this: Shall the Council represent the views of the Guilds and Associations who elect the majority of the members, or shall it represent oniy the opinions of the individuals of which it is formed? It is a question of great importance to the future of the Council, and one which sooner or later has got to be met and deait with. At present the tradition of the Council is that the members attend the meetings free and untrammelled, to vote on any matter as they personally think fit; and, when we consider the conditions under which the Council was formed, the very loose organisation that existed among ringers throughous the country at that time and the still more meagre ties between the individual associations, it is obvious that in those days nothing which savoured of "authority" or "dictatorial powers " could have hoped to succeed. It was just a friendly gathering of men interested in the Exercise, selected by their associations, to meet annually, express opinions and pass pious resolutions which it was hoped ringers would accept as being for the benefit of the art. That position continues to this day. Although the associations have advanced in the hold which they have in their respective territories and have become, most of them, far more representative of the ringers, the Council remains constitutionally where it did?.

But the Council has done this: it has shown by its work that it is an indispensable part of the organisation of the Exercise. Despite all that may be said by those who pooh-pooln its value, the Councis is the real hub of ringing, and without it the wheel of the Exercise would become nothing but disintegrated units, with differing aims and nothing to co-ordinate their common activities. Realising, as the majority of ringers do, therefore, that the Council, with all its shortcomings, is an essential in the welfare of the Art, is it not time that it was put on to a more substantial foundation in its relation to the associations? In other words, should the members represent their own views or the wishes of those who send them and, who, in many cases, pay the expenses? There will be those who will say, 'Let well alone,' but there is a strong feeling in some quarters that if the interest of ringers in the Council is to be increased and their respect for its rulings maintained, some stronger link is necessary to bind the associations to the central body. At present there are those who look upon the Council's meetings as a pleasant holiday jaunt for those who have the good fortune to be elected (Continucd on page 130.)

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to attend them, and that no importance atatacs to the decisions arrived at. That feeling is nemher good for the Exercise nor the Council, and it might be well if the whole position were considered in the light of present day opinion among large bodies of the ringing liatemity. The triennial elections take place next year, and that would be the time to test the feeling of the members of associations on the subject.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

## LONDON.

THE SOCLETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.
On Saturday, February 23, 7929, in Three Heurs and Forty-Fouy Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Leonard, Shorrbitch,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXINUS, E 280 CHANEES; Tenor $28 \frac{3}{4}$ cwt.
Edwin Barnett, sen. ...Trula George W. Strere... ... 7
John D. Matibewg... ... 2 George A. Card ... ... 8

- Miss Freda Orr ... ... 3 †Jogn W. Cornfitad ... ... ${ }^{\text {G }}$

Arthur J. Neale ... ... 4 Ronald H. Bdlen... ... 10
George H. Cross ... ... 5 Leonard H. Baybot ... ig
Thomas Newman ... .... 6 Cecil J. Matigews... ...Teror Composed by F. Dence. Conducted by Gegrge H. Cross.

* First peal on twalre $\dagger$ First peal of Cambridge Maximns.


## TEN BELL PEALS.

FPSOM, SURRET.
THE GUILDFORD DIOGESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Fobvayy 23, 1929, in Three Hours and Five Minutcs.
At the Cherce of St. Martin,
A PEAL DF STEDRAN CATERS, 6067 CHANGES; Tenor 16 cwl.
Arthor Dean ... ... ...Tyable John H. B. IIEssa ... ... 6
Alfred H. Winee ... ... 2 John Hoyle ... ... ... $?$
Ggorge Marriner ... ... 3 Charles W. Roberts ... 8
William H. Heweit... ... 4 James E. Davis... ... ... 3
Charles W. Grimwood ... 5 "Harry Elliot .en ... ...Tomay
Composed by James E. Groves. Conducted by W. H. Hewett.

* Firgt peal on ten bells. First peal of Stedman Caterg by the Guild.

STROUD, GLOUCESTERSHIRT.
GLOUCERTER AND BRISTOL DIOOESAN ASSOCIATION. On Satuday, Febrwaytr 23, 1929, th Thyee Fours and Ten Binntes. At the Parish Chorch,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 GHANGES;

- Frank Simmonds ... e..Tydule | Teomas Witts ... ... ...

Thomas Baldwy... $\operatorname{lin}^{2}$... Frank Cole...
Acsert Wright
Travars Prichard
Frank Ponting......
Composed by Arterr Knights. Conducied by Albert Wright.

* First peal of Calers.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

MOORSDE, OLDHAM
THE LANOASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Rochdale Brance.)
On Saturday, Febvary 2, 1929, in Threc Hours and Six Minntes,
At tee Cburgh of St. Thomas,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;
Harry Platt ... ... ...Treble |John W. Trdelove... ... 5 ?
Frane Lawton ... ..... .12 Ivan Kay $\quad . .$.

- Harry A. Mellor $. . . \quad . . . \quad 3 \quad$ Tom Chapman... Vincent Howorth ... ... 4 Charlbs E. Platt ... ...Teng Composed by J. TEORP.

Conducted by Charles E Platt.

* Firat peal and first atiempt.

[^16]POR' SUNLIGHT, CHESHTRE, THE GHESTER DIOCESAN GUUD.
On Monday, Ficbriay 18, 1929, in Threc Houys and One Minute, At Chrisi Chorch,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 6024 CHANGES; Tenor $I_{4} \mathrm{cwt}$. 3 qr . II lb, in $F$.
G. Ronald Ebwards... ...Tyeble | Jobn Breese ... ... ... 5

 Grorge $R$, Newion ... ... 4 James C. E. Simpson......Teuor
Composed by F. Dence. Conducted by J. C. E. Simpson. This peal was arianged and rung as a farewell to the Rev. $R$. W. T. Mralletor, B.A., who is leaving Pori Sunlight for Birmingham, and who has always allowed free use of the bells on numerous occasions.

> WRLESDFN, MIDDLESEX.

## THE MDDEESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON

 DIOCESAN GUILD.On Tuaday, February 19. 1929, in Tao Howrs and Forly Minates, AI thr Churce of St. Mary,
A PEAL CF PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES; Tenor 10 cwt .
Edinart Lankaster
Treble Charies T. Coles

1. Armiger Trollope Grorge M. Kilby ... 2 George R, Pue ... ... … 3 Albert W. Coles 4 William Pye

First peal in the method in the comoly and hy all the bancl. Rung ithoul previous practice.

## ERITH, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATTON.

On Thas sday, Fcorvary 21, 1929, in Two Howrs and Fifty-Four Minutes. AI the Cedref of St. Joan-the-Baptist,
( PEAL PF DOUBLE MORWICH COURT BOD MAJOR, 5120 EMAMEES; Tenor 55 cwt . in G .
 Hereert E. Audsley -.. 2 Ernest B. Crowder
 Composed by G. H. Cross. Conducted by Feedr. J. Coleom. Jon. - Jتirst peal sis the method.

HUSHEY, HERIS.
TEE HERTEORD CODNTY ASSOCIATION.
Qn Thurshay, Fobway 21, 1929, in Two Hokrs and Forly-Sawen Mintes. At ine ChDrch of St. James,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor 13 cwt .

- Frane Stacey.
.Treble Wieliam $G$. Whitehead Madrice F. IR. Hibbert... StEPHEN Mr. HOARE...
*Edwarju Aylett $\qquad$ 3 William Seeley 5
$\qquad$
Francis A. Smith 6 Composed by Sir a $P$. 4 Herbert F. Dale ... ...Temor Eirst peal of Stedman these holls, aud he is the first to accomplish this. Hu is also believed to be the first to accomplisin 100 peals upon his own hells in he country.


## BRENTWOOD, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCTATMON.
On Sinturday, Febrayy 23, 1929, in Thyee Hours, At the Chorch of St. Thomas-the-Mariym,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 6024 CHANEES; Tenor 20 cwt.

Erxest I. Botlef George R. Pye... Willian R. Madgwick Einest Wh, Fgrbank..
Composed by Gabriel
..Treble Alfred Pye...

3 James Bbnisett ...
4 | Wiceiam Pye ... Composed by Gabriel Lindorf. Conducted by William Pye.

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On Snturday, Febylary 23, 1929, in Three Hours and Foitricen Mimutes,
Ai the Chorch of St. Lawrence,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor r 81 cwt .


| Charles Wells | $\ldots$ | ... | 2 | Rabrles Ghicds | ... | .. | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

1Frane Kemp
Composed by J. R. Pritchard $\quad$.... 4 Conducted by Richard Hastrd.
Composed by J. R. Pritchard Conducted by Ricamediasied. ringers of 1he 6th and 8th Hall from Godmiming und Dorking iespectively. The rest belong to tha Farnlam band.

## LONDON.

THE MDDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCTATION AND LONDON
DIDCESAN GUILD.
(The Ale Saints' Society, Folyam.)
On Salurday, Febraay 23, 1929, in Thye Howrs,
At rhe Chorce of All Salnis, Eulham.
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANEES;
Thorstasis Fogr-part.

- Tenor 20 cwi.

| Horace Belcuer | $\ldots$. | $\ldots$ | 2 | Alexr. Waddingtok |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Charles T. Coles | ... | 5 |  |  |


 Conducted by Acbert W. Culbs.

* Tirsti peal. Spedially arranged and rung, ats a birthday minhiment to Mr. W. H. Hollier, the esteemed jomt hon. secret: the above assactiation, with best wishes from the hand.

BARTHOMLEY, CFESFRTE.
THE CHIESTER DIOCESAN GULLD.
On Saiuvay, Fobrmary 23, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Fony Minnat, At the Ceoreh of St. Bertholine,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:

## Parker's Tweive-part

Eric B. Allaran ... ..
Harry Parker.

- John H. Parker
 Conducted by A. Crawley.
First pent of Triples insicle. Megers. A. Allmirn and d. Bram-inest fon's $501 l_{1}$ peal together.

STE ANNIS-OF-SEA.
(Fylve Brange.)
On Soturiday, Febnaty 23.1929, it Thyee Hours and Eigh Minta,
At the Chorch of St. Aswe,
A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Taylor's Six-paizt.

- Nozl Tborneer ... ...Trehle "Frank Youles

William Ratcliffe
Charles Sharpü
tGeorgle Maribs ... .. G
Lawrence Green ... ... 3 tGeorgle Maribs
tRoeert Cardwele ... ... 4 -Arthor Leslie ... ...Tomet
Conducted by C. Sharplas.

* Firs

First is the method.
HIGHCLERE, HAMPSEERE
THE WINCEESTER AND PORTSMOURH DIOCESAN GUILD
On Satwrday, February 23, 1929, is Three Hours and Sixteen Minwles,

## At tae Church of St. Michael.

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDEE SURPRISE MAJOR, 6056 CHANGES:

Middletan's.
Ernest Bishop
H
Harry Balahit ... ... ... 2
George Pollinger..... .1
Noemi Goldey 3 Gharles J. Gardiner
Conducted by George Williams.

* First peal of Surprise Major. First peal an lite bells, wijels have repenty been augmented from 6 to 8 by Messars. Tayln Co. The ringers of 2ad and Jud lave eacla last theil right :1m After the poal the band were entertained to sull excellent meat b.
 Ars. Dinlop, wio were both unfordunately in the sick Ijg: and unable to meed than.

MARSDEN，YORKSHIRE，
On Saluvdry，February 23，1929，in Three Frours and Tietchty－Six Minutes， At the Chorch of St．Bartholomew．
A PEAE OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR， 5184 CHANGES； Tenor zGl cwt．
 Jack Torner ．．．．．．．．．． 4 Henry H．Smith ．．．．．．．．Teror Composed by A．Knights，Conducted by C．H．Craven． ＊First peal．

MARKET DRAYHON，SHROPSHFRE．
＇HEE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD．
On Salnrday，February 23，1929，in Three Howrs and Elewen Minutes， At the Chorch of St．Mary．
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MASOR，E089 CHANGESq Tenor ry cwt．Ig

Composed by T．B，Worscev．Conducted by J．FI，Riding． Pirst peal in the method．

FATIFAM，HAMPSHIRE
THE WINCEESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOGEKAN GUHD． On Suturday，February 23．1929，in Three Hours and Three Minwtes，

Ay the Cherch of SS．Pzter and Patl，
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR， 5056 CHANEES！
Tenor 14 cwt．in $F$ sharg．
－5．A．Babrord．I．M．．．．Treble
Frederick A．Burnett ．．． 2
Josial D．Harris ．．．．．． 3
＋Percivar L．Cook ．．．．．． 7 Composed by H．J．Tocker．Conducted by H．L．W．Airken． ＊Fitrb poal．＋First peal of Major．Tirst peal as conductor． ROTHERTHED，SUQSEX．
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION．
2n Satmaday．February 23，1929，in Three Hous and Twenty－One Mintes， At the Parish Chorch．
A PEAL OF BUPERLATIVE BURPRISE MAJOR，GO8B CHANREB； Temor 23 cwt． 23 lb．

 Frank Bennett ．．．．．．．．． 4 Frederice White ．．．．．．．．Tenor Composed by Nathan J．Pitstow，Conducted by Frederice White A birthday compliment io the ringer of the troble． CLAINES，WORCLSTERSHTRE．
THE WORCESTERSEIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION．
On Sipruday，Febrnary 23．1929．in Two Hours and Fifly－Two Mixutes， At the Parish Ceorch，

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES，50q0 CHANGES；

 Temor 14 ewt．W゙lllam Short ．．．．．．．．．Treble｜Clifford Skidmore ．．．．．． 5
Thonas Hemming
Harry price
Gordon W．Caeckitts $\quad . . .4$ 4 Alfere Hackett $\quad . .$.
Tredle
$\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Clifford Skidmore } & . . . & . . . & 5 \\ \text { Higtor G．Bird．．．} & . . & . . & 6\end{array}$

Composed by Rev．H．Earce Bulwra．Conducted by R．Matihews USK．MONMOU＇PHSHITRE．
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOOTATION． On Sainrday，Fobruary 23，1929，in Two Hows and Fifty－Two Minules，

At tee Partsh Chorgh of St．Mary，
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES， 6040 CHANEES；

Holt＇s Ten－part．
Tenor 14 Cut．
W⿵冂䒑rered Wililams
Aribor Hawkins
DONALDG．Clift
EDWard W．Loff
oward W．Lorf
．．．．．． ．．．Treble
$\ldots$
$\ldots$ … $\quad . . . c \mid$ George Popnell －Arihid L．Locas Charlps Greedy Grorge Hawkins
＊Tirsi peal．Rung a a bistatay complitaent to Mr．P．T．Clift， father of the 31d ringat？

BROMBOROLUF，CHESEIRE．
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD．
On Saturday，Febury 23，1929，in Thyee Hours and Sis．Minutes，
At the Cedrca of St，Barnabas，

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR， 6056 CHANGES

 Tenor zo cwt．in E fiat． | Walter J．Battle... | $\ldots$ | 2 | John Bregse | $\ldots$ | ... | ... | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| ＊Racpe G．Euwards ．．． | $\ldots$ | 3 | James C．E．Simpson．．． | $\ldots$ | 7 |  |  | －G．Ronalis Edwards ．．． 4 Edward Jenkias．．．．．．．．．．Temot Composed by T．B．Worsley．Condu̧cted by E．Jenkins．

＊First Surprise peai．First Jurprise peal，and quickest peal of Major on the bells．

MOSSLEF，LANGS
THE LANOASHIRE ASSOCLATION．
On Satuday，Febwary 23，3929，in Three Hours and Seren Minules．
At the Cherch of St．George
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR， 5024 GHANGES；
B．Thorpe．
Treble
－G．Barlow．．
J．LeES．．．
A．Gorrinte
5

$\dagger$ V．Sykes $\quad . .$.
Composed and Condncted by B．Thorpe．
＊First peal in the method．＋Firat poal on au inside bell．

## EAVENHAM，SUFFOLK．

THE SUFFOLK GUILD．
On Snturday，February 23，1929，in Thyer Hours and T temty－Three Minates Ax the Churcho of SS．Yeter and Pad．

## A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAdOR， 5088 CHANGES；

Stedman H．Symonde ．．．Tyetile
＊Feederick G．Sumonds
－Madrice T．Symonds ．．． 3
Aritur Symonds ．．．．．．． 4
Frank A．Turner
Labzence Poolson ．．．
Friderick A．Pollson ．．． 7
Composed by W．Soxiansialc．Conducted by S．H．Symonds．
＊First peal in the methad．The first four ringers are sans（two）， grandson and father respectively．A．Symonds has now completed the circle in this tower six times．This is the 1001 h peal that has been rang on the bells since March 3 rid 1888 ，and A．Symonds has had the remarkable，and probably uninue，experience of haring talen perti in every one．This is believed to be a trecord．

## SIX BELL PEALS．

SWYNNERTON，STAFTS．
THE NOBTH STAFFORD AND DIBTRICT ASSOCIATION．
Om Saturday，Febraty 23，1929，in Teo Foursamd Forty－Fiut Minties．
At the Chorch of St．Mary．
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES， 6040 CHANGES；
Boing 42 six－scores，with ton different callings．
Tenar 9 ewt

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Conducted by Arthor Rowler．
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## HUNTON，EENT．

THE KENT COUNTY ANEOCIATION．
On Satuday，Febraay 23，1929，in Two Hours are Fifiy－Six Minutes，
At the Chorch of St．Mary，

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR， 5040 CHANEES：

Rev．E，Bankes James＂composition．
T＇enor 12 cwt ．
－Cearles H．Sone ．．．．．．Treble｜James Bassett．．．

Conducted by A．H．Smith．
＊First peal iu the method．The band wish to tlank the gexton of the church，and his wife，for their kind hospitality after the peal．
ROOK FERRY，OHESFIRE，On Thursday，Telaruaty 21st， 720 Kent Treble Bob：Miss D．F．Lertham 1，Miss MM．Cooke 2，I．Gorst 3，T．Birch 4，G．R．Edwards 5．5．Dooke（conductor）5．First 720 of Treble Bob for the ringer of the treble 2 then the tirst iaside for the ringers of the zad and 3ral．

## HANDBELL PEAL.

## MANCEESTER

## THE LANGASHIRE ASGOCLATION.

On Thursday. I"druary 27. 1929, iu Two Hours and Thirty-SixMin及tes,

## At 16, Lime Grove,

A PEAL DF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor size 14 in $D$.
Hafold jachson
1-2 Frbderick Page $^{\text {1- }}$
Aleen F. Bahey

- Morris J. Morris ... ... 9-í

Composed by George H. Cross. Conducted by Aller f. Bailey Umpire : Alfaed Barnes.

## First peal of Bob Royal.

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN CUILD.

GRIMSBY DIETRICTS JOINF MEETING WITH LADIES' GUILD. The crimsby District of the Lincoln Guild beld a conbined meetjag with tle Lincoln District of the Ladies" Guild at Grimsby, at which some thitty-iwo members artented from Barrow, Bar-tow-on-Humber, Bigby, U'leeby. Goxbil, Laceby, Burton-on-Stather, Grimsby St. James' and frimsby St. Andrew's, also Rov. J. Barber, Rector of Great Contes, Mr. and Mrs. R. Richardson, of Surfeet, and ladies from Laceby. The service was held at, St. Andrew's Church, conduoted by the Vicar (Rev. TY. Russel Warrilow), who save an interesting address. The Ladies Guild servioe was used, and Br. H. Rushby kindly presided at the organ.

Tea was serciced in the Church Hall. Tea over, the ladies' meefing took place, followed by the annual meeting of the Grimsoy District. The Rev. H. T. Parry was re-elected Mredilent, Mr. F. I. Mingay secretary, Mr. C. W. Taỵor representaive on the branch committee, Mr. I. Bray Binging Master, and Mr. G. Blomehatd Deputy Ringing Master.

Seven new performing members and 1 wa honovary members were elected. Places nud dates fixerl for the district meetings for tho Jear were: Uleby April 6th, Lotstl May 20il, Burton-on-Stather combined meeting Jume 22ad, Bigbv Fuly 20th, Waltham August 77th, Sounthonne Septemher 19th, Wluarshay aftenoon meetinga Bar-ton-on-Humber October 26th.

The collection for the district bell fuad mmounted to 17 s .
A resolution that the fiuild shonld have reports printed as in prewar days was carried manimausly
A vate of thanks was given to the Vicars of Sl. Audrew's and St. James' for the use of the bells, to the Yicar of St. Andrew's for condurting the service, io Mr. Rushir fpa presiding at the organ, to all those who made the meeting stah a suecess also the president for presiding.

Mremberg tian aljonared in the cowers for nore ringing.

## BRAINTREE RINGER'S LOSS.

Rimging ficionts ot Mr. and Mís. Herbut C. Reason, of Braintree, Will read winh regret of the death of their son, Geoffrey Charles. Although 1101 Jes thincen years of age, the deceased was a very promising lan. He mon s scholariship at the Connty High School before lie was twelve years old. and was alrealy keanly interested in ringing. Tintil n fortnight ago, he whs very rolust, aud the picture of healli. Very suddemb he beamo ill, and was remsed to hospital, and passed away on Jueselay, January 2911.

The fumeral look place ou Saturclay, February 2nd. Rev. G. P. Bassett-Kerry, M.A., Vicar, ofliciand al the church, and the cammittal service ir the cemetery was tuken by lie Req. S. J. Rust, assisfant curate.
In addition to ilue parents and relntives, there were present Mr . A. M. Dell, the headmaster, and papils frum lhe High School, Mr. O. E. Finbeck, hendmaster, and Mr. E. G. Hick, assistant master, and scholars from the Churell of England School, where the deceased formerly attended, Mr. D. Smilh, superintendent of the Ghurch Sumhay Schoole, Messrs. L. W. and A. Wiffen, H. E. and W. H. Hammond, G. Lindridge and C. E. Howard, members of the St. Michael's Grild of Ringers, and quite a number of his friends from Felstead, Where he formerly lived and with whom he was very popular. Floral tributes were sent frocr relatives and friends, pupils of the High Gehool and C.F. School, and the St. Michael's Guild of Ringers, who, immedialely afterwards, rang touches of Double Norwich Major with the clappers half-muffled on the bells of the Parish Church.
' NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.'
LONDON GOUNTY ASSOGTATION EXPANDS MTS TUPLE. A very successfid meeting of the London County Association was held on Saturday, February 9th, the towers of St. Clement Danes, Strand, and St. Dunstan's-in-the-East Eeing available. After ringing, a shart service was conducted by the Rev. Kingégon, who findly consented to officiate in the absence of the hon. clarplain, who, it was regretted, was unable to attend. After tea, the members proceeded to St. Clement Danes' Parish Fall for the annual business meeting, as a preliminary to which membert of the Itleworih band played a selection of tunes.
It was gratifying to note that the districts had progressed very favotrably during 1928, and it was hoped thet they would continiug to do so.
The Master, Mr. T. H. Ta介cnder, was again unanimously elected to fill that position. Other afficers were as follows: General secretary, Mr. S. C. Noye; assistaut secretaries, Messrs. T. Wyatt and T. W. Taffender; treasurer, Mr. E. A. Young; trustees, Messre. A. H. Keighley and F. E. Dawe; stewards, Mesers. F. Chorley and W.

## Grainger.

The Bishop of Sonthwark having kindly consented to become a patron of the association, if was agreed io alter the name of the association to read 'Tho London County Association and Niorth Southwarle Diocesan Guild.
The meetiog lerminated witly some excelleur touches on the handbells by several of the meabers.

## NOTTS RINGER'S 100 PEALS. ।

By ringing he peal of York Surprise hoyal recently, Mr. J. Frederich Miluer, a member of the bavd at Southwell Cathedral, brought his total number of peals to the century. The following is the detailed list, which have been rung in four counties ancl 30 towers:

DOUBLES
Thwer Belj. Conducted. Grandsire
In two methods
In three methods
MINOR
Plain Bob
In two mathods
In three methods
In faur methods
Gambridge Surprise
TREPLIS:
Grandsire
Stedmain
MAJOR:
Plain Bob
Little Bob
Kent Trebie Bob"
Oxford Treble Bob
Spliced Treble Hob Worcester Variation
Spliced Treble Bob Ilkeston Variation
Splicerl in six methods
Double Norwich Court Bob
Pudsoy Surprise
Yorkshire Surprise
Now Cambridge Sutprise
Superlative Surprise
Cambridge Surprise
Spliced Cambridge and Guprlative Sutprise
CATERS:
Grandsira
Spliced Siednan and Grandsire
ROYAL
Plain Bob
Spliced Troble Bob
York Surprise
Total ... 9
FIandbell Peals. Conducied.
Grandsire Doubles
Donbles in four methods
Total 100, conducted 14.
h Rung for the first time for the M.C.A. $\dagger 6,720$ (record). $\ddagger 9,600$ (record).

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## OLD RECORDS.

To the Editar.
 Niswida fazetti ai Lhe british Musemas for my friend, Samuel Slater. The earlitson number of the "Gazette theme was that of Aynil 2til. 1725. The limbeatry related to the addition of two belis to dor sis then at St. Mioluabl Cosany
'Ilien conres a matice of an attenapt al' tio College Youths for a peal at 5,000 amd and changes at gi. Martin's hells $\mathrm{s}_{\text {a }}$ lost after throe hatiz ifrotegh at tope brcaking.
Tlas dirsl record if a peal was its the 'Gazette' of April 8th, 1727, as [ollows: Norwioht, Apwil 8tla, aו the 1at instant was rung ley aight men at the Church of St. Miclael Goslany, in this city, ihn: quaterneal af Treble Foll Royal (called by some in England
 28 minhtes, whils not a beli wut of course or mivtiving amiss.
if the 'Gazetle of Novembey 8th, 1729, there was a letter Irmm the Five ringers dispising the tutull of the above peal, and of others claimed by Norwidh
I Hitik the roferiduce to the peul ht St. Margarct's, Leicester, on Fehrtary 23 ra, 1730 , was rung by the society of Leicester Schalars, the whole peal of 5,040 Triplos in 3 hours 6 minutes and 27 seconds,


Whonlien tive par', mars I fumislaed to Mr, Slater were among the piputa destroyed at his denth of mol I do not know. The Editar of 1 hu' Nomwh Guzette' must have had some rery general interest in bellas and finging and same very wide correspandence, or he had

1". Th. The rarlicat mony of the Gazette ak the Bribish Muscun wht Nu. 969 . Voi 19 . tre tho carlier numbers extant?

## EARLY PEALS AT KETTERING

## To the Editor.


 of ane penl hogrd, whimh is still in the helfry, and rends: Frebuary

 $\pm 8$ minutes by the following persons, all of this parish, viz. : Pho.
 ilins. Booth 6, Juo Carley 7, Fenry Lades 8.
As noxd Thurbday is the 20 ih anuiversary of the peal heing rumg, it is an appropriation lime to note this error. गllie next peal at Fetworing, Gremaisire, pare 127, is uopied corvectly with the excoption of Rob. Bontli, whel on the hoard is Jas. Booth, and the ximgor of the fotmta in feorgo Fayre, given as G. Vayre. Youns fiaffitully.

Civalington


## NOT THE FIRST.

## To the Elitor

Thar Side-1 see in the peal columas of wollur last issue of "The
 the athepices of lithe wingtiester Guild which staties in a footnote: First pral out tho bells," This is evidenily an minatentional ercor.


Trancurder, Eiven

## A COMBINED MEETING

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A sumbinent meeting of the lient Connty Association and Romuey Marsh mat Disbich findel was theld ad Tanterden on Saturlay, Felonary 16 bin, The attermon was spent in tiuging, and a service was tonducted hy thes Ficnu (Rev. M. Mamol, wha gave an inspiring
 taiken of at linglish's Restaturanl, nud 24 mombers were present. Thu K.O.A. Husizes- neeting wats presided over by the Viear. Friltrmblll wa, thabent forl the next meeting, and lwo new merabers Mots Feadenn wert slected

 still mennts the doñ tower rogulaly to ring for divine serviee.
 hand lands.
 then presiden nwer the Guih thenting, when live mobationers from Aypledort ware elastet nod Hythe whe ehosen for the next montily mesting.
thmaks ta lite we chainomb far presiding, and to the sotanish (Mr. Mr. Fis Pitmatal romeluded the meelings. The metabers then rofurnad in the town tor wore riuging, when, alas, out went the electrit fighos, atud the hells wane lowered with the aid of a storm Interia, and the alin wis dimished in ringing talk.

## A SUSSEX AUGMENTATION

The litfle village of Wisborough Green, in Norta-West Susbex, has lat its church bells augmented to six. Originally there wera four, hat one was rracked, and this has been teeasi. The two additional balls have been provided hy the generosily of at parishioner, and the whole have been hang in thew frame on one level. The work has been carvied aul by Messrs. Taylor and Co., who tured the old bells, and, cansidering what lheir tone was liefore the operation, a marvellaus improvement las been altaciod. Tho inwer was restor'od, on bine adviee of Majar J. H. F. Fesse, and the manmer in which this part of the scheme has heen catried out is an exemple of how work of this descuption ought to be clove. Ho the relanging of the belis, which is a perfeci Longhhorough joth, they have been brought twelve feet lower in the lower, and tie peal are very musical six.
The dedication twok place on Sunclay, when the opering rounds were lung by the ringers fron the meighbauning tower of Kirdford and afterwards touches were rung by unmerous ringing visitors.

## CORNWALL RESIDENTS' SUCCESS


A peal of Grandsive Priples, rung at Phillacl on February 2ad, and recently published in the penl columis of this paper, brouglit to an end the long peciod Einco an eight-bell peal was ring in Corawal lny a band all living in the county. It was as long ago ata June th, $1083-46$ years ago-that Dr. J. Symons, the present Ringing Master of the Irtito Diocestin Guild, conducted a peal at St. Mary's, Penzatce. There was at that time no Truro Diocesan Guild, and the peal was rung for the Devon fituid. Alas! St. Mary's bells are now wningable, having heen in this state for yenrs, and out of Cortwall"s twenty-nite ontates are the only ting in this forlorm coadilion. Althougli heree is a substatitial sum in hand for the restoration, the churel andhorities seem far from keen to complete this work.
Several residents latve laken part in peala for the Thmo Guild during its twembefour yerrs pistence, especially during the mas thred fears, but in every anse the conductor and some of the had have conte across the thamar, from Devon. The pat on February 2nd was the fonrth atternpt during the past Eew monilos, the other three being at Truro Catliedral, where it was hoped to achieve the 'hirst, for the Truro Diocesan Guild. It semmed as if' peals would not come round on the Cathedral holls last jear: livery attempt proved elusive, cven Stedman Caterg hy a vory efficint band, muder the conductorship of Mr. Pratik Bemueht, Iast Angsist.
However, it was a reward to be able to jecord a peal rung withotat a ' trip' frons start to finish, and with beautifal striking. With tha previons falures, R. A. Wistis, A. 31. Thomas, Horace 13ennett, Harold Rembet, F. M. Roberts and H. Steplitus liteve to be associated

A ONE-PART PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES HY ALBERT E. PARKER.


## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

If Bray is the mont atractire tower in the East Berks and South Bucks brameh for young tiagers, then Maplow must be the magnet for the older menal)ers, for, it spite of a foggy evening, nearly all the old school' turned up at the combined practice on Saburday, sund with in few young onss lilled the tower to overflowing, so that quite a dumher wisited Mr. J. C. Fruss-for another change. Methods fraging from farandsitw to london were tried, "the evening clasing with a visit from the Vican, who hoped that all had enjoyed thex practice. It was lecitid fo fold the next practice at Cookham on Marcit 23ıd.

## BEDWAS RINGERS DEATH

Tlie death occurred from phemmonia on February 18th of Mr. A. 3. Huford, one of the riugers at Bedwas, Mon. He was 53 yeary of age, and succumbed ather only a week's ilhess.

Formerly of Dawlish Wake (Samerset), Mr. Hurford had long heen it faithful member of the Bedwas bund, by whom jue will be much missed. He starten change ringing about seven years ago, ard had rang half a dozen peals of thiples for the Etandaff and Monmotith Association.
The funeral took place on Thursdty of !ast week, and afterwards the bels were rung half-muffled by A. f. Wartin, A. E. Slatter, S. Addicoth, G. Cuoke, G. H Mintin, le. Ridout, W. Bennett, s. l'arry ant E. Mathew

## WYCOMBE RINGERS

The anmual meating of the High Wycombe belfry took place at the Vicarage recuntly. The Ficar presided. It was shown hat 1,388 attendences had been put in fot the year. The balance sheet was submitted and approved. The officers for the year were elected as follow: President, the Vicar, Rer. W. L. P. Flont, M.A.; foreman, Mr. Ralph Cole; deputio foreman, Mr. George White; bon. secretary and traasmer, Mr George Twitchen; collector, Mr. Boxell.
The ammal outing was fixed to trike place on Whit Monday.-A snall eommittee was appointed to revise the rules.
The meeting over, the cingers adjourned to another room, where the Viear and Mrs. Float had in readiness a first-class supper. The memu was typically Oid Englizh, and served with a daintiness and charm, that satisfred the most fastidious, aud the macal was mosl heartily ebjoyerl.

At the close, Mesars. 7. W. Wilkins and G. White voiced the gratitude of the mingers to their lost and hostess. 'To our next' and a chain of frre brougth the intergsting procecdings to a close.

## MUFFLED BELLS,

At Turo Cathedral, on Sunday, February 17th, a quarterepeal of Grandsire 'Criples ( 1,260 changes) : Noel Williams (first quarter') 1 , A. S. Rolberts 2, R. A. Watis 3, A. F. Knight 4, Horaco Benuett 5, W. F. Sleemaı 6, W. F. Southeurd (conductor) 7, F. M. Roberts 8. Ruag with the belle half-muffed in memory of the late Dr. W. 0 . Burcows, D.D., Bishop of Chiehester, formerly Bishop of Trura, Miss D. Mannell and H. Steplems also took part in lialf-anmfed ringing prior to the memorial service at 2 p.m. on Monday, Femplaary 18 th .

At Kirnpton, Herts, on Monday, Fehruary 184h, 720 13ab Minar in 25 mins.: G. Cain 1, A. Gillings (conductor) 2, D. Luck 3, J. Wellio 4, R. Hall 5, T. Cann 6. Rung with the bells half-muftled as a tribute of respect to the late Rev. A. T. Whyte-Venables, of Shinfield, Reading, until recently Viear of Kimploa, whose body war interred in Kimpton Churebyard on the same day.
At St. John's Ghurch, Stanmore, Middlesex, on Sunday evening. February, 24th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) in 45 mins., with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect for the late C. Johnson, who was verger at the above chureh for 53 years: F. Hill 1, G. A. Hughes, jun., 2, H. Moxom 3, F. Heading 4, 6. Gheshire 5, F. Exwarns E, C. Dyke (conductor) 7, \{. A. Hughes, sen. 8.

## WOOLWICH BELLRINGERS' ANNUAL SUPPER.

The band of ringers allached to Woolwich Parish Church (Sit. Mary's) recently held their annal supper. The Rectar (Rev. A. M. Pickering) presided, supporied by past and present churchwardens. In proposing the vingers' health, the Chairman expressed extrema appreciation of the work of the band, which was founded in 1925.Mr. Aldridge, Master of the company, gave a report on the work of 1928, during which six quarter-peals of Grandsire Doubles had theen rung.-Mr. C. Palmer, secretary, supplying some statistics, stated that all present ringers belonged to the London County Associntion and five to the Kent County Association. Although the bells would first need an overhaud by a bell hanger, it was hoped, he said, that a peal of Grandsire Triples would be accomplished during 1929.
A musical entertainment by friends and 4 demonstration on tha handbells by the ringers brought a very pleasant evening to a close.

WIVEJJSCOMBE.-At Si. Andrew's Clurch, on Janaary 50il, a quarter-peal of Graadsire Doubles (1,26n changes, ten ways): W. J. Greedy 1, C. Parkman (first quarter-peal) 2, K. Rawles 3, E. Tierrington 4, W. A. J. Knight (conductor) B, S. Furze 6.

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## BELERX GOSSIP.

Forty years ago to-day the Warninsm, Sussex. baud maty a poal of I3,440 Ganterlury Plensure Major in 7 lirs. $4 \overline{5}$ mins. They hat scored the first peal ever rung in the method on the previous December 17th. Later, they essayed a 20,000 , but this was unsuccessful.
March let is the anniversary of two long peals of Graudsire Caters, one, 8,064 , rung in 1734 , and the other, 10.080 , the following year.
A society of which very litlie is known rang Holt's peal of Grandsire Triples at Oswestry on March 3rd, 1785. The ringers described themgelves as members of the 'Anacreontic' Society, whatever that was, and tha name appears on the board in the tower.
William D. Crofts called a peal of 10,260 Grandsire Gaters at St. Mary's, Nottingham, on Shrove Tuesday, Marcla 3rd, 1778.

The Yorkshire Association rang their first peal of Cambridge Surprise Major thirty years ago next Monday.
The Surrey Youths of St. Giles", one or the more or less ephemerral sacieties of which London lins had several instances, rang a para of Grandsire Caters at St. Gheb', Camberwell, the first peal performed on the hells, on March 5th, 1845. It was composed aud canducted by John Cox.
We are pleased to be able to state that the Riev. F. J. O. Helroore, lon. secretary of the Kent County Association, is Blowly recovering from his racent severe illoess, but not being able fo undertake the secretarial duties connected with the annual theeting to be held on Easter Monday, he has apmointed Mr, F. M. Miteledl, the Rochester District bon. secretary, to mot in his stead, and all correspondence coucerning tha meeting should be sent to 114. Sum Lane, Gravesend.

## COLLEGE YOUTHS' RECORDS <br> To the Edidtor.

Dear Sir, I notine uncer the list of notable performances by the College Youths in their recently issued and mast interrsting book, a peal of Grandsire Triples rung at Ghrist Ghurel?. Spitalifelds, Jabusfry 3lst, 1851, which they claim to be the first mon-conducted pual. May I point out that on Sunday, June 2sth, 1803, a peal of Bols Major was rung at Aston, Birmingham, the foutuote of whinh reads: Rung without a bob or single being called or any explanatian being given ${ }^{\text {P }}$ ?
Again, I notice the College Youlihs claiv ta have rung the first peal in Wales lyy ringing 5.040 Grandsire Triples at Lanstephan, Tanuary lst, 1876, whereas there was rung at Wrexham, July 27ah, 1803, a peal of Grandsire Caters, 5,081 ehanges, and recorded us the first peal in the Principality, The second peal in Whales was yung at the opening of the bells at Dolgelly, on Scptember 25th, 1809 . it was 5,040 Grandsire Triples, conducted by John Eints (probably Mears' bell hanger). The next day a peal of Oxford Trebic Niajor (5,088) was also rumg at Dolgelly:-Yours fathfully
Birmingham.
JAS. E. GLOFES.

## PEAL RINGING FOR PRACTICE.

Peals of Rulland and Jadsey Surprise Major were rung at St. Mary's, Willesden, on Fehmary 5th and 19th respecively by members of the Midulesex County Association. These peals, like that of Lincolnshire Surprise on October 2nd last, were rong for practice with a view to the methods herag spliced in the Rev. H. Law James composition, which has already been rung to four and live methods. Wacla of these three poals was rang at the first attempt, and in unt trstance had any of the land any previous practiee!

## THE J. LOWE APPEAL

The appeal which has been made by the Lancashite Association on behalt of ML' J. Lowe, of Bolton, has become more urgent. Mr. Howe has for a long time becm incapacitated, and evoryone knows What a drain this is upou the limited resources of a working mnn. Hicherto his son has heen the nain support of the home, but now, we vegret to $38 \%$, he has met with a sorious accident while following his employment in a colliery, and lies in Bqiton Infirmary in a procarious condition. This additional misfortune makes the eftart of the association to assist Mr. Lowo all the Thore pressing, and it is hoped that ringers throughout the country will give a helphg hand as they have done in ather recent cases of genuine distross.
Those who wish to comtribute should gend their donalions to Mr. T. Hall, 22, Silwer Strent, Miles Platitig, Manchester, the Manches ter District seeretary of the Lawes Association.
Amount alvend $y$ acknowledged
Dalton Parish Ghureh Ringers (per Mr. J. Waisoil)
St. George's, Hyde, ringer (per Mr. J. Shaw)
Mr. H. Chapman
Rossendale Branch (per Mr. J. H. Hapdocki
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Mr. T. Groambriclge, jun.)
St. Jolin's, Depllori, ríngers

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## PEALS OF MINOR

## MRR. JAMES REPLIES TO HIS CRITIOS.

## Ta the Editor.

Dear Sir, Mr. Severy deserves no auswer to his two questions Ebeause be has broken through the friendly spirit with which this aiscustion has so far been carried on; but he slaall have his answers For the sake of others who are interested in this matter.

Question 1 is already answered, buE to make sure, the first row 123456 , the Iast is 124365. The first row of the Znd 720 is 123456, and the last is 143265 . The first row of the 3 rd 720 is 1.42356 , and the last is 132465. The first row of the 4th 720 is 134256 , and the last is 124365. The 5th is the same as the 2ad, the 6th as the 3rd, and the 7 tl as the 4 th .
Question 2 raises a very important question. Twelve or fourteen years ago I was talking one day to Mr. John W. Taylor, of Loughberough, and le said to me that the musical taste of the British Fublic was slowly improwing, and that the time would come when there would be a demand, first of all, for properly tumed bells, and, secondy, that the dhanges rung upon the bells should be good musical changes, and that if rizgers clid not take notice of these fomands, change ringing would become mpopular and fimally be elripped.

Now there ale a lage number of six-beli ringers who have a very ulable ambition to 1 ing a peal of Cambidge Surprise Mian and of Landon Surprise Minor, but they have refrained from doung so hecause before these irrangements appeared both these mathods brought wp 6.5 a hackstroke, which is a most objectionathe

## And now, I turt to Mr. Patker, who asks, "Why not include three

 the 720 's twiee?Simply becauso that would be a step in the wrong diraction. Forty ars ago we used to see 14360 's in fourteen methods published in The Bell News' as a peal of Minor. Six-bell tingers lave not only that behind, hut to-day mevel think of ringing the same 720 wice in a peal, Look at the Minor peals published, l3ob Minor, - ven '720's, each called rifferentj", appeats wek after week, and azed to be necessary, being taken for granted.
Nr. Parker complains that the last three 720's are not $720^{\prime} \mathrm{s}$, I uppose because they are neither one raund black nor one continuous wing of rows, but each of them consists of 720 lows, and each of nis is produced by making 720 chamges, and they each of them from the first four because the $Q$ sets which are bobloed are
the same, and tha whole ubject of the resolution which was sad at Hercford was to eliminate the neecssity of tound hlochs the definition of a peal of Mimor, and this was accomplished mitiong the siatement in the old definition daat the bells should ka round once at the end of exch 720.
H. LAW JAMES.

## QUTFSTION OT DEGREE.

Theay Siry-We should keep the two attributes 'true' and 'comdistinch in ond minds. As las beon rightly sad, truth is a ther of principle. But it thoes not follow Elat this prinaple is ways to be observed stricty. As a matter of fact, ahout which are agreed, it is a principle whinh is strielly olserved on seven net higher numbers. לn five of six bells, the priuciple bas been anacd to allow of a 5,040 being made nip of extents. which are nkd together by one row only of rounds. What is row promosed
iliat instead of extents being linked only, they may also be
 of rlegree. If it were a matter of principle, the same question principle must also exelude spliced methods. As I lave saicl, I bot anxious to allow the proposed "Fucaks," but I do not think those who wish to exclude them have made out a logical case. we are to maimiain lie attribute 'complete, Mr. Powell's peal be ruled out. If he had meant his proposal seriously, it would necessary to ask him how he intended to conelude the tinging. Tould he bave stoppeel abrupity, immediately his last change was ang? Surgly is difficult act after ringing a 5 , ORO. Suppose one or 1wo involuntary "changes' ware sonnded hefure the bells ceased, would this invalidate the peal? Or wend lie teach his band the last row by heart, so that they, would repeat it sereral times before neasing? Or would he 'Jtunp' the bells
It might sem that these are math mes? asking them in order to mako it abunclantly clear that the peal woula he 'anfinished, as evervole who hearif it wald be bound to eay. Therefore it must be incomplete, or, if the exact meaning of -liat word be doubted, imperfect; ol we might perlapss more exactly fy the illythrn of the ringing was broken.
But while the same process takes wace in Minor or Doubles, we not meet with the same catastrophe. The incompleteness of the cue extent is completed in the next for the imperfection $s$ mado aterfect, or the broken rifllim is united). The same thing could be done in Mr. Powell's peal, if il were not for the convention which Thakes us ling exactly the extent, and no mone oi less, on seven ralis only.

When I spenke of the same old six-scaves I purposely tsent ithe plural, while those who have eriticised me evidently are thinkiny of one specinl six-scove. My point was that by splicing you are hol limited to 120 changes in one cyclical round (or set) at at then You give fire-bell ringers a similav rhythmical (ol crelical pelief) to that which ringens on higher numbers get from splued metlonts.
 place from which you stay in Snowton's figure, or by wating each bell the liunt in furu.

HERBERT DREKR.

## JAWS ARE NECESSARY

Sir,-May I congratulate you for so fully publishing so many views on the present controrersy, aud ail the same time trimg ib interpret to us what the rules and conditions of a peal unist be? I am suro all must agree that we must fave some laws, like then the Medes and Persians, and no Council should enterfaim hny saits or entrances but what are already laid down. Mehnimhs diat aur worthy elergy had better kept to 'splicing' at the thallece "bd of the chureh, then we should lave been saved much rontision. Yours tutuly,

## IOHN BRIANT'S CENTENARY

## AN INVENTTVE GENTUS.

Jobn Briant, tho famous Hertford boll fommer and woth mathry, the conteary of whose death was commemorated on Whednesday by tha dedication of a memorial tahlet in All Sains Chuteh, Hertfori, lived a long and active life, for he was 80 years alul when he dimil at St. Athans, an inmate of the alnmbouses, on Fobrtan's 2711, 1829. He plied his calling for more than half a century ju Fertiord, int thome are still more than 400 bells in existence whoth were bate by
'The Fertfordshire Mercury' of March 7h, 1829, contahued th lengthy obituary notice of the old founder, in the comse of which it saied: 'It would be difficult for the most aceurate diograplies to travel through the versatile ingenuty of the life of the subject of the present marrative; but in justice to the memory of repartad whe th, we most cheerfully devote rather an unusual space to rendid the exemlence of a man possessitg a mint so enpacious that intratik
 was tha son of a respectable foreigher, who, aty arl enty age, sipht hina to a olassical and mathematical sehool at Nowmarkat. as a preparatory imtroduction to une of the matversities, where it was intended that las should be brought upas a ministey of tho Disalnhished Church, ITis miud, however, was hent on meehanism, int nothing would suit bis inventive genius but the bouch of a whicesmith"s shop. He speedily soared beyond the vice mad the anvil to this new capracily, and his predilections for hed foumeling, the wasic, and clock makme engrossed lis sole atiention. Tan wha, in eray scuse of the word, is self-taught medanic, and beeamfe it prociciant in ench of the seiences in which he had embinterd ; ind fis superiority as a fomder was allowed ly all contenporaita to be
 memory

The town of $\mathbf{H e s t f o r}$ is fulebted to the Mamuis of Salishory,
 he commmeed his pursuts as a methanic in this meirthtanminnd, nud of whom, as well as the lastmentioned nobleman, Mi: Brianh. whit
 The first and maiden peal of belle filigh he was the those of oun own lown chureh of St. Andrew, able were "ucermbin 1 , those of Falfigld: Barnstaple, Deronshire; Shrewshary: Cundur: the famous peral of tens, Saffron Walden; Norll Mjmms,
and within the last two pears of his life lae was callatd ta Jinobly
 recksting the wel]-known "Groral Tom," so anlerf [rom its inhmemse size and ponderous weight. This appeated to be ans ribje in wate most desireus to accumplish, as it maskerly finish lo : most nseful and mosk industrints life. The infirmities of age, howewtr checked his progress : but the ingenious models af pullides invortmel for the purpose of taking rlown the Lell, were promitient tokens of an mainapaired mincl.
As with his bells, so with his elachs. They are ta isce listhd all over the eountry

## MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION DERBY BRANCH AT WEST FALLAM. <br> Flike ring of hells at West Fitlam, which las been

ereased in uumln:" from six to eight, was made good Salurday, Fobrualy 23w, when a monthly meeting of whe Derny District was held there. The methods rung included Doulitr Foiwich anal Cambridge Surprise, and everybody agreed that Mesas. Joln Taylor and Ca. had mate an excellent 'splice.
Ter was provider at the Puach Bowl Iun, fowteen members sitijug down, including Mr. J. Payctt, Ringing Master, Derby Cathedral, who greatly entertained the company.
At the subsequent businesis meeting (presicled over by Mr. H. Fleteher', Belper was seleched as tha place for the next magting, due notice of whith will be published in 'rise Ringing worlt.'

## THE CENTRAL COUNCEL

## OHPLCLAL MMNUTES OF THE MFETLCNG AT HEREFORL


 Culum. Thige, who openerl the mecting with prayer. There were present 78 menibers, 36 Guilds and Associations being represelstien, Thes Hishop of Herciord welcomed the Ceuncil to that city, and expressed fiis appreciation of the excellent, work heing rlone by ringers in loringing the manhond of the eonmery, and particularly of the eounvilluges, into closer touch with the Clurch. On hehalf af the divesza amt City of Heroford, he bide them it learty welcome atad fop-rpeed in their work.
Tha: Tresident thems thanked the Bishop, and the Council proceerded in disetyss the luginess of the agevida.
Thi atimutes of the last meeting laving been published, were atren is real and duly confirmed anci signed.
tpologies for ahsence were recteived foom the Irev. A. H. F. Hinglev, Res. E. W. Carpenter, Res. E. E. Marshalt, Cunvin $H$. I, Fhar, Messra. W. J. Neratd, C. J. Howard, I. 1). Mat thews, C. J. Suricley, H. Bartou, N. W. Parther, W. Ayce. C. J. Jolansion. Dutal, T. R. Temois, H. Walker, T. Argyle, W. Story, H. W. Wilde, W. Shephey, A. L. Coleuan, G. P. Burton, t. H. Lewis, W. Boltons

The huat secretnry and treasurer presented the linancial statement. which showed that the yene began witl a falance it the hent of e45 3s. 10d., midd that this hagane, after the leceipta and
 were anditerl by Messes. A. L'adilon Sinith and J. Liriffu, and formaily a alupted.
Thre Hon. Secretary, further siated that the new ediltion of the Tules and Jecisions, of the Council was now phiblished and wha Mit the table. fe containod much nem maltat, including actions of the Coumeil and a short account of ils history.
The Hon. lihrarian, Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, subuittel lis yepord ancl statement of accounts, whith were duly adopteil. In diew of the revised edition of ' Rules and Decisions, placed upon the table Hat day, he proposed that the remainder of the old adition be scrapperf, which was agreed to. Foilowing M. I. P. J. Johnson's suggestion to popalarise the Council's patblications, tive Rer. C. W. O . Annlsya turved to send parcels, on sale or reburn, to dime various sereretalies out associations or any regponsible person. The veport and shatemant were thon udoptet.
Ths. Hun. Secretery said that nmengsi the additional books now in the library were two 'Copy ' pena books of the now defunct Chinity Youtlis, of Deptford, which had been presenterl to the Conncil by Mr. F. W. Thornton. On the motion of the linn. secre the gift with many thanks.

Iurlal rules far a lumal comparted for the sub-commiter revising In. proposed, and Mr. W. H. Hollier seconded, that they be now puthterl. "This, subject to it rider proposed by Mr. A. Paddon Smith iftal seconiled hy Mr. J. George, finiting the const to e5, was agreed

Mre retiring hour members, Rer. A. H. F. Boughey, Rev. F. S. T Ridhaphan, and Mr. J. W. Parker, were roelected, with the excepp Rian uif Mr. Bonghey, who hasi tembered hisas resignation owing to ill

 Now mentiers of the Council attending for the first time were Thu" formulty introduced to the president and seicomers by him.
 STANDING COMMTTME
Thw Flon. Sonetary having referred to certain corvespondence and convervations which land passed between Miss Heyuood ank the effierss of the Midmant Connties Association and the Lancashire Assuration in regard to a propasal to have a memoriat bell at Peralleton, in memory of Sir Arthur: Heywood, the President sail The beat contre of action wouki bu for an aspociation formally to appravis thu' Council. Ho also reminded the Conncil that, at the shagestion wi Canon Elses, a monorial tahle had just hem erected (11) rrowel Sir Arthur's last paal, and said that ME. Wilde, who kidally wficiated during Cunon Liseo's absence throad, had reporteत to the rommitiee that morning there was an deficit of 927 s . 1ld., mad that nmonat had been forthwills sulzcribed. Mr. Wilde was comianly thanked for tho trouble law had taken in connection with than anemorinl tablet.

## PEAL COLLECTION COMMITTEE.

Thur Rev. H. S. T. Richardson reported for the commetoe, and saich that they now producod the byped results of thefe work, which was now nearly completed. Mrs. E. K. Fleteher suageated that the olm-part peals of Treble Bob should be typed and bound in : similar manner as the first part of the collection had been done.
(in) fine motion of the President, this was agreed to, and Mrs,
 mher cord

## LTTERATURE AND PRESS COMRITCEE

The commitfee's report, as given in 'The Ringing Worlt of June 1st, was moved by the Rev. F. Ll. Edwards, seconded lyy Mr. J. Griffir, and adopted.

METHODS COMMTTTEE.
The Rev. F. Law James reported on lechalf of the committer, ani staied hat they were now practically ready to publish the new editiou of Minor Melhods. Tlleir recommendations as to the umats proposed were as published in 'The Ringing Worltl.' Mr. I. A. Trollope said thai they had carcfully revised the names and, as promised, had had them published. It would the seen that there had beerr no abuse of their powers, and that their list was practicully that presented by the Analysis Commitlee al Salisbury: so, despite what has been said, the difference between the two cormmittees was hut smali. As regards the previously proposed list of amendments, eta, their committee were perfectly neatral, their job boing lo settle the names in order of priority alone. Whilsi there should he an apportrunity given for discussing the wider point of view, the time whs now past, be thought, for any gencral review of the mames themselves.
After some discussion Mr. J. S. Goldsmith moved:-
That the following names be substituted in the Treble Boh methads for those contained in the committee's lizt, yiz.: No. 16
 Fuchsia") "Chiltern" No. ${ }^{22}$ (for "Foxglowe") "Colswold"; No. 23 (for "Hracinll?") Mendip"; No. 24 (for Marigold ") "P'ennine"; No. 27 (for " Dallia ") "Quantock" and No. 28 (for "Geraniun ") "Showden.
The proposer said that the avoidance of flower names, as suygested, was more digaified is belitting a product of mallienatical seience, and that thoy were in substitution of manes of recent origin only. Mr. P. J. Johnson, lunving seconded the motion, Mr. E. W. Elwell expressed the hope that ile Council would still support the naming by ringers of a method which they were the firsi to ring, as had been the actual case with the Chester Guiki. Alderman Pritchett and Rer. A. T. Beeston nlso spoke rgainst the motion which, however, being supported by Messrs. Barkm, Cave and obliers, was eventually carried by 40 to 19 .
Mr. I. S. Goldsmith then further proposed that the following alteration of uames of methods should he made

That No. 5 of Treble be renamed "London Treble Buh" ; No. 4 of 4th's-place Delight be remamed "Clarence"; No. 14 of Srd' so place Delight be reurmed "Barhm
durence "; No. 14 of 3 rri so place helight be ronamed "Windsor
The motion, upon being seeonded by Mr. A. Hunt. was carriet Inanimousty
The Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn then moved the dieletion of the words Castle ${ }^{3}$ and ' Abbey' from the names of Delight methuds, whici as secouded by Mr. T. F. Beams, and, after some explanatory emarks by the Revs. H. Law James and H. Drake, the notion was carried.
Mr. J. S. Goldsmith, having called the gttention of the Council So fertain difficulties which arose in the ringing of some Double Surprise Minor methods, Mr. J. Faulkner also pointed out diffculties which appeared to have urisen in connection with lie mames Primmose' and 'Canterbury,' wherenpon M1r. Trollope, for the committee, explained that the mame 'Canterbury had t,oen given to the wrong method is the first edition of the Conncil's Collection, and suhsequently corrected by the Analysis Committee. And in regard to 'Primrose,' though the previolls wame was atl older one it wes ereyally fiown in the Exercise to-lay as Primuse, He suggested the printing of na would the printing of appenax of such ana names, when "Kingolve any difficulty. Mr. T. I. Sulter then propasen. That S. Pritchatt the motion was lost.
The Rev. F. Drake then called attention to the following two names, viz, No. 40 of Jrd's-place Delight, 'Bogedone.' and No. 28 of the Surprise methods, ' Inmauuel,' names which he deprected. The President expressed some concurrence, and his suggestion that the committee should look into theso points wats accepted, and the committee's statement received

PEALS ANALYSIS COMMITTEE
The report of this comnitfee was moved by the Rev. A. T Beestan. The report, he said, had been published in The liugrg Wordd, and he desired to correct one mistake in respeut of the fength of the reoord peal of Trable Bob, which wats given as 17.28 insterd of 17,824 . The Rev. C. D. P. Davies seconded, and the raphat was adopted, and on the motioni of the President a wote of thanks to the committee for their work was passed

TOWERS AND BELFRIES COMMITTEF
The Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn reported for this comnitlee, and sitid the members had been fairly busy during the year. He called attention to the desirability of the following questions, viz., some agreed arrangement whereby the condition of old belts should the certified before they left the precincts of the church, in order to prevent contentious issues arising after their remoral. Also the resirability of consiactigg farther the acoustie properties of towers. mpecially as regards the ringing room. He glso thought much
might be done to jmprove the rentilation of these rooms.-Tha Rec. 1. Ial. Siwards seconded and supported the adoption of the report. After some favourable discussion of the honorary librarian"es suggesfions it was, on the motion of the President, agreed that the cominitifes he instructed to inquire into and reporl upon the acoustic difficulties referred to, which he declaved carried.
Mr. E. M. Atkins, having asked what the commitiee were doing in respect to the weiding of old belis, Major Eesse replied finat he lad known cases which werc quite successfill in regard to tone, but it was sitl questionatie how long the bell would stryive, After some momarks by Mr. A. A. Hughes and Mi'. Hunt, on the stresses in bellis, the Hon. Secretary, also replying for the committee, said ilia1 hells were likely to be subjected to such undue stresses, whether they were brazed or recust, sud in regard to tha former fre expressed the hope, as a lover of mediseval bells, that the welding process should be tred wherever practicable. The Ret. F Druke, laving referred to some successful cases of welding which had come under his notice and which had worked out very cheany, Ilie report of the committee was adopled, and the Council adjoumed for lunch.

## REGORDS COMMITTEE.

On the reassembling of the Council, the Rus. A. T. Beeston presented his repori and read $a$ list of first peals of now methorls and progressive lengths irl other methods rung during the present yoar (ha the motion of the President, the report wns adopted.

## LEGAL COMME'JISE

Mr. F. A. Mine, on behalf of the committee, desired to reporh progross, and expressed the hope that a formal report would be ready for next year's meeting. On the motion of the President, the committee's yeport was eccepted.

## BROADCASTING COMMITPEE.

The Rev. F. Ll. Edwards, being asked to report for this commitiee he laving been elected to give the "Talk," said that had liad several interviews with the B.B.C., and they expected the 'T'alk' with landiacll demonstration to take place in the autumn
The Hon. Secretary then detailed the work which liad beat done tw himaelf and olher mombers of the cammittee in establishiug the sithation. He seconded the report which, after some Further discussion, was adopted.
The Council then proceeded to discuss the motions on the rgesda, and the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, speaking to his resolution, adjomrmed from the year before, in reference to issuing peal diplomas, said that fluring the past year he had found that opinion was almost unanimens in his own Guild in favour of these diplomas, and, having dealt with the motion in detail the previous ycar, he now again folmally proposed it.
Mr. J. Huat, in seconcling, said that in the West the proposal found general support. It was furkier supported by Mr. F. Fopgood and M1. C. Edwards, but was strongly condemned lyy Mr, Jithes George.

It was thouglit loy Mr. P. T. Johnson and athars, that the proposed diploma should be issued by the afiliated Guilds ath noil hy the Council

Aftor seveabl other spenkers had roiced their riews for and nuninst, on a vote being taken, the motion was decared lost

The Rev. F. Ll. Edwards ilen moved his motion, Deprecaling thu discontinamee of the curfew and other traditional bells and calling "pou all those associated with the Council to endearom to pherent stich brearhes with aucient usage. Mr. Edwards reviewed thiss sulhject historically, presenting many interesting facts for the considmation of the Coumcil, and urged fhat the subject luuched linging very closely-
Mr. F. H. Beams, in sceonding, drew attontion to the unfortroate liversion af money left for suil purposes and for the upkerp of binls. Several other speakers supported the motion, but Mr. A. [addon Smitll spoke strongly to the contrary, drawing a sharp line low ween bells in rural and those in urban areas. But he was the nolv dissentient when the motion was cerried.
The Hon. Secretary then moved his motion in respect fo placing uat: 10 rinl tablets to famous riugers of the pasl, iustancing Aunable, Han, Shipway, etc. He poiuted out that the authorities in London of late years were fixing plaques on buildings associated with fanous cithans amil othera, and he thought that the Council and assocjations wift the lacal Guilds, and at the latter's expense, might arrange for Thatitem's to sapply a suitably designed series of plagucs, which wenild aost ahout 55 each. He instanced that the Coumcil liad just pin ups a tablet to the memory of Sir Arthur Heywood. Ar. A. A. THuphes seconderd the motion. But, upon its being opposed hy Mr. James Gearge, Rev. C. A. Chements, M1. J. S. Pritchetl: and whers, 1 whi defeated by a large majoritr.

SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.
Mr. J. S. Goldsmith then moved his resolution, fas follows
That in tlea "Conditions required for peals," laid down by the Cantwal Conucil, the following be inserted: "ON FTYE EELLS: That peals of Doubles consist of at least 42 true and nomplete 120 's rung without intervil and without 'roumss or any other rowa being incladed or rung mare than once m any 120. A peal may he lengthened by the addition of amy number of 120 's fulfilling the same conditions, with or without fre touch of less than 120." And the following he sulistituted for the present definition
oí a peal on gix beils: ${ }^{\text {rt }}$ ON SIX BELALS: "that peals of Minor consiat of at least seven true and complete $720^{\prime}$ s rurg withon: interval aud withotat romuds ' mr any other sow being inchaded ar rung mare than ance in any 720 . i peal many be lemgiliened by the uddition of any ummer of 720 s ifdfilling the same couditions, with or without one touch of less than 720."
Mr. Goldsmith explained the shorteomings of the present rale, and stated that the moinou was to place peals of Dontides on patailed lines to peals of Minol: And, while it would not ckelude pitanan's spliced 240 's of Grandsire, it would rule out Lhat practisod ty Mr. Marris whare each 120 sutfered foom at repeition of no less thath 40 changes. His aim was to ruibe the alandari! of peals. Jhu Hev. H. Law James sceonded, and explained the working of the proposedi arrangement.
The Rev. E. S. Powall supportad the mation, but moved a rifler that in a paral the calling shamal be as varied as tha methond or methods would permit.
After some further remarks loy Mr. Oules and Mr. E. 3. A1kins, Fir and against, the motion was carvied withont dissont, nut the rider, on leing secouded and pul separately, was lost by 13 to 9 .
A motion which had beeb received from Mr. W. Ayro, as regards dealing with cases of sickness amongst mentors, not having hece soconded, was ruled out of order, and the Conncil procecterl t.o consider the place for next Year's mecting. Tho president stated hate the stavding Committer reconnmended Chelmsford for 1929, in respect of which they had hat an invitation from the Nosex Association.
Blackburn, as an allemutive, luming been proposed and secondin, vote was taken, and Chelrisford was caryied by a large majority. The ahave concluded the formal business. But as the hour was not late, the Council gave permixsion, on the motion af the Presi-
dent, to discuss addenda molions which hat hema reened loo late for the agenda paper.
Mr. R. Whittington propesied Hath hais Council invite its afillated associations and Guilds to unite in a scherae tor keeping toucl wiln ringers who removo from onc arca to another. Mr. Whittington, laving explaiocd lis schence, it was sevonded by Mr. A. H. Pulling, and received general suppor't, ineluding a word of praise from lite President, and was carried mimbithonsty. In connection with the motion, Mr. Goldsmilh olierwd to pableth its "The Ringing World, once a rear, a complete list if the sceretaries of thi" sfiliatme. Guilds, in order to facilitate itheremmamication.
There were two other motions on the addenda, and wich hatd been considered by the Stumiang Connmittee, but the president ruled them out of order. It was also suggested that the motion standiug in the name of Mr. Ayre (whu was absent) might be hrought forward by proxy and secondert. hut the proposal to do so, being puts by the president, was lost.
The President then referren to the loss the Council hat sustamed by the death of Mr. Pryat 'laylen', who hat been a valuable nember of the Comeil and the Standing Commottes. Hre asked those present to stand in silence as a nark of respect, which was dous The President then said he had mancla pleasure in asking Mis. Fletcher (Miss E. Parker) to arept is wedrijng present colleeted in
 the greatly appreciated the kindly thought which had prompted the gift. Her work for the Conmil lan alway been one of grent heasure.
A vote of thanks to Lare presidens, mored by the Rev. ©. 1). 1'. Davies, was carvied with acclanalion, and hridfly responted to, and the meeting cosed about 5 p.m

## A BIRTHDAY TOUCH

On Sunday eveniug hat, Fehruary 24th, eight members uf the Oxford Society rang on Si. Giles' hells, Oxford, a quarter-peal of Stedman I'riples ( 1260 changes) in 46 mins.: $Y$. Bennet 1, Niss M. Reymolds 2, H. Miles 3, F. Shatpe 4, $\mathrm{F}^{*}$. Tuylor (conductor) 5, F.
Exon $6, \mathbf{R}$. Post 7, J. R. Chamdy 8. Rumg a hivilay compliment to the ringers of treble, 2ntl, 4th, 5th, 7 th and lemor, all of whose bixtadays ocettr in F"tbrutary

## MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

WALKDEN-At St. Pauls Chureh, ory Fehruary 18th, a quartorpeal of Stedman Triples for confrimation serviee: J. Potker 1, S.
 sage was brought up to the ringers from the Bislop, counplimenting the ringers on the splendid striking.
BISEHEY HEATH.-On Monday, Fefruary Jitu, ai St. Peter's
 5, F. Edsands (comuctor) G, C. DyFe 7, F. Carkram 8. Kumg with the bells half-muffed as a tuken of respect to the late Mrs. Tharant. First quarter-neal by the ringers of the treble and 2ats.
WEST CLANDON, SUREVY-On Thursdey, January $31 \mathrm{st}, 720$ Cambridge Surprise Hinor: $A$. Walker (first ratemt of fivelule Bob)1, F. Day 2, G. Grover 3, J. Goncleer 4, W'. Mel:ille 5, \%. Rrathet (montuctor) 6.

## AN ABRIDGED SYSTEM OF PROOF

Hy vimors via

(Contimed from page 26.)
HlfRatIONS C. $A N D$ D.-The Hidden Factors will be the leadthds of those leadr which are indicated by the positionat pairs in the corbliastions (it is unnecessary to hring them "home' as beforej; by the lleabltants from these Hidden Factors transpose the leadneads of the courzing puirg, as done in the other sytem. The results will lue the false course ends, wilh the tenors in the places inclicated by the coursing and positional pairs, as ugual.
It is a grood plan to prepare a table of lead-ends, whicls will peint to the lead-end row of any lead-liead immediately, and which will be standard to atry regular methorl. There are seven, any whe of which may appear as the firsh lead-ent of a mothon, and they are given in the first column of the table helow. The same sever will, of conrge, keep recurring, no matier which of them is tho first leadend. "Ihe other soven column aic headed by the lead-end which is the first in the methor? under consideration, and tabulated in each column are the lead-heeds, to which the lend-end in the first columal pertains; e.g., our lead-end in London Major being 1462. cte. we use the fourth edumn; and, requiring the lead-end of the $2 / 3$ bud for insture aposite the 213 (in column 14, we find colum: No. 1 , the leas-end 15372846 .

| Lrad-end |  | First | le | ds | me |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Rows:- | 124.. | 13... | 14. | 15... | 16. | 17... | 18. |
| 12436587 | 718 | $6 / 8$ | 517 | $4 / 6$ | 3/5 | 2) 4 | 2/3 |
| 13254763 | 517 | 718 | 3/5 | 6/8 | $2 / 3$ | $4 / 6$ | 2/4 |
| 14.628375 | 6,8 | 418 | 718 | $2 / 4$ | 5/7 | $2 / 3$ | 375 |
| 15372846 | 315 | 517 | 213 | $7 / 8$ | $2 / 4$ | $6 / 8$ | 4/6 |
| 16847853 | 416 | 214 | 618 | $2 / 3$ | $7 / 8$ | 3/5 | $5 / 7$ |
| 17.58 .624 | 213 | $3 / 5$ | $2 / 4$ | $5 \cdot 7$ | 4/6 | $7 / 8$ | $6 / 8$ |
| 18765432 | $2 / 4$ | 2/3 | 416 | 3/5 | 6/8 | 5/7 | $7 / 8$ |

We have, then, two combinations from the downward treatment of row 5 5-7, wiz. 35 in $4 / 6$ and 23 in $6 / 8$, which have to he transposed back 10 the ieratends of the positional para. Read, in row 5, the Fithun Factors, first tha A/6 lead-end in the table (18765432), and then the $6 / 8$ jead-end (16847253). The resuliants, from row 7 , are 18762435 and 16847523 respectively. $B y$ ihese we transpose the enurning pais lead-heads ( 35 and 23). The TiH 15738264 , transposed by the Resultanl. 18762435, gives 14625378. The JLS 17856342, transppstil by (R) 16842523 , gives 13254678 . Thus we have l'C (315) - 46253 (4/6), and PC (2/3) - 32546 (6/8), respectively, for the two mombinations from the downward treatment.

The npwards combinations we found to he inlentical, riza: 35 in 46 and 23 in $6 / 8$; the same Hidden Factors roat, in row 7, produce, from row 5 , identical results with thase from tie dowaward treatment. This mo happens, and need not of necessity be tho case.

There are new four further comhmations from the other pair of row's with the weble in third's place (whicli appear in the lower hall of the mellod), and these combintions will be the reverse of the alove, and happen to be in the same coarses. 'linas wre have
PC $3 / 5)$, 16253 (4/61, ant (ine roverse of this) PG (4/6) -46253 (3/5) ; flien PC (2/3)--32546 (6/8), and (the veverse) ТС (618) - 32546 (2/3).

Bui, witile the eonibinations will be reversed, the filse course ends will not, of necessity, he identical,
Thls other foul (i.e., two from th
and hoir rovorso combinations) beimp waplicates of those atread ${ }^{+}$ fonni, this sections is proved.
hurf example of an nsymmetrical section of a mellod which knts ${ }^{\prime}$ differmit leat-pud from London:-

Ruws.
Palaline Surprise.

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\begin{array}{lll}
12345678 & \text { Lecall-hend } & 12345678 . \\
21551687 \\
12536478 & \text { Lencl-cnd } & 13254768 .
\end{array}
$$

$21356748 \mathrm{~L} / \mathrm{E}$ Positional \#airs-(Y) 3/2; 2/4, 4/6, 6/8. (Z) $3 / 5,5 / 7,7 / 8$,
 truble in stemul's place have ef kean proof scale. I.men Under $2 / 4$ in row 1 we have 23 : this is a com1. - 1234.5618 lenticnd replaers the $3 / 5$ of the lead-1hend). Above 24 in $2 / 3$. (Note: 'The $3 / 2$ of the lead-end is replacind the $2 / 3$ uf the had-hend.
The Hichlen limeter for row 1 is the 3 , 5 leat-mad, which (from the

 The Hillten Fnetor in row 3 is the $2 / 3$ lend-ent ( 18765432 , , had the Resultanl from row 1 is 18753642 . The $2 / 4$ lead-head (18674523), by (T) 18753642 , gives 13246578 , i.e., PC $(2 / 4)-32465(2 / 3)$

The other two ruws in the lower latf of the lead, in reverse camEbations. meain lappen to give jalentical conrses; we get $\Gamma$ e $+3 / 5$ ) - $43265(2 / 31$ nud I'C (2/3) $-32465(2 / 4)$ respectively, and we have propen this assmatetrical section in a very tow minutes.
(Continued in next colmmus.)

## SUNDAY SERVECE TOUCHES.

LIJANDAFF-On Febrariy 24tl, at the Gathedraty for evening service, a quarter-pen! of Grandsire Triples; G. F. Williams 1, 1 . Pitcher 2, G. T. J. Richards (first quarter) 3, Allen Rowley 4, T. Carter 5, G. Large 6; E. Coombes (conductor) 7, E. Coles 8.
LAMBERHURST.-At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday, Fobrury 24th, for the moming service, 720 Cnmbridge Surprise Minor', nau conducted: G. Fuller 1, A. Relfe 2, A. H. Smith 3 , A. Marshall 4, B. Luck 5, J. Bassett 6 .

BRIDGEND, GLAM.-At St. Illtyd's Church, on Sinday, Fuluruary 24th, for evening scrvice, $x_{\text {g }}$ quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,250 changes) in 50 mins. : SH Smith (first quarter-peal) I, W. H Fvans 2, B. J. Toby 3, C. H. Perry (conductor) 4, d. Evans 5, A. W. Wright 6, D. R. James 7, W. James 8.

DORE, SHEFFTLLD.-At Cluist Cluurch, for matins, on Sunday, February 77 th, in 49 mins., a quarter-peal ( 1,260 changes) of Grandsire Priples: N. W. Westlake 1, Mrs. E. S. Lowell 2, Miss F. Nullic Elvidge 3, A. S. Robinson 4, Miss J. Davenport 5, N. Short (conductor) 6, J. E. Lewis Cookey 7, R. E. Johnson 8. Rung as a welcome to Mrs. E. S. Powcll, of Olyst St. George, Exeler, a former nember of the baud. firsit quarter-peal by Norman Westlake (age 15), and by Miss F. M. Elvidge (age 17).
HIGHCLERE, HANTS.-On Sunday evening, February $17 t i n$, at All Gaints' Chureh, Highelere, a quatber-peal of Gramasire Triples 11,260 changes) in 48 mins. : N. Scott 1, J". Scote 2, C. Peasor 3, S Quintin 4, R. Rex 5, F. J. Kinapp 6, 耳. W. Curtis (conductar) 7, A. Herricgton (first quarter-peab) 8. First quarter-poa] on ihe betls since aligmented to eight by Messre. Taylor and Co. Ringers of lst, 2nd, and 5th are from Woolton Hill, 5 wd 4 th and 71 h from Newbury, 6 hh and 8 th from Highelere.
PULBOROUGF, SUSSEX.-On Sunday, Febranry 30th, for evening Eervice, a guarter-peal of thob Major ( 1,280 changes): $\mathrm{P}^{\mathrm{P}} \mathrm{H}$. Doick 1, 4. E. Holden 2, A. Y. Cordeu 3, C. S. Greenfied 4, H. O. Greenfield 5 , Alfred Greenfielt G, C. Smart, sen., 7, A. C. Green field 8. Composed mud conduched by C. Smart, sen. First quarterpeal of Bob Major rung by att entirely loeal bond. First quarter peal of Bob Major as conductor, and first quarter-peal th this methad by the ringers of the 2nd, 4th, 5th and 8 th.
RCISTIP, MDDDESEX. On Suadey, evening, February 10hi, at St. Martin's Church, a quarler-peal of Grandsire 'Triples 11,260
 M. Kilty (couductor) 4, W. Bunce, sen., 5, A. Hunter 6, 't. Collins 7, 1F. W. Collins 8. First quarter-peal on eight bells hy ringers of Hst, 2nd, 3rd, sth and 8 th, and believed to be the first chatrter-peal on the bells by an entirely local baud.

WIJILENHALL, Sl'APPS.-On Sunday, Febrany Jul, at St. Giles' Church, for evening sercice, a quarter-peal of Stedman 'Triphes in 45 mins. : B. H. Pountroy $I_{1}$ C, Wallater 2, E, Trubslinw 3, R, Ludford 4, C. Law 5, J. TV. Davies B, S. H. Coley (comductor) 7, A. F. Reed 8. Rung on the occasion of the fisit to St diles of the Lord Bishop of Lichifield.
BEACONSFIELD, BUCKS.-On Sunday, January 27hr, at thie Parish Ghurch, for erening service, a quavter-peal of Cambinge Surprise Major in 51 mins. Miss K. Fletchec I, Miss P. Moss 2. Miss D. Fletcher 3 , H. Wingrote 4, J. Jarrison 5, J. Batting 6, R. BuekInnd 7. C. C. Mayng (condneton) 8. Rane as a finewrll to the ductor, who is learing the district for Boarnemonth.

## LATE NOTICE

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Cemral Bucks Branch.--A meeting at Waddesclon, Saturday, March gth. Service at 4.30 p.m. Preacher, the Waddesdon Deanery Lent Missioner. Tea and lusiness meeting as usual. Flease send numbers to the ReV. J. F Arries, Edgcote Rectory, Aylesbury, by Weduesday, March 6th.

## (Contianed from previons column.)

I am indebted to Mr. Georgo Baker for a courtcots explanation of his 'provitg value.' It was his use, as a row, of the positions aceupied by rounds in another" row, which led me to a proper undergtanding of chis fact, viz. : That a string of mumhers in atow may Ippify not only bells or positions, but, upon occasion, both of these. Further, by a cursory examination of the original draft of this article, Mr. Baker was able do correct certain obvious faltacies which appeared therein, for which I owe intm thanks. There may be some which still remaim, and the jnterested yeader slould rstare himgelf, by comparison with die orthodox, that fhese systems will work satisfactorily.

If he will take this troublo and will master the two systems, it may show profit. Ho will find that, by using the fables given herein, it is not impossible to sutisfy himself, withim three minutes, that a method with symmetrical seetions has a clean proof seala; ami that, well within fifteen, lie can prove a method which produces five false course ends in ten combinations:
Provided, as I have said, le is satisfied that the sysben will 'work. A supplementary article is to lollow on a further means of condensing the proof.

## NOTICES.

THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 8 d . per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of $1 / 6$.
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ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. (Established 1755.)-The 4 Ist annual Henry Johnson Commemoration Dinner will be held at the Imperial Hotel, Temple Street, Birmingham, on Saturday, March and, at 6 o'clock, when the chair will be taken by Canon T. Guy Rogers, B.D., M.C., Rector of Birmingham, Chaplain to the King. To fully qualified members tickets will be issued on payment of 2s., to other members and friends 6 s . 6d. each. The bells of St. Martin's ( I 2 ) will be available from 3 to 5 o'clock, the Cathedral (io) and Bishop Ryder's (8) from 4 to $5 \cdot 30$. Applications for tickets, accompanied by remittance, should be made to Thomas H. Reeves, Hon. Sec., I36, Newton Road, Sparklill, Birmingham.

THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.-Subscriptions to the Central Council for the year 1929 are now due.

The annual meeting will be held at Chelmsford on Whitsun Tuesday, May 2Ist, and notices of motions must be sent to the Hon. Sec.,. Mr. E. Alex. Young, 155, Rushey Green, Catford, S.t.6., at once.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -The next meeting will be held at St. Michael's Church, Blackburn, on Saturday, March and. Beils ready at 3 p.m. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. A good attendance requested. Reports to hand. Subscriptions due. - F. Hindle, Hon. Branch Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.
TOWCESTER AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. A meeting will be held at Wicken on Saturday, March 2nd. Bells at 2.30 p.m. Service at 3.30 , at which three peal boards will be dedicated. All welcome. - A. $\mathbf{j}$. Green, Wicken, Bletchley, Bucks.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-Northern Division.-A meeting will be held at Witham on Saturday, March 2nd. Bells at 3 p.m. Short service at 4.30 . Subscriptions for 1929 are now due. - W. Arnold, Dis. Sec., Holt Street, Earls Colne, Essex.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Burton-on-Trent District.-The next meeting will be held at Netherseal on Saturday, March 2nd. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. A good attendance requested. Subscriptions can be paid at this meeting.-John Leach, Hon. Dis. Sec.

SUFFOLK GUILD.-A quarterty meeting, Hadleigh, on March and. Bells (8) available, 2. Tea at Bloomfield's Restausant at gd., at $4 \cdot 30$. Meeting follows.-H. Drake, Ufford, Woodbridge.

APPLETON, BERKS.-The anniversary of these bells will be celebrated on Saturday, March and. Dinner at 4 p.m. Bells available from 8 a.m. till 4 p.m. Aill intending to be present please notify.-R. White, Appleton, Berks.
LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at St. Chad's, Far Headingley, Leeds, on Saturday, March 2nd. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea can be obtained near the clutch.-H. Lofthouse, Hon. Scc., 8, Wortley Road, Armley, Leeds.

SALISBURT DIOCESAN GUILD.-Derizes Branch: -The monthly meeting will be held at Market Lavington on Saturday, March and. Bells (6) ready at 3 p.m. Guild service 4.40. Tea 5. Short business meeting foilows tea.-F. Green, Branch Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Wigan Branch. The next meeting will be held at Upholland on Saturday, March 2nd. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. A good altendance requested.-James Grounds, Sec., 8, School Lane, Standish.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTE SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.-Meetings for March: St. Clement Danes', Strand, Sunday, ard, at iu a.m. ; Monday, ist and 25 th, at 7.30 p.m.-S. "C. Moye, Gen. Sec., 14, Great Bland Street, S.E.I.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE lOETHS (Established ${ }_{1} 6_{37}$ ). -Meetings for practice will be held at the Coffee Pot, on March 5 hh ; St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 7 th ; St. Magnus' on the 14 th ; "St. Paul's Cathedral on the 1gth; Southwark Catliedral on the 2ist ; all at 7.30 p.m. ${ }^{*}$ Business meeting afterwards. $-W 1$ hiann $T$. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West District.A meeting will be held at Christ Church, Ealing, on Saturday, March gth. Ringing from 3.30 p.m. Tea arranged as usual. Following meeting, a dance and social will be held in Christ Church Parish Hall in aid of the Isleworth Bell Fund. Tickets, 1s. 6d. inclusive, may be had from the hon. secretary, Wm. H. Hollier, 29 , Duke Road, W. 4.
DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD. - The annual meeting will be held at Dudley on Saturday, Marcl gth. Beils available at $30^{\prime}$ clock. Service in church $4 \cdot 30$. Tea and business meeting afterwards. - Herbert Slieppard, II3, Himiey Road, Dudley.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Eastern Division. The next meeting will be heid at Fryerning on Saturday, March gth. Bells (6) available at 2.30 . Usual arrangements. Those requiring tea please notify Mr. A. Bradley, Dodd's Farm, Fryerning, Ingatestone, not later than Thursday morning, March 7 th.-H. W. Kirton, Hon. Dis. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Brancl.The next meeting will be held at Higher Walton on Saturday, March gth. Bells (8) available from 2.30 . A good attendance is requested. Will those requiring tei please write to Mr. C. Clarke, 338, Higher Walton Road, Higher Walton, not later than March 5th. -Fred Rigby Hon. Sec., 8, Carrington Road, Chorley.

SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUII.D. Southern District.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Morriston (bells 6) on Saturday, March gilh. Bells open at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$, with tea and meet ing to follow. All ringers welcome. E . Stitcli, Hon Dis. Sec., 21, Cambrian Place, Port Tabbot, Glam,

HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Eastern Dis trict.-A meeting will be held at Broxbourne on Marcl gth, when the bells will be available during the atternoon and evening. Service at 5 o'clock. Tea at the Welcome after. All members and ringing friends wiil be heartily welcome-W. H. Lawrence, Dis. Sec.. t.ith Munden.

〔LIL．DJORD DIOCESAN fiElLD．—Guildford Dis－ frict，－A meeting will be helrl at Comeigh on Salurday， Narch 9th．Belis from 3 p．m．Service 4.30 ，followed by ten and business meeting．Those requiring tea please inform Mr．［र．Wbitingtow，Guildford Road，Cranleigh， not later than March 4 th．－G．Grover，Hon．Dis．Sec．， Atrrow Coltage，East Clandon．

DETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GLILD．－Daventry branch．－A quarterly meeting will be held at Flare（ 6 ） on Saturday，Narch gith．U＇sual arrangements．Will menbers reguiring tea kindly inform me not later than Thursciay，Narch $\rightarrow$ lh？－W．C．Moorc，Bramston Road， Deventry，Nouthants．

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY．－The annual meeting will be held on March gih at St．Narie＇s and the Cathedral，Sheffietcl．Bells open early．Com－ mittee mecting \＆p．m．in Si．Marie＇s Presbytery：General mecting 6 p．m．，in St．Marie＇s Presbytery for election of officers．Details of contest for silver cup，etc． Visitors make own arrangements for tea．－R．Harrison， Sees，41，Ballic Road，Shetheld．

SUFFOLK GUILD：Mildentall District．－Ringing： meeting it Nownarket on Nareh gth．Bells：St．Mar－ tin＇s，Exning（5），St．Mary＇s（6），All Saints＇（8）available from 3 p．m．All ringets inyited．－1．Moon，Ramleh， Newmarket．

IANCASHIRE ASSOCIAJION－Tiverpool Branch． A Amedtine will be hatcl at Si．Paul＇s，Widnes，on Satur－ day，March 9th．Betls（8）nvailable 3 p．m．Service $5 \cdot 30$ pim．Teat mat meeting to lollow．Special methorl： Court Bob Triples．Those innensling to be present please nolity me on or before Tuesday，Mareh 5 th ．Members ate requested to make a special eflort to attend this meet－ ink．－Claude 1．Davies，Branch Scc．，Caerleon，Dunbabin Ruati，Wavertree．

MLDDAAND COUNTIES ASSOCJATION．－I．ough－ borough District．－The next meeting will be held at Quorn on Saturday，Marel git．Bells（8）will be reacly Trom 3.30 p．m．Those reguiring tea please notify secre－ tay not later than Thurselay，Marth 7 th．－D．S．Collins， luin．Dis．Sec，i45，Paget Street，Loughborough．

BARNSIEY AND DISTRICY ASSOCIATION．－A metting will be held at Royston on Saturday，March git？． Bells ready a p．m．Tea in Church Schools 5 p．m．，is． wall，for which applications must he made before March 6th．A hearty invitation is offered by the Vicar and ingers of Royston．－C．D．Potter，Hon．Sec．
\IDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION－－Leicester District．－A meeting will be held at Whetstone on Sat－ urday，March glh．Eells（6）available from $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$ ． This is the first of a series of meetings to be held at some of the 5 and 6 －bell towers in the district，now seldom，if ever，visited．It is hoped that members will do their best It support both this and subsequent mettings．－Alban Disney，Local Hon．See．，19，Houlditelh Road，Finighton ［ricolds，Lecicester．

ESSIEX ASSOCIATION．－South－Western Division．－ A meeting will be held at Chigwell Row（ 8 bells）on Sat－ wriay，Mareis gth，Bells from 3 p．m．Tea 5 p．m． Subscriptions for 1929 are now $\ell$ lue，－E．J．Butler，Dis． Sec．，3，Eustace Road，Chadiwell Heath，Essex．

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION－Rochdale Brancls． －A meeting will be tield at Hamer，Rochdale，on Satur－ day，March gtls．Bells available from 3 p．m．Neeting at 6.30 p．m．William Horan，Branch Sec．，2，Green－ Tirsi Hey，Todmorden．

LANCASHIRE
ASSOCIATION．
Russembale Branch．－The mext branch meeting will be held at St． Aary＇s，Rawtemstall，on Saturday，Aarch gih．Bells ready at 3．30．Meetingy at 6．30．Subseriptions are due． Reports，ete，whand．Expecting a grood muster of members and visitors．－John H．Haydock，Branch Sec．， 8，Oaklands Road，Edenfield．

SL＇RREY ASSOCIATION．－The annual genemal meet－ ing will be held on Saturday，Mareh 16th，at Reigate． Bells available from 3 p．m．Service $\mathrm{s}^{\mathrm{o}}$ p．m．Tua at the Parish Hatl，Lesboura Road，al 5.45 p．m．Menting 6.30 p．m．Nomisations lor officers and representative upon the Central Council（now vacant）should be sent to me in writing at once．All those requiring tea masi notify Mr． G．［i．F－Ioad，20，Warren Road，Reigate，by Wednesday， March 13 th．－Chas．H．Kippin，Hon．Gen．Sec．，Wim－ chester，Guy Road，Beddington，Croydon．

WIDDLESES COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND ION－ DON DIOCESAN GUILD．－North and East District．－ A meeting will be held at St．Ann＇s，Stamford Hill，on Saturlay，March ifth．Bells from 3 p．m．Short sevvice at 5 p．me，followed by rea（usual terms）and busincss meeting．Please advise me if you reguire tea．All mem－ bens and friends welcomed．－C＂．T．Coles，Hon．Sec．， 2 I ， Vincent Road，E．4．

MIDTAND COUNTIES ASSOCHATION．－Noting－ Ham District．－＇The next monthly meeting of we above ctistrict will be on Saturday，March Ifth，att Deydrooks－ Bells（8）available from 3 p．m．Tea all 5 p．m．It is essental that all those requiring tea la hotily me not later Chan March isth．－Fredk．W．Baley，Lucal sce．， 42，Rupert Street，Nottingham．

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION．－Southern Division． －The annual meeting will be held at Ranmoor，Shet－ field，on Saturday，March $164 h$. Bells available from 3 a＇clock．Service at 5．Tea at $5 \cdot 30$ ，at 1 s．per heat． Will all who require tea please notify Mr．C．Haynes， 44：1，Sandygate Road，Stieffield，by Wednestay，the 131h：A The business meeting for the chection of ofticers． etc．，will be holel at the Institute after lea，and a grond attendance is desired．The annual report will be avail－ able at the meeting．－F．Clark，Hon，Sec．

SLSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION．－Dasterm Divi－ sion，The amual meeting will be held at Mayfield an Siturday，March 23rd．Bells arailable 2．30 p．in．Ser－ vice 430 ．Tea $50^{\circ}$ clock，to be followed by the business meeting．Will those intending to be present kindly． notify me by Wednesday，March zoth？－Geo．Wr．Stokes， Hom．Dis．Sec．，22，Melbourne Road，Eastbourne．

だEN゙リ COUNTY ASSOCIATION．－The annual general mecting will be held at Naidstone on Easter Monday，April ist．Further particulars next week．－ Fred M．Mitoheil，Assistant IIon．Sec．，114，Sun Tathe， Gravesencl．

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## TEN BELL PEALS. <br> LEICESTER.

 THE MDDLAND OOUNTIES ARSOCIATION. On Saturday, March 2, 1929, in Thre Hours and Tiwnty Minutcs, At the Cateedral Chorch of St, Martin,a peal of melton surprise royal, 5040 Changes;
Tenor 2y 3 cwt.
C. Henry Webb ... ... ...TVeble J. Frbderick Milner ... 6

Shirley Button... ... ... 2 Percy Harrison ... ... 7
Alfred Ballard, jen. ... 3 Joseph S. Carter ... ...
Redvers F. Eikington ... 4 Erbest Morris ... ... .... 9
Harold J. Poole ... ... 5 Frederick h. Dexter ...tenoy
Composed by G. Lindoff. Conducted by Harold J. Poole.
The first peal in the method, aud rung without previous practice. NORTHAMPTON.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GULDD.
On Saturảay, March 2, 1929, in Three Hours and Twenty-Thyen Minutes, At the Church of St. Glees.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 GHANGES; Tenor 25 cwt in D.

William Atterbdry ... ...TYeble Harry Marlow... ... ... $\sigma$ Fred Wilford ... ......$\quad 2$ "William Parker Tom Tebroti | Sidney J. Lawrence ... | ... | 4 | 4 | Frillam Rogr Hopper | ... | ... | ... | 8 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | John T. Hensman ... ... 5 Arthur Tompkins ... ...Tenor Composed by John Rogers. Conducted by William Rogers. * First peal of Grandsire Caters, also first peal on ten bells. The ringer of tenor hails from Finedon, the rest are lacal.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

CRAWLEY, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATYON.
On Suaday, February 3, 7929, in Thee Hoirs and Five Minutes, At the Chorch of St. John-the-Baptist,

- peal df courle horwien coumt bor mador, bisa chamges:

Tenor $3^{\frac{3}{4}} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Miss Florrie Wyman ...Tyeble | Regimald V. Johnson ... 5 Nelson Elliotit ... ... ... 2 Bgratd Wells ... ... ... 6
 Kenneth Snglling ... ... 4 Oliver Sipfetts... ... ...Tintior Composed by J. R. Pricceard. Coaducted by O. Sippeits. LONDON.
THE MIDDLESEX COTNYTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, Febynay 25, 1929, in Thyee Hours,
At the Church of St. Botolyh, Bishofseate,
A PEAL DF PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenot 20 cwt.

Ronald Bullen ... ...Treble $\mid$ Ggorge H. Cross ... ... 5 | Miss Freda Orr | ... | .. | 2 | John T. Kbntish | ... | .. | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Edwin F: Pire |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | -Edwin F: Pler ... ... ... 3 Charles W. Roegrts ... 7 - Wililam R. Madewiek ... e e James E. Davis ... ... ...tentr

Composed by G. H. Cross. Conducted by James E. Davis.

* First peal in the meihod. First in the method in the Clity of Landon.

[^18]CPPPR CLAPTON. MIDDLESEX
THE MIDDLESEX COTSTY ASSOCLATON AND LONDON DIOCESAN GEILD.
On Wednesdy, Feorury 27, 1929, in $T$ wo Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes, At the Chopch of St. Matthew,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, ge2d CHANGES; Tenar 14 cwl .

| William A. Cave | ...Trable | William K. Madgwick |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Grorgis R. Pye... ... | ... ${ }^{2}$ | George H. Choss |
| Mrs. R. J. Wilkins. | ... 3 | James Bennett ... ... ... ${ }^{\text {? }}$ |
| Batler |  | William Pye ... ... ...Ten | Composed by Garriel Lindoff. Conducted by William Pye. * Fitst peal in the method.

PaLSLEY, SCOTLAND
? TUPRAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, Mavch 2, 1929, in Three Hours and Secentean Minates,

At the U.F. Cherca of St. James.
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5DAD CHANGES;
Tencr 22d cwt . in E flat.
Miss A. I. Whitson
Edwin H. Lewis...
...Trible H. Mann

Din R. J. G. Thom... $\operatorname{lin}^{\text {I.... }} 3$ W. C. S. Heathcote... ... 7 C. Cleveland Eilis... ... 4 Stephen H. Wood ... ...Temor Composed by E. M. Atkins. Conducted by Stbphen H. Wood.
This is the 3rd peal on the bells, and the first in the method. It is also the first of Bob Major in West of Scotland and the first peal in the West of Scotlaud by a band resident in the country. Messrs. Wreak ${ }^{2}$, Thom, Mamn and Wood abd Miss Whitson were electerl members in the belfry. Fingers of treble, 4th, 5th and 7th are from Edinburgi, 3rd and 6th from Faisley, 2nd from Wishaw, and tenot from Glasgow.

## MARDEN, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION,
On Suhuday, March 2, 1929, in Threc Hokys and One Minuth.
At the Ceqree of St. Michael and All Angele,
 Tenor $14 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. in F .
 Composed by Conducted by Teomas E. Some.

BRJDGEND, GLAMORGANSHIRE.
FHE IJANDAFF AND MONYOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION. on Saturday, Maveh 2, 1929, in Three Howrs and Fifleen Minutes,

At the Chorch of St. Illtyd,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, sO日8 CHANGES; Tenor 16 ckt .

## Cgarles H. Perry

...Tyetle |Joun Phillits ...
Frank J. Balley, sen.
... 2

- Aleert J. Pitman
 5
6 Composed by H. Hobraro Conducted by Ernesx Coombes.
- First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conducror. The zinger of the treble has now rung each bell in the tower iot al lurim.

DRIGHLINGCON, YORESHIRE THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCLATION.
Qu Saturday, Mapel 2, 1929, in Thyce Hours and Four Minutes, At the Chdreh of St. Paul,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES: Tenor 15 cwt I q r.

[^19]WEST WYCOMGB, BEOKS.
THE ONFORD DIGCESAS RUIAD.
(East Berks \& South Becks Braych.)
On Saturday, Maroh 2. 1929, in Thred Hours and Five Minutes,
At the Parlsh Chorch of St. Lawrence,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, , OUO CHANGES;
Tuurstans' Fodr-part.
Tenor 56 cwt .
William Welling .
.Treble Jesse Elpmidge $\stackrel{5}{6}$ William H. Fossele William Heneey
Thomas S. Gooncbild
Conducted by George Martis

The above was substituted for London Surnuse Major in tias absence of the treble man. Mr. Coles, stepul. $\mathrm{Ft}_{\mathrm{w}} \mathrm{eper}$, kindly Innde the team up and rang well.

LEISTON, STFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUIL
On Satarday, March 2,1929, in Thee Hours and Thed Mirutes,
At the Church of St. Margaret.
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MASOR, 5056 CHANGES;

$$
\text { Tenor 20, } \mathrm{cwt} \text {. }
$$




Composed by Gabriel Lindoff. Conducted by Cgas. F. Bailey

* First peal in the method.

WYMONDHAM, NORTOLK. THE NORFOLK CVIUT.
On Saturday, Marth 2, 1929, in Thrce Hours and Thirly Minhtes,
At tee Chorch of St. Mary,

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

 Middeleton's.Tenor 25 cwt .

| William E. Bagon ... | ...Treble | Ggorge Mayers ... | ... | ... | 5 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :--- | :---: | :--- |
| Charles Lovett | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | William B. Doncan ... | ... | 6 |


| Charles Lovett | ... | ... | 2 | William B. Duncan ... | ... |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| William J. Wasey... | $\ldots$ | 3 | Ghorge Batley ... | ... | ... |
| 7 |  |  |  |  |  |


Conducted by William E. Bason.

* First peal in the method.

OXENHOPE, YORKSHIF
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOUATZON
On Saturday, March 2, 1929, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 GHANGES;

- Verney Batrstow ... ...Tveble Willit Proctor...
- John Windee

Rosert W. Jennison, jon.
William Ambler
3 Rosert W. Jennis
*Wilide Foster...
3 Arinur Falusiow
Composed by J. Plati.
Condur Hen

* First peal of Oxford. Ringer of 3rd frem Tubausluws Gul

Eeighley, the rest from Denlionme.
HELMINGEAM, SUFFOLK
THE SUFROLK © III.
On Saturday, Mara 2, 1929, in Thee Heurs and Thiulath Minutes,
Ax tef Church of St. Mary.

## A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5189 CHANGES:

Tenor mo c cut.
Grorge A. Fleming ... ...Trable | Aleert Ffibing
Ggorge Benneti ... ... 2 Lgslie G. Batit
Glorge Prykz...
Lescie C. Wigetman … 4 4 Willam C. Rumsey
Composed by J. W. Wasasrook. Conducted by T. W. Lhet

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THE GULDFORD DIOCESAN GURD.
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## A PEAL OF GRANDSIAE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Teing 42 six-seores, ten diferent callings.
Tener 16dik cwt. Straben Sleet ... ... ...Trebl| Hobrrty J. Chafrey ... ... 4


> Conducted by H. J. Chafaey.

Find peal and first attempt by all except the conductor, also first peal of Doublea by the conductor. All are local service tingers. The hand nhly gtarted change ringing on the formation of the Guildford Diecesan Guild.

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THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.
(Emeter Branch.)
On Titesday, Febriaty 26, 1929, in Thyee Hours and Etght Minutes,
At mee Ce日rch of the Nativity of tee Blessed Virgin,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Liang fon 720's of Kent Treble Bab and three 720's of Plain Bob, earl! called difierently. Tenor 12 cwt .
Reve E. S. Powele
Mes, Powell

Conducted by Rev. E. S. Powbre.
First peal of Minor. First peai on the bells.
ARDINGLY, SUSSEX.
IHE SUBSEX COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On "'ecluesday, Fodruaty 27, 1929, in Two Hours and Thirty-Seven Minwtes At the Church of St. Peter.

## A PEAL DF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Fining 720 aach oll Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Kont and Oxford Tr'mh: Bol, Oxford Single Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob. Tenor $8 \ddagger \mathrm{cwt}$.
 Conducted by O. Sippetrs.
5 Eirst peal in seven methods. + 50th peal. Firsl peal in sepen mellions or the belis.

RINGSTEAD, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGE DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Salurday, Mavch 2,1929, in T two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 6040 CHANGES;

Hurite 720 each of Double Oxford, Double Court, Oxford Bob, Woonbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor $12 \mathrm{cwt}$.1 qr. 3 ll ,
-George Jefrs, jon....
†james M. Nucherson

| $\ldots$...Trable | Lesile Groom |
| :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots$ | 2 |
| $\ldots$ | Frank Kirk.... |
| $\ldots$ | Amos Smart... |

... ..

Conducted by Amos Smart.

- Pirsl peal in seven metionds. + 70th peal. This peal was rung A. a hirthday compliment to Miss Niekerson (February 281b) and Mesars. Nickerson and Kirk (March 2nd).


## WORDSLEY, STAFFORDSHIRE

TEE WORCESTERSEIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
(Northern Branch.)
On Suluday, Mard 2, 1929, in Two Hoursand Filly-Four Minutes,
At the Chorgh of the Holy Trinity.
A PEAL OF HINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Jieng 720 each of Lomdon Surprise, Cambritge Surprise, Oxford and
K.int 'lieble Bob, Double Oxford, Single Oxford and Plain Bob. Toner 12 cwb 2 qr .231 l.
William H. Codprer.
John Bass
H. Coopre
... ...Treble
Harold V. Ccoper
-Clifrord Skidmore

Conducted by R. Matidews

[^20]STAPEEFORD, CAMBS.
THE ELY JIOCESAN ASSOCIATHON.
On Satuajay, Manch 2, 1929, in Tro Hours and Thirdy-Five Minutes.

## At ine Ceroreh of St. Andrew

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINDR, 5040 CHANEES;

Being 720 each of London, Weliz, Fork, Durham, Cambridge, Beverley and Surfleet.

Tenor 7 cwi. in A Glat.
Robert Howard... ... ....Tyeble| Frank Harper ... ... ... 4 Miss Kitty Willers... ... 2 Aleert E. Austin ... ... 5 John W. Ward

## Conducted by Robert Howard.

CHIOHELEY, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE. THE BEDHORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Maych 2, 1929, in Three Hours and Ten Mindtes.

## At she Cemace of St. Lawrence,

A PEAL OF HINOR, 5050 CHANGES;
Being one extent of Woodinine, fwo extents each of Fent and Oxford
Treble Bob, one extent of Oxford Bob and one of Plain Bob
Herbert L, Harlow... ...Tyeble | Percy Bonnett ... ... ... 4 John Pottra
Frank Tysof
... .... ... 2 Ernest Freeman
Conducted by Leonard Turnitr.
Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor's wife, also to the trable rigger's eldest sou. The band take this opporturity of thanking the Rector of Chicheley tor the usa of fie bells.

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On handbells at 52, Lammas Park Road, Ealing, 720 Spliced Peripale Alliance and Little Bob Minor has beeri rung by J. Armiger Trollope 1-2, Ernest C. S. Tumer 3-4, Wilfred \&. Witson (oonductor) 5-8. This is the firsi 720 ever rung in the mothod.

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## SALISBURY PLAIN

(Tune, 'The Framer's Boy.')
As o'er The Plain' I wead my way, To take tine Tenor Bell
The dark brown earth, well strewn with aint, Yields up a goodly smell.
The corey whirra away on wing,
And 'puss' leaps up and 皿ees.
The peewhits pipe their mewing cry
An they swing-to in the bresze-the breeze. As they swing-to in the breeze.
The only music that I hear,
Born on the fitful wind,
Is 'Grandsira' mingling with the laric, A mile or bo behind
No rasping Klaxon's shriets doth break
God's peace on earth this morn,
For Satan's surely hound to-day,
And nought but peace is born-is born, And nought but peace is born.
Harti Netheravon raise their bellp, So we must speed our ways.
The plunging 'salliss ' soon shall merte The music of God's praige
And the ring of aix their voiges mix
With e world that's good today.
Thus this dear, dear land ahall ever siand
The grey set pearl it ever lay, The pearl it ever lay.
' CASCABLE.'

## JOHN BRIANT.

## THE MEMORIAL TO TRE HERTFOHD BELL FOUNDER.

The ceatenary of the death of Johm Briant, the noted Fertford church bell founder and turrei clockmaker, was celebrated at Hertford, on Wexlnesday, February 27th, the numiversary of his death. Briant was a native of Suffolk, and came to Hertford when 30 years of age, set up a hell foundry in Parliament Row, and for 45 years was famoug throlughout England as a churclı belfounder and turret clocknaker. We are indebied to the "Herts Mereury' for the following report of the proceedings:
The mentenary celebration took the form of a memorial service at All Sainss Clurch, Hertford, where, through the instrumentality of the East Herls Archeological Sociely, a tablet has been erected by public subscription, and fixed on the south-east pillar of the tower. This tablet was unveiled during the serwice by the Mayor Hertford, Sit Lionel Faudel-Phillips, Bart., in the presence of a representative gathering of bellyingers and archæologists from London aud all parts of Hertfordshire.
The table is composed of bell metal, and bears the following in-eription:-

- I'm satisfien with the station of life that God has placed me in. Tve enjoped more real pleasure in my favaurite pursuits than the wealth of Indin corlu aford. -John Briant
JOEIN BRINNT
Bellfounder and 'lumet Clock Maker, of Parlianent Row, Bertford, passed to lits l'est 27th Febrtary, 1829, in his 81st year.

To perpetiade the memory of an lionest man and famous crafts. 3211 this tablet was erecied 27th February, $1929 .{ }^{2}$
Nr. Hertherl O. Audrews, the hon. secretary of the East Herts Arehoological Society, at the comelusion of the service, stated that ivo pears ago it came to the knovledge of the society that one of Hertfort's humble, thougls most worthy sitizens lad never received The recognitiou than was due to hink, via, John Briant, famous throughoat England as a hell founder and clockmaker. As a result of a suggestion then made they were assembled that attemoon to unveil a tablet which had heen erected to his memory.

Sir Zionel Fawdel-Pbillips, having unveiled the lablet, said: It is a great pleasure to me to come here to unveil tle lablet erected to the honour of that great hellfounder and turreli clocknaker, John Briant, of Hertford. who died one hundred years ago todaj, and ${ }^{w}$ liose mortal remains lie in the churchyard of All Sajnts', adjoining this beatilitu editice. John Briant was a greati oraftsman; a man whon Hertfordshire might well be broud. His work is knowa all fond lurrets, far and wide. Like usany ofiner master craftumen, he died a complete failute, financially, in the Harlborough Almshouses St. Alhans, a very seriking testimony to lis own words in which ive satd: "Im satisfed with the station of life that Got las placed
me in. Гw enjored more real pleasure in my favourite purstits than thir wralth of India could afford. Many who hear the beatitiful results of John Briant s genius thoughout the whole country Will agmee that it is a righi and propel thing that this tablet, which I bave had the homour do mareil ioday, should be crected as a perpetual memorial to lis name and fame.
In the absence of the Archeracon of St. Albans, who was umable to be present throngh illness, the dedicatory prayers were then pronownecd hy the Rural Dean of Herdord, the Rev. N. 'I', Fardaer, Rectar of St. Andsew"s, commenning with the words: 'We dedicale this tablet to the filory of Gof and in memory of his servant, John Briant.
The serwioe suas conducted hy the Vicar of All Saints', the Rev. T. Landulph Smith, and the lessor was read by Mr. Herbert Ansrews.
The 3nyor was accompanied hy the Town Clerk (Mr. Alfred Bakerl arrl Aidemman W. H. Brewster as officinly representing the Gorporation, hul owing to deatly afte illness many other members कyere provented from atitading.
Beforte alta atter the service the members of lise Fertford Society of Colloge Touths rang vouehes on All Sainus" bells, which were balfmufled, and again in the evening they rang on St. Andrew's Church bells, which were made hy John Briaut. Pwo of the olk hells at All Saints herore the churcli was bunt down in 1891 weve also made by him, and were nsed jn the casting of the new peal.
Johm Briant's Lambsione in All Saints' Chucclyard has been methored and renowatel at the expense of tho East Herls Anchrenogical Saciety. and after the serviee on Wednestay fom members of the Ancient Society of College Fouths came from London for the celebration, with XIr. E. Alexander Fonng, and rang a course of Grandsire Tripies, standing around the tomb. The ringers were: F. W. Pichavclson, Buockloy. $\mathbf{1}-2: \mathbb{X}$. H. Lawrence, Great Munden, 3-4: C. F. Tinney, Sit. Pum Carhedral, 5-6; and G. Cro「t, Hichin, 7-8. Mr. J. A. Davi was also present.
The Ticar of all Sajns in the conrse of ans address at the end of the service pati a pribute fo the memory of John Hriant, who, ade snid. died a pow man. bus not poor in scthevment and reputawhall an his imotepement spirits, and they did well to honour his memery in ihe why fire wery, doing that day. They could all learn a lesson uf great Inppiness from ints frmble man's eaveer and sehieroment.

The visifors afterwams parkook of tea togerlior at the Dimadala Arms Hotel, and at an informal meeting of the members of the East Hents Archeological Society, Sir Lionel Faudel-Phillips, Bart, was made a member along with several other visitors. Sir Lionel, in thanking Mr. Andrews for carrying out the surangements for the centenary celebration, said it was a great pleasure to be presont, because he was a great lover of all things beautiful. It was it great satisfaction to do honour to such a man as John Briant, who made things that were good and heautiful as well as usefu. "I firm almost a worshipper of clocks, said Sir Lionel. "I hare 75 clocks, and keep thew all going, and hey have been a fascinaxing stady if me thl my life. It is a pleastre, therefore, to hosour, as wo Ry? doing to-dey a man
famous bell foumbler.
Mr. Hi. G. Andrews responded to a vote of thanks to him, aurf then gave an interesting and instrustive address on the life mad work of Jolin Briaut, with a list of the bells and elocks made lyy bim, ilue places where they are erected, their dates, and the inscripitions zpon them. Of John Briants 422 known bells, 101 are in Hertifordsitire: 46 in Bucks, 43 in Essex, 39 in Norilants, 36 in Oxan, 31 in Leinestershire, 22 in Warwichshire, 22 in Gambs, 19 in Sinropshire, 1官 in Lincolnshire, 14 in Beds, 12 in Sifitolk, 8 in Dewent, 4 in Ireland, 3 is Middlesex, 2 in Staffordshive, and one each in Kent and Wortenershire. Briant's clocks ave to the fonnd at Blenhoim 7?alace, Belvorr Castle, Hatheld House, Hatfield Woodside, Woodliall Park, Panshanger, twattor Church, Balls Park (Rertiort), Walliam, Ablucy, Bishop's Stortford, the shire Fall, St. Andrew's Clumeh, and Kingsmead School, Hertford.
The Ficar of Christ Chureh, Wave (the Fer. Frank Holucon) preposed, and Mr. E. Alex. Young seconded, a cordial vote of thanks t Mr. Andrews and the Anchmalogical Socioty for giving thema all an opportimity of honouring a great mun.
Mr. Eeles, secretary of the Geatral Councis of the Church of Enerland for the Cave of Churclies, supported the vote of thanks, and said that the society he representerd was deeply interested in the safeguarding of English elumelh hells, and all the glorious Lratijtions associated with chureh hellinging. Here in Fonglamd we hata rem veloped, he said, something that iso one clse had ever developent in any other part of the world. Whatever might he said] in [avory of the carillon system of ringing mechanically a muldatade of bells, of of the hoge single bells of the Continent, it was chavacteristic of the English that they were the anly peonle wha bad developed change
 the Cluureh of England wight weld be proud. It rasted wilt tie Church authorities and churchpoople genemally to jealously garat those splendid peals of luells.

The lettering of the tablet is founded on an-inecciption on Throjar Column at Ronte. The design of the bell wa, supplied by Meris and Stambank. The 1 ablet wis made by the Wathan Guik, Jat garet Streel, Oxford Circus.

## WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. PORTSMOUTH DISTRICT <br> The ammal meeting of the Portsmonth Distriet was held at Frae-

 ham, and altogether about to were prest ni fom Alverstoke, St. Mary"s, Swanmore, Pitelabld and Wiokham, with visiturs from Fing's Somborme, Southampton and Ryile.
During the afternoon the fruid service was bela which was choval. and was condurted by the Fiens. An excellent address was given liy Ehe Fiese of Partsea, tho Fen. Gicaffrey C. L. Lunt

Tho tea and husiness mecting were held on the Parish Hall, ihe Ficas of Feuchaus presiting in the absence of ibt Vicar of postsea. who that in retirna early tra Portsmouth.
The balance sheet, which was presented by ihe auditor, showeh
 the distuict in eredit hy elf ts. 21 l .
All the oftects were re elected, as follows inmman, Mr, R. J. Stone; hon. sectefity, Mr. F. W. Togers: uolds; representatives on the Central Comanatet, Messrs. E. A. Humett and $R$. .J. Stome.
The Vicav of Portsea was elected an honata, member, and the following as ringing members: 'lhe Res. A. (uy and Mease, D. Faulkner and S. Churcher (Farcham), H. Whate: qum. (Alwerstokw, and F. C. Lave (Titchfield).
It was ciecided, subjed to consent, to hoth i? men mot distriet meering at Hivrant on April 27th.
Fates of thanks were nccorded the Fieare diftrelam anal thenfield for the use of the bells, to the Vical of Porlsea for andressing the wembers, ant to the organist and ehoin who Lud holpod lan natra the service so enjoyable.-In teply, the Rex. A Cory Baid how pleased they were lo welcome the Guidd Fo. Fatelam, espociatis as he was a ringer himself. Fie hoped that in the near futme the scheme for the completion of the tower and the restoration of tha bells would be accomplished, 30 that at Fareian ilacy wight have at first-class hand of ringers.

After the meelimo some of the members tementol to the tower for further ringing, whist others visited Thithlateld to ring ont the peat of eix bella there. Sn the course of the day the inging ratged frosta


## WHAT SHALL CONSTITUTE A PEAL?

Destr Sir, In answes to Mr. Powell's letter in your issue of Februfely 15th, 1929 , giving notice of his intention of ringing a certain arrangutin of 5,040 rows of Grardsire Triples, I question his statetement that ' il is, in fact, exactly similar in all respects to any indi-中1dual 720 ju Mr. Bankes James arrangement." No one questions Whe trults of the first 719 rows of any individual 720 in Mr. Bankes James" pecal ; it is the 720 th row that all the fuss is about. Now, my point is that we can get inom tho $719 \mathrm{tl} \mathrm{l}_{1}$ row baok to rouads (asgumtag that the 720 started foun rounas) by either making a plain lead clange of a bob change. and I submit that this is essentially diffurmil luma Mr. Powell sifea of ending lis peal of Grandsire ifiples with we row 2164735
I wist to make it clank that I amb not using this argument in favour eff the contentinn that Mr. James' peal of Cambridge Minor compline with the Central Comeil's rules, hat simply as a means of [rointing out the difference between the two cases.
Tt: any case, Mr. Powril cannot expect his performance (if successfuli to be freepted by the Coutral Couneil os a true peal in face of the conditions requirad for peals" (gee page 15 of Rales and Decisions of the Council, 2nd edition, 1927, which, to the best of my linawledge, lins not been superseded), which begins: 'On all numhers wh bells a trae peal shall in all cases start from and end with rennds. 'This is perfeclly definite, and, to my mind, leaves Mr. Powell no loopliole of estape.
Witl ragard to thp muclu-debated question of 720 's of Minor, it seems Lo mo that tha, whole matter hinges on whether we cousider rounds as the first row of the 720 ov the last. If we adanit that roninds is counted as the first row, we are well an the way to admiting Mr. James' Cambidge Minor as a true peal. It does at Least pomo round al rihe end. (Of course, some of the 720's would not sharl, with 123456 , hut with 142356 and $13+256$, luat if we admit a 720 bluling wilh 123456 , ant ending at handstroke in the 124365, we might as well adnit Gate starting with 134256 and eudiug wibh 132-165.

Now file point is, are we prepared to admif that rounds is counfed \& llu- linst row aud ueed not appear at the end? Is lie Central Conneit, is representing the Excrcise as a whole, prepared to admit this: OH all numbers of bolls greator than six thie conditions re quired for peals, which I have quoled above, provides a perfecty defirnte answer in the nerative. A peal must start from and end widn menals." I would driw paticular attention to the word 'from ' peal Etarlis from, not with rounds.
It mus be argued with reuson, thauglt wot witle finality, that this applies a so to 720's of Minor and $1200^{\circ} \mathrm{s}$ of Doubles, th the wovd "peral " was often used to mean "extent' in the case of tive amrt six Jeflis, I ruggest that when this condilion was laid down it was meand to apply not only to "penls" hut to "touches * generally, thongla lais is merely conjechure and chanot be ased as proof onc way ar the othar.
Ninf, HL: Law James, in Lis lelter in pour issue of February $22 n d$, 1929. falls itho n not attommon, hut none the less grietous, ertor of arfoment. He sets aut holdy by stating what he wants to prove, amel then draws whious rondusions, making no attempt whatever to suhsiunliate his sLalurionts. This is po proof at nll. Mr. James En5: ... Me get 123456, which is net pate of the first 720 but the
 to the: lirsid 123456, which is not the last row of the peal but only the first row repeated."
(in what athorily twes Mr. Jiantes make these statements, and bow dives he regoncile the second of then wills fhe above exituct from the Curntal Conncil's Rules und Decisions, which, I Elank, will heat repetilion, A peal alall in all eases stian from and end with mullais "p-Yours faiditutly

STEPHEN IT. WOOD.

## Peal Street, Protick, filasto

## TANGLE.

Sis, Wh remarks in volu issuo of Fobruary 22 wal were not intentud to be offensive in any way, but were written in the salae enirit us otr. Janes compluded his lelter in your issue of pebratry $15 t \mathrm{~h}$.
Amin now (unn tu his answers lo my questious. In answering the first ma, and morder id convibe your roaders that his hrother's arragement of Cambiflge is true, he gols himselt into targle,
He shys that 123456 is the lirst row and 124365 the last row of the 1si 720. Aftur leseribing the ollher five, the ouds with ' the fhin the same as the tha." 11 is gute clenr that he las taken the original Whiw as the 1st 720 , ns mone of the other will fill the bill. If Mr. dianes wad look ate the pacal ratau lie wild lind thar $1+2356$, not the $Q$ sols hohbed. Does lo want your readers to hetieve that 1324G5 is the fnsi row in the pent, an must the hoh operate and bring 115 123456, which is the 21711 chmge of the last 720 ? If so, I Himb le Lus sei himself a very lard lask to comvine the majority rour readers.

## BRISTOL RINGERS AND CENTRAL COUNCIL

PROPOSAL NOT TO AFFILIATL.
A proposal that the Gioucester and Bristol Assaciation should cease to be affilited to the Ceatral Council was made to the monthy meeting of the Bristol Brameh held at St. Peter's, Bristol, on Fehruary 23 rd , when about 50 members aftended.
During the afternoon the bells wore rutig to all the popular methods, and the serrice was Laken by the Vicar, who also gave a very interesting address. Tea followed in the Parish Room, after which a bust buess metirg was lield, at which six performine membors were elected.
The Chairman said that it han been suggested to him that if the secratary could obtain a charabunc for the convenience of membera attending the annual meeting at Glipperbam, it would be of great assisfance. He aut it to the meeting, and it was decided that the secretary should, if possible, obtain one.

Mr- Guise, one of the association's representatives on the Gentral Conneil, gave notice of a proposition to alter rule No. 1 by the deletion of the words, "and shall be affilisted to the Central Conncil." Ee said the constitution of the Ceutral Council rules was not that of a tru representation of ringers throughout England, and that the associations had no voice in their rulings except in such aseb where the representatives chosen thouglat alike with their associations. The question of diplomas for vingers was definitely referrect to the assaciations, nud the representatives, upou obtaining instruction from their associations, were told by the president of the Central Council last year that they were to vote as membens of the Council and not as delegates. He anid, further, that as hon, secrefary of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association, he accepted the office of pepresentative, and now that he was conversant with the rules of the Central Council, lie felt that lie could no longer act in this capacity as the word meall mothing of value to the association. He pointed out that the rules of the Council stated that no nember should rote until the association he represented bail pairl the fee of 2 s . Gd., and upon this rule being carried out a farther rule stated that the representative would he a nember of the Council and not vecessanily a representative of his association.
ML. J. Gould said be heartily agreed with what Mr. Guise had said, and would give lrim all his support.
This finished the business, alld ML", Gould, Hanking all for itacir presence, vacated the platform in favour of the chatrman of the Bristol United Guilds, whose anmal meering followed inmedatelv:

## NEW RING OF EIGHT IN STAFFS. <br> DEDICATTON OF TWO NEW TREBIES AT ROLLESTON-ON-DOVE.

The forty odd ringers who turned up at Rolleston-on-Dove, Siaffs, on Saturday, February 23rd, were wett rewayden for their journey by henuing a very fine peal of eiglnt just completed br thre twa beautiful irebles which Messra. Taylor rud Co. latre added to the already good ring of six, three of whicli bells were cast it the Loughtrorongh foundry in 1908.
Tho dedication was porformed by the Rer. H. E. Worthington, Rector of Netherseal, the Rev. Wm. Bagmalt, Rector of Rolleston, the Vicar of Tutbury assisting. There was a large congregation present, including vingers from Burtun-m Thent, Cheadle, IWeston, Lichfild, Lougib borougl, Ettoxeler, aud lieighhouring towers of Rolleston.

Afier the dedicalion of the kwo news hells, some 'clockworts' rounds were rung for two minutes low a mixad band of ringers, one of whon was Mr. W. W. Worthington, of Maple Hayes, Lichfield, the donor of the second bell
Ten was generously provided by the churchwarden in the Iarish Room, aiter which flae ringers returned to the towet, some welltapped Double Nowich Major revealing lyow well the treblas could be heard when the tenor was 'lumed in,

The newly-augmented peal has heen hung in a new framework in two tiers, and the disposition of the luells must have heen wery thoughlully worked out, for there is a splendid evenaess of tone from treble to tenor, both in the ringing chanmer and outside the
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With regari to the answer to the seoond oquestion, I am not much emamanred witls it. It is feally no answer at all. I quite admit that ta keep 5.6 the right way is the hest, mut to oblain this result by gpliting up rean into jucumplete $720^{\circ}$ s with rows that repeat is not a slep in the right direetion. Int, Tames knows as well as anyone that it is possible to ohtain fmplate 720 sol Jondmm with a mininum number of $5.6^{\prime}$ s at hand झhtent over two or Lhree leads, and which 80 per cenle of the ringers whald never notice. It is by $f_{i x}$ the hest way
Upwards of 25 years nga T Hiwd every mombination pussible to obtain $720^{\prime}$ s witl 5.6 rimlet, lut as thery did uot conform to the rule, Lrte and complete, The what never published. Fours faithfully. K゙illamtush.

## BISHOP DEDICATES PEAL BOARDS.

Un Saturday, Marcl 2uf, in the Parish Church at Wicken, ibreo oak peal boards were dedicated by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Norman Lang, Onc of the peal boards was dedicated in honour of the Rev. H. Feison Ward, M.A.s aud the peal recorded thereon was rung as a peal of thanksiving for the services he had rendered to the chthell and parish.
The sacond peal board was dedicated in honour of the Rev. Canon Oarroll, M.A., and this peal was ruag as a welcomo on his coming to this chuvel? and parish.
The third peal board recorded two peals by the cambined ringers of Stony Statford and Wicken. These pals were rung as a token of the goot fellowship between tho two belfries, and to show haw much they can help each other to. advance in change ringitng. In the mrayer of dedication of the board, mention was made of a forster leader of the Wicken ringers, Joseph Reid, who passed away in 1921.
Aur atdress was given by the Bishon, who spake of the good work that land been accomplished by Mr. Nelson Ward, and of the great interest he bad taken in their bellringing, and also in their associntions. Canau Carroll, he added, was carrying on the same work, and he hoped that he would be there for many years. The Bishops said tlat that service was to him a unique one. He hud not assisted one exactly like it in all his twenty years' work in the diocest, and it was one in which he was very much pleased to take part. Fite said how fine a thing it was to ring a peal in honowr of the work that one minister had done, and then to ring a peal of welcome to his successor. Ee also said how good it was to have ringers from other perishes at such a service as that, for each churcls should get ousside and beyond its own parish, if they were to promoto the spirit of friendliness and fellowship.
The peal boards wore made by Mr. E. Stakeshaft and Mr. Aubrey Barlay.
After the gervice a fea was given in the shool by Canan Cartoll. The Bishop took the chair, supported by the Revs. R. Gore-Browne, R. Howes, F. H. Lawson, Mr. Andrew Gore-Brown, and Canon Carrall, the Hon. Mus. Gore-Browne and the Misses Carroll. There were about fifty-five virgers and friends present.
After tea, the Rev. R. Howes proposed a vote of thanks to Gamon Catroll for his hespitality, to which the Recior replied.
An exbitution of handbell ringing was fincly given by Jessers. Lambert, H. Sear, A. J. Green, T. Roberta and F. Case. The ladies in charge of the tea were Miss Cannings, Mesdames Cashmore, Iitison Borrell and Shakeshaft.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAM GUHLD.

## DEFIZES BRANCH.

The monthly meeting of the Derizes Branch was held at Market Lavington on Saturday, March 2nd. After the service, which was conducted by the Fierr (the Rev. J. A. Stourton, B.A.), who is a ringer, and a fotner clamirman of the branch, a peal board was cledicated by the Vicar, recording a peat of Grandsire Doubles ruug by the Market Lavington ringers (the Vicar himself being one of them) on February 15th, 1928.
Tea followed, to which 21 sat down, after whiela a ghorl lousiness meeting was beid, Mr. G. D. Heginbothom presiding. The Chairman said he had that afternoon aftended the anmal committee meeting of the Guild at Salisbury, and the question of a form of service for the dedication of peal basids was discussed, and farourably received. Among the other business disposed of was the selection of Bridport, Dorset, for the mmad meeting of the Guild, if it could be acranged there. The Chairman also stated that that day was the 62nd anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. H. Brownlee West. Mr. West was formarly gecretary of the branch and was one of the vice-presidents of the Guild. He asked Mr. Wicks, a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. West, to convey the congratulations and best wishes of the branch to Mr. and hrs. Brownee West.
The death of Mr. Cecil Fampton, formerly of Derizes, who was aus enthusiastie ringer when living in the district, was reported, and all present stood in silence as a mark of respect.
MIr. W. Parker, of Marden, was elected a ringing momber of the Guild.

The Chaiman propased a vote of thanles to the Vione for the use of the bells and for couducting the servive, to the organist and those who prepared the tea. He congratulated the ringers on heir first peal.-The Vicar, in reply, said he was pleased to have the meeting at Market Lavington, and lhanked those of tha branck who had assisted in teaching the Market Lavingtom ringers, especially mentioning Mr. S. Hillier; of Derizes, who, he regretted, was not present on account of illness.
Ringers were present was Warket Luvington, Devizes, St. John's and St. Mary's, St. James', Southbroom, Bratiton, Bradford-onAvon, Rowde, Holt, Melkshan, Trowbridge and Erlegtoke, and touches of Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, Plain Bab, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob were lung during the affernoon and evenimg.

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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Seventy years ago to-day a peal of 10,047 Steriman Cater's was 1 ung in 6 hrs. 16 mins. at Aston "by a miscellaneous company.' 'Tlise above peal,' says the record, 'was rung single-banded, and what eminently combines to enrich this performance is, it was rumg at the firat atfempt, and is the greatest number of changes ever completed in this intricate system. If was composed for this occasion by Henry Johnson and ably conducted by John Perks.'
On March 8th, 1737, a peal of 12,603 Grandsite Caters wins rung at Norwich in $8 \mathrm{hrs} .15 \mathrm{mins}$. , and was the longest in the method up to that time. Indeed, it was a great performance, seeing how baort a time before that the firat ter-bell peal was lithg.
The first peal of Treble Bob Maximus was rung at Soutlwark ly the College Youths on Mareh 12th, 1758.
The London Scholars, who afterwayds became the Royal Cumberland Yowths, rang the firat peal on the twelve bells of St. Martins-in-the-Fields, London, on March 14th, 1727. It was at 6,006 G14arsaire Cinques. The noxt day the College Youths wert there, amd rang a peal of 6,314 in the same method.
During the recent hard frost, Mr. E. Harry Stoneley, of Stoke Golding, the well-known Leicester and Hinckiry Distict ringer skated no leas than 200 miles on the canal in tix days. On one evoning he did $23 \frac{1}{2}$ miles at a stretch. Mr. Stonelcy is at great cyclis\%, and has cycled thousands of rules for ringing. He was one of the band which rang the record 12,896 Cambridge Surpuise Major

## ST. GEORGE'S, SOUTHWARK. <br> To the Editar.

Dear Bir,-I was interested in the announcement contuined in "The Ringing World' dated February 15 th regarding the tower of St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark, which is now the lieadquariens ol the Metropolitan Police Guild. It was stafed that only call changes liad been rung here for many jears.
This church formerly possessed a very able band of change ringers, but its activities had to be suspended during the war. Tlie society lost several of its members in the war, bit it was restarted with the introduction of a few recruiks, of whom I was ore, ancl subsequently met with a good measure of success in change ringing. On the arrival of the prosent Rector, however, thinge were made too $111-$ comfortable for any self-respecting body, with the yesult that the members desiced to sever their conncetion.
Since that time, it is true, I believe, that no regular change ringing lins taken place. I cannot help wondering whether the Restor sfill intends to make the stipulation that ouly those who attend ilre services shall be allowed to ring the bells, and, further, whether tims Folice Guild las agrced to observe this rule. Some, no douh, would be inclined to sympatiise with a church possessing a good ring or belle which are not of hen rugg, but if the Rector's geveral atitude romains as it was $J$ cannat prophesy a long and happy ronnection with any ordinary company of change ringers. - Your faithinlly
19, Pepys Road, S.E.14. A. H. KlifiHLIFy
February 26th, I929.
MINOR METHOD NAMES.
To the Editar.
Dear Sir-In your issue of March Ist, page 138. whe the official minutes of the Central Council meeting of Jume 5tir, 1928. I reati that this motion was carried unanimously: ". . 'Trat No. 5, Treble Bob, be renamed "London Treble Bob" ${ }^{\text {" No. 4, } 4 \text { th's-place Delisht, }}$ be renamed "Clarence"; No. 14, Jud 's-place Delight, "Buthan No. 36, Zrel's-place Deliglit, "Windsol
In your issue of September 7th. 1928, there is a list af revised names, asking for arreefon. I vead: ....No. 5, Treble Rob,
Rochester ${ }^{3 \prime}$ : No. 4. 4th's Deliglat, "St. Werbarg "; No. 36, 3̈ril's Delight, "Balmoral."
What, please, is the explanation? If you eannot add youm edtitorial note, perthaps Mr. Trollope would be kind enongh to Pulighten us.
j wouder if Mr. Trollope would he kind enough to take his list, is published on Soptember 7th, 1928, and say, detmitely, thai all of the names stand, except numbers so-and-sa, which are unw so-and-so
I think we six-bell ringers would like it to tre dennite; quite a number of us have the old Collection ${ }^{2}$ which we should be glaul to bring up to date. And we lave waited a very long whif!Fous [aidfulty,
St. John's, Ley Lonstone.

## THE OLD MANCHESTER RECORD. <br> To the Editer

Dear Sirt-Re the article published in your issue of the 22nd ult., and headen 'An old Manchester record,' I rhink that there musi be a great error, either on the part of the writer of the sume, or otherwise the printers, or compositors, inasmanh, if ran yead eatetully, you will note that the peal Kent Freble Bob Roval, consisting of 8,000 changes, is vecorded as hawing been ramg on Fohruary 23 r , 1830, whereas in another part of the matter it is stated that the hells were nof augmented to a penl fem until the verar 1835, of five yeam later than the fapossilile peal on eigint hells.

Manelester. W. BROWN.
「The peal was rlescribed as • foral = in the ott remorl.-ED. 'R.W.'\}

## THE JOHNSON COMMEMORATION DINNER.

The forty-first gathering of ringers popularly known as the 'Johneon Dinnal' took place in Birminglam an Saturday, and although the attendance suficred somewhat through the illness of many who would otherwise have-been present, the Comnaught Rom of the Joperial Hotel was alled with a representative and happy company. In the afternoon the new bells at St. Martin's Cuurch were tried by a number of viaitors who thovoughly enjoyed the experience, while others ment to the Gathertral where the "pleasure" was tempered by the opportunity of ringing on badly-going peal of poor bells. Howover, the belfries were the rallying point of the gathering, and 8 company of nearly 140 sat down to dinuer later, undex the chairmanship of the Rectar of Bismingham (Canon T?. Guy Rogers). Ele was supported by Alderman I. S. Prichett (Presiding Ringing Mashor of St. Martin's Guild), Rev. W. Riley (Sbirley), Lt.-Col. Danielsen (Edglonston), Mr', J. J. Kendall (ehurchwarden of St. Martin's), Mr. W. F. Heaton, Mr. T. H. Reeves (lon. secretary of the Guild), Mr: A. Paddon Smith (vice-president) and Mrs. Paddon Sruith, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Kughes (London), Mr. E. A. Young (hom. secretary of the Central Council), Mr. J. Bullock (Master of the College Youtlis), Mr. A. Waliker "Deputy Ringing Master of Si. Martin's Guitel) and Mrs. Walker, Mr, and Mrs, J. S. Goldsmith (Woking), Mr. Clark, Mr. C. T. Johnston (Croydon). Among the Fisitars were Messrs. C. T. Coles (hon. secretary of the Mindicsex Coznty Association), J. T. Byke (hon. secretary of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association), E. Guise (hon secretary of the Gloucester and Bristol Diecesan Association), E. W. Elwell (hon. secretary of the Chester Diocesan (Guild), J. Jaggar (Old Hill), Capt. J. H, 7R. Freehorn (Croydon!, Mr. and Mrs. f. F. Smallwood (Derlyy), Mr. and Mrs. F. Perrins (Coventry), Mr. and Mrs. Coppock and Miss I Thompson (Nottiagham), Messis. C. Harrison and J. $P$. Fidler (Lougliborough), F. E. Dawe (Woking), G. R. Pye (Ronnford, G. Dent (Harlow), W. H. Barher (Newcastle), H. W. Witce (Chester), E. Bishop (Swindon), Wr. Saunders (Coalbrookdale), W. Thomas and Wr. Kniglat 'Bristolı, Y". King (Bath), 'I'. J. Salter (Kidderminsterl, W. Suort (Chent), W. Elton (Walsali), S. R. Roper \{Croydon\}, S. Palmer and W. Burgar (Sheffeld, J. W. Pemberton (Erdington), etc. Among the officers af the Guild were Messis. J. George rund J. H. Shepherd (viec-presidents), E. Allaway, and there wero members of the Guild from all the cowers in and around Birmingtam.
Aiter dinner' the toust of 'The King' was drunk, and Mr. 'P. H. R-eves then proposed "Chimeh and State-"

## SCIENGE AND RELIGION

Mr. Reeves said that owing to lithe eriticisms and the differences belween the watious ruling bodies of the Clarch, the nverage layman dif not know quite where he stood. They had the challenge of the scientists which apparently knocked the very foundations of the faith of the Clurch away, but really did nothing of the sort Science itself was constanly doveloping, and what was onec necopted es true is proved by new knowledgri to be false; whereas the foundations of the Ghurch were in thatis itself, and the developments of science ouly go to prove more and more how sure are the Church's foundation. As regards the Siate, there werg many whe would like to see the Claureli freed from any connection with the State, especially after the recent controversy. The union was to the Clareh a matter of secondary importance. Slue was a divine society founded on Christ Himself, having for its ends the salvation of souls, and should she he separated from the Stare might well fulfil all her 1 unctions to perfection. Not so with the State. Take away the upfifting infucuce of the Church, nuth he was afraid it would become more and more materialistic and selfish. He would say, in conclusion, let Chureh and State continue to go hand in hamd and work together for the uplifting of the uation and the world in general.
The Rector, in reply, said $\mathrm{Mr}^{2}$. Reeves ${ }^{4}$ speech oponed the way to him to give them a long lecture, but he must content himself with a fow words. There was only one God, and iherefore the Gor of science and the Gorl of religion was one aud the same. Given time and patience, an open mind and a ready heart, they would eventually fina that the truth which came from religion and the fruth which came fran snience could be bamoniously blended. Therefore he was not in the least alarmed with the different shocks that came tio Elrem. With regard to the relations between Chureh and Siate,
there wha any great quarrel with the State on any big moral issue ho would he amolig the first to ask for the freedorm of the Church, but ho did not fcel there was any great spiritual or moral question which lad arisen to divide Church and State. He was perfectiy happy to retain their connection with the State at the present moment, aud he felt that whalever action Parliament took in counection wilh the Prayer Book was taken deliberately in the Euterest of the Chureh itself. He believed Parliament believer the Church did not know its own mind suffieiently. THere was a strong minority in the Charel against the proposed revised Prayer Book, muri that being the case the State might Le well justilied in saviug, You must bold your ltand for the moment.' Continuing, the Rector thanked the Guikd for asking him to preside at bliat gathering. It wha a matter of greal regret tu him that Mr. Jadan Sumith had
resigued the secretaryship after 20 years of splendid service. hat kow accepted the oftice of vice-president, which was a signal mark of the Guild's trust and conlidence in him now that he liad resigned the important post of secretary. He (the Rector) would like to express his own appreciation of Mr. Smith's kindness and his work for the Guild (applanse). He would also like to add lis appreciation of Mr. Recves. Ho felt they would find in him one who would consider the interests of the Guide, who would not jail them, and who would be a worthy successor to Mr. Smith lapplause).

## HOW JOHNSON CONDUCTED A 'SJLNNT' PEAL.

Mr. John Jaggar proposed the toast of 'The immortal memory of Henry Johnson, and related the story of his verious meetings with the Birainglam veteran. Ho was first intronuced to him, ha, said, im 1877, by Charles Hounslow, of Oxford, 'but,' added 'iar: speaker, " liad no more to do with him on that occasjon, becnuer $\mathrm{Mr}^{\circ}$. Founslow collared him all fhe time,' Their next meeting was in 1879, and the rext not until 1884. On cach occasion the older menbers collared 'Mr. Johnsun, so that he the speaker') hand littu to do with him. The next occasion was in 1886, wher they attemplett a silent peal al Burton, and Mr. Johnson came to umpire it. Thes first time Mr. Hattergley, of Sheffield, who war the treble, wanten? oo catch the eye of the fifth man, Mr. Samucl Recves. He coulat not catch it, so he walked halfway across the belfry and whistled. Mr. Johnson got up from his seat and anid, "That's blued (iaughter). They atempted the peal again a fortmight later, anal Mr. Johnson conduried the nou-conkineted peal (latitnter)? wenl into the centre of the ruging room ant said, Genllemen, 1 want you to ring a good peal.' He called, 'Look lo; sho"s gons: and they started off bluo younds. Then Mr. Jolnsous walked out of the circle, and took lis seat. Ha atid, 'Go, Stedman,' and thyy startot. Then, at the finish of the peal, which they got, be said, 'That's all,' let them ring a few rounds, and then called, 'Stand.' He came into the centre again, wad said', 'Sentlemen, you hava rung a perfect peal. It may ho possilile to equal it, but sever to surpass it (applause). They were panouraging words
them. Afterwards, they had a little 'social,' of course, fand Mr. Heywood, as lie theu was, cobareal M2. Jolinson (Iaughter'). All that foast liad eulogisal Mr. . Fohnon's good qualities, and anything winiel he miglit add would he only to endorie what had alyeaty hean safel. He would therefore content himself by asking them al] io rise and lonotr the memory of that wonderful nan
The toast having been drunk in silence, the enstomary reques was mede that loose present who know Mr. Johnen in the llest should rise in their places. Eleven of the company Eesponded.

## AN ALDERMANGC RHVIEW.

Aldermen Tritehett proposed the toast of "Continued prosperis to St. Martin's Cidid, He said that dimner, originally started years ago as a purely local affair, had now developed
national erent. Ringers came there from all over Encland brate the memory of Hemry Johinson, under the anspices of St ent tin's Guilk. Duriag that 41 Jears there lad been many olanges. He believed M1, Joseph Johnson, who was a sun of Mr. Henry Jolnson. Wrs the only one present that night who athemd the first dinnor with old friends, but the compensetion was that they made nuw ones. Athongh individuals left them-inevifably-yet flee Guid went on, and the Henry Jobnson diunor weat on, more prosperaustr and more succossfully every fear. The oldest ringer present that rigbl was prebably Wr. Frank Barks, who liad just attained 81st birthday, atad who was still adively discharging the duties towerkecper at SL. Martin's Clureh. Long might he continue to so (hear, hear) A suggestion hat been made thati dat which migh interest them. They had heen holding a meetiog of the foumders formed that Mr. Banks was already a Forester, an Oddfellow wnil an Antediluvian Buffalo, and they thotght they might as well mak. hisu areemasou and appoint lim Tylor of the lodge, the Tyler heing the person who looked after the fumiture of the lodge. If
that inden was carmed into execution a wery excellent twler he would] make Confinutug, Alderman Priteliett said they missed several fud tod ofgit, for infucnza accounted for a good many apoloyios over, many ald friends witl them, including the venerable Pector" churchwarden of St. Martin's Chtrett, Mr. Kondull, who was stif] young and active despite his 80 year's, and continued to take grosil interest in that gathering. They regretted the absence of 31 Geofirey Molinenx, wha lind been min invalid for sonse months.

CATHEDRAL BELLS RESTORAT1ON SCHLME SFFLYED.
During the year 1928 the Guild had gone steadily on and? had bew vory successfut, althongh it hari not heen able to ring so many peals
-fon obvons reasons. Eighteen peats had heen rung duribg the year, consisting of Girandsire, Livin aml Stadman Triples, Boh and Double Norwieh Major, Kent Trehle Boh rud Cashridge Surprise Royal, fud seven peals of Stedman Gimples. Tlaege Siedman Cingues
iustuded a peal which was Mr. James tieorge's one thousandic peal (applause). Thero were only five persuns living who had rung over a thousand peals, and they had two of hem present kiat night, Mr. Gearge R. Pye, in addition to Mr: James George. It was a wonderful thing to ring a thonsand peals, and wery few men were able to accomplish it. Whring the yens the great event in their Guid dad beon the recusting and rolianging of the bells of St, Mrevin's Chureh, and a very bentafiful peal they now had, and one they were proud of, and hoped the Ciby of Birmingham would be proud oi'. Unfortundely, owing to illioss, the usual practioe and peal ninging had not yet been resumed, but they hoped they would be very shortly. Another interesting event, in which he personafly took parit, was the reopening of the twolva balls at Lincoln Cathedral. They, also, were a vory beantifil peal. Then thete was the reopening of the twelve bells at Woreosfer. Jhat also wat a memorable event in the amals of vinging during the past year. They had a Cathermi in Biminghan: unfortunately, the bells there were, in his opinion, worse than useless; they were a positive nuisauce-a nuisamee to those who hemed thern and a musance to those who had the misfortuno to ring them. The authorities of the Cathedral had the opportanity last year to do something to make them a credit to the Cathedral and the town by having the bells rectst and reaung, like the bells of the Parish Cliurch. Appareutly, the money was Fortheoming. They appealed for three Ehousand potmds nud they gat s5, 200 , but no pressure, tho solicitalious, aud no exliortation could persuade them to emulato the cxample of the Parish Olurch rand insfall a decent peal of bells ('SLame'). So tinging there woukd be continued under protest and with a fecling that it was a


MR. A. PADDON SMITH.
Who has retired after 20 years as hon, secretary of St. Martin's Guild.
disagrealilo task that had to be turne. In the antantine the practice at the oblar churches and the service ringing had been guife satis fuctory. Witis rogard to oblier matters, Whe fraf event since the last gatbering land been the resignation of thoir sectetary, Mr. Paddon Smih, afier twenty year's of devotad service, and fis re-

 ringer and nust worthy man, MIr. Sanmel Renves, who was himself Well knowil all over fhe rountry as robger and ns a Cormer Paster of the College Youtls. Mr. Sinmel Reves was a most amiahle gentlemnn, nind $n$ most phtiend insirnctor. WVith regard to Mr.
 splendid predecessor- lior 20 yenrs Min. (boddern whe the secretary of that tinild. Mr. Goditen was a most texellent secretary. He was sumeeded by Mr. Pathon Sinill. Je did not kuw why Mr. Smith
 fhe den wembed to hian that as Mr. Geathen had heen secretary for
now given up that office, much to thoir regrel, iblthough they could nof reasomebly insist on his retaining it, after the splendid services lio had rendered for so many years. But although they had changes in their officiala, the Guild went on, and it would continue to pros. per as long as it got sucl: exceileai men to serve it as Mr. Puddon Smith aud Mr. Thomas Reeves (arplause)

PRESENTATTON TO MR. PADPON SMITA,
The tonst having been drunk, ATderman Prifchett rose again and said that the honour liad fatlen to him to make a presentation to Mr. Paddon Snith. No words of his evold adecuately express their sense of appreciation of the services which had been so long and so efficiently rendered to St: Martin's Guild, and to the Art and Exercise in general by Mr. Paddon Smith, but they had endeavoured to express their feeling in a concrete form by making a presentation. this was to consist of a tea and coflee service, of beaten pewter, aud a three-tier dinner wagon, which could be converted into a table. He congratulater Mr. Snith, not only upon receiving that token of the admiration amd regard of his friends aud brolber ringers, but also upon daving his wife and two sous present to witness the esteem in which he was lich by the members of the Guild (applause).
Mr. Albert Walker paid a tribute to the services reudered by Mr. Snith, aud said that lais lask as Deputy Ringing Master had been made very much easier hy his assaciation with Mr. Snitll, who had done wonders for the Guild. Mr. Smith tad promised to resign on several occasions, but when this time he told them he liad finally determined to do so, it really came as a bit of a hombshelf. Ti'hey had not been left with auch time to organise that presentation, but there had been a ready response from friends in mayy parts of the country, and he had received some remarkable letters of appreciation of Mr. Smith's sorvices, not only to the Guild, but to the Exercise in general. He felt sure Mr. Smith would prize the gifis, which would eventually be suitably inseribed, and he hoped Mr. Sroith would always treasnue these mementoes of his long period as their secretary. He was glad to know thit although 3ly. Sinith had resigned the secretaryship he would not lose one iota of his interest in St. Martin's Guifd or in ringing (applanse).
Mr. T. Reeves also spoke, and referred to the datys when he and Mr. Smitll used to walk together three or four nights a week to practise at the various chmelies. Fe knew Mr. Smith had had his heart in the work as secretary of St. Martin's Guikd, and The (Mr. Recres) took the wark over from him, knowing he would receive from Mr-Smith all the support possilile. In finct, but for that he would not have agreed to lake on the position. The wished MrSmith suecess in his retirement from the cares of olfice, knowing full well that his interest in ringing and the tower of St. Martin's would continue (applanse).

Alderman Prithelt, though the gharman, then handed the tea and coffee bet to Mr. Smith amid applatuse. The table has not yet been deliverad from the manufacturers.

LOORTNG BACK.
Mr. Smith, who was very warmly cheercd, acknowledged the gifis. $H_{0}$ thanked the speakers for their ftatering remarks and the members for their presents. It was not every man, he said, who got his work appreciated as the members of St. Marting F Fuild and other Guilds had appreciated his, as shown by blose very handsome gifts. Twenty years continued Mr. Smith, was a long period. It was a big slice out of a man's life, yet. lookint badk on his twonty years as secretary, he could only wonder att tile speed with which it Lad gone. He would like to read two extracts from the minutes of St: Martin's Guild whidh he cante atross the other day: One was of a meeting on January 8th, 1889, 九t SL. Martin's Mission Foom (evea the buildiug was gone now), Mr. Henry Johnsan being in the chair. It was proposed by Mr. John Day, seconded by the Rev. H. C.
Courtney, and unanimonsly resolved that Mr. W. H. Goden ba elected Becretary of the Guild. Among those present at that meeting wore those whose names were household words in those days: Henry Johnson, Farry Bastable, Samucl Reeves, Wrm. Roek Small, John Saunders and Thomas Russam. Of all the names mentioned, only one man survived. It was Mr . Thomas Russam, and he the speaker') was sow'y that Mr. Russam was not well enough to be there that night. Twenty yearg later (1909y a meeting was held at the Church House, Mool Street (now no longer occupied by the clavols), with the Lord Bishop of Birmingharm in the dhatr. On the motion of Mr. Painter, seconad loy Mr. Russam, ho (Mr. Smith) was elected secretary of the Guild. Aldermat Pritchoth had spoken of the Guild going on for ever, but the Alderman himself seemed to be like Temyson's lurook. He semmed to go an for ever (applause). In the mintites of that meeting it was remorded that mr. servies. Only a few noments ago lie had done the same of him (Mr. Smithi), and he hoped sincerely that whell Mr. Reeves had done twenty years as scoretary Alderman luildiett would he thero to speak as nicely of Mr. Reeves as he had of Mr. Gridern and himsolf (applause). That mecting in 1909 was the only time in the hisfory of their Guild when they lad their matron, the Bishop, present at one of their meetings. Alderman Prituhett Jad said he thought Mr. Josepli Johmon was tile only person present that night who was hat the first commemovation dinuer. There were Lwo ofhers still sur-
viving, but who were not sitin them that night-II', Themas Russam
and Mr. Willimm Kent. During the Lwenty jears be bad been secretary the Guild had grown stronger, hoth vumerically and financially, than it had ever been. When he took up the jols he made a resolulion that be would do his very best not only to meintain unnarmished its traditions, of which he was very prond, but, if it were possible, to enhance them. If the Guild was now stronger than ever it was before, it was not owing only to his personal efforts but to the mbsuerving aud loyil support of evory brother offeer in the Guild (applatise). He could only hope that his successon would have the same support, and leg was not only fopiag but he felt stre he would get ii. These presents would occupy a very prominent position in his home, and would remind him for the rest of his natural life of the very many happy friendships he had formed and the many happy hours he had spent among bellringers (applause)

## A GIET TO ST MARTINS TOWLER.

Another presentation followed. Mr. F. E. Dawe Ieferred to the lrearty welcome which was always extended to visitors to St. Martin's belfry and to the friendships that were there set up and comented. He said the ringers there were proud of their bells and of their rioging chanlber. He knew they were protid of their Rectou and churchwardens, and he believed their chairman was proud of his ringers. Seventeen years ago he (M1. Dawe) had the pleasure of lyeing their chairman, and on that oecasion he presented to the belfry a small photograph of the eliurch. He could not help thinking now that that photograph was tolally inadequate to the surroundings. He therefore ungarthed the old negative, had had it enlarged, and the picture framed to take the place of that earlier one. As it happened, although it had nob been mentioned, he was one of those who were present at the first Johuson dimer. Henry Tohnsan lifmself was there, in wonderful form, shremd, witly, clearheaded and humorous. He was traly a wouderful man. Althougla 53 years separated Henry Johnson's birthtay and his own, they were not only friends, but, which was very unusual for an old man and coung one, they were 'pals." He (the speaker) was neper able hoard money, but he cherished the letters which he received from nany distinguished persons. Fe was now going to collect the letters he liad received from Johnson, Reeves, Bashable and many otliersJohnson's letters were particularly interesting, and contajned many of the old man*a composilions-and it was lis intention, if the Cuik would accept then, to band them over at an early dase to
hir. Reeves to be preserved in the archives (hear, hear). Fe loped o do the same thing with the letlers of other notable persons of 50 years ago, and to gire his letters from Hiley to the College Youths: those from John Cox to the Cunberlanels; those from Jasper Snow don to the Yorkshire Association: while those of James Wash-
brook would find their way to the Oxford Guikd (applanse). Fe asked St. Martin's Guild to accept the gift of the picture in the lope that it would find a place in the ringing chamber (applause). The Rector gratefully accepted the gift on behalf of the Guild, and said it would be treasured in the ringing ehamber.
Mr. Alhert Walker proposed "The Visitors, ${ }^{\text {a }}$ and extendert a cordial wheome to the representatives of the many societies who had come to join St. Murlin's Guila in that commemoration. Referring to tho vatious dimars now held in difterent patts of the country, he said some of the smaller ones were held too elose to the larger gatherings, and he suggested that the organisers should endeavour to spread them out somewhat. They onglit to give every encourageinent to these dinuers which cemeated the fellowship thd brotherheorl anong ringers.

## 'PHE RECTOR ON THT RACT.

Mr. C. F. Johnston, who first respondect, said in coming to that athering, visitors ulways felt that their time and frouble were well They feli thai this roar they were present on an atspicious arasion. They had been presenting most morthy, hatworking menenfo, and they had leen Iistening to the new peal in St. Martints they liad enjoyed a very goorl dinnel aud had listened to thme most finished speeches, He felt he was interpreting the wishes the wisitors when he said they were enjoving themselves. He
greed that if these dinners could be divided into periods it might
e a litile easier for those visitors who wished to attend them. Last car an that gathering the Rector appeared to be rather on the rack there werc so mary attempts at advice as to how St. Martin's hells should be litugg athrl how they shomitd lae cast. They alf felt fome measure of pity for the Rector, and therefore they came that fay to join in their compliments anm congratulations to him and to the anthoritice at St. Wartin's who hat aut the gowlian knof. Flyey had gat their peal back rgain: everyood was happy in Birmingham. and they wele there to witness thein pleasure that evening applanze)
31r. E. W. 厄iwela also responded, and referved to the way ith which suct gatherings promoted good fellowship among ringerts, and by mat mea us did a great deal tes inprove change nimging and to keep members of the Exercise enthusinstic, keen, loyal ind good friendis one with another. From the geogiepliterl advailage which they hat in Frmmingham, the Fenry Johnson dimer drew vingors iron ald corners of the land, for they could get there without unduc, trothle. Those who came to that dimen were not oreatod as visitors, hut (Continued in next columw.j)

## ANOTHER PEAL OF TEN FOR LANCASHIRE

Among the new contracis whioh Messis. Gilelt and Johnston Inve had entrusted to them are the following:-
Leyland, Lancs.-Recasting peal oi eight, temor 22! cwt., addins two trebles to form peal of ten, and hanging ins new metal fram with new fittings.
Banet, Herts.-Relanging an ball bearings, peal of eight, tenor 23 cwt.

Kingsteignton, Devon-Recasting peal of six, tenor $12 \mathrm{cwt.}$, and augmentigg to peal of eight, tenor 10 cwt , aturl supplying new metut frame and new fittings.
Iver, Bucks.-Rehanging peal of sis, tenor $15!$ cwt., in new metal frame and with new fittings.

## SUFFOLK GUILD.

A 'CONSULTANT' FOR DIOGESAN ADVISORY COMBTHTEE A meeting of the Suftolk Guild was helr at Fadeigh with the hope of helping beginners there, but as no local men turaed up the more elahorate methods were rung. At the husiness neeting after tea, it was proposed by her. C. J. Sedueley in the chair, that the meeting thanked the searetary and supporied him in his action in writing to the Arehdeacou and to the secretary of the Advisory Committer, pointing out how unwise it was for that committee to act without the experte adrice of the Guild.-This was carried with enthusiasm.
It was decided that an officer, to be called "Consultant to the $A d-$ visory Committee, be eleoted cach year at the anmual meeting
It was also decided that membera of the Guitd shoula do all they could to get as many ringers as possible elected on the Pavochial Church Gomncils, the Diocesan Conference, and tive Church Assenbly. It was agreed to seud an jnstruetor to Hadleigh as soon as a hand could be got together able to avail thenselves of stich instraction The Chairman explaned that it was hoped that the menorial tablet to W. L. Catolipole and James Motis would be unveiled at St. Mary-le-Tower Church on Easter Monday, asul that all subscriptions would be sent in before then.

## BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION <br> PEALS OF MTNOR DISClSSSED.

 from the following towers: Fedtord, J3ipgleswarie, Roxton, Sunthill, Clifton, Bromham, Saldy, Kempston, St. Noots, Great Staughtor and Long SLanton.
The husiness mueting followed toa, with the Rector (Rev, IL, P Higham) in the chair. One new meraher was elected, and it was propasen to hold the noxt meedin it Atlesey on Saturday, Matcla 16th. It was also suggested that 22 combined amonting he hed with the Forts Comity, Ely Jiogesan and Bects Assoedation at ligegleswade on Saturday, April 20tlı.
A discussion on what shouk constitute a peal of Minor took phace at some length. A resclution lenny pul to thr meeting was cunded unanimously, that all peals of Minor shonid consist of seven $720^{\circ} \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{a}}$ each true and complete, as passed at the Central Councid meeting.
A vote of thanks to the Rector for the thser of the belis, and for presiding, brought the lusiness mecting to it close.
The tower was then again risited, und some grool bouches smag rotinct.

The secretary wishes to thank all the members who made the journey to Eaton Socan on such a rough day, and hopos that still more wili try and be presenf at the future meetingy. The liells were rung down about eight achoek, and hrought a rery pleasabt and steressful afternoon and evening ta a clase.

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Mr. A. Paddon Smilh submilted ' The Ringing World, to whieh he wished every success, nud suggested that these who were responsible for sending reports of meetings might gel chil of the sterentyperd style aud add interest to thein taninibutions by sometimes telling readers about the features of the charch and the bells at the places visited. - Mu. J. S. Goldsmilh responded.

Alderman Pritchedt offered the thanks of ihe company to Sk. Martin's quartette and to Mrs. Hughes for their deliglaiful contributions to the masical programme, and went on lo propose the tonst of "The Chairthan," to whioh Camon Rogers replind.
This hronght a pleasant everuing to a elase. Thise speechas were interspersed with gleac מund pari-sonys ly SL. Mardin's guariette handbell solections hy. Nrs. Thalaes, itues by members of $\$$. Martin's Gnili, nud a boh conrse of Stedman Citnges by G. F'. Swnan, T. W. Per

A lalge number of risitors stayad for Sumay and thet for ringitge abd friemily intercoutse at vatous centres duriug the day

## A NEW PEAL FOR KENTISH WEALD.

The new peal of eight at Frittenden, Kent, was dedicated hy the Bishog of Dover on Thurgday evening, February 2ist. The bells are The gif of Admiral Moore, who was, owing ta indisposition, unfortungicly unable to be present at the servite. A large congregation of parimhioners was, however, in the church, and listened with great interest to the most interesting address of the Bishop.
The local ringers, ably led by Mr. H. Buker, raised the bells afterwarim, anul wilh the help of Capt, J. H. R. Freeborn and Mr Adeock, uf Cupen, vang a Louch of Grandsire Triples. Mr. C. F. Jolsnston fepresphted Messis. Gillet and Johnston, who have been yesponsible for libe work.

The hells are a cumplelely new ring, replacing the old peal of eight. The tenor is 15 cwt . in F sharp, and the bells are liung is metal headscocks and kall boarings, in a bew teak frame of two ijers. Although no visiting riggers were present on Thurbdity, the gew pral was tried during the previous week by neighbouring experts, who experbed their keenest approval at both the tone and "go, of the bills. The Jocal ringers are extremely pleused with their new рен!.

## CATHEDRAL RINGER'S DEATH AT CHICHESTER.

Drath has robhed the Chichester Cathedral band of a keen member in the werson of Mr. Marcus Robert Hefter, who passed away at the Richmand Arms, of whieh he had been proprjecem for a number of jears. Duceased formerly served 25 ycars in the West Sussex Consiabulary: The funeral took place on February 2 7 th, when six police constables acted as bearers, and a number of ringers were presomb, inclading Messus. J. H. Blake, A. Tugwell, H. J. Tucher and T. H. Doick, representing the Cathedral Guitd, In the evening with the bolls lanffumfled, as a last token of respect, a yuarterpeat of Grandsire Triples was mang by F. Arthur 1, W. Falcaner 2, 5. H. Doiuk 3, W. E. Ticehurst 4, G. Marsliall 5, H. J. Tweker (conkluctar) 6, J. H. Blake 7, A. Tugwell 8.

## NORTHERN ASSOCIATIONS MEET.

There was no doubt that the joint meeting of the Clevelatrd and Nortlı Yorkshire Asgociafion and the Sotithern Division of the Durham umd Newcastle Dincesan Association, held ei Northallerton ou a remetr Saturday, was a buge success. The 30 members who atienclen will all voweh for that. The ringers gathered irom Darlimfton (St. John's and Holy Trinity), Middleslorough, Riehmond, Binon, Saliburn, Sharow, Stockton, Thisk, and Hurworth, and everyhody had a real good yinging day. The striking feature of ibe meeting was the large proportion of young ingers there, and it Eave the officers great pleasure 10 see the mectiog (which was a suggestion of a member of the Thichmond band such a groat sinceess The bells were sung from about 2 oclock till 8 , and truclies of Giand mire, Plain Bob, Kent Treble Boh, Stedman, and Double Norwich wre sucesssful. The yonger members were given careful attention, and wach one of liem was made to do something better than he was ancusionaed to. A unique toach was one of Grandsire, in whiela the agen of two tingers totalled more than 150 rears. Viee-Pusident Newtath, of Stockton, was one of the veterans, with a "scote" of over F0, whilse the father of the menting;' Mr. 'Jimmy' Barnett, topmed the hill" wih 80 yerrs to his credit. Long may these two worlhies live to grase the meetings of the association.
That was provided at Russell's Cafc, presider over by the Rev. Onam Hrown, Firar of Northallerton, supperted by the president of the association (3r. T. C. Pollard) and Mr: T. Metcalfe, secretaryThe tidar, in his nsual happy way, gave the association a inest hearty welcorn to Norlhallerton, saying how pleased he was to tear the bolls rang so well, and hoped to have the pleasure of weleoning the association on many moro oceasions.

The president thanted the Viear most lrearily for lais kind remarks, had also for heing present ul tea and for allowing the members of the association ibe use oi the bells. Fe also thanked Mr. J. Barmett for making the necessary arrangements for the tea, This :Tas seconded by Mr. J. TT. Titt nind carrien by acelamation.
lively and usciul discussion on the aims and work of the assointion look place afterwards. The ofticers partieularly wish to express their pleasure on seeing such an excellent meeting, and hope That the Faster meetime at Mastam ant the annual neeting at Ripon II Whijr Monthy will be as well adfented.

## KENTISH RINGERS' LOSS.

M1. Arthur Finn, J. Br, F.S.A., donor of the fime peal of bells at Lyid, Kent cast by Mesgis. Gillett and Jolinston, died on Tharsnity week at the nge uf 72 years. Fe was a feanding figne th the Remmey Marslo Distriet, amal his pasing has thown the lithe horongh Lydd into gloom,
He was always intereghed in bells and ringing, and webounerl ant montained the Kent Association whenever they visited Tyold, A well-hown agriculturist, Mr. Pinn whe aix times Mryor of the ratough, and he filled a grat many other pubtic offices.

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

CROFT, LEICESTERSHIRE,-On Sunday, February 24th, for evening service, 720 Grandsire Doubles in 20 mins. J. Bailess $1, \mathrm{C}$ H. Webb (conductor) 2, 2. Bailess 3, E. Watson 4, W. A. Wood 5 4. Warwick 6. First 720 by all except the conductor and firsi by the local band. The bells were augmented from three to six by J. Tay lor and Co. last May
TIMSEURY.-On Sunday, February 17th, far evening service, 720 Oxford Bob in 25 mins: G. Gomer 1, Gilhert Fasel 2, Wm. Founs 3, Wilfred Young 4, J. Fear 5, T. CharE (oanductor) 6 .

ELTHAM, KENT.-At the Paribh Clurch of St. John-the-Baptist, on Sunday, Tebruary 17th, for morning service, a querter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 42 mins: H. Flower 1, F. Fraser 2 , W Watchorn 3, Hurrell 4, C. A. Biaes 5, Gunner R. Martin, R.A, 6 W. Anderson (conductor) 7, F. J. Rurrell \& Rung as a compliment to $F$. Fraser, who celebrated his 79th bivthday on February 12 h . LEATHERHEAD, SURREY.-On Sunday, February IVth, for evening service, a quarter-pend of Stedman Caters ( 1,263 changes) A. Dean 1, W. Coles (condnetor) 2, G. Talbot 3, G. Maviner 4, G Cook 5, A. Harman 6, G. Smari 7, J. White 8, J. Benuett 9, C Otway 10. First quarter in the methud by the ringers of 3rd and 7th.
LONDON.-At St. Giles'-in-the-Fields on Sunday, February 17th, for Confirmation, 1,260 Grancisire Triples in 45 mins.: R. E. Ceare 1, J. Bennett 2, A. Howkins 3, G. Radford 4, G. Cowley (first inside) 5, W. H. Seabrook 6, A. W. Coles (conductor) 7, C. Car penter (first quarter) 8 .
HAYES, KENT.-On Sunday, February 17 tl , for morning service, 720 Lancashire Surprise, conducted iy O . Gilboy; for pvening serwiec, 720 Lancashire Surprise, conducted by J. Brown, with G. Harwood, H. Reader, J. Hack, F. Keech, H. Brown. First in the method on the bells and by all the band.
FINEDON, NORTHANr最-On Sunday, Tebruary 10hb at St. Mary's Church, for evening service, at quaver-peal of Double Nor wich Court Boly Major (2,280 changes) in 50 mins.: J. R. Main 1 G. Bashford 2, C. Richardson 3, G. Clapham 4, A. Bodidington 5, T. Abbott 6, J. King 7, T. R. Hensher (tonductor) 8. Irrst quarterpeal in the method by ringers of 3rd and 5tll.
LUDLOW, SHROPSHIRE.-On Sinday, February 10th, in 32 mins., at 33, New Street, Ludlow, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes) on handbelis: J. J. Price 1, H. Jones 2, W. J. Heniams (conductor) 3-4, A. Nasan 5-6.

MANGOTSFIELD, BRISTOL-Fat evensong, February 3rd, á quarter-peal of Grandsiro Triples ( 1,260 changes) in 45 nins: $C$. Jefferies 1, J. G. Jefferies (conductor') 2, Hopes 3, J. Tefferies, jun., 4, T. James 5, E. Palmer 6, 'T. Marsh 7, A. Smart. 8. Rung at a birthday compliment to the tingers of lst amd 2 ad .
OXFORD.-At Et. Giles' Church on Sunday, February zrd, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples in 46 mims: W. Blake 1, W. Judge (conductor) 2, L. J. Coles (first quarter-peal) $3, G$. Cooke 4, J. B. Howes 5, W. Brigham 6, V. Bemmett Chaundy 8.

LAVENHAM-On Sunday, February 3rd, for mormme service, a quarter-peal of Bob Major ( 1,204 changes) in 50 mins.: M. T. Symonds (conductor) 1, W. F. J. Potlson 2, F. F. Mortlock 3, F. A. Poulson 4, Leonard Pryke (first quarter-peal on tower bells) 5 , A. Symonds 6, L. Poulson 7, F. A. Turner 8. Rung to welcome the preacher, Archdeacon Farmiloe, of Brary St. Edmunds.- For eveming service, a quarter-peal of Kent Tireble Bob Major (1,280 chanyes): M. 'I'. Symonds (Grst quarter-peal in the method as comductor') 1 A. Symonds 2, F. L. Leeks $\overline{3}$, W. Fayers 4, L. Poulson 5, F. F, Mort lock 6, L. Leeks 7, W. R. J, Poulson 8. Rutis as kinthay com piment to L. Leoks.

LONDON.- At St. Sepulehre's, Snow Hill, E.C., on Sunday, Fehnhary 3rd, for avensong, quarter-peal of Stedrian Caters 1,299 changes), tenor 30 owt. A. W. Goles 1, F. Jennings 2, E. J. Trimmer 3, W. R. Madgwick 4, E. F. Pike 5, W. J. Nutds 6, W. H. Hewett (conductor) 7, C. W. Grimmood 8, C. W. Roberts 9, H. Belcher 10.

STONEY STANTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.-On 太untay, Jamuary 27th, a quarter-peal of Bob Major: C. H. Briggs 1, Rev. H. P' Farrow 2, C. E. Carr 3, O. Brown 4, O. H. Webly 5 , L. E. Towers E, R. F. Elkington 7, A. Ballerd, jun. (conductor) 8. First quarter-peal in the method by ringers of 3rd, 6 th and tenor, and first attempt

BATH.-On Sunday Jamuary 20th, in 43 mins., a griarter-poal of Stedman Triples: H. W. Brown I, Miss I. Hastie 2, Miss N. C. Wilimms 3, R. J. Cousine 4, T. Grant 5, 'P. F. King 6, WY. J. Prescott (conductor) 7, H. Davis 8. Armagad for Miss Hastie, of Guldford, who was paying a visit to Bath.

## LATE NOTICE.

L.ONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Northern District.-A meeting of the above will be held at South Hackney on Saturday, March 6 6th. Bells from 3 to 9 p.m. Service, Tea, Meetings, etc., at 4.30 . All visitors will be made leartily welcome.-J. A. Waugh, District Secretary, 8, Fuller's Road, Woodford, E. 18.

## NOTICES.

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637 ). -Meetings for practice will be held at St. 'Magnus' on the I4th; "St. Paul's Cathedral on the 1gth; Southwark Cathedral on the 2Ist ; all at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards.-Wliliam T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Raad, Clapham, S.W.4.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GURLD.--South and West District.A meeting will be held at Christ Church, Ealing, on Saturday, March 9th. Ringing from 3.30 p.m. Tea arranged as usual. Following meeting, a dance and social will be heid in Christ Church Parish Hall in aid of the Isleworth Bell Fund. Tickets, is. 6d. inclusive, may be had from the hon. secretary, Wm. H. Hollier, 29, Duke Road, W.4.

DUDLEY AND DİSTRICT GUILD. - The annual meeting will be held at Dudley on Saturday, March gth. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service in church $4 \cdot 30$. Tea and business meeting afterwards. - Herbert Sheppard, Ir3, Himley Road, Dudley.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-Sauth-Eastern Division. The next meeting will be held at Fryeming on Saturday, March gth. Bells (6) available at 2.30 . Usual arrange-ments.-H. W. Kirton, Hon. Dis. Sec.
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Daventry Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Flare (6) on Saturday, March gth. Usual arrangements.-W. C. Moore, Braunston Road, Daventry, Northants.
SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD. Southern District.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Morriston (bells 6) on Saturday, March $9^{\text {th. Bells }}$ open at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m., with tea and meeting to follow. All ringers welcome. - E. Stitch, Hon. Dis. Sec., 2 I, Cambrian Place, Port Talbot, Giam.

HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Eastem Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held at Broxbourne on March gth, when the bells will be available during the afternoon and evening. Service at 5 o'clock. Tea at the Welcome after. All members and ringing friends wilt be heartily welcome.-W. H. Lawrence, Dis. Sec., Little Munden.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Guildford Dis-trict.-A meeting will be beld at Cranleigh on Saturday, March gth. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 , followed by tea and business meeting.-G. Grover, Hon. Dis. Sec., Merrow Cottage, East Clandon.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch. -A meeting will be held at St. Paul's, Widnes, on Saturday, March gth. Belis (8) available 3 p.m. Service 5.30 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. Special method: Court Bob Triples. Members are requested to make a special effort to attend this meeting.-Claude I. Davies, Branch Sec., Caerleon, Dunbabin Road, Wavertree.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.The next meeting will be held at Higher Waiton on Saturday, March 9th. Bells (8) available from 2.30. A good attendance is requested.-Fred Rigby, Hon. Sere, 8, Carrington Road, Chorley.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. - The annual meeting will be held on Marci gth at St. Marie's and the Cathedral, Sheffield. Bells open early. Committee meeting 4 p.m. in St. Marie's Presbytery. General meeting 6 p.m., in St. Marie's Presbytery for election of oflicers. Details of contest for silver cup, etc. Visitors make own arrangements for tea.-R. Harrison, Sec., 4r, Baltic Road, Sheffeld.

SUFFOLK GUILD.-Mildenhall District.--Ringing meeting at Newmarket on March glh. Bells: St. Martin's, Exning (5), St. Mary's (6), All Saints' (8) available from 3 p.m. All ringers invited.-L. Moon, Ramlet?, Newmarket.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Lougiborough District. - The next meeting will be held at Quorn on Saturday, March gth, Bells (8) will be ready from $3.3^{\circ}$ p.m.-D. S. Collins, Hon. Dis. Sec., I 45 : Paget Street, Loughborough.

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION,-A meeting will be held at Royston on Saturday, March gth. Bells ready 2 p.m. Tea in Charch Schools 5 p.m., is. each. A hearty invitation is offered by the Vicar and ringers of Royston.-C. D. Potter, Hon. Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Central Bucks Branch.-A meeting at Waddesdon, Saturday, March gth. Service at 4.30 p.m. Preacher, the Waddesdon Deanery Lent Missioner. Tea and business meeting as usual.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Leicester District.-A meeting will be held at Whetstone on Saturday, March gth. Bells (6) available from 3.30 p.m1. This is the first of a series of meetisgs to be held at some of the 5 and 6 -bell towers in the district, now seldom, if ever, visited. It is hoped that members will do their best to support both this and subsequent meetings. - Aban Disney, Local Hon. Sec., I9, Houlditch Road, Krightur Fields, Leicester.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION,-South-Western Division.A meeting will be held at Chigwell Row ( 8 bells) on Saturday, March gth. Beils from 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Subscriptions for 1929 are now due.-E. J. Butler, Dis. Sec., 3, Eustace Road, Chadwell Heath, Essex.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Rochdale Brancl. - A meeting will be held at Hamer, Rochdale, on Saturday, March gth. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting at 6.30 p.m.-William Horan, Branch Sec., 2, Greenhirst Hey, Todmerden.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION. A meeting of the Eastern District will be held at Gateshead on Saturday, March gth. Meet at St. Mary's Church at 3 p.m. Tea, at is. 3d, per head, at the 'Anchorage' -Frank Ainsley, Dis. Sec.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Rossendale Branch. -The next branch mecting will be held at $S t$. Mary's, Rawtenstall, on Saturday, March gth. Bells ready at 3.30 . Meeting at 6.30 . Subscriptions are due. Reports, etc., to hand. Expecting a good muster of members and visitors.-John H. Faydock, Branch Sec.. 8, Oaklands Road, Edenfield.

MIDDLESEX COLNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-North and East District.A meeting will be held at St. Ann's, Stamford Hill, on Saturday, March 6 th. Bells from 3 p.m. Short service at 5 p.m., followed by tea (usual terms) and business meering. Please advise me if you require tea. All members and friends welcomed.-C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 2 I, Vincent Road, E.4.

IIIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCJATION. - Nottingham District. -The next monlhly meeting of the above district will be on Saturday, March ibth, at Daybrook. Beils (8) available from 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. It is essential that all those reguiring tea to notify me not later than March i3th.-Fredk. W. Bailey, Local Sec., 42, kupert Street, Notingham.

SURREY ASSOCIATION. - The annual general meeting will be held on Saturday, March $16 \mathrm{~h} 1_{\text {, }}$ at Reigate. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea (Is. 6 d . per head) at the White Hart Hotel, Bell Street, at 5.45 p.m. Mecting 6.30 p.m. All those requiring tea must inform me by Wednesday, March ${ }^{3} 3^{t h}$. - Chas. H. Kippin, Hon. Gen. Sec., Winchester, Guy Road, Beddington, Croydon.

LANCASFIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester Branch.- The next meeting will be held at St. James', Birch-itn-Rusholme, on Saturday, March sGth. Bells ready 4 o'clock. Meeting 7 p.m. A good attendance is reguested. Reports to hand. Subscriptions due. - J. Hałl, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting, Manchester.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. - Narlborough Brancl.-The next meeting of the branch will be held at Si. Katherine's, Savernake Forest, on Saturday, March i6th. Visitors requiring tea kindly notify the secretary--Cyril Hussey, Hon. Sec., East Leaze, Baydon, Marlborough.

IANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Furness and Lake District Branch.-The next half-yearly meeting will be hekl at Kirkby-in-Furness on March i6th at $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. The bells (6) will be avallable for ringing at 2 p.m.-W. 'J'. Clark, Branch Sec., Broughton-in-Furness.

IORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Western District.The ammal meeting will be held at Pudsey on Saturday, March r6th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea at a harge of 15 . 3 d. per head to all those who send in their nemes to Mr. W. Barton, 46 , Alexandra Road, Pudsey, ${ }^{12}$ ot later than Thursday, March 14th.-F. Hutchinson, Dis. Sec.

ONFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-North Bucks [3:anch.-A quarterly meeting of above branch will be held at Sympson on Saturday, March 16th. Bells available during the aftemoon. Service at 3.30 p.m. Those requiring tea please notify me by March inth. All ringers welcome.-Walter Sear, Hon: Sec., 19, Albert Street, Bletchley.

OSFORD DIOCESAN GLILD. - Somung Deanery Branch. - Quarterly meeting at Sonning on Saturday, Narch r6th. Bells at 3. Divine service 4.30. 'lea at 5. All welcome. Please let me know by Tuesday, March 12 th, if requiring tea. - W. J. Paice, Branch Sec., Merrel, California, Wokingham.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District.-A meeting will be held at Arlesey on Saturthy, March 16th. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Tea at 8. All ringers welcome. A good company is requested. -C. I. Ball, Dis. Sec., 2, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Chertsey District. - Meeting at Horsell on Saturday, March i6tly. Bells (6) at 3 p.m. Tea in the Institute at 5 p.m. Those reguiring tea must inform me not later than March 12 th. -H. Hancock, 3, Chobham Road, Ottershaw, Chertsey,

WARYICKSHIRE GLILD.-A meeting of the Guild will be field at Bedworth on Saturday, March r6th. The beils (8) will be available for ringing from 3 p.mi- - I. A. Fenton, Gen. Hon. Sec., 6, Frederick Street, Rugby:

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Southern Division. -The annual meeting will be held at Ranmoor, Sheffield, on Saturday, March 16th. Bells available fronn 3 o'clock. Service at 5 . Tea at $5 \cdot 30$, at is. per head. Will all who require tea please notify Mr. C. Haynes, 44.ra, Sandygate Road, Sheflield, by Wednesday, the ${ }^{1} 3^{\text {th }}$ ? The business meeting for the election of officers, etc., will be held at the Institute after tea, and a good attendance is desired. The annual report will be available at the meeting.-F. Clark, Hon. Sec.
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Eastera Divi-sion.- The annual meeting will be held at Mayfield on Saturday, March 23 rd. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock, to be followed by the business meeting. Will those intending to be present kinclly notify me by Wednesday, March zoth ?-Geo. W. Stokes, Hon. Dis. Sec., 22, Melbourne Road, Eastbourne.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch. The next meeting will be held at All Souls', Bolton, on Saturday, Marcb a3rd. Bells available 3. Meeting 7 p.m.Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., 203, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD. Preliminary Notice. -The annual general meeting will be held at East Grinstead on Saturday, March 23 rd. Tower open 3. Tea, followed by business meeting. All ringers welcome. - G. Lambert, Hon. Sec., Drummond Hay. East Grinstead.

SUFFOLK GUILD.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Laxfield on March 23rd. Bells (6) at 2. Tea, is. each, at the King's Head at +30 . Mceting follows.-H. Drake, Sec., Ufford.

SUFFOLK GUILD.-The amual meeting will be hekl at Ipswich on Easter Monday. Ringing all day (except $2-3$ ) at St. Mary le fower ( 12 ), St. Margaret (8), St. Clement (6), Rushmere (6). Service; St. Mray le Tower, 2 p.m. Meeting in Oak Lane Rooms at 2.30 . Tea 4.30 . -H. Drake, Ufford, Woodbridge.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-The annual meeting will he held at Maidstone on Easter Monday. Apri] ist. Conmittee meeting in All Saints' Vestry at IT. 5 . Service in All Saints' Church at 12. Address by the Rev. H. de. V. Watson, Rector of Harrietsham. Dinner in the Corn Exchange at I o'clock, followed bs business meeting. Towers open for ringing; Maidstone (All Saints) (ro), Leeds (ro), Harrietsham (8). West Malling (8), Linton (8), Barming (6), Boxley (6), East Farleigh (6), Bearsted (6), St. Michael's, Maidstone (6). For dinner tickets apply before March 28 th to Fred M. Mitchell, Assistant Hon. Sec., in4, Sun Lane, Gravesend.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - A general meeting will be held at Whitby on Easter Monday, April ist. Bells (ro) available throughout the day. Tea will be provided at a charge of 2 s . per head, and all applications for same must reach Mr. G. W. White not later than first post Tuesday, March 26th. Members are urged to attend.-Percy J. Johnson, Hon. Gen. Sec., 396, Mcanwood Road, Leeds.

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## CENTRAL COUNCIL POLICY.

A fortnight ago we referred to the position of the Central Council in regard to the affiliated associations, and pointed out how the process of time had led to a growing opinion in some quarters that the relationship should be placed upon a different foundation to that which has existed since the formation of the Council nearly forty years ago. When the article was written we wre not aware of the strong feeling which had developed among a section of ringers in the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association, and which has led to the suggestion that the association should withdraw from the Council until, in effect, the latter's constitution is' amended so that its policy retlects the views of the affiliated organisations instead of merely registering the private opinions of the elected representatives. As we said a fortnight. ago, this issue has got to be faced sooner or later, but it would, we think, be a disastrous step if associations, which may feel that change is necessary, should withdraw from the Council at this stage.

There are, of course, two sides to this, as to most questions, and the arguments in favour of maintaining the status quo are cogently put, in a letter elsewhere in this issue, by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, who, for so many years, was hon. secretary of the Cotncil. The point of Mr. Davies' contention is that representatives should heat the pros and cons of every subject before they come to a decision, and that they should not attend the Council meetings committed to vote one way or the other without having had the opportunity of hearing the arguments on all sides. There is much force in this contention, but ringers will ask what use is it, then, for the Council, as they have done on some fow occasions, to refer a matter to the associations for their views-as for instance in the case of the proposed diplonas for young ringers? Mr. Davies also argues that it is up to the associations to elect men who are in sympathy with the views of those who send them, but the difficulty in this mateer is that the representatives are elected only ance in three years and in the intervening period all sorts of things may crop up in which the associations and the representatives may difier

If the present policy of the Council is to be continued. it seems to us that to ensure the sympathetic representation of which Mr. Davies speaks, the constitution of the Council will have to be changed, so that the members are elected annually instead of triennially. It that were done the associations would be in a stronger position, and it would not materially affect the Council. Presumably the object of a three-year term of office was to sectire some (Cónthued on page 162.)

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continuity of policy in the Council, but there is hardly likely to be any great upheaval by a change to an annual election, and, if there were, then it would be an indication that those who 'pay the piper ' desired a change of tune. The elections take place next year, and it would be a gond time to test the feeling of the asspciations, on matters of this kind.

## TWELVE BELL PEALS.

IPSWICH.
THE SUFFOLIS GUILD.
(St. Mary-le-Tower Socieyr.)
On Saltuday, Maych 9, 1929, in Thyee Hours and Fifty-Four Mink:es.
At the Churce of St. Mary-le-Tower,
A PEAL DF NEW CAMBRIDCE SURPRISE MAXIMUS, 5280 CHANCES; Tenor 32 cwt .
William P. Garrett ...Tyeble John F. Tilleti ... ... 7 Cbarles j. Sedgley .... $\quad 2$ Gborge A. Fleming .... 8 -Percy May... .-- ... ... 3 | |Cearles A. Catcerole ... 9 Harry R. Rofer ..... .4 Wieliam j. G. Brown ... 40
Robert H. Brondle ... 5 George E. Symonds ... II
Albert A. Fleming... ... 6 Erederick J. Tillett ...Tehor
Conducted by Cbarles J. Sedgley.

* First peal of New Cambridge Surprise Maximus. $\dagger$ 50th peal on twelve bells, 25 being Cinques and 25 Maximus. Rung with halfmufled clappers to the memory of william Wood, a respected member of St. Mary-le-Tower Society, interved the previous day. LONDON.
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCLATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, May ch 9, 7929, in Three Hours and Thirty-Seven Minules,
Ai the Cateedral Chorch of St. Saviodr, Southwark, S.E.,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5014 CHANGES; Tenor 50 cwt . in B fat.
Francis E. Dawe ... ...Treble Grorge A. Card .-- $-\cdots$ 7
Thomas H. Tafremder ... 2 -George Gilbrit ... ... 8 Jobn H. Chersman ... ... 3 Ernest Brett ... ... ... 9 Willam H. Fussell ... 4 Jeffery R. Gammon ... 50 Herberi E. Audsley Thomas W. Tafrender ... 6 James George ... ... ...Tenor Composed by Jonn Carter. Conducted by Thomas H. Tafrender
* First peal on 12 belis, and rung on lis 42nd biribday. W. H. Fussell's 703th peal.


## TEN BELL PEALS.

WALTHAMSTOW, ESSEX.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAA GULLD.
On Sathyday, Maych 9, 1929, in Threc Hous sand Twelwe Minutes,
At the Cherch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5019 CHANGES? Tenor ige cwt.
Dearles A. Hogres ... ...Treble James C. Adams... ... ... 0
Joan H. Wilkins ...- ... 2 Ernest E. Holman... .. 7 Harozd A. Edwards ... ... 3 *Charles T. W. Coles ... is William B. Manning ... 4 Fred C. Maynard ... ... ! Cbarles T. Colbs ... ... 5 Robert Maynard, sen. ...Temoy Composed by George T. Daliry, Conducted by Crarles T, Chles
" First peal in the mathod.
TROWBRTDGE, WILTS.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GULDD.
On Satarday, March 9, 7929, 就Three Honys and Six Minktes.
At xue Chorch of St. James.
A PEAL DF STEDMAN CATERS, 5049 CHANGES;
Tenor 24 cwt.

William A. Cave Joskpa T. Dyke ... ….. .3 William J. Prescott... ... 3 Alifred E. Reeves ... ... 4 William Knight ... ... 5 Composed by Henay jobanson.

Samuel J. Hector ... ... 6 Fred Lambete ... ... ... 7 John A. Burford ... ... \& Gilbert H. Jardiak ... 9 Norman V. AحDrrwa .. ...Tsmor Conducted by Wielisy A Cave.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

## FARNDOS, CHESEIRE

THE CHESTER DIOCESAS GUILD.
(Caester Beanch.)
On Monday, Fobruary 25, 1929, in Three Fiones aud Fiften Minules, At the Church or St, Chad,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

 Parker's Twelve-part. Whlter Thomas... ... ... 4 Reminald L. Ince ... ...Tenor Conducted by Robert Sperring.
Rung with the bells halfomufled for Sir Harry Bemston, 3.1P. for Edilisbury Division, who was hunind in the family vault on this day. He lad been Rector's warken at this churcl for the pasti 27 Fears. The whole pull and stand was also thong 58 times

## HUGEENDEN, BUCKS

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GLILD.
(East Berks \& Sodth Bucks Branch.)
On Saturday, March 2. 1929. in Thee Howrs and Five Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Miceael and All Angels,

A PEAL DF BOB MAdOR, 5056 EHANGES;
Tenor 12 cwt. (approx) in $F$ sharp.
Frant West
†Mrs. Arther Đ. Barher Arthor D. Bakrer ... ... 3 GborfeGilbert ... ... 7 Composed by $\quad$ P 4 tF. Dionald Borzhan Composed by J. R. Pritchard. Conducted by hriffor D. Barkrar First peal of Major. $t$ Firss peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor.

## RADCLIFFE, LANCASHIRE.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. On Satturday, March 9, 7929, in Thre Hours and Orb Minte. At the Chozcy of St. Bartholomyw,
A PEAL OF STEUMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Herwood's Transposition of Tgerstans' Four-part. Tenor 151 cwt.

Jhmes W. Grounts ... ... 2 Petericanor... john Boote ... ... ... ... 3 Joen Potier ... ... .... 7 William H. Shuker... ... 4 Arthor Tomlinson ... ...tomor Conducted by Joas Porier.
50th peal. Rung as a birtheay peai to Richard Newton, of Bostuls, U.S.A.

CROWEE, WOROESTERSEIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHREE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

## (Western Branch.)

On Satkrday, March 9. 7929, in Tro Hours and Fifiy-Eight Minutes,
At the Cgerch of St. John-the-Baptisy
h PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOH, 5 Bg GHANEES; Tevor 10 cuth.


| Dennis R. Morris | .. | ... | 2 | Cybil Tanseli.... | ... | .. | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Sidney T. Holt | .. | .. | 3 | Gordon W. Checketis | .. | 7 |  | Wirlian Ranford ..... $.4 \quad 4$ Charles Camm... .... .... Teno

Composed by Tronas B. Worsrey. Conducted by Sidney T. Holt
First peal of Major awny from the treble. F First peal in the methad amay from the treble.

NEWPORT, HONHOLTHSHTRE.
THE LEANDAFF AND MONSOLTH DIOCESAN ASSOGLATION. O7 Sattrady, March 9, 1929. in There Hours and E ght Minutes, At the Ceurce of Ael Saints,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAdOR, 5088 GHANGES; Tenor I5 cwt.
 John W. Jones... Composed by E. A. Holden, Conducted by Wilfred Waliams. Firee peal of Tajor as menduetor.

LONGWOOH, Y甘RKSHEE
On Saturdey, March 9, 1929, in Thuci Hows ant Fiften Mimits, At the Chorch of St. Mark,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, B184 GHANEES; Tenor $14 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.


Composed by h. Sottansiall. Conducied by H. H. Snith.

* First peal. First peal as comucto

GRAFESEND, KENT.
THE KENF COUNTY ASSOOAATION.
On Saturday, Mayd 9, 1929, in Thre How's,
At the Chorch of St. Geofae.
A PEAL OF SPLICED BOB MAJOR AND GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5096 CHANCES;
Fenor 18 csut . I qr. 6 lb .
Stuart Sandrord
Amos S. Constant
Ricsard Smith.
Richard A. Consiant
...Trehle Euvard H. Sproe ... 4 George Morrad ... .. chor
\# First peri on en Conducted by Eoward J. Eeer.
 clranges of Bob Major and 2,524 of (irandsire Tripleg, Rud is now hang for the second time AII except lite ringers of the 3nl and 6th are Sunday service lingers at St. George's.

NWTHIERTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WOROESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOOIATION.
(Northern Branch.)
On Satkrday, Manch 9, 1929, in 「wo Howrs and Fifty-Ome Minufes,
At the Crorch of St. Andreq,
4 PEAL EF BOUBLE MORWICH COURT BOB *AJOR, 5008 CARESEI Tenor I2 cwt. (approx).
Josefh H. Cox .... ... ... Trebic Thonas Hemming ... ... 5
Clifford Skidmore ... ... 2 ... William H. Cooper....

Harold V.Cooper ... ... 4 Alfind Hackett ... ...Tcher
Composed by F. E. Ward. Conducted by R. Matthews.
The conductor's 50th peal in the method.
WARNHAM, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCFATLON.
On Saturday, March 9. 1929, in Three Honys and Five Minules.
At the Parish Chorch,
A PEAL OF CAMTERBURY PLEASURE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenoria cut. 2 gr. II 1 l .
 Composed by Walter Cearman. Conducted by W. Stampohd.

* First peal in the metlod. Kung on the mearest convanient ate to commemolate the anniversary of the 13,440 in the same mirthod lung on March 1et, 1889, in which the ringer of the 41 fi alsu 10 k part.


## SIX BELL PEALS.

DURHAM.
THE DORHAM \& NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOOIATTGN On Tucsday, Fobrnary 79, 1929, in Two Honrs and Fi/ty-Two Minnes At the Chorch of St. Nicholas,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

 Thain Bob, called differently,
'I'enor 10 ewt. 18 in.
Artara Clement ... ...Treble Charles F. Vasey .... ... 2 Wiliam H. Johnson .... 3 Farderick Speraton

> Conducted by Eratest E. Ferry.

Firsi peal on the hells. The back tive wore ase by dames Birtatis in 1637 , and hung in the old church. The present chucoh was fidit on the silp ot the old one in 1850, ant the treble wes molled in 2859.

BlCKLAND, SURLEY
THR: SURREY ASSOGIATION
(Sodthekn District.)
0. Safludas, Maych 2, 1929 . in Twa Hours and Tuendy-Five Mimutas,

Chercf ur St. Mary-the-VirGin,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOG MINDR, 6040 CHANGES;
Faita 720 tatil of Wostmixster, Vidal, College Exercise, Cambuidge Sarprise, Woudhine, Oxford Treble Bob und $k$ gito.

Tenor 9 owt. in $\mathrm{E}^{\circ}$.


## Conducted by 2. A. Tiny.

- First penl in seven Treble Bob methode. The qutarterly peal for the albove nesociation.

SIMPSON, BUCKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCRSAN GUILD. (Norte Becks Branch,)
On Thusday, March 7. 1029, in Two FIonrs and फorty Minutes.
At the Parisil Church,
A PEAL OF EOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES
Being seven different 720 's.
Srosb: Foskhtt
1:sưn0 ]. Hobes

- Hopace P. Giles

| Treble | Willam Peacock |
| :---: | :---: |
| 2 | Horace $-\mathrm{F} . \mathrm{Smith}$ |

Conducted by Charles W. Smith.
Thist beal away frou troble. This was the first peal on the bult sime the uddtion of a wew treble by Messta. Rowell and Son. M1: $1^{2}$ encock was elected a nember of lite Guild before scarting for Hu fual, which was rung as a farewell peal to S. Fogkett, who, to the marrel of the band, is shortly leaving the district:

## HINCHESTER HANTS.

IFEE WINGHESTER AND PORISMOUTH DIOGLSAN GTILD.
On Saurday, Waych 9, 1929, in Three Hawrs and Five Minites,
At the Cugrch of St. Madricy
A PEAL OF BOB NINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
© $\quad$ aprising seven aliferent extents. Ireble 7 cost. 3 gr. in A fat. A+ CHIA aLD Gcutding
George Polbin
N Lan Golden
Trobla $\begin{aligned} & \text { Richard Painh } \\ & \text { Grorge Noice }\end{aligned}$

...Tenor
Conducred by Nolan Golders.
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Heing seren 720's, each called diterently.
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hus G. Nash
tTromasG. Deal †Trosias G. Deal

Treble Francis E. Ringrose

| 2 | Mark Fessom |
| :--- | :--- |
| 3 | Charles H. Ross |

## Conducled by C. H. Ross.

Nivat, penl. * Firsl. peal of Minor. Rang as a birthday com1) meat to C . E. Ringrose. Great eredit is dive to the ringers of 1. Hwut lianlt of hitch, and is 81 yenrs of age.

## GRFATM GLEN, LTMCDSTERSHIRE

THE MDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Sutway, Nath 5, 1929, in Two hours ard Thiriy winties,
At the Chonch off St. Cethbeft,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES:


## ANABRIDGED SYSTEMOF PROOF

 BY•MINORMANIA.Iu the recent series of articles under thic Leading [ explinined tuat the false course ends from from 1 w- should beay a wilile relationship one to another; and that, it itis telationship were louth, the systems wouta combine into ane whith would he very unch ubridered. It is absund to have to admir thm iwo very abvious facts had not oceurred to me, and I now hope to puint io a delimite and visible relationship between those coarse eand (with temors tugellur-) which pertain to any four rows.
Given two course ends which cone from two pows of hike nature, the relationship lyetween them should lje govntned by tha Fidden Factor of 23456 , because futh have been produged by transpositions which are relative to rounds: and those which come liont the other pair of like mature rows similarly. In shott, the False course ende which come from rows of like nature ate related by the natural head of the plain condse 123456 ,
The two rows, whence the tirst paic of false course ends come, are related to the other two rows by a transposition of the lead-end of the method, and thas it is obvious that hoth pairs of contre ends should be relnted in some why: and, further, that the relationship should have some bearing upon the lead-end of the method. It was the conceatration apon this lead-ent that blinded me to one very obvious fact, riz., that, nu nater which of the seven "regalar" leadents be used, the relationship, between one pair of course cads and those of the other pair, shonid be standard, because the rows whence the latier come must appear somawhere in the plain course, however the first lead-end zay he varied.
We have, tizen, to decide whicly of the seven lead-cnds is the natural 'end. (in the theoretimal sense of the term 'end') of the plain course, in the same way as ithe lead-heat 12345678 is the natural plain course heat. In the articlea just concluded, I gare a table showing the coursing and positional pairs which the various lead-ends substitate for tho lead-head. It will ho observed therefn that ench lead-end substitutes one pair which is identical with the pair in the lead-hoad. $\ddagger$ have already explain that it is tumaterial which *way the figures of a pair as yend, once the combiuntion is properly establislied. For axamizle, the lead-ad 13254768 substitutes the $3 / 2$ for the $2 / 3$ of the lead-head, the lead-end 14628375 substitutes $4 / 2$ for the $2 / 4$ pair, and so onf. This neans that these particular pairs are undisturbed, and the lead-end which does not disturb the tenors (the $7 / 8$ pair) is 1.24365 .87 ; it is the onty letal-end which has $1-7.8$ 'at. home -a 'counse end,' as it were, and we may assume that 24365 is the natural end af the plain course, wheh should reIate one pair of course ends to the opposite pair, in a similar way to that in which 23456 relintes the unirs of each pair of eourse ende which cone from two lows of like nature. On, altermatirely, 24365
should be the felationship which links the comse ends from hwo rowe of opposite ratures.
Here, then, we lave two trantpositions which possibly will relate the coarse ends from two offl and two even lows, riz: 23456 and 24365, and I have taken the troutle to apply these iranspositions to the gixty, possible course entia (with tenors together). I find that the relationsinps are pertectry proportioned. There are four groups of sixtecn each (this does not meati sixby-fout course ends). Sixtern peirs are linked together luy 2315, rud sisteen pairs by 24365 , eath course end of the paw pronting nie other by the same transposition 23456. (Mr. Baker ierms these : Simple Transposition Rows 'I, and sixteen do likewise when related to 24365 : a total, appayently, of
sixty-four. There ave, howerer, four which produce themselves whers related eitber to 23456 or 24305 , which I have counted twice in order to show an equal proportion. Thev are: $23+56,24365,265+3$, anal 25634.

The partioulay form of eransposicion which relates the course ende is hased on Mr. Baker's "Proring Value." The latter provides only for rounds as the Hidden Factor, bul any given row may be used in the same way. They ane related to $23+j 0$ thas:-
Read, in the course end, the separatos

EXAMPLE 'K.: figures of the Hidden Factor' ( $2,3,4,5$ narl
2.6.4.3 6, and observe the forures which appear in Course end
Hidden Factor 2.6.4.5.5. the same row (the H.F.) below, immediaiely under each figuro as it is read. Ther ure 2,5,4, 6 and 3. Then the course end 26455 is related to 25463 by Ho. H.F. 23456 , and (an isportant point) vice versa.

The above is a straghtionward "prosing value' transposibions, as explaincil in the pretious nrricles, viz, the positlons ocempied by rounds in the course end $26+35$, give the P.V. 25463 ; hat I hare shown it in the abow manaer because it is not so simple when rounds is mot the Hidden Facton,
relate the same conrse end to 24,365 in a similar way:-

$$
\text { Read ite H.F. } 24365 \text { iu the course ent. }
$$

ENHMPLE ${ }^{\text {L }}$. Course enct 2.6.7.3.5.
Hidulen Factor 2.f.3.6.5. anki ohtain the resultant from the row heHidlen Factor 2.4.3.6.引. leing read in tho row above!. The jesultant

 procisoly the same way.

## GUIEDFORD DIOCESAN GUIED.

If this is onncrete, it is necessary to produce only one false course and in every four, the remainder resting from these simple transpositions, and this means that only the hali lead of the method is necessary, plus the lead-end row. Below are given two examples, one showing rows of like bature, and the other showing rows of opposite natures, both being taken from the first halves of different methods. If tesired, the ' like nature system may always be ured, taking one row from each half when wecessary, but the double system is, of course, the shorter way. It is uaderstood, in an anymmetrical section, that two pairs of rows moust be dealt with.

## ROWS OF LIKE NATERE.

Proceed (as described in the system which deals with rows of like nature, in the previous articles] with the downward treatiment only. If no combintion of coursing and pasitional pairs is revealed, the four rows are "clean. ${ }^{3}$ Produce the false course end for every conbination oltained irom this downward treatment. Then relate the course end (or ends) to 23456, and reverse the combinations. Finally, relate all course-ends to 24365 ; revetse the combinations aud alter
them by the lead-end.

## Rows.


(Lead-ent, 17583624)
The rows with ihe treble in second's placa (2-4), in this asymmetrical halt-section, are clean.' Rows $1-3$ show one combination ouly78 in 618 : and the false course end is 54263 . Thus we have, from the downward treatment PC(7/8)-54263(6i8). For the upwards, tho rows being of like anture, we relate the course end to $2 \widehat{3} 456$, as in ' $K$, above, giving 46325 , and reversing the combinations, we get PC(6/8)- $46385(7 / 8)$,
Now relate each of these to 24365 , as in "I ' nove, and we get 34562 and 62345 respectively. Then reverse the combinations and alter them to those which the lead-and (17583624) substitutes, as shown in thae table gifen on page 26 of "The Ringing World, of Janury 11 th. The combination 78 in $6 / 8$, when reversed, becomzs 68 in 78 , and the leat-end substitutes 46 in $2 / 4$ for the latter.
The other of the original combinations so treated, will result, of course, in the reversal of the last, viz., 24 in $n^{\prime} 6$. Thus we have $\mathrm{PC}(+6 ;-34562(2 / 4)$. and $\mathrm{PC} \mid 2 / 4-82345(4 / 6)$, as the remoining false course ends which pertain to the four rows with the treble at lead. ROWS QF OPPOSITE NATERES.
For rows of opposite atures the above is exactly reversed. Proceedi as described in the sysimem for opposite mature rows, producing all combinations and their respective false course ends from the downWavi treatment. For the upward, relate the course fad (or ends) to 24365: reverse the combinations and alter them by the lead-end. Finally, relate all course ends to 23456 , and reverse the combinations ordimarily (i, e, withour the lead-end alteration)

Pows.
13.27648513
$\frac{14}{25 .}-72465831$
$15 .+74256813$
$16 .+47528631$
(Lead-c1w 15312846 ) This hati-section is zymmetrical, and only Dhe pair of roms need be treated. Either pain (13-15 or 14161 give ' $46 \mathrm{in} 4 / 6$, with the false course and 32465 ; i.e., PC(4'6)- $32465(4 / 6)$ for
the downward treatment. For the upward, the rows leing of opposite natures, we relate the course end to 24365 , giving 43265 . The comhimasion, when reversen, is identical, viz., 46 in +6 . Which, altered by the lead-end sulsstitution gives 78 in $7 / 8$; f.e., $\mathrm{PC}(7 / 8)-4326517 / 8)$.

These two, related to 23456 , and in reversed conbinations, give identical results, and thus the false course ends which govern the eight rows of this section are: $\mathrm{PC}(761-32465(461$, ant $\mathrm{PC}(7) 8)-$ 43265 (7/8).
It is understoot, if the downward treaiment reveals more than one combination and its resultant false course end, that each one must similarly be reated. Tt will be ohserved that the second example shows identical course enas when relaten 10 23456. This might so fappen when relating a course end to 24365 , and, as previously mentioned, when relating to both, in the eases of four of them. Sio that, if the downwame course end shend be either one of 24355 , 26543. or 25634, the whole four in that block will be identical. The combinations might, upon occasion, also be identical. For instance,
if the combination were 68 in $68,{ }^{2}$ and the lead-end 15372846 , the raversal would be the same, and the alteration due to the lead-end also would he identical, riz., : 68 in 68 .'

It has been suggested that I should explain the significance of the combinations, once the course ends have been protiuced. They point to the leads of the respectire courses, e.g. PC(2/3)-24365(6/8) means that certain rows in the lead which follows the Niddle, position $(6,8)$ of course headed (and not ented') by 24365 . will be false against rertain rows of the lead which follows the 'Before' position (2:3) of the course headed by 23456 - the plain ccurse.
Herc, then, we have a system which enables us io prove a methot like Cambridge Major in five or Eix minutes, or, perhaps, in less, ly using a iable of related course ends. 1 would compile one ( Mitursmanias Ready Reckoner for Industrious Metlod Provers; False Gourse Fuds al a Glance, 2s. 104. post freel were it not for the fact that being so simple a proposition to compile it for oneself, the sales would he nil!
I am indebted to Mr. Giearee Baksor for the amount of thonght he tas given the sulyear, and the time pent on a faimy lengthy corre-
(Continued in next column.)

The first district meeting of this yen of the Guildford Diztruet of the Guildford Diocesan Guild was held at Cranleigh on Sturday, Waroh 9th. Grandsire and Stedman Triples and various Major methods (includiag Cambridge and Superlatise Surprise) were rumg.

The service was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. C. F. Lytelton), who in an extremely interesting and novel addrass walcomen the members to Cranleigh. The service was briglthened by the Jact iant the organist had very kindly arranged for the atendance of an hoir.
Tea was served in the Church Eut, the ladies regponsible for it only charging their bare out-of-packet expenses, and very tindy handing over the balance to the district funds. The busizess meeting followed, at which, in the absence of the Rector, who hath lift to leave for London, the eurate, Rev. G. Mitchell, presided.
The chief item on the agenda was an invitation received from the Centra] Distriet, Surrey Associatiou, to hold a joint meeting at Guildford on August Bank Holiday.

After some discussion it was agreed that, as the date sugecested was an inconvenient one for a meeting at Guildford, the ider shouid not be entertained, but that the secretary should write to the Cinutral District of the Surrey Association and say that the nembrers would be hapny to join with that body in holding a joint meeting ast Eriiktford on some convenient Saturiay. One new member was edecied.
The meeting was fairly well attended by members from ('raubigh, S. Nicolas', Foly Trinity Catiodral, Clandon, 具nslemere ame thiking, with visitors from Shoreham and Otlershaw and several of heir - who omitted to sign the attendance register.

## DEATH OF MR. S. PALFRAMAN

The death took place suddenly on March lst, at lif foume. B8E, Bolton Road, Rradford, of Mr. Samuel Palfranain. He was 71 vears of age, and for close on 50 years had been a constant ringey it St. James' Church.
He commenced ringing in 1878, when the bells wee fist put in, and rang his frst peal in October, 1880, for the Yorkshire AsenciaHon, under whose anspiees he had rung 26 peals in alt.

He was interred at Cudercliffe Cemetery on the 6th inst., and in any friends attended the funeral.
A course of Gradisire Triples was rung at the graveside ly Firth Hopwood I-2, James Cotterijl $3-4$, Arthar Gill $5-6$, Joseph Eiroarliey 7-8.

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## TWO PEALS OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

 BY T. B. WORSLEY.The two following peals of 5,058 Cambridge Surprise Major are remazkable for the fret that the 2nd is in 6th's place for 14 laads ouls in each pesl. This is the least number of cbanges with the 2ra in that portion in any peal Yet composed in this methed.


Flrat rung at St. Mary's, Chester, Degember 26ih, 1827. 234567 B In M W 4th's $\frac{\mathrm{H}}{3}$ 35284
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First rung ${ }_{\text {en }}^{26456}$ Frodsham, Cheshire, January 23:d, 1928.

## (Continued from previous column.)

spondence, but he roes not wish to be idpratifurl in any way wita what has been said, as lue comsiders a lot oî it to be natrue wull misleading.
However, ihe principles which govern the system seem to me to be firly leasonabie, and I should be most intercsted ta see an example of a tase where the system does not work, provided that. the methor he "tagnlar." It cerlainly "pans out " with ilue oili dozers (or sof methods phat I latre fried, but it is only fail to modmit that 1 lave not whed it an the of hm $32,454,223,988$ ?

MR. MAURICE SWINFIELD'S UNIQUE RECORD
Jurton-on-J'rent lins nosu well known from the dars of ito firat pal to have been the homo of ringerg of 110 maan ability. Tharo were the famous Win. Wrakley and his brothera, antinted by such men at J. Griffin, J, Jagear, and their famons band who mada himory in the early days of Surprise tinging, and who scored many peala in the higher methoda. So today, altlough the ringers of Burton have last than former greatness as a hand, there in a representative of the art who han securcil what must be a unique record, viz, that of calling his first 55 pents of Stedman Triples, all of different compasilions, and moblly conducted from nou-observation belle from trebic in tanor. It is a wonderfind performance, but, like many other talentod man, tho conductor has vary jifitle to say himself about his achinvement. He is only unxious, through the medium of Tho Ring ing Worid,' to give bis hest thanke to all whe have assisted in making up ibis total, especially his fander, Mr. John H. Swinfield, who fixec np the peals and rata in hisem all; Mr. Chas. Draper, who took part in 50; Jr. James Gporge, whorng in 38; Mr. J. Curtia, who rang the Lewar on suany ucensiuns ; aud, mol lenst, 3ir. C. R. Belton, of Itarwell.

Ali menbers of tio Midend Counties Association are very proud of Mr, Swinfiele's record, and the ringers generally will congratulate him, and hope this lalented conductor will go on to greater victoriea
Here in the list of compositions which Mr. Swinfieis lass calfed:-
J. Q. Lanonslifre's Tariation of J. W. Wusibrook'e Four-part, G. Lindoffts Terl-phat, No. 2.

Farialion of Sir A. ${ }^{3}$. Heywoot's Ten-part, No. 3.
Sir A. 1", LEywoud's Sis-pare, No. 2.
Rev. E. Tarle Tulwer's Bix-part, No. 3.
Rev. H. Erale Rulwar's Six-part, No. 10
A variation of J. Carter's Odd Bob Four
4 variation of $\boldsymbol{\pi}$. O. Camenshire's Sin-par
J. W. Parker's Slix-prit, No. 2.

A variation of Rov. H. Earle Bulwer'g Six-part, No. Il.
Sir A. P. Heywond's Ter-part, No.
Curber's Ten-part, No. 33.
Sir A. P. Herpomd's Ten-part, No. 6.
Rev. ㅍ. Earle Bulwar'月 Tea Part, No. 7.
T. Parker's 太ix-pař.
ce. IF. Earle Buwar's Trucgular Teth-part
Lindofts' Twulwepart, No. 8 .
W. Parker's Othopart,

Lindoff's Twelve-part, No. 5
er. ©. D. P. Duvies' Fariation of Thurstans' One-part
Rev. G. D. P. Dinvies' Farialion of Late's Ono-part.
J. J. Parker'a Ore-par

Carlers One-nhtty No. 16
Warer's Six-purt, No. 60.
A variation of J. Cartor's Sen-part, No. 48
Sir A. I' Heywnod's Four-part, Na. 5 .
Rev. F. Earle Butwor"s Four-part No. 2.
Rev. H. Earle Enlwpr" Four-part, No. 6
Laddof's Twalvo-pher, No. 3
Lindoff's Tweire-part, No. 2
Lindoff's Twelve-pril, No.
Lindof's Twolve-pru, No.
Lindoft's Twolve-pntL, No. 6.
Carter's Teu-parts No.
Carler" Ten-part, No. 81
Garter's T'on-putw, No. 11.
variation of J. 0 . Lancashive* Imegtilar Twelve-part
Garter's Five-pats, No. G.
Carter's T'en-patt No. 79
W. Wrashbronk's Tell-part

Lindof's Lwo
Certar's Variatiosi of T", Thurstatis" Teti-part
Carter's Odd Bulb 'Tweney-pntt
A varintion of I Y 1 Thrker"s Ten-parl, No. 9.
Lindoff's Ten-pur, No. 1
Parker's Tori-part, No. 6.
J. Proker's Fizw-pan, No. 8.
Thurstrus' Fonc-pant,

Thurstans' Fatir-patt.
Carter's Ten-part, No, go.
O. Laycashire's Oidd-and-even Boh and Singia Ten-part
55. T. Brook's Variatian of T. 'I'hursians' Jour-parl

## LANCASHIRE RINGER S DEATH

Thingers of North-East Zamonshire, especially those in the Elackbura Branch, will be sorry to hear of the sudden death of Ther. Hy. Harrison, of 38, Earl Street, Colne. The decensed was ringer of Colne Parish Chutch for thirly jeats, for the past iwolve of which he held the offue of tawerkecper. Always of a cheerthl disposition, he was a flace extmplo la bie younger members of the local hatud. Therefore all riageri will join tha local band in ewperssiny their deepest sympathy with the wiclow.

## NEW BISHOP'S VISIT TO COLCHESTER

The recently-appointed Bishop of Chehnsford (Dr. H. A. Wison) paid his first viat to Colchesten bm Sunkiay, Varch Jrd, when he preached at St. Peter's, (the Paribla Churcho at the morning service. The Mayor and members of the Corparatian altented in state, supported by the G.O.C. of the \&th Division, Biajor-General A. P. Cemeron, C.B., C.M.Ge, and various representatives of corporate bodics. A Louch of Double Norwich MEajor was rang for the service by Messrs. H. T. 11je, G. A. Wightmen, W. J. Novard, F. L. Bumpstead, R. W. Stanuard, G. [b. Asharcook, W. Clialk (coaductor), F. P. Duffield, followed by a quarter-peal of Stodatan Thiples (1,200 changes) in 48 ming. by Messra, G. A. Yyightman, F. P. Duffeld
 R. Ashbreok, W. Chalk, T. W. Slaumard.

PEAL BOARD GIVEN TO HANSLOPE BELFRY
a pat boart tras been placed in the bedry of the Parish Churela al Fanslope, Sucles. This fine old spire, which rises to a height of 226ft., and is a landmark for miles around, has a dolightful riag of siz bella, with a tenor of 22 ewt. in E last relang in 1912 by Mr. Alfred Bowell. These were sel gaing by 3 o'clock, and at 3.00 the compary, not so large ns it wrould liave been had the neather comditions heen more favourable, moved to the churoh for a slart service, conrineted by thr Viear, who spoke on the true suirit of ringing, namely, mot only for pleasure but as a duty, to call poople to worship in the house of Cod. The Vicar also spoke of the close relationship the bells had with alnost every event of life. At the conclusion, the Ficar proceeded with the company to the beltiry. After the dedicntion of the board, the hend in their same order as for the peal, rang a short tomeh of Bob Minor, viz.: P. Amos 1, F. Burgess 2 (hath of Northamptnn), G. Parker 3 (Fingathorpe), S. Foskitt 4 (Wletehley), E. C. Lambert (conductor) 5 (Stony Siralford), T. Wise 6 (Woolton)
Ter was then partaken of at thr home of Mr. E. Edleins, formerly ane of the loal baud. At this, the Vical was unable to be present, but he came in at tho finisi and whs very interested in the musio giren on the handbells. He often wandered, he said. why this sart of thing was nat done more. He thought much interest might be roused in the villages if anly the handbells were used more oftens instead of lying inle in the belfy yenr after year. New reorlits, too, said the Tibar, could often be secured in this way, and by ather lyands coming aud ringing peals.
Mr. P. Anos said he ald his fellow-ringers were wery gratefiri to the Ticer for permitting them to ring this peal, and it was his suggestion that a board shauld be given. Hanelope was not a place where peals were rung every little while. I'here had only been two others rung there at all, the first heing oil the old five. prior to the treble being added in 1902, und it was 23 years since the last. The chief feature of this board, san hin. Amos, was the fract thaf it had bean made thtonghout by one of the band, namels, Mr. T. Wise, of Wootton, Northants. It was well ruade anrl writen to perfection, and Inc was sure that all who had segn if would congmatulate him on having tumed out-such a splendid piece of mork

The cost was then haded to Mr , Wise, who in response, said, although this sorl of thing was not his living, it lad given him great plensure, as one of the hath, to make the boatcl. As the chareh was being renovated he would hand a donation out of the costs towards the funds (apulause)
vote of thanks of thanks was passed to the Ticar and ringers for welcoming the visitors there that day, and for the use of the bells. The ficar. in response, complimented the hand on having rung their peal, and loped they would come again.-Mr. P. Erans, on bobalf of the lacal ringers, sain they had great pleasure in welcoming anyone there to lave at pull any lime they liked io come. A move was then made to the belfy, where tonches of Grandsire, Epht, Stedman and Plain Boh were indulged in, the local cingers

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## PEALS IN WALES

No．1．－W゙ Wexhan，July 27th，1803．Guadsine Gaters，Gouducted by Richard Cross．
For the lirst pend in the Principality，Townence organised the team and rany the tenar．
No．2．－Dolgelly，Septenticr 25th，1809．Grandsire Triples．Con－ （lucted by IJom Fints．

Jolud Fints was a valuable member of the Royal Cumberland Fouths，and called a mumber of peals for that society in Londot． Beine a Welslaman，he was eager to couduct the First peal of＇I＇riples in thales．＇Kints＇is an ervor of writing up Lawsence＇s peal yecords． Eawrotue hised his band from Slifinal，Liverpool，Slatewshuy and Stowinculae．

No．3．－DaIgelly，September $26 t 1$ ，1809．Oxforl Treble Bub Majar． Cundisted by Richard Cross．
Crusa was a promisent conductor of the old Union Society of Shew－mar，who daiu the above records．He pul Lawrenee on the tneor in this peal．

No．7．Wrexham，August： $17 \mathrm{~h}, 1818$ ．Oxford Tueble Bob Royal． Canducted by Jos．Riley．
There were two men each on the gith，9th and tenol during this porbormance．The eomposilion was Riley＇s famous even 5，000．（See Snowdone＂Treble Bob，Part II．，page 105．）

Each of these peals was well known to the College Youths of the perion．Lawrence being a member of the mociety and residing in Lon－ dan in 1787－8．Hints and Riley would sisn tell the Londoners of lize streauons work put in to store iliese peals，and the lang，dangerous riding by stage coach to and from the towers，pret the mountains．
No．5．－Laanstephan，January 1st．1876．Grandsire Triples．Cou－ ducted ly：Heary Haley－

Au interent of 58 years passed hetween the founth and fifth peals， the bad going of the Wrexham bells preventing any further attempls． I woult just like to paint aut that this atiempt was not clamed as the first peal in Wrales，but the＂first by the College Youths in Whales，＂a－per peal book．It was anite permissible to so record the penl，as the society had previously scored the first peal in Ireland （coudtectel）by J．Pettitt），and the first peal in Scotland eonducted by Mr．Wrod in 1872 aud 1873 respeetively．This peal whs the first time Finde＇s Original was rung in Wales．
H＇Grovez is correct regardiug the first mon－conducted perform－ nave，Ture $26!\mathrm{h}, 1803_{1}$ by the St．Martin＇s Guild，Birminglam．This and the Wrexham peal，achieved a month later，ane two＇honours＇ well deserved by the Midand thagers of a century ago．

W．H．F．

## PEALS ON FIVE BELLS

## To the Edifor．

Dear Sir，The report of proceedings at the Central Council meet－ ing hele at IEecoford contained，amongst other interesting matter， a rosolution which was carried，and from which the following is extracted：－
＇On Eve bells．That peals of Doubles consist of nt least 42 true and complete 120 ＇s，rung withont interval，abd wirhout，＇rotnds＂ or any other row being included ol rung mare ilsan once in any 120. Below is givell ithe lirst half of 120 Doubles．The Eeal Gommitter， then，are instrucled to regard as a legibimate perfurmane any 4 \＆ varialious of the same if lang．
The Mothods（iommittee，on their part，would probahly reject any such aumber of variations beatase of their not being based on either method，system or principle，and regard the wholo as illegitimate． Ln chat case it would seem that gmendment is required to remove coutlicting auihorify

MERITALE MEDLEY．


The whole repealed completes the 120．－Tours，ete
Dpolo，Duncam，N．Z．

JAMES S．WILDE．
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The Editorial Office of 'The Ringing Werid ' is no longer' at 63, Conimercial Road, and all future communications should be eddressed io the Editor, 'Tha Ringing World,' Woking, Suver:
The Western District of the Ladies' Guili is meeting at Bath tomorrow. This short uotice of the fixture has been mavoitable.
The Hertford County Association is holding its ammat gathering at St. Albans, as is customary, ou Easter Monday. This year the vemue of the tea nnd business meeting has heea changed to the clisrming grounds of the Ver Residential Eotel, situated at the hottom of Holywell Hill, five minutes from the ahber. Frequent lyuses pass the door, and the L.M.S. Abbey Station is within one minute. It is hoped that meaberg will support this nex veniure, the secretary having been assured of excellent service from the mauagement.
'Many happy returns' to Mr. Challis winney, who was Lavn at Nayland, Suffolk, on March 17th, 1858.
At Debenham, on March 16th, 1767. a peal of 10,080 Eob Major was 'excellently compleated in six hours and one minute, a performance uever before acemplished by eight. men without assistance to ye grent bells.'
" The first time the exicnt of 60 courses (oul of course) has ever been rung, is the note to a peal of 7,025 Stecman Eaters at all Saints', Poplar, on March 17Lh, 1876. It swas composed and conducted by H. W. Haley
On March I9th, 1892, a peal of 11,200 Eob Majow was ruug at Speldhurst, Kent
The day after he was 72, Mr. James Gienge turned in Bow tenor (which is 53 cwt.) to a peal of Treble, Twelve: last §aturtay thaviry clebrated his 75th hirthday last November he rang Souliwark tenor ( 50 cwt .) to a peal of Stedman Cingres in 3 hrs. 37 mins., ant finished 'as fresin as paint.' This must zurely lue a weight for age" record. Evidently, Mi: Gearge must le gentug ' Youngur" every day.
By the way, this peal, which was Bill Fussell's 700th, wns notable also for the fact that four of the hand nvernged over 70 ycays eact.
Messrs. Goddard, Tricker and Ellingham, who gave sclections ou handbells at the London County Association anunai mecting, Iseld at St. Clement Drnes' P'arish Roan recently, ald monueted with St. Praul's, Hounslow, belfry, aud not wiih Islewerth. as erroneously mpnlianed in the report
Mr. E. H. Lewis is shortly leaving 'Bome Scotland 'for England to take up an important position in London.
"The bells of St. Martin"s, Birminglam, will be lyoadcast from 7.50 lo $8 \mathrm{p}-\mathrm{m}$. on Sunday.

> All Correspondence intended for this Journal should in future be addressed toThe Editor, 'The Ringing World,' WOKING, SURREY.

## ANOTHER DESERVING CASE

To the Editor.
Sir-At the College Youths meening win Felaruary 1 gith a subacuiption list was opened on behalf of Mr. Freterick G. Newnan, who is in very shaitened circumstances. Ho has beun out of regular employment for many months, and bis wife, daugher and himself have all bean in the doctor's hands. At the racering hold on March 5th it was decided that an appeal for further help should be issued in 'The Ringing World,' as it was thaught that many who knew Mr. Newman years ago as one of the formost ringers and conductors will like to help a brather jn distress.
Any contributions sont to me will be acknowledged in The Ringing World. ${ }^{3}$

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL.
Frodinglam, 32, Edgeley Road, Claphana, S.W.4.
Contributions to date are:-

> College Youths' Gift Fund box
> Collections in the meeting toom

## WHAT THE AMERICANS DID

Having heard of the advent of a policemum ringey to Maidenhead the other day, Mr. George Gilbert made inguiries with a vinw to securing the serviees of a helpina adjunct fo jacal ringing carcles. Seeing two constables at a street corner, he asked if they knew of a bellriuger anong their colleagues.

No. 1 Policoman: Yer, came here from Hashomme
No. 2 Policeman: Isa't that where thay helat the recorl for hellringing for 24 hours without stopping?

No. 1 Policeman: No! Some Amersans came ofer and beat flym last year.
(Collapse of the ex-sergt.-major-in langhter.)

## THE CENTRAL COUNCEL.

The Anmual Neecing of the Council will be held at Chelmsford on Whitsun Tuesday, May 21st, 1929, at 11 a.m. precisely.

Agenda, 1929.

1. Mintutes of the last meeting.
2. Apologies for absence.
3. Statement of accounts and of sale of publications.
4. Election of honorary members.
5. Presentation of new members to the President
6. To receive and discuss the reports of the Standing and other committees.

## MOTIONS.

7. That this Council will nat recognise as a perl of Minor or Douljes any conposition in whioh the hells do not strike in 720 or 120 different arders respectively, before beginning the mext 720 ur 120 (Mr. R. Whittington and Mr, \& F. Pulling.)
8. (a) that honorary members pay an thatian fee of 5s. each per anmum. (b) That associations in future pay a fee of 58 , per represeatative per amman. [M1. E. W. Elwell nad Rev. C. W. O. Tuxtrym.
9. (a) The Council asks eath associntion to appaint a consultaut ta the Advisory Committee or Commilteds in its acea. (b) the Conncil asks eact association to malke every effort to get as many ritngers as possible eleefed to Parochial Churet Councils, to Diocosan Committees and to the Charch Assembly. (Rev. H. Drake mind Mr. Ch. J. Sedgley.)
10. That the rules of the Council he anmended in arder to provide that the notiee and agende of each ammal meeting of the Cauncil he pablishen? at least eight weeks, instead of twelve weeks, prior ta such meeting. (Mr. J. S. Goldsmilh and Mr'. C. 7. Coles.)
11. That a tommitee be appointed to considep the hest method of dealing with enses of extratinary sickness amongst members of our affinted change ringing associations, with porer to neport to the next anman) meeting. (Mr. W. fye; seeunder not
12. Wet given.)
13. Oin the place of next year's meeting.
, N.B.-Tle detajlerl agenda will be published a forthight lofore thm neeting.)
E. ACEN. FOTNG,

155, Rushey Green, S.E.6. Hon. Secretary.

## MERE ALTTOMA'l'A.

## To the Editor.

Sin,-If Mr. E. Guise, the able and deveted hon, secretary of the Gloncester ant Mristol Diocesan Association, is rightly reporterl (on page 150 as regrats his views of the constitumon and representative yature of the Central Council and of the qualification of jus elected members, I should esteom it a favour if you would allow me to advaze one cur two nrguments on the ohbres side. Mr. Gnise's chief complaint sems th be that the nembers of the Council were exhorted of the president and are expected to vote ancording to their best judgmemi on fach question as it arises, after baning carefully weighed the pros and cons that have been advancen in the course of discussion. So far as I can make out lis view, it seems to be that each member should tume to the meeting to vate, not aceording to the argmments hrouglat forward, but eccording to orders given them beforehaml. In ollier words, they should he nut thinking and reasonng human heings, bud mere antomata. We know this is actually tha ase in certain quarterg, sud that the result is Ilat the "majorities. obataner are often purcly fictitious, the result being that the fail freguenty wags the heat. But be this as it, may, it is at onve abvous that were it logically carried out to the fuld in the case of he Coumcil, the Council would have losf, any reason for a contimued existence, and I should be one of the lirst to sny. "Away with it.' Mr. Guise appears ba forget that the arguments be brings against ihe Council are equally applicable against the House of Commons. He seens to flimk it clerogatory to be asted to woto according to his own laest judgraent, on it Elat it is a for greater thing to vote acerot ing to someone else's a. len'. Well, we must, leave ininu to choose. Of course, it goes williond saying that the association which sends him io represent them will be exceedingly foolish it they have not takers every carc to satisfy themselves before electing him lhat his wiews are in general, and m particular, on crucial points, in sympathy with thein own, atherwise they have only thembelves to blanu if his sote does not please them. If evel the Canneil becomes a mere set of Fohots, I hope I may not the there to see. Yours fatilifully,

OHARLES D. P. DAVIES.

## ESSEX ASSOCXATION

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 Western Division for their dirst meeting of Lie vear at Cligwell Row on Saturday last. The Ghurel of All Saints is situatod at the zoy uf the hill, in fractically the centre of what remains of the wid Heinault Forest, the happy hunting ground of form fings and queens and makility of the country. From the top of the anwer ant a clear day the Tllames is easily visible, whilst all all sides a Enfendid view of the surponding country is olatained. The bells have recentybeen atgmented fron six les pight, nind mentbers savived carly, videnty mikla the intention of laviag a full afternoou. Gond usie was
 Reireal for iea, after which the business meeting followed. presithel over by the Dietrict Master, supported by the Vicar aum thrmhers of the locat batad.

The provisional elcelion of dwo mon-resiclent life mintuers wits malimed, and five mew follurary and fontlent ringing nembers were elected-a good syan for the year. Bentley was manitroonsp chuarn as the tower rey the bext mecting to be held in May

If is to be hoped the complete restoration of the old Abbey chumbit of St. Hargaret, Burking, will he fimished hy September, andi the chach atheritias ard contemplating holding a week's celehrafion. It was suggeated by Mr. 'I. l'aulkncl Elard a meeting there of' tha assochatiom on the last Sulurday would be uppropuiate, aut. the Hemburs
 The District Sucvelary gure on brief outlime of the intentions of the specia] vomaitiee on the way the associalton's jubilee celebrainoms will we held af the ramuth meoting at Clielnisford, and asked fur the support of all individual mombers to make the occasion a sumass.

The Insiness concluded witls a vote of thanks to the Ficar athd the members of the lomal hand for the ancerse of the meering, the "jeat stating that he foped to bu ablo to de more for the associatmat its the future, aud that the members would ace bivel way to ish hin anothar tisit in the near flatame.

During the niternon bewaen 40 and 50 wembers wert prasent From Lestonstome, Barking, Woodferi, Drentwool, Heatley, Dayen-


 Superintive, and Lomdon Smuprige were hrousht fomad. It is heppad
 that all menularis will mak' a mote of lais date"

## NORTHERS IJMISION FNLETRTAINFI

A well-atcentrat meeting of the Nonhert bivision was holit ist
 represmating 19 parishos. Antug thase who atobled were 11 B . E. T. B1tler, secreary, South-Weslern Division, M: G. Green, Masten, Sotud-Eastem Livision, ant Mr. W. J. Nerard and Mr. W. Stannad, Master and secretary of the North-Eastern Pivision. At that cus-


 presided over the tea, and at the hasimoss mareting which followed the Diswict Mastey Mr. A. A. Sandefers) wht ia the clatir, enpporma
 C. It. Howard isfaster of the assumation) and Mr. W. Ki. . Nil. Fering, were unable to attend.

One new tuwmer was electer, viz, Mr. it, Richarison, rat Dum-
 the sumater.
Mr. A. A. Sanders moved atherty vote of think - to Miz- Eyme
 the Vicat for the use of tho Loblls, ete.-Dioth Miss Enve anol flos Vical sumbly repliend.
Cousch of Crandsire Caters and Hoh Major wome duag fat hendbells, amd durmg the aftermoon anl evonisg the nimbods rome in the towetr ranged from Boh himor to Lumdons Surpriss. Plue ihanks


## A VETERAN'S BIRTHDAY.


 name as a composer is kuow so well to the lexurnat.
Touches fin warious melhorls wowe rung, ill whoh Mr. I'iblatr towle a rope.

Mr. 'T. Sinith (Windsor), on holatr of all masent. onveyed hentiogt gresirge to Mr. Paker on the atrainmont of his 76 In hirllo day, and to flis Mr. Parker very suitaby reaponded.
 in 1930.

## PEALS OF MINOR AND DOUBLES. <br> THE OPTCRATION GF NATURAE LAWS <br> To the Editor.

fian Eir,-Since my friend Mr. Stephen Wuot aska or what atilluyil I mande the glatementis of fact whict uppearedi in my lasi 1.alit, anil sidec there are, no doult, a large number of the jumior Insmith of the Excreise who alse rennive pronf of statements whicin 1 contilum so olvious as not to need promt, I proveed to set forth the prow.
As the toot of all clango tingiug are corturn mintural laws, which mo
 io inw ixet from the Plain Itulting Conrse.
What it "Plain Hinuting Course? Tuke a cotion reel, draw eight lines upan it it equal fatervals, writo 1234 on any oure of these, 2143 in tho next lire, until we weme to 1324 on the eighthe line. Nuw wr curn singt from ung ong of tho eight rows wo please, nnd we

 go 2143, etc., we name dight clanges, practise pighia tiaws, and returz (1. 1234, whisils may bo culled the first row or the last

Now there are 24 ellnages on fout hells, and these 24 can bo ararrunged iu three round blocks, as follows:

| 1234 | 1392 | 1423 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1234 | 3124 | 4132 |
| 2143 | 3271 | 4312 |
| 2413 | 2341 | 3421 |
| 4231 | 2431 | 3241 |
| 4321 | 4213 | 2314 |
| 3412 | 4123 | 2134 |
| 3142 | 432 | 1243 |
| 1324 | 1432 |  |

Luelz of these can be ruyg by itsolf and lireoght ramurl, but they chiu uit be joined toegeller by making 2mis plinee when the treble leads, join thent weether, and we find thand 1234 trelongz to the first rount wack and 1243 to the last round blootk.
alda a bell in the hant 10 wach of these wand bleeks.


Finch of these can be broughit round separatoly, or they can be joineci togather by making 3rd's pluce whon the 2nd leads. Here 2133 h helongs to the first round block, and 12345 to the last: it fol hint as long as wh are compelled by the custom of the Exercise
hegin ringing rounds, in all cern-beil method; with 2nd; niace made whan the treble leands, rounds is , he first row of the method,
 and rounds ihe last, nuld this is maiural law which cannot be nitered H. Lat Times.

SOCLETIES' RUTERS SHOUTIS P1: DENTICAL.
Durf: Sir,-TI is alwnys henencial to read the many letters whieh uppral in "The Ringing World', week by week anis so glenn thas finumedelye of the difiement opiniouss as nxpressed in these letiers. Fivery one of thicse writurs must be given the credit of having the

That it lakes all sorts to make in wotld is ant erer presemt truth,

 thonelah is ussentially goos.
Then whole of the universe hans been, and is still. movino of a stariling pace, nind it is questionable whetler anyone cals keep pace with the tide of events
What the eraving is ryer for 'tomething new,' zomething faster, whrm hine exeiting, sulu it is therefore only quite natural ihnt our little catnnamotegias worly should not he exempt. but that this
 tuns le some phasus of lifo untul some blings which tend to this continiul eraring, amid, of conrree, by the proper application of the stmpethiag new: improvaments are effectited and real proghess mide. Bul there are certains sultitects whish do not readily-lend themseltes in the inier of the ' sorzelling new.

## If blange ringing one of these enbjeotaf

Change ringing is hommal ua in the word 'true, and 'trua' is honnd up in change ringing.
True is the roundulianh, remstitution, the very life, the' 'he all and 'und all' 'of change ringing.
'True ' cannut be distorted simply in meel this 'somathing naw.' It mast be 'truns, or 'untruc '; there is no gashetween.
It must he aimitted than sorzotitree the new inlen has proved n aurerss (the formatiun of our (inilds und Assnciations is an instance),
but, does our shange ringing, 25 all Art and Exermise (murk this designation, pletse, Ant and 耳xercise, not footbalit lent itself io all of these latest ideas in the way of "something new," sumethitg exciting?

We muste ever bear in mind that we are dealing with an Aut and Excreise which is ancient-300 yoarg old-nol a new motar-ear.
Let us go back and look at the beginning. When the bells are pulled off, thoy aro 'pulled off' in romids, not as a matter comention alone, but mose as a matier of fommation, constitution. 'Hhen our touch or peal' is constituted from, after, these rouzds, the firsli "pull" after these romels ljeing the first chazge, which is at handstroke, and the touch finishes with the last change as roundsrounds is the latt change. Inatances: The twuches and pent compositions as contained in Suowdon's 'Grandsive' ant 'Stedman."
[']is is the $A r E$ nad Exoreise- 300 years old. This is custom and tradition, as geterally necepted by ibe Exereise-the unwritten law.
If firis rerg constitution is to be braken down simply as being th cunvention, or for the sake of this 'somethiug new,' will usk these questions: If not rounds, what is to be ruag at the pall aff ? abd what is to lue dore at thre last change? Tt may be 851e3t72. Are the bells bo ceare in ihis mwful abrutht manner? Jusi look at this ploase, and think it out. Think of the other fellow, the outside public.
Thke, for instance, that 5038 of Grandsire Triples which it is proposed to ring witll 12345678 and 13254768 tacked on to the front, whe last change being the 12 tha change of a lead, 21647358 . It watild be at loast interesting to know if it is intended to cease the ringing at fhis 21647358 backstroke, aud, if not, what the next handskroke will be? Reatel's of Soowdon's book have no doubi read the find tematres on thes touch.
Now I presume that in long record atiempts that have failed, the the conductor las been able to wall the bells "lome" to rounds (note this please, liomre-rounds) at a particular point, say, 7,392 changes, it las ranked as a peal, but if not bronght home to rounds, althougln perhatps over 10,000 changos lave heen rung, the attempt lins counled for mothing. Why? Simply beatuse the belta didi not come 'home, fo rounds.
No, this change ringitug does not readily lend itself fo all these ideas of the 'something new.' Why, the very edifices in which the bells are situated, our cathodrals and churches, are leoked upon as being out of date, unpopular, with the crowd, but these beantiful, ancifnt: foundations, constitutions, monuments and their toaching will still be here long after the crowd has gone.

Is ith not so wilf our Art? It cannot, perhaps, he clnimed th be popilan with the crowd, but we hope and trust it will he here long after we and the crowd lave gone.
Even if it were possityle, we would not dream of playing ary pronks witl blie Churoh: therefore, do not lef ts think of playing with the verv faundation of our elange ringing or tampering witla the truth of its life.

It behoves us then, surely, as participators in this ancient Art, to put our very best jnto it, to ensure its being lunded down at least np to the standard, if not better than when wo received it.
Now the foundation, ganctitation, custom and tradition are well known to all the ringing fratornity. It is as unwritten law

To further our Art and buikd it up, associalions, Guilds and societies have been formed, and an enormous pile of good work lars been done. This was n new idea which has proved snccessful. Is it desirable to contime this good work? Of course, it is. Clange ringing minus the societies would be at a standstill. It is part of the work to put the louse in order.
we are to break down this constitution, this unwriten law chaos will surely result, for touches and peala will not be unfurm, hut start and finish anywhere and nowhere. On the olher hand, to rontinue the good work of putting our house in arder, owing to this new jdea, this 'something new, it will be essential and necesjary to formulate rules regarding this foundation, constitution and lite or ont change ringing. That is, if the majority is against this new iden of starting and finishing our touches and peals anywhere and cf using morthodox (at present) methods, ways and means.

This constitutiou, whicb les obtained up to the present as unwritten law, will have to be put into written law. Thlis bringe us to tho mules of the Central Council and our several societies. The rules of cuch sud every society on all vital paints must be identically in accordance witla the Central Council's ruline

For instance, if the G.C. fails to recogrise a cerlain kind of performanes and the wules of the several societies are not framed in mecoudance with that refusal, the unrecognised can still he performert, us peals aro not rung mader the nuspices of the Central Commil but according to the rules of the particular association

Even if one Ginild failed in its rules, it would still be possible to Ling nuything turecognisod by the Contral Council for this Guidel Therefore, the rule of cach and every society should be identical on all rital points affecting the foundation, constitution and life of change ringing
Witli regard to all these (up to the present) unarthorlox compositions and proposed unorthodox ways of starting and finishity our ringing of touches and peals, by all means print then in any writed work, but with block type letters al the locat, "FALSE," and at the foot the anthor's name, date and remark, "Unrecoguised by the

Central Council, 1929, so that the Cext and staceeding generations ean know the nature of some of the rew ideas of this out present time

FIte Central Council appears to have heen placed in a Fidieulons position regarding ilne Deatbles amd Minor controversy. F canmot innarine how it can tolerate undue preference by allowing any one uhowhodox composition, but 'Lo bav tightly against anjthing further.

That sort of procedure positively will not do, and to ask the Central Councit to recopt that which is admittedly untrue is expecting the inpossibile.
'I'here are some methods ruled as illegitimate, although perfectly thie, jeerase they fall short, in some respet, of a certan standawd, luti is it not more desirable to ring something illegitimate, bub nevertheless gute true, than that which is admittedy untuc?

It is certaiuly quite apparent that the resolution ohould not bave boon passed in this 'anything but agreer to fashion.

However, I am sure wa all hope and trust that the very bost will be rlone, and that noiling will be sanctioned that will be at all likely ulcimately to undermine the foundation, constitution and lifo of nut Art and Exercise, but that we shall all, as true change ringers, evor strive and combinuo to

> Ring out the false,
> Ring in the true.

Yours faithfully
F. W. RICHARDSON

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## The Editor,

## 'The Ringing World,'

 WOKING, SURREY
## THE MINOR METHODS COLLECTION.

## To the Eattor

Dear Sir, Wiall you allow me to thank, fbrough your colnmns, the many men who have kindly replied to my request for five-bell methoces, and to shy that I am sorry I have not been able (through lack of time) to thank them all inclividually.

We liad hoped that the boak would have been in prind by now, and that Mr. Joyce's difficulties about the names wontd have heen at an ena. The delay is not our fault. It is caused by the well meaning but misguided people who keep raising diffenllies first about tho names and now mout the compositions. If we had been left alone we should have printed such thigs as Mr. Bankes James' arrangement of Cambridge and Pitman's and Morris' arrangements of Doubles aud left them to present aud future generations of ringers to deeide whather they would ring them or not. Now the Exercise must decide itself before the book is issued.- You's truly,
J. ARMIGRR TROLLOPE.

## SPLICING.' AN ANCIENT PRACTICE. <br> AN ANCIENT To the Editor.

Jear Sir. - Your editorial remarks and the various letterg on what shall constitute a peal on five and six bells are very intercsting and goon. To 1 no , as an ordinary ringer, it rppears that the matter requires very careful thought. As far as I cam see there is mothing to be gained ho it in splicing 120's together in the Doubles. If some of us dou't like to hear rounds come up at the end of each 120 , why da rpi couposers give us a peal of Spliced Doubles witls only rounds at the finish?

This, of course, would menn that certain rows would have to ogcur 43 times, as rounds are considered a change in Doubles. Ringers would cercainly not be able to call is monotonous, espectally if a clienge of method is adopteत every 6n cheuges, and, by the change, ring life reterse of a method.
ralking of splicing melbots. I was always under the impression that this was a modern introduction, but I find I am mistaken. I cacre across a porlion of an old boot with the title, "Tlie elements of music made easy, or, the mew harmouical spectator, by William I'minius, sen. I camot find the date of pabliontion, hut it certainly whs before 1750 , as there appears a name of a person in it at that date stating that it was his book.
The only eatry with reference to ringing gives us Grandsire Doubles, Grandsire Minor, and the following spliced method, wlacls it states is the 'grandest peal of all and is catled Crown Boh, whicla constitutes a lead of Oxford Treble Bob, a lead of College Pleasure, fand a lead of College Treble Bob; this, reperted fwe times, brings up the half-peal, and by using two siogles completes the whole peal with onlt two calls. The Editor remurks that he is indebted to his Friend Mr. William Miblears, of Swavefey, io Ganhridgoflire, who is an ingenious Pfalmodift, a fteady, ftrong Baffift, ancl an export Rimger: Is anything known of this mand
The EAitor remerks that he gave the original six-score of Denbles on : nother page, lut, unfortunately, this is torn out of my copr. Fous faithfuly
Brewood.

MELTON SURPRISE ROYAL.

## BY FReDLRECK H. DEXTER.

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The first peal in the method was rung af Leicester on ... $\}$

## IPSWICH RINGER'S DEATH FROM A BURN.

As a result of a burn from a gas ring, St, Mary-le-Town: Soci $1 y$ Ipswich, has lost a member in the porson of Mr. Willian Wood, Mr. Wood an February 15th went to a geighbour's house to knock thp a burst pipe, and in getting up from the floor touched a gas ming which had just been pud out but was still hot. Alihougly treated hy a doctor, and afterwazds at Healhfields Instifution, sapticemia supervened with fatal results
The funeral took place in Ipswich Cemetery on Friday, Mavcis 8tli. The late Mr. Wood was elected a member of the Norwich Diocesas Association nearly 50 vears aga. He was also a menber of ilab Ancient Society of College Youths. "Old Bill," as he was latelp familiarly known, took parl in 25 peale, iucluding three peale uf Double Norwibh Court Bob Maximus, it which le rany his favonrite bell, the tenth. He was 65 yoars of age.
As a tributa to his memary the SL. Mary-Je-Hower Society placect a wreall on hiz grave amitrag a peal of New Cambridge Surprise Maximus halfi-muffled, the record of which appears in the usual place.

## COVENTRY RINGER'S DEATH

The theath occurred on Febrany 261 ht of Mr. Thomas W. Dlsoms, one of tha AtI Sainis' Society of Ringer, Allesley, Coventry. H: succumbed after only a short illness, and was buried at Norton, ncar Darentry. on Saturday, Match 2nd. Deceased was bighly respeced by his fellow-riagers.

On Monday evening, March 4 1 l, at All Saints', Allesley, a peal of Loudon Surprise Minor was attempted with the hells half-muffed, but unfortunately came to grici after ringing 2,640 chagges: Gr. Gardner 1. F. WF. Perrane 2, Wr. Stote 3, H. G. Summers 4, J. W. Taylor $5, ~$ I H. W. White (conductotl 6 .

## SLNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES．

BEEXIWOOD，ESSEX．On Snudiay，Marcli IOth，iow Holy Embutisi serviec，a guarter－pal of Grimbire Triples（ 1,260 changes） in t日 แing：A．Rainbiril 1，R．Heazel 2，C．Pryke 3，H．Jeff 4 ， R．I．N．Vug 5，E．Furbank 6，F．G．Ringe（roaductory 7，P．S． Carwoll 8．First quarler－peal on an inside boll by ringers of 3rd and औ（1）．

Li，KTON，LSSEX．－On Sunday，March 3nd，at Lhe Parish Church C：St．Mary，for eqensong，a cyuttar－pucal of Cambridge Surprise Majur 1，280 changes）in 42 mins．：W．H．Theobald 1，W．Pye 2，A． Erior（conducton＇ 3 ，G．L．Jayce 4，P．H．Avey（irsbi quarter in tho mothod）5，W．Madgwick 6，F．J．But］er 7，F．D．Smilh 8.
RAMLELGE，ESSEX－On Sthata，March 3rd，at the Churel of Holy＇juinity for morning service， 1,248 Double Norwieli in 47 mine． L．H．I＇nge 1，is．Bacon 2，F．Lutkin 3，S．Bayhut 4，H．T．Wilson （conduetor＇）5，S．W．Gorden 6，G．E．Wilsan 7，J．Cornford 8．Aiso dives courses of Stedman Triples by the same band．Al！the above are kerice ringers at St．Mnry＇s，Pritulewell，but owing lo illness the infove was arranged．
RHEWOOD，STAFFORD．－On Sunday，Warch 3rd，for evening ser
 Blewit！ 5 ，＇T，I＇erry 6，J．Porry（contuctor＇）7，A．G．Funt＇8．First ghattur－peat in the method by all except the ringers of the 3rd，7th anal Lenor．
ACMON．－On January 27ih，for service，a quarter－peal of Stedran Triplas in 43 mins，：G．R．Fardon（condector）1，Wm．H．Hollier 2， J．W．Kelley 3，F．Wincote A，R．A．Fardon 5，M＇s．R．A．Fardon 6， E．W．Coulann 7，E，Erstan 8.
 Thomas＇Clurelh，for morning service， 720 Oxford Jireble Bob Minar： N．Chark 1，J．Mort：2，＇T＇．Bryant 3，J．Roberts，sen．，4，J．Stevens （first 720 in this menhod，5，J．Froker first 720 as conductor in this meiliod，B．Also 240 Kent Trehle Bob Minor，with E．H．MEKie （conductar）6．－For evenaong， 1,080 Oxford Treble Hob Minor：N． Olarts 1，J．North 2，T．Bryant 3，J．Roherts，sen，4，J．Roberts，jun． （liret extent in this method on an inside bell）5，E．H．McKie（con－ ductor！
 moraing service， 720 Bol Minor $(22$ singles），in 28 mins．：（i．W． Biee 1，E．G．Hiblie 2，F．G．Symonds 3，F．Fensom 4，M．Fensom 5 ，J．G．Nash（coaductor） 6 ．
BILLINGSEURST，STRSEX．－At the Pravin Chearelt，on Sunday， Jambar＇s 27th，in 46 mine，a［luarter－peal of Grandsire Triples： Wood 1．J．Butdfid 2 T．Adinme $3, \mathrm{R}$ ．Wood 4，JI．Newman 5 ，W． J．Wieks 6，A．Foist（conductor）7，T．Redbourne 8．Rurg as a farewell to the Fianr，who is leaving the pariel．

 Aubrey 3，$\Gamma$ ，Dortock 4，W．Trucmari（conductor）5，E．Porilock 6 ． Rung for evening service on the anniversary of the dedication of the belf．Tuongest length by the ringers af treble，3rd，ith and tenor． IESTON，－At St．Leonart＇s Chutreh，on Sunday，January 27th， for morning servise，a pharter－pen of Grandsire Triples in 14 mins． A．Lewis 1 W．Emmett 2，W．Gou Гrey 3，H．C．Chandler 4， Bird 5，W．（i．Jewis（conduotoy）6，T．Gladman 7，F．Hiampiries g．

## LATE NOTICES

GLOLCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO－ CIATION．－Bristol Branch．－The quartery meeting will be held at St．Natthew＇s，Kingsdown，on Saturday，Narch ${ }^{2} 3$ rd．Bells avallalle from 3 p．m．，service 4.30 ，tea at 5 p．m．Will those who intend to be present kindly advise me not later than March 8 th？－G．Way，Ia，Seymour Foad，Bishopston，Bristol．

OXFORD DIOCESAN GLILD．Oxford and Dis－ trict Branch．－The balf－yearly maeting will be held at Oxford on saturday，March 2zrd．Bells of St．Ebbe＇s（8） from 3 p．m．，St．Thomas＇（o）alter meeting Service in St．Ebbe＇s Church 4.30 Pm ．Tea and meeting to follow． Pease let me have mumiers for tea by Wednesday， 20 th． All ringers welcome．－Willian Simmonds，Hun．Sec．，2， Kinetoo Road，Oxford．

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATHON．－Chester－ field District．－The next meeting will he beld at Bolsover on March 23rd．Bells availalile．All ibose requiring tea notify Mr．J．Flint．45，Oxcroft J the，Bolsover，not later than Wednesday，March zoth．－J．P．Tarlon，Hon．Sec．

## THE CATCHPOLE AND MOTTS MEMORIAL

The followitg subseriptions are acknowledged to the fund townads the erection of a memorial to the memory of the late Messrs．W．L． Catchaple and James Motis in the ringing chamber of St Mary－le－ Tower Church：－
Already acknowledged £12 18s．6d．，Rey．H．Drake 5s．，E．Jenkinn $5 s_{\text {．}}$ H．Barton $5 \mathrm{s}$. ，por F．Lambert 5 ．，G．Moss 1s．，C．Claphell 2s．， L．G．Wightman 2s．，G．Berry 1s．，J．Batwright 6d．，（i．Fineh Is．，C． W．Pipe 2s．6d．，G．Whiling is．，N．E．Lanbam 2s． $6 d$. ．S．W．Kinsey 15．，C．Parker 2s．6d．，P．Parker 2s．6d．，W．Cowey 1s，U．G．Bar＇vard Is．，G．R．Day 13．，J，Durrant 1s．，J．Gillingham 1s．，F．lillingham 1s．，S．Gowing Is．，J．Rose 1s，J．Smith 1s．，St．Mary－le－Tower Society玉2 2s．；total f17 9s．

This list is now about to be closed，and it is proposen to unveil the tablet at the annual meeling of the Sutoolk Cuild on Daster Monday． Mr．G．E．Symonds，28，Chevallier Street，Ipswich，is the Jon．secre－ tary．

## MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES．

ENGLEFIELD，BERKS．－On Saturday，March 9th，for Confirma－ fion sarvice， 720 Grandsire Doublus；ufler service， 3 3it Cambridge， 216 Kent Treble Bob，and 720 Bob Minor．Tho ringers taking part were J．and R．Abery，J．ana R．Hazell，Q．Parsons，S．Davis and R． Hibhert．

BOURNE，LINGS．－On Thursdny，Marel 7th，lor puactice， 720 London Surprise Minor：J．Neal 1，W．W．Jake（conducloy＇2，A．H． Palmer 3，A．S．Allen 4，R．W．Daniels（first 720 in the method，5， I．L．Bainbridge 6．Also 720 Cambridge Surprise Ninor：J．Neal 1 J．W．Lake（conductor）2，A．H．Palmer 3 ，F．French 4，R．W． Daniels 5，A．S．Alen 6.

WOOLTON HILL，BANTS．－On Twesday，BLurch 5 th，at St． Thomas＇Churd for Conlimation sarvice， 720 Kent＇Preble 13ob：Z． Roblins 1，N．Scott 2，R．Rex condintori 3，F．Ennapp t，B．Benven 5，J．Scott 6．Also 720 Plain Bob：J．Berry 1，L．Roblins 2，J．Ficot 3，R．Rex 4，S．l马eaven 5，N．Scoti（conductor 6．Rums by the loca］ band．

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established I637).-Meetings for practice will be held at *St. Paul's Cathedral on the zgth; Southwarls Cathedral on the aist; both at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting after-wards.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W. 4 .

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. - North and East District. A meeting will be held at St. Ann's, Stamford Hill, on Saturday, March 16th. Bells from 3 p.m. Short service at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., followed by tea (usual terms) and business meeting. Please advise me if you require tea. All members and friends welcomed.-C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 21 , Vincent Road, E. 4 .

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Nottingham District.-The next monthly meeting of the above district will be on Saturday, March 16ih, as Daybrook. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m.-Freds. W. Bailey, Local Sec., 42, Rupert Street, Nottingham.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-The annual general meeting will be held on Saturday, March 16th, at Reigate. Beils available from 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea ( Is .6 d . per head) at the White Hart Hotel, Bell Street, at 5.45 p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.m.-Chas. H. Kippin, Hon. Gen. Sec., Winchester, Guy Road, Beddington, Croydon.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester Branch.-The next meeting will be held at St. James', Birch-in-Rushoime, on Saturday, March 16th. Bellis ready 4 o'clock. Meeting 7 p.m. A good altendance is requested. Reports to hand. Subscriptions due. - J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Mites Platting, Mancliester.

SALISBURY DiOCESAN GUILD. - Marlborough Branch. The next meeting of the branch will be held at St. Katherine's, Savernake Forest, on Saturday, March 16th. Visitors requiring tea kindly notify the secretary.-Cyril Hussey, Hon. Sec., East Leaze, Bay don, Mariborough.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Furness and Lake District Branch. -The next half-yearly meeting will be held at IKirkby-in-Furness on March 16th at $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. The bells (6) will be available for ringing at 2 p.m.-W T. Clark, Branch Sec., Broughton-in-Furness.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Western District.The annual meeting will be held at Pudsey on Saturday, March r6th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea at a charge of is. 3d. per head.-F. Hutchinson, Dis. Sec.
YORFSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Southern Division. -The annual meeting will be held at Ranmoor, Sheffield, on Saturday, March 16th. Bells available fronn 3 ${ }^{0}$ colock. Service at 5 . Tea at $5 \cdot 30$, at is. per head. The business meeting for the election of oflicers, etc., will be held at the Institute after tea, and a good attendance is desired. The annual report will be available at the meeting.-F. Clark, Hon. Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-North Bucks Branch. - A quarterly meeting of above branch will be held at Sympson on Saturday, March 16 th . Bells ava!!able during the aftemoon. Service at $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All ringers welcome.-Walter Sear, Hon. Sec., 19, Albert Street, Bletchley.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Sonning Deanery Branch. - Quarterly meeting at Sonning on Saturday, March 16th. Bells at 3. Divine service $4-30$. Tea at 5. Ail welcome.-W. J. Paice, Branch Sec., Merrel, California, Wokingham.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION: - Biggleswade District-A meeting will be held at Arlesey on Saturday, March 16 th. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5. All ringers welcome. A good company is requested. -C. J. Ball, Dis. Sec., 2, Tempsford Road. Sandy.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Chertsey District. - Meeting at Horsell on Saturday, March 16th. Bells (5) at 3 p.m. Tea in the Institute at 5 p.m.-H Hancock, 3, Chobham Road, Ottershaw, Chertsey.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.-A meeting of the Guild will be held at Bedworth on Saturday, March 16th. The bells (8) will be available for ringing from 3 p.m,-1. A. Fenton, Gen. Hon. Sec., 6, Frederick Street, Rugby,

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Northerm District.-A meeting of the above will be held at South Hackney on Saturday, March 16 ¢h. Bells from 3 to 9 p.m. Service, Tea, Meetings, etc , at 4.30 . All visitors will be made heartily welcome--J. A. Waugh, District Secretary, 8, Fuller's Road, Woodford, E. 18.

LADIES' GUILD. - Western District. - The nexs quarterly meeting will be held at Bath on Saturday, March i6th. Bells of St. Saviour's, Larkhall, available from 3.15 p.m. Service at 4.30 . Tea and meeting at the Bernina Cafe, Old Bond Street, at 5.15. - N. Williams, Hon. Sec., Weston House, Weston, Batfi.
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Division. The annuai meeting will be held at Mayfield on Saturday, March 23 rd. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock, to be followed by the business meeting. Will those intending to be preserrr kindly notify me by Wednesday, March zoth? - Geo. W. Stokes, Hon. Dis. Sec., 22, Melbourne Road, Eastbourne.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch. The next meeting will be held at Ail Souls ${ }^{3}$, Bolton, on Saturday, March 23rd. Bells availatle 3. Meeting 7 p.m.Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., 203, Devonshire Road, Bolton
SUFFOLK GUILD.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Laxfield on March zzrd. Bells (6) at 2. Tea, Is each, at the King's Head at 4.30. Meeting follows.-H. Drake, Sec., Lfiord.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. Farnham District. - A district meeting will be held at Crondatl on March 23 rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.45 Tea 5.15 p.m. Meeting to follow. Bus services No. 7,37 and 52 from Farnham Town Hall. Will all who intend to be present please notify me before Warch 2oth? - B. H. Clark, 17, St. James' Avenue, Farnham.

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.-Tile annual general meeting will be held at East Grinstead on Saturday, March zard. Tower open 3.-Sho rice $4 \cdot 30$. Followed by tea and butsiness meeting. Subscriptions are now due. All ringers welcome. Those requiring tea nust let me know by Wednesday, Mateth zoth, -George Lambert, Drummond Fay, East Girinstend.

RONNEY MARSH AND DISTRLCT GLILD.-The moxt meting will be held at Hy the on Saturday, Narch 23rd. Bells ready 2.30. Teat and busimess meeting as asual. All ringers velcome--A. J. Batin, Hon. Sec., Heronden Hall Gardens, Tenterden.

OxFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - East Berks and south luacks Branch. - The next ringing practice has been aranged at Cookham ( 6 bells ) on Saturday, Marcin 23 rd , at + p.m. Tea, at is, per head, will be provided for those who send their names to T. J. Fowler, Dean View, Cookham Rise.

MIDIAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Leicester District. - The first quarterly meeting will be held on Saturdaly, March 23rd. Bells of Groby (6) available from 3. I5 p.m. till 4.45 p.m., and Ratby ( 6 ) from 6 p.m. till 7.45 p m. Tea in Ratby Church Room at 5.15 p.m. Will those reguiring same please advise me not later than Thurstay, zist? Business meeting in Ratby Church Roons at 8 p.m. All ringers and friends welcome. Alban Disney, Hon. Dis. Sec., 19, Houlditch Road, Kinghton Fields, Leicester.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northampton Branch. - A meeting will be heid at Blisworth on Saturday, March 23 rod. Bells (5) 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea 5 o'clock. Will those who require tea please notify me hot later than Tuesday, March igth?-T. Tebbutt, West Street, Moulton, Northampton.

MIDIAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hincliley District.--The next meeting will be held at Sapcote on Saturday, Marcl 23 rd. Bells (6) available 3.45 p.m. Tea provided for those who notify Mr. C. Brown, New Walk, Sapcote, Leicester, by Thursday, the 215 . A good meeting is hoped for. All ringers and friends cordially welcome.-W. A. Cope, Smockington, Hinckley.
SUFFOLK GUILD.-The annual meeting will be held at Ipswich on Easter Monday. Ringing all day (except $z-3$ ) at St. Mary le Tower (i2), St. Margaret (8), St. Clement (6), Rushmere (6). Service, St. Mary le Tower, ${ }^{2} \mathrm{p}$. mi. Meeting in Oak Lane Rooms at 2.30. Tea, 4.30, at Lyons, 1s. each.-H. Drake, Ufford, Woodbridge.

NORFOLK GUILD. - The annual general meeting will be held at Norwich on Easter Monday, April ast. The rings of bells of St. Peter Mancroft ( 52 ), St. John-de-Sepulchre (8), St. Michael-at-Coslany (8) and All Saints' (5) will be available. Divine service will be held at St. l'eter Mancroft at 12.30 p.m., when the address will be given by the Archdeacon of Norwich. Luncheon will be served at William Grix, Limited, Criterion Restaurant, White Lion Street, at i. 30 . Tickets 3s. 6 d . per head. Members intending to be present at luncheon must notify the same to the secretary not later than Wednesday; March 27 th. The annual business meeting will follow immediately after luncheon.-Arthur i. Coleman, Sec., High Croft, North Walsham, Norfolk.
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - The Annual meeting will be at St. Albans on Easter Monday. Bells available at 2 p.m. Service at Cathedral 5 p.m. Address by the Vicar of Aldenham. Tea at $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., folowed by annual business meeting, at the Ver Residential Hotel, Holywell Hill, adjoining the river brifge. Notification of attendance will be appreciated, for the sake of the caterer and others. - G. W. Cartmel, Hon. Sec., Duffeld, St. Abans.

WORCESTERSHIRE: AND DISTRICJS ASSOCIATION. The annual meeting will be hadd at Worcester on Faster Monday, April ret. Business meeting in the Cathedral Chapter House at 2.30 p.m. prompt. Chairman: The Very Rev. W: Moore Ede, D.I., Presiden. Service, with address, in the Catheriral at $4.15 \mathrm{p}-\mathrm{mm}$. Teat will be provided at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. for all those whe notify me before Wednesday, Jarch 27th. Further particulars next week. - J. R. Newman, Hon. Sec., Sheepcote, Severn Stoke, Worcester.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-The annual meeting will be held at Maidstone on Easter Monday, April ist. Committee meeting in All Saints' Vestry at 11.15. Service in All Saints' Church at 12. Address by the Rev. H. de. V. Watson, Rector of Harrietsham. Dinner in the Corn Exchange at I o'clock, followed by business meeting. Towers open for ringing; Maidstone (All Saints) (ro), Leeds (10), Harrietsham (8). West Malling (8), Linton (8), Barming (6), Boxley (6), East Farleigh (6), Bearsted (6), St. Michael's, Maidstone (6). For dimer tickets apply before Marcb 28 th to Fred M. Mitchell, Assistant Hon. Sec., 114, Sun Lane, Gravesend.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-. The annual meeting will be helch at Cambridge on Easter Monday; April Ist. Committee at St. Mary's Vestry ir. 15 a.mi. Service 12 noon. Address by the Vicar (the Rev. Dr. P. N. Waggett). Lunch, followed by the business meeting, at the Dorothy Cafe, at I p.m. Ringing at St. Mary-theGreat (12), St. Andrew-ihe-Great (8), Old Chesterton (6) and St. Mary and the English Martyrs (8) (after 3 p.m.). Will members who are able to attend please inform the secretary before March 2 бh? -Rev. R. Copeman, "Ow' stone Road, Cambridge.
YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - A general meeting will be held at Whitby on Easter Monday, April ist. Bells (io) available throughout the day. Tea will be provided at a charge of es. per head, and all applications for same must reach Mr. G. W. White not later than first post Tuesday, March 26 th. Mermers are urged to attend.-Percy J. Johnson, Hon. Gen. Sec., 396, Meanwood Road, Leeds.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATJON, - औmual meeting, Easter Monday, at Leicester. Bells of Sr. Margaret's ( I ), Cathedral (ro), St. John-the-Divine ( so ), St. Saviour's (8), Belgrave (8), All Saints' (5) available during the day. Committee meet 3.15 . Tea 5 p.m., followed by general meeting. Conviwial \& to io p.m. All at Tistoria Conmercial Hotel, London Road. To avoid confusion and disappointment it is imperative that those requiring tea (1s. 6d. per heac) must obtain tickets from me not later than Thursday, March ${ }^{2} 8$ th. - Ernest Morris, fien. Hon. Sec., 24, Coventry Street, Leicester.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-Central District.-The next meeting will he held at Ashtead on Easter Monday, April ist. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea at Ashicad Peace Memorial Hall 5 p.m. Business meeting following. Those requiring tea kindly notify Mr. G. Cook, Lavender Cottage, Crampshaw Lane, Ashtead, by Wedneslay, March 27th.-D. Cooper, Hon. Dis. Sec., 5, Harrison's Rise, Croydon.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-The annual general committee meeting will be held at Reading on Saurday, April 6th, in St. Tawrence's Hall, Abbey Street (near dbley (iateway), at 3.15 p.m.-Richard T. Hibbert.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-Antal general meeting on Saturclay, April 6th, at' St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate. Further particulars next week.--C. T. Coles and W. H. Hollier, Hon. Secs.

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## A FINANCIAL QUESTION

The agenda of the Central Council, which appeared in our last issue, promises to provide an interesting meeting at Chemsford, as a good deal of the business relates to matters which affect the Exercise generally and in which ringers as a whole can take an interest. This early publication of the details gives the associations the opportunity of considering the business of the Council, so far as it concerns them, and of expressing their views. Easter and the period up to Whitsun Tuesday, when the Council meet, is the time when the majority of the affiliated organisations hold their annual meetings and are thus able to consult their members on any special points that may be raised. Although the representatives are, under the constitution of the Council, free agents to vote as they choose, there are matters in this year's agenda upon which they may like to consult their associations. One of these is certainly the proposal to increase the affiliation fee.

Ever since the Council was inaugurated the subscription has been half-a-crown for each elected member, and this has formed the sole revenue of the Council. Its work has been carried on with this meagre financial support, oul of which, in addition to the expenses of the meetings, the Council has financed the issue of its many useful publications. It has always been the aim of the Council to publish these at the lowest possible price, with the result that there has been, on the whole, a net monetary loss to the Council in this department, but a great gain to the Exercise by the wider circulation of knowledge which this low cost made possible. On a very smail income the Council has done a great deal for the advancement of the art; on a doubled income, it could do a good deal more. From time to time we have suggested that the Council needed more money for its work, and if the associations had only to provide the affiliation fees there would be little to quibble about in raising the paltry half-crown subscription to five shillings. But the liabiity of most of the associations does not end here. Practically all of them pay the out-of-pocket expenses of their representatives, and this, when the meeting place is a distant one, is a heavy drain on those organisations which have only limited resources.
Much as we should like to see the Council's funds supplemented, the possible result must not be overlooked that an increased subscription might reduce the number of representatives elected. We can hardly think that affliated bodies would curtail their representation merely because they were asked to pay another half-a-crown for each member they send to the Council, but when we find (Contitinued on page 178 .

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one association, which is entitled to four representatives, electing only one; and another seriously considering withdrawal altogether, because of dissatisfaction with the constitution of the central body, the possible effect of an increased subscription ought not to be lost sight of. Here, therefore, is one case where the early publication of the agenda may help to a considered vote being given at Chelmsford. All the associations which hold their annual meetings between this and Whitsun Tuesday should take care to bring the subject before their members so that the representatives may know their feeling on the matter. It will be better to know the views of the associations beforehand than to regret an action after it has been taken.

## TEN BELL PEALS

BRIGBTON, SUSSEX. THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOOLATION.
On Sahrday, Nash 10, 1929, in Thwea Howrs and Thirty-One Minutts,
At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISEROYAL, 5040 CHANEES;

Tenor $23 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Herbert Markwell ...Tyeble|Arthir T. Verrells ... 6
*Alfred T. Greenwood ... 2 Frank Benneti ... ... ... 7
George Wilelams ... ... 3 |Frederick W. Rogers ... 8
Alfred W, Groves ... ... 4 John Dearlove ... ... 4 ... 9
Frank I. Halrs... ... ... 5 Stafford H. Green .... ...Temor Composed by Willam Pye. Conducted by Fride. W. Rogers.

* First peal on ten bells.

WEDNESBURY, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Saturday, Maych 16, 1929, in Thre Hours and Fifteen Minties,

At the Choreg of St. Bartholomuw,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORHICH COURT BOB CATER8, БEO3 CHANEES; Tenor 24 cwt.
 Composed and Conducted by Joseph Pigoti.
This peal, at the same ohmoh and by the same band standing in the same order, replades the one rung on Jume 9th last

BROMSGROVE, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORGESIERSEIRE AND DISTRICTS ASEOCIATION.
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)
On Saturday, March 76. 1929, in Three Hours and Eighten Mixutes.
At the Cgorce of St, John-tae-Baptist,
A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenar 18 ewt.
*Arthor H. Martin ... ...Treble| Ceifford Skidmore... ... 6 Romert Matthews ... ... 2 "Harded V. Cooper ... ... 7

- Miss Amy Jognson ... ... 3 Harry Price ... ... ... 8

William Seort .... ... 4 *Thomas Hemming ... ... 9

- William H. Cooper ... 5 | Alfred Hagketi ... ...Teroy Composed by N. J. Pirstow. * First peal of Bob Royal.

LONDON.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF OOLLEGE YOUTHS.
Cn Saturday, March 16, 1929, in Three Hours and Twenty-Two Minutes,
At the Church of Sx, Donstan, Stepney,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 6043 CHANGES;
Tenor 32 cwt .
$\left.\begin{array}{lll}\text { Artedr Cetmore } & \text {....Treble } & \text { William G. Whitebead ... } \\ \text { Major J. H. B. Hesse } & \ldots & 2\end{array} \right\rvert\,$ Ernest Brert
Major J. H. B. Hesse ... 2 Ernest Brett ... ... ... 7
Thomas Langion ... ... 3 Madrice F.R. Hibbert ... 8 Herbert Langdon ..... .4 James Bdllock ... 4 ..... .9 Josn T. Kentish ... .... 5 Joseph S. Hawkins ... ...Terar Composed by John Carter. Conducted by H. Langnon
Rung with the clappers half-muffled as a mark of respect in the late Lord Plillimore, the Rector's father.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS．

LONDON．
THE MIDDLESEX GOTN＇IY ASSOGIATION AND EONDON DIOCESAN GUILD．

On Monday，Marih 11，1929，in Two Hours and Fifty－Fouy Minutes，

At the Chorch of St．Botoeph，Bishopsgate
A PEAL OF PUDSEY SURPRIRE MAJOR， 6056 GHANEES； Tenor 20 cwt ．


## KIRBY－LE－SOKEN，FSSEX． <br> THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION．

On Wednestay，March 13，T929，in Two Hours aud Fifty－Five Minutes， At tee Cmerch of St．Miceael

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES，5040 CHANGES；

 Parker＇s Tweive－part． Conducted by George Green．
First penl of Grandsire．Mestre．Almond and Nevard are from toreat Bentley，Andrews（2）from Thorington，Bowell from Bromley， and Green from Great Haddow．M．J．Ling belongs to the local band．

CRAYFORD，IENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOOEATION．
On Friday，March $7 \overline{3}, 1929$ ，in Truo Hours and Fifty Minutes．
At the Chorce of St．Paglinos，
A PEAL OF HEREWARD BOE HAJOR， 6056 CHANCES； Tenor ras cwit．

SORTHFLEET，KENT．
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCLATION
On Sulurday，Nach 16，1929，in Tuo Hours and Fifiy－Four Mrinudes， At the Cherch of St．Borolph，
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR． 6056 GHANGES Teanr I6 cwt，in F ．
Gedrge H．Daynes
．．．Tveble
Frederigic White
JOhn H．Chezsman

Herberi E．Aunsley ．．． 7 Composed by Geo．H．Canss．Condueted by Jows H．Cheesman ＊First peal of Superlative，also firsi peaf in the method on ilue taplls．Rung as a birthelay complimem to riuger of the 6th．

BEBINGTON，CHESHIRE．
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD．
（Wirlac Branch）
＂m Saturday，Marh T6．1929，in Thrce Howrs and Nine Mintes， At the Chorch of Sx．Andrew．
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR； 5088 CHANGES； Tenor \＆cwt． 3 qr is lb．in A fat．
－Mss Cuen F．Storer Treble｜Thomas Koners †保 Gerst
G．Ronald EDWards ．．．
IOZN BREESE … ．．．．
Valter J．Battif．．．．．．． 4 James C．E．Simpson ．．．Tenot
Composed by G，Lindorf．Conducted by J．C．E Simpson．
＊First peal and first atempt．＝First peal of Major．＊First penl in the methons．

BEDFELLTY，MONMOETHEHERE
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION． On Saturday，March 10．1929，in Thyec Homs and 「atulwe Winales，

At tae Cerorez of St．Sannans，
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES， 5040 CHANGES； Fenor 14 cwt ．


Composed by H．W．Taycor．Conducted by George Pornell
＊First peal of Triples．
ROLVENDEN，敢ENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND ROMNET MARSH AND DISTEIOT GUILD．
On Saturday，Mavch 16，1929，in Thyee Hours and Three Minutes，
At the Cborch of St．Mary－thb－Virgin，
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES，5040 GHANGES；
Pitstow＇s Variation
Tenor 16 cwt ．
Robert Edwards
．Tyeble
Charles Frankeja 5

Charegs W Player．．．．．．． 3 Harry l’arkes ．．．．．．．．．．．
Kenneth Patienden ．．． 4 Aefred J．Sattin ．．．．．．Tchor Conducted by Harry Parebs．
Rung as a birthdey compliment to fle forductor and the riogel of the 4 th．

## DEANE，BOLTON．

THE LANCASHTRE ASSOCTATION．
On Safurday．Maroh 16，1929，in Two Hours und Fify－Sewen Minutes， At the Chorch or St．Mary
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDEE SURPRISE MAJOR，5日66 CHANEES； Tenor iz cwt． 2 gr．in $G$ ．

Ernest Cotsforth ．．．．．．Treble＂Latremce J．Williams
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Allan F．Balley ．．．
Composed by T：B．Worscey．Conducted by Enward Jenrins．
＊Firsi touch of Cambridge．First penl of Cambridge on the britz BRIGETLING，SISSEX．
THE SUSSEX COUN＇HY ASSOCLATION．
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A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR， 5056 CHANGES；
Tenor 13 cwt ．
Wilfred Booth．．．．．．．．．Trible Ernest j．Ladd George King
Philip S．Thosipson
Algert Hozden
Composed by J．E．Burto
3 Albert E．Edwaros
Composed Fe Borton fredericrj．Lambert，jow，Temo．
First peal of Major as conductor．Rung as a birtuday complimens to Miss Perricia Lambert．

## BURNLEY．JANCASHIRE．

THE IANCASHILR ASSOCLATTON．
On Suturday，March 16，1929，in Three Hours and Jilthen Minules，
At the Chorch of St．Peit：r
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MANOR， 5184 CHANGES； Tenor 18 cwt．
John Boota
Harolp Hamer
Walter Stafy
James Inghaid
Compsed by Fano
＊First peal in the method．

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TIMSISCRY, SOMERSET.
THE BatH AND WEdis DIOOESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, March 12, 1929. in Two Hours and Thirty-Two Minuts,
At fhe Parish Cegref of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting of ton six-scores of Old Doubles, ten of Bob Doubles and 22 of Grandisire Doubles.

Tentr 12 cwit.
William Young...

## ... ...Treble John Fear

Gilebert Haselz.. Wilfred Yoong

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

## A SLX-BELL MEETHNG.

Tho North and East District meeting of the Midalesex Cunnty Association and London Diocesan Guild, held ait St. Ann's Church, Stamford Fill, on Saturday last, attracted some thirty members, who thorouthly eajoyed their afternoon's ringing on the pretity peal of six bells. These bells werc cast at the Whitcliapel Founclry in 1865, and wore recently quarter-turaed, reclappered and rehung by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, with excollent yesults. The tone of the bells is greatly improved, and during the afternaon and evening of the meeting were rumg to as many methods at have been Fumg on them during their whole prowious existence.
The Ficar (Rer. A. T. Morgan) gure an interestigg addess at the service, speaking about the Farious uses of bells, and low they affected our daily lives. The sebool bells, when we wete young, bid us ceme to receive education, without which it would be impossible to progress; later, the factory bell called us to the work, without which life would be usoless indeed. Empty is the life of those who ga lhrough it without finding it necessary to do usoful work. Next the fire bell warned us of dagger, and the church bell called us to worship. So all through our tives bells had their uses in many waye.
After tea, which was served in tine Church Fall, the usual business meeting was held. The Vicar took the chair and was supported by Mr. W. Pickworth (vice-president . Mr, N. A. Tomlisson (Masler), and Mr. O. T. Coles (hor. secretary). Included in the company was Mr. IF. A. Barnett (Tottenliam). who has recently celebrated his golden wedding, aud whon everybody was especially glad to see.
Ten new members were elected. St. James, Clerkonwell, was chosen for the next meeting of the district on May 4 th, when, the hon secretary mentioned, the recast peal of eight voula be opened. Ho hoped members would note this alate, as it was especially desired to get a good meeting. Tlue Vicar had been good enough to inrite members to tea.
Notice was given of the anmual geamal meeting, which is to be held at St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate, on April 6th.
lhe business over, Mr. W. Pickworth moved a vote of thanks to the Vicar for his address, and for permitting the menting to be lreld; also to Mr. Ringrose and the ladies who had prepared tea. 'lhis was scconded by ML. G. H. Ross and catried umanimously.-Mir. Ringrose hriefy acknowledged the thanks of the members, and the meeting terminated.

Another visit was then paic to the fower, and meny methods rung. including Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, Plain Boln, Kent and Oxford Treble Boh, St. Clement's Buh. Double Conrts Double Oaford and Cambridge and London Surprise Minor.

## SOTTH AN゙ந WEST DISTRICT

After 20-add years the Soutli and West District held a Saturday affernaon meeting at Christ Churck, Ealing, on March gth, by permissian of the Rev. Prebendafy King (Vicar). Ringing cammenced shortly after 3 p.m., the Ringing Master, Mr. F. Goodfellow, being in charge. A short service from the Ringerg' Service Manama was conducted by the Viear, who in his addues gape the ssscention a herty welcome. Tea whs served in the schoolroom, where about thirty assembled, presided oper hy the rice-president, Mr. C. S. Bird, end supported by Mr. J. A. Trollope (hon. trensurer', the Ringing Master and ofhers. One ringing member was elented, and votes of thanks wece accolded the Ticar, organist, jostess and assistants. Last, but nol lust. wotes of thaniss werc also necarded to Messrs. W. G. Wilson and H. Burton for their invaluable services in arranging the meeting and tea, and the sucessful social and dance that followed in the Churcis Hall in aid of the Isleworth Fell Fund. Ringing ceased at 7.20 p.m., aud dancing stavted at 7.30, the 'Donbie iv clance band heing engaged for the oceasion. Some fine selections wera rendered on handhells at interals by Mr. I. R. Mackman and his son Howard, who weve heartily applauded for their periommaces. Mr. F. Burton made and presented to the fund a beatiful cake, which renlised 155 . There was also a mystory box, the lucky winner being Mrs. J. H. H.unniselt.
The hou. secretary, on behalf of the fund. thanked the mompans for their supports also Mr. Mackman amid his son for entertaining them with their handbells, and Mi. Harrs Burton for his genelous gift, and for his services as M.C. The amonnt realised fol the fumd was f8 2s. Id., ant the total to date is 8132 10s. 76., filus ton pounds promised.

## MANCHESTER RECORD

Dear Sir, - 4 answer to the lefter re Mranchester record hy wr Brown, published in 'The Ringing World ' of the Bth inst, the ring of bolls at the Manchesiev Cathedral were marle into a peat of ten bods in tho year 1825. Therefore a peal of Kent Treble Bobs Rayni could have been ruag in 1830, as atated in the *Manchester Guardian of Jentary 2tult.

The print does seem rather bad, but put it under a powerful ghas and you can see the vear $182 \overline{5}$ all pighti-Tours faitifulls.

## NORFOLK GUILD'S PROPOSED REORGANISATION.

## A PLEBISCITE TAKJN.

At the annual meeting of the Norfalk Guik at Norwich on Easter Frouday a decision will be taken on the quention of reorganising the area of the Guidd for administmive puposen. In the meantime, in order to ascertain the feeling of memberg, a plebiscite is being taken, ane the following memarandum has been sont out by the president (the Ven. G. M. MacDermoti) and the secretary (Mr. Arillur L. Coleman):-

Dobbtless alt menalis fre zware of the proposal for the reorgenisation of our Guilk. This proposal hes been considered at all bur general meetings in 1828 ; the reform suggester is to group tho elever existing districts into rhree large districts, comesponding to the areas of three archdeacomries of the diocese.

Each of thesa districts to lare a committec consisting of chairHnTh secretary, ant three or more elocted members to work tho дecessary lacal business anm $t 0$ 11wauge meetings, efc.; the offeers and commithee to be electen at an antinal meeting of each district.

It is hoped thereby to secuje more active co-operation of our members in the country districts and to strenglben the work of the Guild.

At the various meetings held, aturing the year it was thought inndwisable to come to a decision untll individual members had been offered an opportwnity of expressing an opinion.

At a special general meeting Jicld at Kins* Lynn on Pctober 29tl, 2928, the commititee was accordingly instructed to issue au chrular better with questions attached for members to answer. ${ }^{3}$

THE QUESTIONNAIRE.
Thle questions upons
which the nambers have been asked to bay Yes ar' Fo are:-
(1) Alo you in fryour of hawing thres lange distucts instead of the present eleven small rlistricts?
(2) Do yat approve of these elistricts covering the areas of the mbehdeaconries of the diacese? Tlie incumbent of your parish will tell you the name of your arehdeaconry. The Aylsham, Creat Igrmouth, and Norwich districts are jn the Formich Amchaeagomry; Perklum, Diss, Lothingland, Redenhall and Wruondinam districts are in the Norfolk drchđeaconry; Tikenbam, King's Iymu sod Thedford are in the King's Iyyn Aveladeaconvy.
(3) Amd chonki the new districts be called: (a) The Nom ich ArehTeaconry? (b) The Nonfolk Anchdeaconry? (c) The King's Ly口и Arwheleaconty?
(1) Do vou consiter a committee consistitng of clairman, secretary, and three or more electen members call bo got together for
(5) catrying out the trork of toun own new aistrict, as proposed Diocesan Association of Ringers (the ariginal title of the (ruild)? or (b) The prescut title of the Guild lo rettain, wiz. The Kortolk (ruild of Ringers, for the Diocese of Norwich?
It is pointed out in contaection with (5) that in the event of the suggested reorganisation coming to pass, Lhe Bishop of the diocese thimks tho title should be " Norwich Drocesgan" rather' than "Norfolk, It being a diouesan society, and the mombers affee holders in the churels. It should be woted that Torfolk daos wot oxpress the true grea of tho Givilu, part of West Norfolk beigg in ilo diocese of Ely, and pant of Enst Suffolk being in the ciocese of Nouwteh, bence the title "The Norwieh Piocesan Associalion on Ringers" is the correct expression to denote the area comercal by libe Cinfli. Of course, flue title could remaim as at present, but, if so, the whole title, The Norfolk diuild of Ringers for the Diocese of Norwich, might be grineen in the sumo thye tive subscritprows

The atzmal report of the Guild, which has just been issued, afler dluding to tie activities of the past wear, lewurds the death of ten members, amongst whom were two oviginal manbers of the Guila, Fiz., Mr. Robert Whiting, of Pulbam Larket, aud Mr. Erederich Enighta, of Norwioh,

Twenty-one members," adds the report, "lave lapsed during the Year, but we are glat to report that 29 new members have been elected und sis recelections of our mombers, the graud total of menbers being 806 arganst 801 iu 1927.

We woutd like to call the attention of mentoars to one item in the balance sheet, and to remind thent luat the petty casli acconnt for 5418 . 3 . is umpain and due to our secretary and treasurer The semetary's appeal 10 some of the clistrict secretaries and collec torg for unpaid subsithptions 10 he renitted before the end of the Fear in the result wag disappolutimg inasmuch as a largev ammont than usual, wiz., £6 3\{, is outstandiug for the year ending December 3lst, 1928, thus resulturg in a delicit of 84 gs . 10 d . instead of a ciedit balance of 57 14s. 2d. in lancl.

Fhere has been a tendency of recent years, on the part of those responsible, in deferving the collection of subseriptious until well toward the ead of the year, but as sueh method often leads to two弓eares subscxiptions becoming due together, and means sometimes the loss of a year's कulueription due to the Guild, we would remind al mombers that "all subscriphions shall be payable in adrance and become due on January lst in each year.
(Continued in next colump.)

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

## NORTH BUCLS BRANOH

The quarterly meeting of the above brauch was lyeld at Sympson on Saturday, March 166th, when about diirty ymembers aitended, representing the following towers: Blechley, Bradwell, Beachampton, Fenny Stratiord, Great Brickhill, Milton Keynes, Newport Pagacli, Stony Stratford, Shenley, Whation, and the lwal ringers. Bells were ringing from 2.30 p.m. until service time. Unforthately, owing to illness, the Vicar of Sympson (Rer. J. T. Lawson was unable to be present. The Rev. D. R. James, of Great Bricklill, officiated in his absence. This was the first ocension on which a meeting had been held at Sympson, and it was quite a successful one. Tea had been prepared at the Plouglz Inn, where Iots of good thisgs had been provided.
siter tea the chairman of the brancls (the Rev. L. Moxon) had to apologise for having to leave early owing to other important busineEs.
The Secretary appealed to all to atiend the ammal festival of the branch at Shenley in June.
Sercral matters were discussed, and Mr. W. Sear proposed a very hearty vote of thanks to the Rer. D. J. James for comilig at short notice to officiate, also to the Rev, J. T. Lawson for artangimg the meeting, regret being expressed that he was unable to attend. This brought a very pleasant aflernoon to a close. Rincring during the day ranged from Grandsire and Stedman Doubles to Cambridge and London Minor

## LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION

The Northerv District of the Essex $A$ ssociation held a meating at South Hackucy on Saturday, and, despite a rather poor start, somo good ringing was achieved. At 5 p.mn. gl survice was held in the chureh, conducted by the Rector of Sonth Fiackner, and then an adjournment was made to St. Andrew's Hall, in Well Street, where, under the supervision of Mr. Briggs, a bountiful tea awsited the membera. The busiuess meting was afterwards held. -ro uew members were fortheoming. Whitechapel was chrisen tor the mext meeting, to take place on the third Saturalay in May.
A bearly vote of thanks was uccorded to the incumbent for the use of his bells, and to Messrs. Riley and Briges for lanving all in readiness in the tower, also to Mr. Free, the organist, The young jadies who helped at the lea were not forgotent.
After this the tower was again risitel, and further ringing indulged in uutill 9 p.m., Grandsire, Sredman, Plain Bub, Treblo Bob and Double Norwich being rung. Athough the altendance was nots as good as it might hare been, it is beliened that all present enjoyed themselves.

## MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT'S 150 PEALS

Cambriage Surprise Minol
London Surprise Minor
Seven Surprise Minor methods
Grandsire Triples
Erin Triples
Origimal Triples
Stedman Triples
Bob Major
Kent Treble Bob Major
Oxford Treble Bob Major
Donble Norwici Court Bob M̈ajer
Superlative Supprise Mujou
Cambridge Surprise Major
New Cambridge Surprise Major
Norfolk Surprise Major
Bristol Surprise Major
London Surprise Major
Grandsire Caters
Erin Caters
Stedman Caters
Cambridge Surprisc Royai
Stedman Cingues
Kent Treble Bob Maximus
Cambridge Surprise Maximus


Rung in 43 towers. Ewery peal conductert is a difternb composition.
(Continued from pravious column.)
Fizty peals in twenty different methods were rung during the past twelve months, against 44 perls in 1927.130 members took part in these peals, which were conducted by 18 members. In conelusion, we have to thank Mr. G. P. Burton far auditing the Guild necounts for the 22nd time, and all other officers for their serrices duting the past year.
The balance sheet shows in the curyeat account subsiriptions amouning to $£ 332 \mathrm{~s}$; ; other receipts $£ 28 \mathrm{~s}$. 6il. The expenditure was
 Guile bas a reserve fund of E 1315.

PEALS OF MINOR AND DOUBLES.

## TEETS OF A DEFINITION.

## To the Editor.

Sir,-On Marela lsi, the official minutes of the last Council meeting at Ferefond were printed. The definition of a peal of Minor is ne fallows: ' Mi 日ir bells: That peals of Miaor consiat of at least seven trug and complete 720 s , ruag wibhout interval and without "rautia" or any ether row heing included more than once in any 720, utce.

Niow, 'Minormania' hans complainent that I very often fail to mako my poinl: plain, and 1 must plead guilty to hariog mado bwo statements aboul thas rule withoul making them plain
(1) I have stated that we must ring seven different 720's. Does the word "severs mena semb different 720's, or cau it mean the game 720 rung seves times?
Test the twa statement thus: Does seven changes of Bob Major mean the same a= one change of Bob Major six times repeated?


Ohsinusly they nieau two difierent things, and seven 720 's therefore
(2) Seven brie aud cumpletu $720^{\circ}$ s.

Dnes Lhis mean that each 720 must be completed before another is hegna, or, given seven true and compleio $720^{\prime}$ s, ma we mix them?

Jest this as follows: A peni of firancisire lriphes must consigt of 72 true onal romplece plain corses. Does this mean that each plain courso mist be completed hofore the next is begun, ov may we mix them?

If my hraticr's Pad of Cathbridge Minor raes not canlain seven
 contain steven true and complete 720 s, then Holl's ten-part of Grandsire Triples does not cuntain a singte plain course of Grandsire Triples.
I believo hat I liaw nom coveren ald the groum. If, however,
 as far as possible.
H. LAW JAMES.

POR IHOSE WHO LAAVL MISSED THE TONTT
Sir, Mosk of you conespondents seem to appreciate my pupose in pablishiug the incompletur peal of Girandsire Triphes. For these, how in, whe lutve nissed the point, perhaps I may explain that 1 had iwo objects fri view.
first, I wislaed fir mate it clear thati no group of 780 rows of ane
 plete iu itgelif. Luct me gund myself here by addity that this daes not imply, Hi than ptople suppose, that it is therefore false.
In the sermad place I hoped hy meatis af the example to reveal to sonte yentuts at least thut bhere is all the difieronce in the warld thetwedt rows aud changes. It is malural fur those who lave not gonn below lin surface to assunue that 'rows "and changes ere
only two way of expressing the same idea. Tret this is Enly two wnya of expressing the same idea. Trel this is not so whinl seven figures can he arronged, and you wonld naburally inturatio that if you ring all these withort repetitinon you havo me-

 certomd with changes athe not vows. Thas in a 720 there mont le 720 hue chamges, and any sum resolution as that of with Messrs. Whitlingtou nad Palling lave given notice is altogelier Incide the porint:

There is another point on which I slinuld like to make a few
servations. There has been a preat deal of inoping onl terth and
 thinking. Really it ammunts to this, is a peal of 5,049 changes of Bulb Minor to he regardeul ns wh whate or is it seven independend touches of 720 eacts ${ }^{2}$ Na doulbt everyone will reply "The former, for wo arg all agreed that il a band sets ont to ring a 7,200 of Bob
Minor and bronks down in the eiglath ol' a subsequent 720 it ennnot claia to hare lumg a 5,040 . But in effeed a considerable mumber of Four correspondents linve ndopten the latien interpretalions. Wo all know hat sou con cull the Single in Burton's 5,056 of Bob Major at the firsi Wrong amt ring the second half of the peal before Hhe first half. Anut the cosult is just as true as in the form whinh the romposition appurs in hao Cenlral Gounty Collection.

If a 5,010 ol Liol Binol consists of seven parts of a single wiale, thero is equally no reason (so fate as the trath of the composition is contentod why yut slould ant alter the grouping of the parts by splicing of other derice. Ithes, when we are tolf we must not saterifiee truth, some of us nte left mold.
OP course this dows not imply that all such arrangements aro of equal value, withat thene muy woi be some which it would be much Intien mot to atis.
At the presemt time the volemo at six-tell composition is in full *rupdion. Mtreh of what is heing fitrown ap will doulatess prove to ha mual an wamination, lat malit if is given time to solidify it in

PRESENTATIONS TO NORTH WALES RINGER.

## MR. A. J. HUGEES DEPARTURE TO JORKSHIRE.

Mr. Albert J. Hughes, of Rhyl, who has recently been promoted to a pasition at Bradford, after a sojourn of some years in Aैorth Wales, has bean the recipient of a number of parting gifts by old friends aud colleagues.
The ringers of St. 'fthoms', Rhyl, gave him a beantiful walking stiok suitably inscribed, and to his son, Mr. Albert H Hughes, they presented a silver bell chain peudant with inseription. These presentations were made hy Mr, Charles Ligerton ond Mr: Ben Coilis respectively.
Mr. Hughes, who was district foreman in the enginering clepartment of the L.M.S. Railway at Rhyl, received a haudsome Jacobeat oak bookcase from the supervisors in filue Chester and FolyLead district, and his staff presented Mr and Mrs. Hughes wilh an umbrella ench. These gifts were banded to Mr. Hughes at a gathering of railway men, when Mr. Tudor Williams, the secretary and one of the arganisers of the movement, referyed to bis long association with Mr. Fighes, whom he lasd tnown all his hifetirae. They were memhers of the Railway Institute Boys? Brigedo at Bangor together, Mr. Hughes serving as an officer and Mr. Willians is tha instructar. Again during the Great wat then had mel in laying circunstances, but their friendship was a souree of maturl cheer. After the war Mr. Fughes was scat from Bangor to lake charge of the Rliyl Station alterationis narl the Prestatyn extension, when they again met. They wonked hamonionsly together for ten years, when Mc. Williams was transferred to the Denbigh district, and be to Low Moor, near Eratiford. Mir. Hughes had a sympathetic feeling townds abl who were itl or suffering in any way.
M4. Tombinson, who presided over the gachering, then asked Mr. Mathews, stationmaster of Rhyl, to hand over the valuablo gift. Mr. Mathews, in cloing so, said lic was grieved to lose at friond and a neiglour. Mr. Hughes had always been very willing and mosi efficieat in every service he undertook.

Mr. Hughes, in replying, thanked the promoters nand subscribecs for the fine gift, and dwelt on the comradeship wheth had always elameterised their relations as railway wowters, and on the eneouragement received from those in authority on the Norlts Wales district of the I.M.S.
After the presentalion at the slation the party went to the Bee Hotel, where at convivial gathering took place. Refireshments were kindly given by the host nnd hostess, Mr: and Mrs. Artinu. Fere Mr. Huglies had e surprise packen, when Wri. Sibley, on behalt of Mr. And Mrs. Arthur, presented him with or pipe ith ense aj a souvenit of good fellowship and a token of goon wislaes.
Mr. Hushes has taken up his resiflence at fow Mool, Firadford, and will that lose his position Ho the representative of the North Wales Association on the Ceneral Council. He has alreaty been

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## The Editor,

## The Ringing World,'

 WOKING, SURREY.
## (Continued from previous column.)

premature to dectate that lhis or that will not latn nut to he salid rock. Tnsteal of tha craze lhat has surition cembins memhers of the
 utost realy with cloar-cita ablutions are in nearly every case eighthell ringers with small knowledge of six-tyell puohnems.-Yours faithfully,
E. S. YOWELI.

## BROLGHT ROTND?

Dear Sir, - It was a pleasure lo rear the Res. H. Law Janzs*
etter in your issue of March 15 th unlil, spunting of the thee leads of Bab Singles he had prodtuced, he saint. Eaeli of thesp can he rang by itself and bronght round." Nit plain ringer will admit therr is any legitimate method of ciuging the sceond lead of Bub Singles lefore the first lead has heen rimg, let alone ringing it by itself and bringing it reund. Repetitiou is one thing, hut changes ean be 'bronght round, only at the ocenvenne of a round-123, ete:
I. write in this way bemuse it is ushat for Mr. James ju lis arguments to stark of well and hlunder past the bounds of reason before he ends.
I rearl the second lialf of lis- letcen ecrernt times, and uItimatelo congratulated myself upor gravelling exaclly what was fa the writer's mind. The lether was writhen for the benelit of the junior meabers of the Exercise, and in case the latter indies aud gentlemen did zot measure it: the last sentence ocepied over seven lices of swall print. Whth apologies for a litfle ubernatron. I remain, Fours faithintify
Sorwict.

## A LINK WITH JASPER SNOWDON.

## DEATH OF MR. ARTHUR CRITCHLEY.

Anotleer link with the days of Jasper Snowdon and those who founded the Yorkshire Association has been broken by the daath, which occerred, on the Gth inst., of Mr. Arthur Critchley, of Dkley, who was 73 years of age. The deceaseत joined the Yorkshire Association in the year of its commencement in 1875, and although he had rung only two peals be remained a member until his deatb. Mr. Gritehleg was a member of a family which had a long association with Ilkey. His grandfather was a warden of the Ilkley Parish Ghutch, and his father, Mr. T. J. Critchloy, was for many years a member of the chil Ilkley Loes Board.

Mr. Arthir Gritchley, who was the gldest son of the family, was oducated ai be High School, Ilkley, and the Spofforth Acedomy. He was perlapes best known in Wharfodalo as all expert angler. His father was fer many ycars hon. secretary of the old Burnsall Angling Cluh, and Mr, Arthur Critchley was a member of this club, and was amongst the earliest members of the Ilkley Angling Club, with which lie was closely associated throughout its long history. He was one of the cleverest makers of fies in fle valley and many young anglers came to him to gain the benefit of his expert adrice and! skill.

He was a lover of wusic, a violinisi and a vocalist of considerable ability, and in lis youtuger days was a member of the Ilkley Vocal Saciety and of the IFhley Parish Clureb Choir. At one time lic was it playing momber of the Itkley Cricket Club.

The Finmeral took place at the Ikley Gemetery on Tuesday, Marein 12th, following a service conducted by Canon C. J. Hamer, Yicar, at the Porisly Church.

Ou Sumday, with the bells half-nuffled, the Ilkley riugers rang 50: Steriman Traples.

## PEALS OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE.

To the Editor.
Dear Sir -In your issue of March 15th there are two peals of Camhridge Sinmise Msjor "by T. B. Worsles," quite a expable composer, Rut, sir, in the second peal at any rale, I contend that four rourse ate Mi'. Worsley's, and the other nimeteen belong to Midaleton and Johnsous. Why not, thon, 'Worsley's Variation '? -Yours farthiully,
J. F. DUFFIEED,

Norwich.

## MARVELS OF THE EXERCISE.

To the Editor.
Dear Sir,-I noled your remarks in The Ringing World. Te Mr James George, who, no doubt, is a mavel for his age, but in the peal rung at Ipswich is a man whora X consider a far greater anarvel. Mr. Robert Brundle is 78 yearg old, and has riang quite a lot of peals af Surprise Maximus recently.-Yours faithfully.

ERNEST F. POPPY.

## RINGER'S GOLDEN WEDDING

The many frierds of $\mathbf{M r}$. H. A. Rarneti, of All Hallows', Totten ham, will he interested to learn ihat ine golden auriversary of lis wedding fel! on March 9th. After an assueiation of over 50 Peats with the belfry, Mr. Barnett is still one of the most ralued of the ringers-one of those whose steadiness and reliakility go so far to ensure coming into rounds" at the proper time. I'le lingers presented Mr. and Mrs. Barnett with a clock as a mark of their esteem.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION

A very successful meeting of the Enstern District af the Burham and Newcastle Diocesar Association was held at Gateshead on Saturday, Mareh 9th. The bells of St. Mrry's were set going to Stedmau Triples, Kent Treble Bob Major, and Double Norwich, aud, later, 21 sat down to an excelleat tea in the Anchorage, adjoining the church, those present including the president, Mr. E. F. Ferry, Rep Cauon Stephenson, Rev. Weleh, and ringers from Houghton, Weat Hartlepool, Durlam, Newcastle, Sunderland and tho local beifry
The treasurer, Mi: G. S. Taylor, proposed a lieariy vote of thanks to the Rector and churchwardens for the use of the bells, and Mr. R. Parkinsol thanked the ladies for waiting on the party at the tables.

During the meeting Messra. Ferry, Story, Davidson and Robson entertained the campany witla sone excellently struck Graudsire "Priples on the handbells.
It was decided to bold the next mecting at Durłam City on Sainiday, May 4 h.

## MUFFLED BELLS,

On Tuestay, Marely 12th, at St. Nicholrs' Charch, Jiverpanl, 1,248 Cambriage Surprise Major on the back eight (lenoz 39 cw in 55 mints: W. Tisher 1, J. Breese 2, L. L. Giray 3, T. Hamminarl 4, G. R. Newton 5, J. Cooke 6, E. Caunce 7, J, C. E. Simpson 1 Ton rinetor') 8. This was limg half-munted, afier meeting shopt for a peal atternpt, as a last token of respect to the late Rer. G. A Studdert-Kennedy ('Woodbine Willie').
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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

As Good Friday contes in mext week, 'The Rinseing World will be publishet one day carlier. All communcations for that issute should reach us as canly as possible, and in no case later than Nonday mext.
The meeting of the Chesterfied Distriet of the Midland Countios Association at Bolsover to-morrow las been nancelled. owirg to illness near the chutch.
Many of the visitors to Bristol for the last dimer of the thated Guilds will remember the Chilcompton bus. We are rredibly informed that this vebicle has now done 43,500 miles. and that it has never yet been washed.
Mr. E. F. Poppy, of Eye, writes that it would be intereshing to know how many ringers there are who have rung a handien peals an the bells at their own church. There must be quile a number who lave done this.
The jeal of six (tenor $19 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt)}$. at Winslow, Bucks, restored by Messrs. Gillell and Johnston, will be rededicated at 11.15 s.m. un Easter Day. There will be ringing at noou, wlien risitors will he welcomed.
On this day in the year 1737 a peal of 6,876 Grandsire Caters was rung af New College, Oxforct. An old chronicler records that "iwas a glorious performance, for tho' there were ewo very great blunders and some ather bad ringing, $y$ eft, considering the great length of the peal, it was admirable ringitg, such as cau hardly he mended, unless it be by the Londoners, it being a thing, as it were, uext to impossible to go through such a long, tedious work without-Titults."
This reconti of the peal is interesting, in that it gives the vocations of the ringers, who were:-

1. Hearne, the Taylor.
2. Mr. Yickers, second Butler of New College.
3. Mr. George, tle Taylor.
4. Mr. Guy Terry, the Potash Maker in St. Clement
5. Mr. Yates, second Cook of Magdaleu College.
6. Mr. Jola Brouglaton, Barber.
7. Mr. Richard Smith, Glover
8. Mr. Barnes, secoad Cook of Clrist CLurch.
9. Mr. Arthur Lloyd, of Holywell, Carpenter and Beld Hanger.
10. Mr. Nicholas Benvell, who stows Great Tom.

On March 27th, 1815 , a peal of 10,008 Grandsive Caters was runtr on the same bells.

A peal of 7,104 Treble Bob Maximus was rung at Southwnils on March 22nt, 1802, by the Royal Gumberland Fouths.
On March 23 rc, 27B3, a peal of 5,020 Oh Double Cnters, being the first peal ever tung in that method,' was achieved by the College Youtbs at Fullam. It would be interesting to know exactly whai Old Double Caters' is.
James Barham called the Eirsb peal of Rererse Bob Majar at Harrietsham, Kent, on March 23rd, 1751.
Elijat Roberts' great performance of 'tapping 19.140 chauges ut handbells took place on March 23rd, 1837.
A peal of 5,160 'Double Twelve ln' was rung at St. Eride's, Heer Street, by the College Youtlis, on March 2411. 1784, amf rwo dnys later they 1 rang 6,048 'Real Double Twelve In' af St. Saviour's, Soutliwark.
The climax to Lixe rivaly which extended over many years betweon the College Youths and the Cumberhands, for the longet length of Treble Bob Royal, was reached on Marcin 27h, 1784 , when lhe Cumberland Society scored the famous 12,000 at Shoreditcis in 9 lurs. 5 mins., a record which was unbroken for over a liundred years.
Another method, which from its ald pame we du not 16 cognise today, was rung for the first time on March 28th, 2750 . It was 5,040 - New Dauble 'Tripples, being the only peal that wis ever complated in that method, and was rung by flie Cumberlazas at Slareditch.

## BROADCAST OF ST. MARTIN'S BELLS, BIRMINGHAM. To the Editor.

Sir,-Will those ringens in various parts of the "ountry who listened to the ten minutes broadeast ringing from St. Martin's Church, Birminglam, 7.50 to $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. on Sunday lasi, findly forward to the undersigned their opinion as to bow the twelve hidts eame through, as the B.B.C. officials here are very anxious to know if the micraphone as placed for this broadcast is now in the right position in radioing ' St. Martin's uew peal.-Yours faithfully,
81, Bakev Street, Sparkhill, Birmingham. ALBERY' WALKER.

## THE FIRST PEAL IN WALES

After all, the peal of Guandsive Gaterg at Wrexham in 1803 was not the first peal in Wales. A peal was rumg at St. Giles Parish Church there on March 26tb, 1729, exactly two hundred years rgo next Tuesday.
Mr. Thomas Cathrall writes from Wrexham a follous:

- In your issue of Maroh lat the clam of the Callege Youths to the first peal in Wales is disproved by Mr. Jas. E. Groves, and he refers to a peal of Grandsire Caters rung liere on 311y $27 \mathrm{th}, 1803$. We have no records of this peal in our possession, hut there is a hoard in this tower lecording a peal of Grandsire Triples, 5,040 changes, rung on March 26th, 1729 , by a local bandi."


## TRAGIC DEATH OF MR. JOSEPH E. SYKES.

## "GASSED ' AT COPFNHAGEN.

The death has occurted at Coperhagen, Denmark, under tragic ipennscances, of Mr. Joseply Edwin Sykes, one of the best-known rimgers in Englancl. Me. Sykes, who was the eldest son of Mrs. Sykes and the late Mr. D. F. E. Sykes, a former well-known solicitor, of Ainsley House, Marsilen, Yorks, was employed by Messrs. W. O. Folmes aur Co., the well-known gas engineers of IIuddersfield, and travelled al] over the work superintending the erection of gas manufacturing plant. He had been engaged in this work in the Danish capital and was found gassed in a room in the works, with one of the gas cocks turned on. He died without recoverigg consefousmess. The canse of the tragedy is not yet known.

Mr. Sykes hat carvied out work for his firm in many parts of the world. He lad visited most of the countries in Europe, had erected gas plant in distant Manchuria, and in Canada, and in the conrse of gis business had visited almost every corner of the British Isles.

He whs an enthusiastic ringer, and wherever ha pitched his tent would hont up the ringers in all the towers around. His sole 'relavation" was found in ringing, and he was never happier than when on the ropo of a heavy bell. Tall and muscular, he was well fitted for some of the big tasks lie undertook when visiting neglected towere where bells go badly. He was a ready writer, with a sense of lumour, and a pungent eritic. To large numbers of ritugars throughont the country be was known as 'Uncle Joe,' and many contributions in this journal from his pen appeared over the mame of 'Samivel l'eppery.'
His absence from Fugland often took him away from ringing for lon $r$ periods, as, for instance, when he was in Wanchuria for eighteen months, but he newer lost his interest in the art, and returned to
activity in the belfry like a giant refreshed. He received. "The Ringing World, in more countries than any oblier man, and he was a frequent and entertaining correspondent. Abont six monilis ggo, howerer, le retired from yinging, for what actual reason he never divulged. The Ediwn of 'The Ringing World, received a lether which Mr. Sykes deseribed as his 'Swan Song, and asking to be allowed to retire 'to his chimney comer' without comment.
And thnts he slid out of the Exercise, but he laft many friends, who will deply regret his tragie end and sympathise with itre bereaved wife and mother who are left to mourn their loss.

## BIRMINGHAM'S VETERAN'S DEATH.

 FOTNDER OF THE HOLT SOCIETY.St. Martin's Gtilk has again, through death, lost anoiher of its
old members in Willian Kent, one of the vige-presidents, who passed awny ou Mrtch 8th. The writer of these few lines has been happy in knowing and ringing witl, lim for 58 yerrs, ant can tesify as to what mamer of man lue was.

Bill, as his intimates called him, wan a St. Martin's Toutl, first nnd last. As a youlh he drifted down $[$ St. Martin's, along wit] Baliwin, Bastable, Avery, Johnson, jun., Butiery, Farmer and others, who were hrought nip winder the eyes of Henty Johnson, sen., Lates, Perles and Day, who baught them how to ring, and they learnt, the lesson well. Later on, Williain JEnst took over from young Eenry Johnson the towerkeephor of the famous Aston Chureh, started the Holt Society, and palbered aronnd hinn atendid bond, of whom the oulv ones now left are Charlie Stanbridge and the writer. Mr. Kent also used to go on Saburday nights to Suiton Coldifeld, is justructon. when the bells were made into eight, and among others who eame umber lis inluence were Gharles and Fred Dickens. He was a good condtector, but never maricious, and anyone who was capabie could call.
As a camposer he was of no moan ability. He lat some splendid short conrse peals of Grandsive Caters. As a linger, in bis day none were betid. FTe wns a good bandbell ringer, and took part in the first peal of Grandsire Triples in hand ' in Birmingham, rlong with Bastable, Avery and Jolinson, jun,, with Day and Jolnson, sen., as referees. He also rang 3-4 in the tirst peal of Stedman Cinques and the long peal of Giandsire Ginopues at St. Martin's. I do not know at the momend how many peals he had rung, but it nust have been a good number, and so one could go on. But of the man himself I should like to say a few words. Of a cuiet, massuming disposition, he was generous almost to a failt, and was nover knowin to speak harshly to anyone. In the 58 years the writer has known him, there has mever been the slightest jar to mar that long friendiship, atad Ehat was hoq he liad been all through his long life.
And so he was laid to rest on Ihnirstay, March lath, in Erdington Pavish Churchyard (witlo his wife who had predeceased him by a year or tmo) in the presente of the sorrowing male members of his family nud friends. Included among the wreatlis was one from St. Wartin's Guild, whose members were represented by Mossis. A. Walker (Deputy Ringing Master', G. Swann, T. Miller, J. George, F. Dickens und A. Padilon Smith. The first four rang a counse of Grandsire Thiples over the grave, and last Tuesday St. Nartin's bells ere rung maffled.
And thus we leave him, cerinin that he has left behind fim the beautiful namory of one of Nature's gentlemen.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

## WESTERN DLVISTON

The ambual weeting of the Western Division of the Forkshive Assiciation was bedn at Pudscy on Saturday last, menbers from the lul. lowing towers being present: Bradford, Gaiseley, Keighter, Armley, Leeds, Queenslumy, Ihbley, Lindley, Headingler, Birstall, Bineley,
Lightufie, Bramles, shipley, Inlle, Rotliwell, Calverley, and the local Lightolifte, Bramles, shipley, Idle, Rotliwell, Calverley, and the local Grange, in the ahsance of the Vicar through illaess. Ton was trvel in the West fin caie, and the business meeting was held ist the Park Fotel, Mr: J, Cotterell (vice-president) being in the diain.
The fallowing offerss were re-elected: Mr. H. Peel , Birstalla and Mr. J. Lawson (Lithteliffe) to the commattee; and Mr. F. Iutchinson (St. Clad's Eervetary. Mir. C. E. Lawson (St. Chad's) was elected on the committee in the place of Mr. E. H. Simpsons (Ship-
ley), who expressed a wish to rethe owing to lis inabilit to ationt ley), Who expressed a wisla to rethe owing to his inabilis to atient meetings.
There were no invitations for the June meeting, and it was proposed to ondearow in artange one at Marsden,
Votes of thanks of the Vicar and churchwardens for the use of tha bells, to the Rev. TV. T. Grange for lis address, and, to she local company for the surangements made, werc carried manimonaly-
M . Cordingley respombed. A vote of thanks to the secretary brought the business mecting to a close. Ringing on totser haven anf handbells was afterwards Eurther indulged in.

## SOUTHERN DIVISION.

The annual meeting was lielid at Rammoor, slieffield, nu Saturlay last, when the majority of the towers in the division were remesended, about 40 ringers being prosent from Sheffich Citherlial, St. Marte $\mathcal{J}_{3}$ All Sinints', Handsworth, Conishorough, Sptotbot ugh, Duncaster, Amsey, Rawamarsh, ath Dartield. $A$ shont servce was cunducted by whe Rector Canon Lee Nieholls), th praetical tanging mertiher of Ehe asioriation, and whose addrass on the various nses of bells was very muela appiteciated. A splentid tea was presifled in the Institute lyy the local company, and the business rueting was held in the same place. The Rector was vated to blue viair, and opportunity was raken to congratulate him an his app intmenb as wn lon. Canon of Blatficld Cathedral.
Mr. W. Bilson, Ranmoor, was clected a member of he nssociation. Mr. $F$. Clark was re-elecled as tecretary and thanked for his past services. Mr. G. Holmes (St. Marie's), Mu. S. F. Patmee (Cathedral), and M1. G. Clayk (Alksey), were elected to the yaneral committee ut the association, aud Mr. C. D. Potter, of Farnsley was re-ciceted to the loral cotudittee
For the amual jcint meeting of the societies in the scutberm area, Whiston, near Rotherham, was selected, the date beinc fiyed for June 22nd.
A committee consisting of Mr. G. Lewis, Mr. S. F. Palmer, Mr. IR. Hanvson, junt, Nu. Hi. Holmes, and Mr. M. Wilson, was elected to make the necessary arrmgements fol the anmal dinmer of the association which will be held this year in Sheffield on September 21st next, and all present were asked to make this known and help to make the event sucenseful.
Votes of thanks to the chairman, to the ladies for their services at the tea, to the organist, and to the local company for their kind Wolcome, were hearify catried, and replied to by the Rector, who promised that, at the first opportunif, he would have che bella at lis church put into a condition which would make them gecond to noue in the county.

## MINOR METHOD NAMES.

Dear Sir,-T Wonder What Mir. Trollope would have me rend nato his letter of Warch $15 \operatorname{lilh}^{2}$ Are his remarks to be conatured into gentle reprooi?
Following my leiter of anquiry, ints passing reference
means:-
(1) It is the business of the Meltiods Committee alone a\& to why
(2) Iltat Minor rinerers must await tho new' Collection athut pay their 1s. get. for the privilege of correcting the book for Which the Certral Counctl already has charged.
The first, cervainly, is not our business, oller than that we are interested in the rummy ${ }^{1}$ doings of a body which is gring to ask us (througla our *arigus associations) to contributo our nilites forward an affiliation fee of 55 . per menter.
The second certainly is our busimess, if only for the reason that we have paid our 9il. for our' 'Collections.' The lear inat Mr. Trollope (imperzonally. please) could lave done was to have fald us why we are calsen tpon to wait for the names. The luew Collection" has been put back on account of the "peal coninoversy," ofherwise, we are ild $_{1}$ it was ready for the printers' hands.-Your's faitlaful|y,
TOM RLSSAM.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

The Annual Meeting of the Council will be held at Chemsford on Whitsun Tucsday, May 2rst, 1929. at if a.m. precisely.

Agenda, 1929.
Minutes of the last mecting.
Apologies for absence.
Statement of accounts and of sale of publications. Election of honorary members.
5. Presentation of new members to the President.
6. To receive and discuss the reports of the Stand-
ing and other committees.

## MoTLONS.

7. 'Jlare this Council will not recogrise as a peal of Minor or Donliles any emposition in which the bells do not strike in 720 or 120 clifferent orders respectively, before beginning the next 720 or 120 . (Mr, R. Whittingion and Mr. A. H. Pulling.
(6. (a) That honorary members pay an afthiation fee of 5 s. each per uthum. (b) That associations in future pay a fee of Es. per representative per annum. (Mr. E. W. Elwell and Ker. O. W. (3. Jealcyn.)
8. (a) The Council aske each association to appoint a censultant to the Advisory Commitlec of Comnittees in its atea. (b) The Council asks each associntion io malee every effort to get as many riugers as possiblo elected to lavochial Church Councils, to Thocesan Commitices and to the Church Assemhis. (Rer. H. Drake and Mr. Ch. J. Sedgley. 1
9. That the rules of the Council he amented in order to provide that the notice and rgenda of enclu ammal meeting of the Coundil ho published at leest eight weeks, instead of twelve weeks, Firior to such mueting. (hr. J. S. Goldsmith nnd Ms, T. T. Coles.)
dealing winnteo be appointen to consider the best method of Healing with cases of extrnortinary sickneas anougst nembers affiliated clange ringing associations, with power to report ter tho noxt ananal meeting. (Mlv. W. Ayre; seeonder not pet given.)
10. To fix the place of next yen's meetiug-
11. Olher husinesa, if nuy.
(N. 3-The thetailed agenta will be published a fortniglat before the meating.

155, Kushey Groen, S.E.6.
E. ALEX XOUNG

## To the EXitor.

Sir, fith most of your lratime articie on the subject of the

 wuy, hy all ments let tas laveo an atmua! alection if such an tian rangempan! wauld condmee to rremter efliciener. But ! thut that Ihe wisdow of exporience lead: the other way. I notice that you
 which is hasually talsen as bungr in least fanly representative of apinion is the conntry, an! han a lify even longen than three rears. Anct jusl us there are ways for memhers to cotsoltt with their consititents with a view to lembuing theip constitments views on any particular puestion, und of eithor giving effoct to hoze views hy their vase, or of resigning if they find liemsolves in hopeless contlint with tham, so, surely, it is widh members of the Central Cunt cil. If sont thembers think that there is a strong generat freling


 cisions. Whiels, aftey being pissed, turn out, when all is sail and done, ic fie nolhing more than the croteliets of a few well-meaning but misralen peoplo-Youte, ctc. CHARLES D. P. DAV゙ıtes.

## DROLSIONS HT IBMOCRATIC METEODS

Sourn-Nil that the agenda fro tho nomiag meeting of ilte Centra!

 considutrahing ath ang menings whicis they may be arranging beiseon haw and Whitsuntide, and mrange aiso to take a ratio on tha ffucstion, 'Ius' or 'No, and furward the result $t$; the genera? secretay of their nssociation or Gtifth, who would thus he in the posilimn io instuct the representatives who are going in Chelmsford an the cxact opinion ait heir members on the question. There pre of corirse, subjects whinh come up for disenssion at the funlal Conncil meetings of $\pi$ mathre on whieh is is certainly infunsilite to give an intelligent vule, oxcept only after hearing the
full discussion, atnd on such subjects such a request as I lipre made rbove would be silly, and impracticable. On the other hand, on such definite nuestions as, szy, 'Diplomas for young ringers, of rast year, or item No. 7 on the present agenda, I contend, sir, that decisions should he reacled by demoeratic methods, nid shotid. certanly reflet the opiaion of the members of the affilated associations. Anyway, here is the chance for the rank and file of ringers to luave their say-if they wish to. I hope every district secresary will give them the oppordunty to do so. Yours iruly,

RORERT WHITEINGTON,
Cranleigh (Guildford Diacesan Gutilit).
The motion referved to above is as follows: "That this Council. will not recognise a a peal of Minor or Doubles any composition in which the bells do not strike in 720 or 120 different otders respectively before beginning the nest 720 or 120.

## RULES SHOULD BF REVISED.

Sir,-Your leating article of Darch $15 t h$ stands in many wavs as a reply to Rev. C. D. P. Davies. There are one or two additional phints, however:
Firstly, during the last eight years (during the first four of which we harl one member; and during the laiter four three members upon the Central Comeil the cost to the Gloucester and Buistal Diocesan Association of ils connection with the Central Conncil has been £19 10s. 1d. (Dtring the last four yents the expenses comi for two nembers only, the third respected member not applying for expenses.) This is surely one reason why the associations should hawe a d'ecognised status.
If the answen to that is to be read in the Ceatral Council rules, it is in words to this effect: 'Associations (according to theit' numerical strengtla clect representatives upon the Couricil. Now in the "English Dictionnry" inis word means delegate. We know what happened about this word at Fereford, and the least thar is indicated is that the rules of the Coumeil should be altered to 'Associntions (aceorting to their numerical strength) elect the monbers of the Council. Tlais would put matters clearls that an association sould send members as members if they choose. and there wouth be no rloblbt in the minds of jinger throughout the comntry that the people whon they sent wond be there as free agents, and Mot mere altomata ol' Robies says in his letter: 'Of course, it goes without saying that the association which sends him to represent them will be exceedingly foolish if they have not taken every ente fo satis? themselves before electing him that his views are in geveral, and in paricular, on crucial points in sympatiyy with their own, otc. person at Hepeford who said, $I$ was instructed by my association to vote for cliplonas for ringers, although, personafly, if am against then:. At this point the presidend said, "You are hete to vofe as a member, num not as a delegates. I lako that an an indiention that the aceociation lue represents will be foolish if that smember is alected fyain.
Anotiner point is the reference to House of Common members. We, the electors, are usually inturdated wita letters from prospective candidates telligg as what they are going to do if we put hem in, and we have a goorl idea who nol la put in. Not so in Centural Commeil matfers. For instaner, how few, as members of the Council, wil] vote against No. 8b on Ine agenclit this year, yet, upon the allew hand, walrl they vote for it if they had the work to fins the money? Therg is mach to do in speneling associations monies to prowile change ringers by means of lonal instruction. [ lave at my hand sewen reports of other associations and I fril to find in ans of the rales given reference to the Central Council. I have not picked these out; they are all 1 have
This shows, therafore, that ther rules of associations should be revised upon the question of the contral hodry, but first the Centrad Council must pate the wry by revising its own rales, either by removinu the word 'representative' or hy adherimg to its correct meqning

Now a few questions: Why diol the Council refer an then to the associations:
Why do the ressciations refuse to give the Council ${ }^{\text {b }}$ powers to enforce '
The expense of the Central Counci! each rear must be rbout E1m0 to the assoriations throughaut limgland. Is it really word is?
put it to ilie Glaucester and Bristol members to settle this matter from their local standpoint.- Vnurs faithfully,

> IDGAR GUISE,

Central Council member,
and Fent. Sec, Gloucester and Itristol Diocesan Association.

## EONORARY MFMBERS' SLEBSGRD'TIONS

Dear Sit, The ugenda which is published in this week's "Ringing Tord contains a resolution, in the mame of the general secretary of the Chester Guild, which proposes that honorary mombers of the Coutral Council shall in future pay an affiztion fee of 5 . per annum. The Clower Guild has one momber, and one only, who is qualifien to trke a seat on a Comncil of ingers (Mr. H. W. Wilde, of (Contiuued in next columa.)

## SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR IN TEN METHODS.

## A PEAJ, OF 5,760 BE゙ A. T. PTTMAN.

The following remerkable composition by Mr. A. J. Pitman introAuces ten Surprise Major methodi into one peal:2345678


Repeat four times, linging leat lat of all Ruthmil for Gloucesiershive producess:-

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- 3462857 Rutland or Londbus.

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- 6342857 Norfulk.

2537684 Cambridge or Superlative.

- 6325478 Rutland or Londent

2643857 Rutland.

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- 5623478 Ratland or London.

6327485 Cambridge, Linetilushire or Pudsey.

- 5426837 Norfolk,

Repeat as from 6234857 four times, ringing las lead of all Rutand
Norfolk, and finisla with a boli.
Noote that tourth's place bols are macte at fite end of the leads
Note that fourth's pace bobs are mate at fite end of the leads
of that alethod.
This composition may be rung in from live to ten motilods. Bristol may he rung at the home leadla where shown, which eats out the Widille rad Wrong leads. T'lsus the ten available leads rung as Bristof wil reciuce the peal to 5,120 changes. The peal oontains the 60 Midalle, Wrong and Fome leads, and may be veduced in several ways.

## MERIVALE MEDLEY.

## I'o the Filitor.

Sin,-The six-scole in this week' 'Rimging world' ealled "Merivale Medley ' is a six-score of Original Doubles having 32 bobs and singles. Thie $Q$ sels are as follows: Finst half, whea $1-2$ change in from lirst time at $S$, second time a bols, third time plain, when 2-3, $1-5,+3,2-5$ and $1-4$ clange places in frunt bob; sccont lialf, 1-2 in front S.B.P., 2-5, 1-3, 4-5, 2-3 and 1-4 bobs.
It is an similar composition to the 720 of Boh Minor with 14 hobs and 2 singles. You can bobl $1-3$ in the first half and $1-5$ in the second half: bis gives another six-seore with 38 hols and 2 singles.

Xou can also bob $3-5$ in both halves, 38 bobs and 2 singles, ete.
H. LAW JAMES.

## (Continned from previous colamn.)

Eecleston). He las been an Lonorary member of the Oouncib for some years, and rarely misses a meeting, miving his time and paying his awn expenses. I should like to hlagest, thoough 'rhe Ringing World, that at all braneh meetings held by the Chester Guild bef woen now and Whitsuntide, a resofution should be passed instrueting the finild's representatives not to be influenced by sny pros or eons which may be expressed at the mecting, but to give a direct negaive to the proposal.
If the Comeil want cash, and we all know they cannot carry on without it, lat thom give each member af the Fxercise, through their Fespenive associations, an opportunity of providing it, and not stick their lingers in the pockets of those who are already bearing major portion of the burcen.- Fours traly;
Froulsham.

## DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.

GENEROUS DONATION TO DUDLEY 'SPIRE FUND.
The anmul mecting of the above Guik was held at Duthey on Saturday week in beautiful springlike weather. The bells wern placed at the dispasal of the members from three oclock, and they were kept merrily going. The beautiful form of service user by the Guild at its meetings was conducten by the Ftes. Dr. WorgerSlade (assistant priest) at the Parish Church, the lesson being read by the president, the Rev. Crion Phelips, R.1.. Vica! of [judle\%: The address was given by the Rev. S. G. Lavery fassistant priest of Nethertou Parish Church).
After the service an adjoumment was made to the schomboom, where a sulostantial tea was in readiness, provided by funds collected by the secretary (Mr. Herbert Sheppard) from prominent ladies and gentlemen of St. Thomas congregation and other friends, and was admirably served by a contingent ol ladies, from among whom the following fadies kindly presided nt the tablea Mrs. Blaker, Mrs. Worger-Slade, Mrs. J. Goodman, sen., and Mrs. Parkes. Tpwards of eighty members and friends sat down to the tea, and it was regrettable that not more members ayailed themselves of the gloaious afternoon to be present to partake of the good things provided. At the business meeting the president oceupied the chair, supported by $\mathrm{Dr}_{\mathrm{r}} \mathrm{P}^{3}$. S. Biaker (vice-president), Revs. Dr. Worgey Slade, F. C. Femp (Vicar of Netherton), and S. G. Lavery, Apologies were reccived from Mrs. Phelips, Mr. Churchwarden, and Mrs. Shuttleworth, Rev. Dr. Swindell, Vicar ff Sedgley, Mr. Arthur Spitide, Mr. James Rayliss, and Mr- and Mrs. Ben Gough. AfEer business of ratine elaracter had been dis-
posed of, the secretary read bis report of lasi yen's activilies, posed of, the secretary read his report of last year's achivilies,
which considering the diflieulty of the times, was favurable. The membership, both bonorary and peiforming, had increased, and finameially the Guild was still in a prosperous eondition.

The Prestent congraiulated the officials and members ou the favonable report and balance shect, and they were unamimously adopted.

The election of oftoers for the ensuing year then brok place, Dr. Blaker oceupying the datr during filse deation of presirlent. The Rev. Canon Phelips was main tunamonsly electerl to this office. and on rising to thank the members for the homour that they had Hgain conferved on him was received with loud eheers. He whe also thanked for his lsimhess and support to ilve Guidd during the past year.
The following were electer as vice-presidents: Rers. F. T. Cluwerton (Vicar of Rowley Regis), H. C, Kemp (Vicav of Netherton!. Rev. Dr. Worger-Slade (of Dudey Parish Charehy, Messts. J. W. Nayler, EI. Watson, Arthur Spittle, H. Mason, F. R. MoDowell G. Fi. Llogd, M. P., De. P. S. Blaker and Wr. Shutflewortl. Mr. John Goodman. jun, was re-elected Ringing Master and M1 Herbert Sheppist hon. secectary, with a special wote of thanks for his raluatue services to the Guild cluring the past yent: Mr: S. J. Fugltes was again re-elected hon. trobsurer, and the hon. anditors. Messis. F. Evans aud T. H. Justice, were also re-elected ami thanked for thett services.
It wis proposed to hold the next meating at the old Chatch Smethwick, and Dudley was proposed for the attempt for then annual peal. the arrangements as to band and rate being left in ita hands of the Ringing Master.
The secretary brought formard a matter which lard stoon ones from the last meeting. As Dudley Parish Chureh is Hin mothes church of the Guild, lie asked if it was possible to make a donation front the funds of the Guide towatds the 'Spire fund" which ibeing raised to repair or rebuild the spire of the Parish (thurch which was partially blawn down during the heayy gales last year. It was then unamousty resolved that $£ 5$ be given from the funds towards that object.
Dr. Blaker (Vicar's watden) brieff thanked the members for their generous gift and the Christian spirit which prompted it. Th church officials, ho said, would appreciate it also.-Tise President also thanked tha members for ther splendid gift as Vicar of Dudley, and said how much he, too, apprecieted it.
The Secretary acknowledged the continned confidence which the members planerl in him, and the husiness meeting ended wifl a proposition by Mr. S. J. Hughes, secanted by Mr. B. Fullwani. that a hearty rote of thanks be given to lio Rav. Canon I'luelips for presiding at the meding, and for the use of the tower and bells, and also to the school managers for the use of the sehoolroom, to tha Rew. Dr. Worger-Slade for combuting the scrvice, and to the Rer. S. G. Lavery for his jnteresting address. Special thank= were also given to the donors to the lea fund, to the ladies who pry sided at the tables, and to those who prepared and served lie tepa and looted after the comforts of those present. Mr. P. Pasfuelid (the assistant organist) was also thanked for the part he took the musical portian of the service. -The President briefy replied on behalf of all concemed, and then closed the mecting with praver

Afterwards the bells were again kept merrily zoing until nearly nine o'clock, when agother happy and enjogable aftemona at Durles was concluded.

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES

FLLitaM-At All Saints' Church, on Sunday evening, Marcla 17th, a quater-peal oi Stedman 'r'riples in 45 mins: H. C. Page 1 , W. H. Hollier 2, H. Belcher 3, J, W. Driver 4, A. Waddington 5, A. Harting 6, H. Sxevington (conductor) 7, G. H. C. Block 8. Rung ds coroplament to Mr. Challis Winney on his 7lst bivthdey.
STC ALBANS, HERTS.-On Sunday, March IOth, at the Cathedral or eponing service, a quarter-peal of Stedmaa Triples ( 1,260 changes) II 50 ming: : Chas. Walk/ate 1, H. J. C. Goodenough (eouductor) 2 , 3. E. Banders (first quarter-peal) 3, A. Kendall 4, J. G. Blow 5, Chas. Jutts 6, F. Bceson 7, J. Dryden 8.
SLVENOAKS.-At St. Nicholas' Church, for morning service, on March 10h , a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1,260 changes) in tB inins, : H. J. Ford 1, W. Turley (first quarter-peal ${ }^{\text {b }}$ inside') 2 , H. D. Ford 3, P. Turley 4, H. Baker 5, R. Collins 6, F. laige 7, S. Comber (itrst quarter-peal) 8. The above are regular Sunday bervice ingers at Sevenoaks, except R. Collins, who hails from Seal.
PAIGNTON. - On Sunday, March loth, for evensong, a quarter-ponl of (itandsire Triples ( 1,260 changes) at the Parisls Church in 51 nius. F. Alwoorl 1, J. Huxley 2, H. G. Leswis 3, H. Husley 4, C. F. Austin 5. F. E. Eramell 6, H. J. Holc (conductor) 7, C. Boyee 8. Rung ns a mirtiday compliment to the Lord Bishop of Exoter, also to weicome Messrs. H. G. Lewis and II. Huxler, who hail fron Denbighsinte and Warwickshire respectively.-On Sunday afternoon, March 3rd. for Contirmation service, as quarter-peal of Graudsire Doubles ( 7,260 hanages) on the brack six of we Praish Churele bells, in 43 mias.: F. Alwoori 1, ${ }^{*}$ H. G. Jewis 2, IT. S. Collings 3, *A. L Popo 4, H. T. Hole (conductar) $5, \mathrm{C}$. F . Austin (longest length on tenor) 6 . - First quarter-peal of Doubles. Specially arranged for Mr. H. G. Lewis, who hails from Denbighsire.
DARLJNGION.-For evening service at St. John's, on March 3rd 1,260 Grantsire Triples in 45 mins.: *A. W. Coates $1, A$. Coates 2, Wat. Broadley 3, Wen. Dowson 4, Wn. Robinson 5, H. Broadley 6, H. Taylor (ronductor) 7, *Robt. Wheadon 8. * First quarter-peal and litst attemom.
UxBRTDC(is,-At St, Margarct's Churel, on March 3rd, for moming service, a tuarter-peal of Stedman Priples in 45 mins. G. H. Gut. tevilge 1, (i. E. Spift (first quirter in the method) 2, R. Wauneti 3 ,
 A. (i. Thray 8.-At St. Andrew's Church, a quarter-peal of Stedman 'pyple in 44 mins., for evening sorvice on March zrd: $?$ Jons 1, E. G. Swift 2, G. H. Guttoridge 3, R. Wamett 4. J. H. Lueas 5 , E. Fincos (eonductor) 6, F. Corke 7, ©. Niaholls 8 .

## PEAL RINGING AT 81

As rocorded, a peal of Bob Minor was rung ous the beautiful amd receatly restored ring at St. Ann's, Stamford Hill, Jit wns rumg as a birthday complincut to Mr. F. Ringrose, towerkeeper and tutor of tho promising young hand now being initiateri into the mysteries of change ringing. The trehle was rung exceedingly well by some of the 16 -vear-old 'colts,' who thus scored lis first peal at the first attempt. Age was well represented by 'young ' Tommy Deal, now in his 81st tear, who rung lis bell Farlilessly throughout the peal, Froving himgelf mother velerita of the Exercise. It is interesting also fhat it was the first peal by the 5 th ringer for 25 years, and the first peal was uhe bells sine 1914 (Bob Minor) called by the same conductor.

## RINGER'S SUDDEN DEATH.

We regret to record lhat Mr. A. Henley, a member of the Lamberthust, Kent, brud, died suddenly on March 14ih. He was interrid on Salurday, and on Sutday the hells were rung half-muffled as in last token of respect, for matins: W. Marshall 1, G. Fuller 2, A. Relfe (conductor) 3, I. Bassefil 4, B. Lucle 5, A. Smith 6. For ctinsong 720 York Surprise: E. Woolage 1, A. Mar:shall $2, G$. Fuller 3, A. Relife 4, が Bussett 5, B. Luck (condinetor) 6 .

## DEATH OF MR. F. TERRY.

It is wilt great regret that we lanve in record the death, on Marcla 6 olt, of Mr, Fred 'Terry, nt the hge of 69 years. He wns at nember of St. Groorgo's band, Beekenhamz, furi had beru associnied with the church fron boyhood, first in the chair, then as a ringer when only call clanges were timg. In 1887 tha old chareh was pulled down. When the present building natel tower was completed in 1904, and the bellis augmented to right, lw joined the new band and took up change vinging, and rang mine on ten peals in various methods. He was at most regular attendant for Sunday ringing, and on practice nights, and will be sadly missed in the helirr.
He was a member of the Font Counly and London County Associations.
The funeral took place on Mondny, Mareth Itth, and ringers aitending the service were Mr. J. hanb (Blackheath), Mr. W. Martin (St. Jnlin's, Deputford), Messis. P '. Spice and E. Mounter (Bromley), and the local hand.
[to the wening, with the bells liali-muffled as a last loken of tespect to hio blectory, at "tarter-peal of Gramdsite Triples was ruag hy : W. Rawling I, H. Hawlece 2, F. Leaks 3 , F. Scutcher 4 , E.


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SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Divi-sion.-The annual meeting will be held at Mayfield on Saturday, March 23 rd. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.3 . Tea 5 o'clock, to be followed by the business meeting.-Geo. W. Stokes, Hon. Dis. Sec., 22, Melbourne Road, Eastbourne.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch. The next meeting will be held at All Souls', Bolton, on Saturday, March 23 rd. Bells availatle 3. Meeting 7 p.m.Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., 203, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

SUFFOLK GUILD.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Laxfield on March 23 rd. Bells (6) at 2. Tea, is. each, at the King's Head at 4.30 . Meeting follows.-H. Drake, Sec., Ufford.
GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Farnham District. - A district meeting will be held at Crondall on March 23rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.45. Tea 5.15 p.m. Meeting to follow. Bus services No. 7,37 and $5^{2}$ from Farnham Town Hall.-B. H. Clark, 17, Si. James' Avenue, Farnham.
EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.-The annual general meeting will be heid at East Grinstead on Saturday, March 2 zrd. Tower open 3.-Short service 4.30 , followed by tea and business meeting. Subscriptions are now due. All ringers welcome.-George Lambert, Drummond Hay, East Grinstead.

ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD.-The next meeting will be held at Hythe on Saturday, March 23rd. Bells ready 2.30. Tea and business meeting as usual. All ringers welcome.-A. J. Battin, Hon. Sec., Heronden Hall Gardens, Tenterden.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - East Berks and South Bucks Branch. -The next ringing practice has been arranged at Cookham ( 6 bells) on Saturday, March 2 3̈d, at $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea, at 1s. per head, will be provided for those who send their names to T. J. Fowler, Dean Tiew, Cookhan Rise.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Leicester District.-The first quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, March 23 rd. Bells of Groby (6) available from 3. 15 p.m. till 4.45 p.m., and Ratby (6) from 6 [.m. till 7.45 p.m. Tea in Ratby Church Room at 5.15 p.m. Business meeting in Ratby Church Rooms at 8 p.m. Ah ringers and friends welcome-Alban Disney, Hon. Dis. Sec., 19, Houlditch Road, Knighton Fields, Leicester.
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northampton Branch.-A meeting will be held at Blisworth on Saturday, March 23rd. Bells (5) 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea 5 o'elock. - T. Tebbult, West Street, MFoulton, Northampton.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Chesterfield District.-There will be no meeting at Bolsover tomorrow (Saturday, March 23rd) because of illness close to the Church.-J. P. Tariton, Hon. Sec.

MIDLANDD COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckley District.-The next meeting will be held at Sapcote on Saturday, March ${ }^{23}$ rd. Bells (6) available 3.45 p.m. A good meeting is hoped for. All ringers and friends cordially welcome. - W. A. Cope, Smockington, Hinckley.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Bristol Branch.-The quarterly meeting will be held at St. Matthew's, Kingsdown, on Saturday, March 23 rd . Bells available from 3 p.m., service 4.30 , tea at 5 p.m.-G. Way, ia, Seymour Road, Bishopston, Bristol.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. Oxford and District Branch.-The half-ycarly meeting will be held at Oxford on Saturday, March 23rd. Bells of St. Ebbe's (8) from 3 p.m., St. Thomas' (6) after meeting. Service in St. Ebbe's Church 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. All ringers welcome.-Wiliam Simmonds, Hon. Sec., 2 , Kineton Road, Oxford.

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at Tickhill on Saturday, March 3oth. Beils ready early. Tea will be provided for those who inform Mr. A. Hill, Sunderland Street, Tickhill, not later than the 28 th. A good attendance is requested.Percy Gledstone, Hon. Sec., 34, Silverwood View, Conisborough.

NORFOLK GUILD, - The annual general meeting will be held at Norwich on Easter Monday, April ist. The rings of bells of St. Peter Mancroft (I2), St. John-de-Sepulclire (8), St. Michael-at-Coslany (8) and All Saints' (5) will be available. Divine service will be held at St. Peter Mancroft at 12.30 p.m., when the address will be given by the Archdeacon of Norwich. Luncheon will be served at William Grix, Limited, Criterion Restaurant, White Lion Street, at 1.30. Tickets 2s. 6 d . per head. Members intending to be present at luncheon must notify the same to the secretary not later than Wednesday, March 27th. The annual business meeting will follow immediately after luncheon.-Arthur L. Coleman, Sec., High Croft, North Walsham, Norfolk.
SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-Next meeting will be held at South Anston on Easter Monday, April Ist. Bells open early. Tea provided to all those who advise Mr. C. Fowler, Princess Villas, South Anston. This is imperative. It is hoped as many as possible will attend.-R. Harrison, 41, Baltic Road, Sheffield.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - The annual meeting will be at St. Albans on Easter Monday. Bells available at: 2 p.m. Service at Cathedral 5 p.m. Acldress by the Vicar of Aldenham. Tea at $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., followed by annual business meeting, at the Ver Residential Hotel, Holywell Hill, adjoining the river bridge. Notification of attendance will be appreciated, for the sake of the caterer and others. - G. W. Cartmel, Hon. Sec., Duffield, St. Albans.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-The annual meeting will be held at Cambridge on Easter Monday, April 1stt. Committee at St. Mary's Vestry ri.Is a.m. Service 12 noon. Address by the Vicar (the Rev. Dr. P. N. Waggett). Lunch, followed by the business meeting, at the Dorothy Café, at I p.m. Ringing at St. Mary-theGreat ( 12 ), St. Andrew-the-Great (8), Old Chesterton (6) and St. Mary and the English Martyrs (8) (after 3 p.m.). Will members who are able to attend please inform the secretary before March 26th? -Rev. R. Copeman, Owlstone Road, Cambridge.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-The anmual meeting will be held at Maidstone on Easter Monday; April ist. Committee meeting in All Saints' Vesiry at r1.15. Service in All Saints' Church at 12 . Address by the Rev. H. de. V. Watson, Rector of Harrietslam. Dinner in the Corn Excbange at I o'clock, followed by business meeting. Towers open for ringing ; Maidstone (All Saints) (10), Leeds (10), Harrietsham (8). West Malling (8), Linton (8), Barming (6), Boxley (6), East Farleigh (6), Bearsted (6), St. Michael's, Maidstone (6). For dinner tickets apply before March 28th to Fred M. Mitchell, Assistant Hon. Sec., 114 , Sun Lane, Gravesend.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - A general meeting will be held at Whitby on Easter Monday, April ist. Bells (zo) available throughout the day. Tea will be provided at a charge of 25 . per head, and all applications for same must reach Mr. G. W. White not later than first post Tuesday, March 26th. Members are urged to attend.-Percy J. Johnson, Hon. Gen. Sec., 396, Meanwood Road, Leeds.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.--Amual meeting, Easter Monday, at Leicester. Belis of St. Margaret's ( 12 ), Cathedral (io), St. John-the-Divine (ro), St. Saviour's (8), Belgrave (8) (except between ro-ri a.m. and $1-3$ p.m.), Ali Saints' (5) available during the day. Committee meet 3:15. Tea 5 p.m., followed by general meeting. Convivial 8 to 10 p.m. All at Victoria Commercial Hotel, London Road. To avoid confusion and disappointment it is imperative that those requiring tea (is. 6 d . per head) must obtain tickets from me not late: than Thursday, March 28 th. (N.B.--1928 reports now ready, price nd., post free न血d.).-Ernest Morris, (ien. Hon. Sec. $2^{4}$, Coventry Street, Leicester.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-Central District.-The next meeting will be heid at Ashtead on Easter Monday, April 1st. Bells available from 3.p.m. Tea at Ashteact Peace Memorial Hall $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Business meeting following. Those requiring tea kindly notify Mr. G. Cook, Lavender Cottage, Crampshaw Lane, Ashtead, by Wednesday March $2^{7}$ th.-D. Cooper, Hon. Dis. Sec., 5, Harrison's Rise, Croydon.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-The annual meeting will be held at Worcester on Easter Monday, April ist. Business meeting in the Cathedral Chapter House at 2.30 p.m. prompt. Chair man: The Very Rev. W. Moore Ede, D.D., Presiden? Service, with address, in the Cathedral at 4.I今 p.m. Tea will be provided at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. for all those who notify me before Wednesday, March 27 th. Bells available: Cathedral ( 12 ) 12.30 to $z$ and after service; All Saints' (rol) St. Helen's (8), Claines (8), St. Nicholas' (6), and St. John-in-Bedwardine (6). Subscriptions should be paic and reports obtained in St. Helen'si Churci Houst between il.30 a.m. and $12.30 \mathrm{pm} . \mathrm{m}$ J. R. Newman Hon. Sec., Sheepcote, Severn Stoke, Worcester.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - The annual meeting will be held at Leighton Buzzard on Easter Monday, April ist. The bells of All Saints' (io) and St Barnabas' (8) will be available from $10.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Ho luncheon will be at the Plume of Feathers Hotel at p.m., followed by the annual business meeting. Luncheon can only be guaranteed to those who notify Mr. J. Nichoils, 20, Grove Road, Leighton Buzzard, by Thursday, March 28 th, or the undersigned, Arthur E. Shayman, Hon. Sec., 199, High Street N., Dunstable.

SUFFOLK GUILD.-The annual meeting will be held at Ipswich on Easter Monday. Ringing all day (except 2-3) at St, Mary le Tower (i2), St. Margaret (8), St. Clement (6), Rushmere (6). Committee meeting. 12 noon Service, St--Mary-le-Tower, 2 p.m. Meeting in Oak Lane Roonis at 2.30. Tea, 4.30, at Lyons, is. each. -H. Drake, Lfford, Woodbridge.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORISSIIRE ASSO-ClATlON.-The next meeting will be held at Masham $\left(17\right.$ Easier Nonday, April ist: Beils ( 8 , tenor ${ }^{1} 7$ cwis.) witl be availatble for ringing during the day. Dinner will he provided at Ousbey's Cate, members 2s., non-nembers 25. 6d. Those intending 10 be at cimer please notify hie secretary not later than Wednesday, March 27111 . T. Metcalfe, Hon. Sec., 26, High Street, North Ormesby, Niddlesbrough.

DEVONSHIRE GUILJ.-East Devon Branch.-The ammal meeting will be held at Seaton, Devon, on Easter Monday. Bells (6) from 2.30. Short service at $4 \cdot 30$, Parish Church. An address by the Rev. L. Stalard. 'Tea 3.15 . Gould's Restaurant. Meeting follows. All Hingers welcome.-Ioln H. Godfrey, Hon, Sec.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.A quarterly meeting will be held at Martock on Saturday, April 6th. Evensong 4 p.m. Tea and business 5 p.m. Nominations for C.C. representatives for the session commoncing 930 should reach me between now and ]uly. 1. 'I. Dyke, Hon. Sec., Chilcompton, Bath.

SWANSEA AND BRECON GUILD.-The next quarerly meting will be held on Saturclay, April filh, at St. Eilyios' Church, Llanelly, Ringing at a p.m. Service at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea and meeting at 4 p.m. at Church Roon. Tea will be kindly provided by the Vicar and Mrs. Davies, -F. E. Thomas, Dis. Sec.

HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION will hold an eight bell contest and quarterly meeting at Kirkburton (near) Huddersfield, on Saturday, April Gth. Draw to take place 2.45 p.m. All who require tea, 1 s .6 d . each, must send word not later than April ist to L. Hargreaves, 30 , Bankfield View, Halifax.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Lincoln District.Next meeting at Nettleham (6), Saturday, April 6th. Tower open 2 p.m. Bus leaves Unity Square 3 p.m. and 4. 10 p.m. Bus leaves Nettleham. 7.15 p.m., 8. ro p.m. tinel 9.35 p.m. Nolifications to tea to Harold Narcon, Dis. Sec., 269, Wragby Road, Lincoln.
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1.ANCASHIRE ASSOCIATRON.-Blackburn Branch. Our next meeting will be held on April 6th. Bells (6) awailable fron 3 p.m. at Hoddlesden and Darwen. Meeting $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. A good attendance is requested. Reports is hand. Subscriptions due.-F. Hindle, Branch Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.

MIDDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCLSAN GUILD.-The anmual general meetinge will be held at St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate, on Saturdisy, April 6th. Service at 4.30 p.m. Preacher, Rev. 14. Hurlson Shaw (Rector). Tea in the Church Hall at 5. 15 p.m., at a clarge of is. As accommodation is limitud, provision will only be made for those members
who advise either of the undersigned by Tuesday, April 2nd. Tea can also be obtained in the neighbuurlood. The business meeting will be held at 6 p.m. Ringing arrangements are as follows:-St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate, from 2 p.m. and after the meeting; Sl. Giles', Cripplegate, from 2.30 to 4 p.m. ; St. Magnus', Thames Street, from 7 to 8.30 p.m.-C. T. Coles, 21, Fincent Road, E.4, W. H. Hollier, 2g, Duke Road, W. +., Hon. Secs.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-The annual general committee meeting will be held at Reading on Saturday, April 6th, in St. Lawrence's Hall, Abbey Street (near Abbey Gateway), at 3 .I5 p.m.-Richard T, Hibber.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. -The next meeting will be held at Frittenden on Saturday, Apri] ${ }^{1} 3 \mathrm{zti}$, by kind permission of Rev. H. M. Leathley. Tower open 2.30. Tea at 5 o'clock. A good meeting is hoped for. All ringers welcome. A card by inth would oblige. -A. C. Kay, Dis, Sec., 6, Sturges Road, Ashford.
GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - The anmuat meeting will be held at Guildford on Satutday, April 13th. Nominations of officers must be sent in to me not later than April ist.-I. S. Goldsmith, Hon. Sec., Southover, Hockering Gardens, Woking.

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Next Monday the members of many of the associations will probably be asked to express their opinion on some of the matters raised in the Central Council's agenda, and one of the most important to the Exercise at large is that relating to the conditions which shall govera the recog tion, by the Council, of peals of Minor and Doubles. No resolution which the Council may pass can prevent ringers ringing anything they like and calling it a peal, but the Council's decision, whatever it may be, will decide for the time being what shall and what shall not be handed ont in its records as a peal, and it will have a considerable influence upon what ringers will themselves ring and recognise in future. Nothing, in our opinion, can go more to the root of ringing than the question of what shall be recognised as a peal, and it may not be out of piace if, with next Monday's meetings in view, we refer to the differences of opinion between which the Central Council will be asked to decide at Whitsun.

Briefly, it comes to this, shall a peai of Minor consist of seven separate $720^{\prime} \mathrm{s}$, in each of which all the possibte permutations are rung once and once only; or shall it be permissible so to mix up these permutations that some may appear more than once within the limits of one $7 \geq 0$ and not at all in another, so long as each permutation appears only seven times in a 'peal' of 5040? In other' words, shall we ring these changes, or rows, how we like -and call it a peal-or conform to the well estabished rule of ringing out each 720 true and complete in itself before commencing the next? The same arguments which apply to Minor will apply to Doubles, and what is permitted in one must be permitted in the other. Nor is it possible to make limits which will include specific compositions and exclude others of like nature. If you ate to admit such arrangements as the Law James' London Minor, you must also admit as a peal such an absurdity as a composition of Bob Doubles in which each course is rang 42 times over before calling a bob to carry the bells into the next course. And then there enters the other phase, created by the Bankes James' arrangement of Cambridge. Can 'rounds' at the start be treated as part of the extent? If it cannot, then this ingenious composition must stand or fall upon the general question, but we can foresee a great diversity of opinjon upon the all-important point of that first row, "rounds.

Here, then, are some of the issues which the representa tives of the associations and gutlds will be called upon $t$ decide when the Council meet at Chelmsford, and at the meetings of ringers between now and then there will. cloubtless be many disputations. Whether or not mem(Continued on page 194.)

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bers will want to vote on this question in accordance with the views held by those who send them, they will certainly like to have behind them the opinions of the thinking ringers, and for that reason the important issue at stake ought to be put plainly before the ' rank and file 'at the many meetings which are shortly to take place.

## TEN BELL PEAL.

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A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANEESI Tener 14 cwt,
Walier Idle .... ... ...Trabie $\mid$ Sam Gibson ... ... ... ... 5 Percy Byram... Williai H, Sheor ... ... 3 Harky Marsden ... ... .... 7 Memingway Dransfield ... 4 Herbert Dransfield ...Tenoy

Composed by G. H. Hardy, Conducted by F. Hodgson.
Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the late Mr, Arthur Goodall, who had been a ringer at the aljove church for etty years.

## WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNXY ASSOOIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tuesday, March 79, 1929, in Tito Hours and Forty-Fize Minutes. At iee Cherge of St, Mary,
A PEAL OF SPLICED LONDON, RUTLAND, BRISTOL, SUPERLATIYE, CAMBRIDCE AND PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR, 5184 CHAHGES; Tenor 10 cwt.
 Composed by Rev. H. Law James, Conducted by Wicliam Pye.
This arrangement contains 1,408 London, 1,664 Ruilend, 576 Bristol, 640 Superlative, 640 Cazabridge, and 256 Pudsef. This is the first time that six Surprise Major methods have beev rung in ane peal.

## BLRMINGHAM.

THE ST. MARTIN'S GUHD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMTNGHAM.
On Wednesday, March 20, 1929, in Thyes Hours,
At teq R.C. Catgedral Chitch of St. Chad,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHAHGES;

## Taylor's Six-part.

Tenor 15 cwt .
Cyril. A. Jones ... ... ...Tyeble George E. Fearn ... ... 5 Thomas Miller ..... .4 ..... $\quad 3 \quad$ Jobn Neal ...... James George $. . . \quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 3 \quad$ †Thomas Keriy ... 3 .... .... Frederick Rtseworth ... 4 William F. Froggati ...Tehoy Conducted by Joen Neal.

* First peal of Triplea. $\dagger$ First peal. It was fifty-one years on Febrinary 20th last since T. Miller rang his first peal, flat also being the same composition, upon the same bell, aud in thre same tower. Fisst peal as conductor.

CRAWLEY, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
In IV Cduesday. Warch 20, 7929, in Three Hours,
At taf Church of St. John-the-Baptist,

## A peal of st. element's college major, 5056 chances;

Tenor 13零cwt. in $F$.
Miss Florrie Wyman ...Treble $\mid$ Refinalid V. Johason ... 5 Kennetb Snelling $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2$ Cecil Nice ...... George Ollivbr......

First peal in the method on the bells, by the association, and by all the band, and rung at the first attempt.

HEENE, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCTATION.
On Wedtesdoy, March 20, 1929, in Three Hours, At the Churce of St. Botolph,
a PEAL of bauble Morwich caurt boi major, 5008 cmamere, Arthor George Arnell Treble William Hillman ... ... $^{5}$ Josepb Farmer ... ... ... 2 *Horace Tolett ... ... 6 Alfred W. Groves ... ... 3 †Harry Colley ... ... ... ${ }^{7}$ Georgr James Norris .... 4 | Edmemi H. Lindtp.......Tenay Composed by F. Bennett. Conducted by E. H. Lindop.

* First peal eway from the treble. t First peal of Double Norwich. DEBENHAM, SUFFOLK. THE SURFOLE GUILD.
On Thursday, March 27, 1929, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,
At the Ceqrch of Sí. Mary Magdalene,
M PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 OHANEES,

Middeeton's.
William C. Remsey ...
William J. Groom ...
Grorge Pryke ... ... ....
Leslie C. Wiehtman ... Conductea by Wh. C. Romsey

BUSHEY, HERTS.
TEE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Tharsday, Mard 27, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Thee Minutes, At the Church of Si. James,
a peal ef double morwich court bar majoh, 5088 chameen. Tenor 13 cwt .
Matricr F. R. Hibbert Trable William G. Whitehead ... 5 Henfy Hodgetts ... Stephen H. Hoare George Foster .. Composed by Rev. E. B. James.

Edward Ayiett ... ... ... 6

This composition, publislied on August 20th, 1924, contains the sixty course-ends without singles. The conductor has now called a pes from every bell in this tower, and in a different method, and is the first to accomplish this performance within the county

WARNHAM, SESSEX.
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Satuyday, March 23, 1929, in Three Howrs and Four Minutes,
At the Chorca of St. Margaret,
of FEAL DF DOUELE MORWICN COURT EOB MAJOR, 5024 cMAMEES; Tenor 14 ewt.
Prier Charman

- William M. Stone Alfred H. Pulling..

| ..$T$ Tedle | Joun S. Goldsmite |
| :---: | :---: |
| .. | 2 |
| C. Ernest Smith |  | Charles N. Burdoex

…
Composed by G. Lindoff.
onducted by A, H. Poliling. his serious accident in Septemas A. H. Pulling's first peal since ars serious accicent in september, 1927 . J. S. Goldsmith's 3001 h
peal. These peals have been rung in 100 towers in 21 counties.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. <br> (Sheffield District Society.)

On Suturday, Mardi 23, 1929, in Three Houys aud Seventeen Minates,
Ai tee Chorch of SS. Pater and Pati,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;
Tenor 164 cwt.
William Biggin ... ... ...Trelle Erbderick A. Adams ... ... 5
William A. Wooler... ... 2 William h. Torton ... ... 6
Arther Knights... ... ... 3 Ricbard F. Refce ... ... 7
Prrcy Jervis ... ... ... 4 A. Percival Knights ... remoy
Composed and Conducted by A. P. Kingerts.
CONISBOROUGH, YORKSHIRL.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCLATION.
(Barnsley \& District and Sheffield and District Societies.)
On Saturday, Mavch 23. 1929, in Three Hours,
At the Church of St. Petir,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BDB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES; Tenor 16 cwt .
-C. F. Wilson ... ... ...Tyuble Oliver Greathead ... ... 5
${ }^{\text {a }}$ William Green ... ... 2 Edgar Stacey ... ... ... 6
Milton Fowler $\quad . . . \quad$... 3 Albert Nash... Abthit Pantar ... ... 4 Arthit Gill ... ... ...temar Composed by A. Knigets (No. 197). Conducted by Aleert Nasf * First peal of Kent Treble Boln. The composition, produced in J887, is now lung for the dirst time. HUGHENDEN, BUCKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GULLD.
On Saturday, March 23, 1929, in Thyee Hows and Six Minutes.
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.
A PEAL ef SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 gMANCES. Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2}$ ewt.
William Hiberrt ... ...Treble | Harry Wingrove
Richard T. Hiebert ... ... 2 Georgi Martin ...
William Welling...$\quad$... 3 William Henley
Arthur Martin ... ... ... 4 George Gilbert... .... ...Tethor
Composed by N. J. Pitsrow. Conducied by Geo. Gilbert.
This was 'Father' Tom's first peal in the method for sisteen years.
First Surprise peal as conductor.
MYTHOLMROYD, YORTSHTHE.
THE LANCASHTRE ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, March 23, 1929, in Thred Hows and Six Minvics.
At the Chipreh of St. Micgael.
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor 14 ewt.
Hereert Davenport ...Tyeble Miss Rose A. Bell ... ... 5
Jome Wiscock

- 2 Jambe Ingham
-Frank Greenwood ..... .4
Harold Hamer... ......${ }^{4}$ William Horan......$\quad$... Temoy
Composed by Arteigr Kijghis. Conducted by William Horan.
* First peal in the metivon.

WOLVERHAMPTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.
Tr Saturday, Mathih 23. 1929. in Three Hatrs,
At the Cedrch of St. Luke. Blakenhall,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5050 CHANGES; Groves' Transposition of Pabker's Twelve-part.

* Wiellam Smith... ... ...Treble $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { Emward F. Mitchell } \\ & \text { - }\end{aligned}\right.$

 Conducted by Abraifam Greenfield.
First peal. Rung to commemorate the coming of age of the 2 nd ringer.


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LEYTON, ESSEX
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Suruvday, March 23,1929 , in Tto Hours and Fovty-Four Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJDR, 5058 CHANGES;
Tenor 8 攵 cwt .

 Composed by Gabriel Lindoff Coneucted by George R. Pye. First peal in the method on the bells.

FEERING, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Suturday, March 33, 1929, in Three Hoxps and Nineteen Minules, Ax tee Churce of All Saints.
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, bO8s CHANGES; Tenor 18 cwt , in $F$,
 Walter Arnold ... ... 4 Grorge Green ... ... ...Tenor
Composed by Josepy W. Parker, Conducted by Wileiam Keeble
First pal away from treble. W. Arnold has now completed the gircle in this tower.

CLALNES, WORGESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCLATION. (Westrrn Branch.)
On Saturday, Maych 23, 1929, in Three Howy and One Minute, At the Cegrce of St. John-tae-Baptist.
A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES: Groves' Trangposition of Parker's Twelvz-part.

Tenor 14 awt.
Gordon W. Chrcketts ..
..Treble Dennis R. Mitrais ... ...
Sidnay T, Holt ... ... 2 -Leonard C. Dowdeswall
Thomas W. Lewis -.. ... 3 Charles Camm... ... ...
Deanis Saybrs ... Conducted by Sidney T. Holt

* Wirst peal at first attempt.

NORTH STONEFAM, HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOCTH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Sethrday, Mavik 23, 1929, in Three Hours and Three Mirktes, At the Parise Church,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANEES; Mideleton's.
Owen H. Gilles...
Treble $\mid$ D. Cecie Williams
Grorge Pollinger
.. 2 Frank Benseit... Frank Benmbit ...
George Wiriams ... $\quad . .7$ Frbderick S. Bayley...${ }^{2}$ a edwin J. Harding, sen. ...Tenor Conducted by George Willians.
First penl of Surprise. The conductor's 1,200th peal. By a twinciduce this peal was rung on the eve of the thirty-seventh amitematy (March 24th. 1892) of the conaluelar's first landbell peal, is thich his wife also toak part. It is also over 40 years since the rilgers of the Gth and 7in rang their first peal together.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

THE CHART, LIMPSFILLD, SURREF.
THE SURREY ASSOCTATKON.
(Sonthern District.)
On Thesday, March 79, 1929, in Two Hours and Thivty-Five Miuntes, At thr Chorch og St. Andrzw
A PEAL OF MINOR, GOAN CHANGES ;
Ining threo A2n's of Oxturd Treble Bobs, three of Eent and oute of Platit Bob.
William g. Paternoster Treble
James linigbt, jon. ... ... 2
WILLiAM 0 ASHDOWN ... 3 George Iootr ... ... ... 5


## GAMSTON, NOTTS

THE NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.
On Sathyday, March 23, 1929, in Two Hours and Forly-Four Minutes, At ige Chorch of St. Petrr,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 6040 CHAHEES;

Being two 720's each of Single Court and Oxford Bob aud ibrce 720's of Plain Bob, eack called differently. Tenor 9 cwt .
Reginafe Ashforte
...Tyeble foyril Caralal... Tenor 9 cw
... ... 4

- Walter Rica ... ... ... 2 †Harold Denman ... ... 5 Dan A. Piercy ... Conducted by Robert W. Stockdale.
* First pal on inside bell. + First peal. Ringers of the treble, 2nd, 4 th and 5 ti belong to the local company, 3rd and teuor to Ordsall.

> FULMER, BECKS.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GULLD.
On Saturday, Maych 23, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes. At fhe Cherch de St. James.

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGEY;

Being two 720's of Oxford, two of Fent and theee of Plain Bob
James H. Ldcas ... ... ...Tveble Georgr H. Gotteridge ... 4
Richard Warnett ... ... 2 Percy E. Jonbs ... ... ... 5
Edgar G. Swift ... ... ... 3 Frank Corike ... ... ... Temor
Conducted by Frank Corire.
WOLLASTON, NORTHANTS.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. (Wellingborocge Branch.)
Un Stterdap, March 23, 1929, in Thece Howis and Twanty Menutes, At the Churce of St. Mary.

## A PEAL OF MINOR, GQ4O CHANGES;

Being 720 each of London and Carabridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxfort and Kent Treble Bob, Double Court and Plain Bob. Tenor Ig cwt.
George Baspord ... ...Treble | John R. Main ... ... ... a
James Ward......
John King ... Conducted by Walter Perkins.

* First 720 London and first on the bells.


## HANDBELL PEAL.

WINOHESTER.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOEESAN GEILD.
(King Alfred's College Guild.)
On Wednesday, Marsh 20, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minules,
In the Tower of tee College of King Alfred,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Temor size 14 in D.
Eric H. roperll ... ... I |robert C. Day
James W. Cosume $\ldots{ }^{2}$ Noran Coide
jesse peymelins … ... $\quad 2$ Nolan Golden ... .... ... 5 -6
Composed and Conducted by Nolan Golden.
Umpire: James Gaylear.
First peal by all except the conductor. First by the King Alired"s College Guild, formed in Janary. Mr. Rufull was eiected a menher of the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild previulus to the peal.

5,08B DOUBLE OXFORD BOB MAJOR.
BY JOSEPR W. PARKER.


S for B at $\mathbf{H}$ in the eighth rourse of first and fourth parts. First rung at St. Paulinus", Croyford, Februery 13t, 1929, conducted by E. Barnett, sen.

## GUILDEORD DIOCESAN GUILD

A mpeting of the Chertsey Dishrict was held at Horsell on Saturday, March 16 th. Unfortumately, not many of the ringers of the district put in an appearance, filhongh those who did got plenty of practice, and a great deal of good was done in belping beginners to mose a step forward in other methots.

Three ringers from West Clandon were greatly weleomed, as their presence enabled London and Cambridge Surprise to be rung. BeEides those from West Clandon, ringers were present from Otter-三haw, Oatiands Park, and a good number of the loeal band, with visitors from Leatherhead and Wokiog, also an uwatlached member from Thames Ditton.
Tea was provided by the Vicar (Canon Pares) at the Institute, at which 17 sat down. Canon Norman Pares presided at the meeting, supported by the Rew. W. N. Willis, of Ottershew, and Admiral T. P. Walker (hon. treasurer of the Guild). There was but little business to iransact.

Admiral Walker proposed a very liearty fote of thanks to Canon Pares for the use of the beils, and for providing an excollent tea. Canon Pares, in reply, said how pleased he was to welcome the zingers to Horsoll. His oniy regret was that there were not more there.

A service was leeld at six o'clock, when part of the Guid service was combined with evensong. A ladies' choir fed the singing of the Guild hymans, making a very bright service and a welcome change. A friend of Canon Pares, the Rev. Cobb, gave an address and commented on the bells in Huatingdonshire.
Tlis bella were kept going till nearly nine o'clock in Grandsire Doubles, Bob Minor, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Cambridge and London Surprise. About 25 ringers put in an appearance during the afternoon and evening, but it wouli have been more pleasing to the officials had more of the district members atfended.

## CRONDALL'S UNESUAL TOWERS.

The Farnham District held a mecting at Crondall on Saturday, which was atteuded by 38 members and visitors from Aldershot, Crondall, Farnham, Frensham, Seale, OEtershaw and Woking. The Guild's Eervice was conducted by the Vicar (Rev. Cyril Balmer), who gave 8n appropriate address based upon these words: 'Enter into Thy gates with thanksgiving and into Thy courts with praise, which are ineluded in the prayers of the service.
A company of 34 sat down to a very enjoyable tea prorided by the local mingers and their wives, and at the business meeting the Vicar, after being elected as an hon, member, took the chair.
There was very litile business to he transacted, and at the conclusion the hon. Becretary moyed a very hearty vote of thanks to the Ficar for the use of the bells, for conducting the service, and his great assistance in arranging the tea; also to the local ringers and their wives who had so ably carried out the catering.
As the bells are in sad need of the bell hanger's attention, there Was not so much ringing done as there might bave been, and the visitors spent a lot of time exploring this very interesting old church, which datee from 1250 A. $\mathbf{D}$.
A very interesting point aboust the church is that the bells are in one tower, and the stairease in a separate fower about 6 ft . rumay, the two loing commeeted by little bridges or balconies. From the ton of the arair tower access is obtained to the roof of the church.
Ringing, which ranged from Grandsire Doubles to Cambridge Surprise hinor, was brought to a close ut nine $0^{\circ} \mathrm{clock}$, when the bella mere lowered in peal.

## SUFFOLK GUIED

## RINGERS WANT MORE MEETMSGS.

## To the Editor

Sir, -It is now some time since my letter nppeared in your columns relating to the scarcity of meetings in Sudbury-Clare district of the Suffoh Guild. We have not yer bad a meeting, neither are there signs that, one will materialise, Wly does the Rev. H. Drake spend so much time on long urguments when his Guild is wavting for organisation? I urge him to see tlat something is done. $I$ am one of live in one company who are waiting to join the Guild as soon as a meeting ampes. Is the district secretary still on the active list? If so, can he get things going again? Yours,

## RINGER'S RETIREMENT

Mr. Frederich W. Thornton, who has for so many years heen connected with ringing in Greenwich, will, in May, retire from his position as messenger, mace-bearer and Mayor's attendant to the Greenwich Borough Council. His father, Mr. William Tharnton, Was messenger to the alrl Greenwich Vestry for about 18 years, and was succeded by his son ir 1889 . Mr. Frederick Thornton has been personal attendant to every Mayor Greenwich has had, and up to bow the mace has known no other bearer. This mace was presented to the Council in 1913 by Sir David Lionel Salomons, as a memorial *o his uncle, Sir David Salomons, who represented Greenwich in Parliament fram 1851 antil his death in 1873. He was the first Jew to be admitces to Parliament.

## BISHOP'S VISIT TO DORE

## YOUNG RINGERS CONFIRMED AND PEAL RECORDS

 DEDICATED.Christ Clurch, Dore, was the scene of in interesting bintle ceremoney on Suaday afternoon, Jarch 17th.
It mas the ocoasion of the first Confirmation held there loy the frst Bishop of the new diocese of Derby (ME. Ret. Edmand Courtenay Pearce, D.D.), aud the pretty little church was filled with an interested congregation. Among the confirmees were six of Dore's young ringers, Misses F. M. Elvidge and K. M. Revill and Messrs. F. Eividge, C. Revill, J. Reynolds and N. W. Westlake, the latter four being also members of the choir. Before the actual service of Confirmation, the Bishop dedicated two gifts to the chancel, a handsome oak chair and a pair of solid silver Commumion chalices; Rnd, following the service, and before the Benediction, sereral gifts to the belfry.
The laiter occasion provided a pleasing and somewhat wusual little ceremony arranged in accordance with the Bishop's own suggestion. Following the last Confirmation prayer aud during the singing of the bymn, ' $O$ Jesus, I have promised.' a procession was farmed at the chancel stepa, and, heated by the verger (all. S. Thorpe) and the wardens (Messrs. H. E. Baggs and J. E. Lewis Cockey), with their wands of office, the Bishop, followed by the six ringers above-mentioned-the boys in their surplices-pronceded to the ringing chamber, where the rest of the ringers were assembled. Here a short ceremony was performed by the Bishop, suitable prayers being said and the four peal tablets dedicated. After a few words of greeting to those present, the procession was re-formed and the Bishop conducted back to the altar for the Benediction.
The four peal rerovis dedicated have already bepo described in - The Ringing World,' hut it may be of interest to mention them rgain. The frst two are handsome oak panels letsered in gold. One, preseated by the Rev. E. S. Powell, of Clyst Sr. fieorge, Fater, records the first peal at Dore to be conducted by a hady. Wen 3iss M. Davenport. The second, and the primasy ciase of the Bishop's risit to the belfry, recouds a poal ruag to commemovaie the foundafion of the diocese of Derby and the appointment of $D_{r}$. Pearce as first Bishop, given by the bank who rang the poal. "The remaning two are framed recordis given by Mr. J. E. Lewis Cockey, the one recording a fully-muffled peal rung in memory of the Ri. Rov. Sir E. Hoskyos, Bishop of Southwell, who dedicated the kells about 20 vear ago, and the other, a framed set of eight "Ringing World" peal catds, each recording a learner's poal at Dove.
Owing to the presence of so many of the young Dore ringers at the actual Confirmation, some kindly and much appreciated rine ing assistance was given by Messrs. L. Charlesworth, R. Long, F. Norton, and some well-struck louches in various standard melhods were brought round before and after the service.

The kindly and considerate action of Dr. Pearce in thaking the rather awkward ascent to the ringing chamber in his canonicals was deeply appreciated, and this appreciation whs conveyed to him by the wardens: and the Bisliop, who signed the bell"w visilors' book before leaving, expressed his interest in, and appreciation of, the peal records, and his pleasure at coming in contare with so many young and promising lingers.

## AN ANCIENT PEAL RECORD

## To the Editor

Sir,-About geventy vears ago, during work comected witla alterations to the ringing chamber at the Parish Clurch of St. Alphege, Greenwich. e stome tablet was discovered, hidden by woodwork, recording a peal of Grandsirs l'riples rung in 1732. I mppend an exact copy of the inscription as it appears.
The tablet was aarefull restored and erected in a prominent position in the ringing clamber.
It would be of interest if either of our campanological historimes could enlighten us as to the probable composer of the pas.

I hope it map be my bappy privilege, lagelher with my few re maining Greenwieh colleagues and other helpers, tio attempt a similar peal on the 200th amiversary.-Yours fathfully

FREDERICK W. THORNTON.
The Socicty of Kentish Youlhs rang on Fryday, Fe 1st of Derembr, 1732, a peal of 5,040 Grandine mpiples in the eighth month of their practice by the persons under:-

Written.


## PEALS OF MINOR AND DOUBLES.

## To the Editor.

## DMPERFECT ANALOGIES.

Sir,-The analogies that Mr. Law James uses are imperfect. We do not need to say seven 'different' ohamges of Bob Major, because overyone krows that if we speak of seven changes we always mean sovon different changes. This is not so in the case under discussion: if it were we should not be disenssing it. The other amalogy happens to be true, but it makes an insufficient proof.

Instead of 'tests,' what we should ask (as a judge would ask) is, Woald the writer of the words have inserted 'different' if they meant 'different'? The unswer is undotubtedly 'Yes.' It would have heen quite easy to write "seven different 720's, eaclu true and complate in itself.' As these words wore not inserted, we must conchadw that the rule does not mean that the 720 's are necessarily to be different, nor each true, ete, 'in itself.' I think your legal readers will agree with me irs this.
On the other hand, Mr. Duffictit finds needless fault with some other words of Mr. Law James. To say that the midide eight of a four-and twenty ean bo 'brought romal' by itself, is the seme os snying it can be considered to be a 'round block.' Mr. Duffield seems to think that "bring round' is the same thing as to 'bring up roonds.' In practice they usarlly are, bult in theory they need not bo the same thing at all. If we start from Queen's we do nat hring the course round when rounds conces up, but when we get back to Quesn's.-Yours, efc., HERBER'C DRAKE.

THE SAME 720-BUT A DTHEEETNT ORDER.
Sir, With reference to Mr. Powell's letter for "those who have missed the point,' be there states: "Thus in a 720 there must be 720 true clannres, and any such resolution ... is altogether Jeside the point.' That point I certainly have t missed. Why, mast I ask, is it "beside the point'? Surely, the wording of the resolition seeks to elucidate that point. Many years ago, when I completed my firat 720 of Bob Minor, iu which I had rung the tenor, the dear old gentleman who had called it walked across the tower to me, shook by hasel, and said, "There you arc, my lad. I called yau Wrong, Right ant Wroag, and you have rung all the changes it is possibis to gel ons six belis, and if we lund gone on end rung six more such lots, lisatis reckoned as a poal of 5,040 of Minor:' He adied there are diozens of other methods you can ring, but you will still ring exacliy tho samo 720 changes as we bave just brought raund, the only fifforonce being that the changes will come up in a different order. That is the point of view from which I have always looked at this question, and I imagine tunclrens of other ringers have done so alsa, and, if our point of view is corfect, then resolution No. is very much to the point. Wours truly,

ROBER'T WHITTISGTON.
Crimeigh.

## 'OUT OF THE MOUTHS, ETC.

The 'pub's" red windows glowed with cheer's tipht Withits, a babel-roices rose ama fell.
'Ihe argument which onds a slaky" peal
Was, nattrally onotrgh, the "place" and "hell."
What's all this stoopid tuss ahout a splice? ${ }^{3}$
Old Jinks zemarked, as, with an angry ese,
He faced the local "espert who upheld
The 'Greater Expells' Six-bell 'Iheort
Here, chuck it, Jinks, 'I'erl Fish, the Ponoher', smapped
(The spittoon catught the well-rlirected shot),
And, pustiter latek lis greasy moleskin cap,
Fe drained lis mog and thus adrltessed the lot:

- No County Perlice about-l'll tell ya this,

If I should worty how it reads the daw
${ }^{1}$ d hang my night lines up and bum my thares
I works ly common sense and not by jatw.
A roat' of langliter-shouts of "Goud old 'Ted,
Who's for another, 'tore we goos to ben?"
CABCABLF

## HAMPSHIRE TOWERS VISITED

A sery enjoyable afternoor was spent on Satidaday, March ifth, by members of the Woolton Hill hand, who motored to Laverstoke. where 720 Bols Minor was brought round. A move was then mado to Overton, where the band was met hy their old friend, INT. H. Baham. Here the bells wne soon going far 720 Cambridge Siat prise, but unforthnately this canc to gifiof one course from home. l'ime not allowing another siart, " gowd touch ol Camhridge was rung on these halls. Denme was the next risited, and the rimging comstenced with Landon Surpriso Minor, Followed by 720 Boh Miner. Afterwards, at Oakley, the party was met by . Mr. Hunt, ani, after
 the bells, Mr. Hrunt takiug n rope in each. Touches of Cambringe Surprise and Oxtord Treble toh were also mag before making the homoward journey. T'be ringers were I. Scrat. N. Scot, F. Fnapp,
 Thie conductiug wize shared live. T. Rex atad N. Scott.

## SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR.

Considerable impetus has been gained in Spliced Surprise Major ringing since the Rev. F. Law tames' peal in four methoris was published less than two years ago. A peal in ten methods by Mr. A. J. Pitman was published in our last isEue, and this week we record the actual performance of a peal in six methods by the Middlesex Association at Willesder on Tuesday week. The composition wes as follows:-
SPLICED LONDON, RUTLAND, BRISTOL, SUPERLATIVE, GAMBRIDGE, AND PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR. 5,184 CHANGES.

BY RET. E. LAW JAMES.
23456 M. W. H. Met. Mods.


## THE TEN-METHOD COMPOSITION.

Dear Sir,-I should like to be allowed to congratulate Mr. A. T. Pitman on his woncerful ten Surprise mekhod composition, published this week. Will he, however, make it quite clear wherber the Brisfol leads must be lung is Home leads, i.e., by calling iwo bolos Home? Wil] he state, further, whether the composition would be false if the Bristal leads wrie ended as Planed Midde?

Will he also state where 'Gloucesterslire' may be found. I have a collection of over 100 Surptise Majur melhods, but cannot mentify this one amongst them-Fours traly,
C. T. GOLES.

## LORD PHILLIMORE.

Tho late Lord phillimore was laid to rest in the elurelyard at Sliplake, Oxon, on Monday. Masch 18il. Fe was in his guta year, and iy his death the Exerolse has lost a friend, for at the foundation of the Chuwh Comeils it was he who satal the wingers from coming mader the aththority of that body, instead of remaining, as ther had always been, under tive inctinbent. Some thenty years ago Lord Platimore was the means of re-establishing the Shiplake band after they harl been on the "retired list" for' some eight months. His kindly handshake aud enouraging words formed hulwarks in the hearts of those who ring the bells af Shiplake.
For the servicos ons Sunday, Mard 17th. the hella were halfmuffled, and after the funeral a well-struck 546 of Graudsine Triples was brought round.
His name as the master of erclesiastion] law will liwe for generations in the Establislued Clumels.
5.055 BOB MAJOR.

BT NOLAN GDLIDEN.
23.56 W. B. M. I.


Rung on handjella ar King Alfed's Cohege. Winchaster, on Marce $201 \mathrm{~h}, 1929$.

## WALSALL'S NEW PEAL OF TWELVE.

The fine new peal of twelve bells at Walsall mill be dedicated at 3.30 p.m. on Sarurday by the Bishop of Lichifld, in order that they way be rung on Easter Day. "Ringers" Day' will be on Agril 13th, when the quarterly meeting of the Bociety for the Archdeaconry of Stafford is to be held there, and an invitation is extended to all ringers who care to attend.

A clean sweep has been made of everything in the sower above the clach room. In addition to a ring of Taylor's best, a cest-iron trame on steel girders has been installed. A new floor for the bell chamber has also been pur in, and glass has been substituted for the old louyres.

## 5,6G4 BOB MAJOR.

BY ARTHER CRAVEN. 2345678 W. 5th's. Out. Ik. H.


Cantains the in-course extent of $468^{\circ} \mathrm{s}, 648^{\prime} \mathrm{s}, 478^{\prime} \mathrm{s}$ and $678^{\prime} \mathrm{s}$, and is the first peal composed with these qualities. By adding a bob $H$ in course marked + of any part produces the part-end and reduces the peal to 5,072 . There ape eight wariations to be obtained by calling boiss $H$ and omitting where necessnry in courses marked with *.

## VICAR RINGS HIS FIRST QUARTER-PEAL.

At St. Mary's Church, Sothheud-on-Sea, Essex, on Thursday, Marcle 14th, for a special service, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1,280 changes) in 50 mins.: G. E. Wilson 1, A. North 2, H. T. Wilson (conductor) 3, Canon E. Gowing 4, W. Dudley 5, F. Luffin 6, L. H. Page 7, G. Bacon 8. First quarter-peal by Canon Gowing, who is Vicar of St. Mary's, aud by A. Nortiz.

THE F G NEWMAN FUND
Tha following subsoriptions to the fund for $\begin{gathered}\text { Mr. Frederick } G \text {. Nem- }\end{gathered}$ man ace acknowledged:-
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## DEATH OF MRS. HELMORE.

The Rev. F. J. O. Helmore, of Canterbury, has sustained a severe blow by the şudden dicath of las wife, which took place on Friday morning last.
Milv, and Mrs Helmore celebraled their golden wedding it July, 1927. The deepest sympathy of the Exercise will go out to the bereaved veteran secretery of the Kent County Association.

TETIENHALL, STAFES.-On Wedneaday, Marel 6thl, a quarterpeal of Grandsire Triples in $45 \mathrm{mins}: \mathbf{K}$. C . Taylor $\mathbf{1}_{1} \mathbf{R}$. Pickering 2, E. Brotherton 3, J. W. Taylor (lirst quarter-peal as conductor) 4, H. T. Piper 5, H. Bosweli 6, H. Knight 7. J. Shaw 8. First quarter-peal of Triples an an inside bel! for winger of 6rtn, and first on eight for tenor. Ringers of treble, 2nd, anci 4th are of the local band, 3rd, 5th, 6th and 7rh from Si. Peter's (Wolverhampton), and tenol from Bushbury.


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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

On March 29th, 1762, a peal of 10,080 Gtaudsire Cators was rung in 6 hus. 53 mins. at Fulham by the College Youths.
The Loadon Youths, another of the nhe Metropolitan sociuties which have disappeared, rang ateal of Uxford Treble Bob Majur at Lambeth on March $315 t$, 1778 .
One of the earliest long peals of Treble Boly was ruug on April 1st, 1727, at St. Michael Coslany, Norwich.
Thirty years ago next Wednesday o pend of 15,072 Donble Nurwich Major, then the record lengih, was rumg at linith. Five yuats 1ater, on April 4th, 1904, was rung Ran 11,008 Double Norwich ut, South Wigston, Leicester, as a rial peal for a record langth, which the same band afterwaris rang wn the same hells, Five of the company still survive.
Handbells will be at the disposal of wisitors to Leicester for the annual meeting of the M.G.A. on Easier Wonday. The smokerom of the Earl Grey, opposite St. John-the Divine, will be the rendezvous.

Among those who have rutng a handred peals in their own tower are Mr. Walter Charman, of Wamhan, Sussex, whose total is ahort 130, with the 'circle" completed eiglst times; and Mr'. W. O. Itumsey, of Debenham, Suffolk, with a lotal of sbout 120. M1. Rumsey has rung at least eleven peals on eacli bell, and conducted peals of Bob Major, Treble Bob and Doutse Norwich from all of them.
Mr. Edgar Pemberton, of Ipswich, has rang 177 peals on the bells of St. Mary-le-Tower, where he started ringing in 1878 , and 3 Mr . Edwin Barnett, senior, has not only rung 181 peals on his own church bells at Crayford, Kent, but also 141 at the neighburiag Parish Church of Erith.

Mr. Pappy rather wandered from the point in his comparison heLweer Mr. James George and Mr. Rebert Brindell. The latier, like the late Mr. I. G. Shade, is a marvel in ane direction, but Mr. George's prowess is in a differeme sphere. No other man has ever rung a tenor of 50 cwt. to a peal, at the age of well over 75.

After a lapse of eighteen months, through the serious motoring accident which befell him early in Seplember, 1927, Mr. A. \#1. Pulling, of Guildford, has been able to return to peal ringing, and on Saturday conducted a peal of Duble Now wich Major at Warmhatm, Sussex.
We are asked to state, for the information of many inquirers, that letters for Mrs. SyFes, the widow of the late Mr. J. E. Sykes, should be addressed c/o Mr. G. Kirby, London Road, King"s ivmm, Norfolk.

## KING'S GIFT TO BELLS FUND

The bells of Dersingham, near King's LJm, Norfolk, lave heel rehung by Messrs. Taylor and Con, wing have also recast ibe 2nul. They are to be rededicated on April IJ̃th hy the Archdeacon of Lyma (see notice columns).
The money for the restoration has all been subscribed, the contributions including f50 from H. K. the King.

## KING ALFRED'S COLLEGE GUILD.

HANDBELL PEAL BY SFLDDENTS.
As a recruiting ground for ringers, effarts were mude to interest in the art, studeuts at King Alfred's College, Winchester, anti, thanks largely to the effarls of hf \% Nalan Golden, some good work las been done.

Practice in change ringing was begum in November last, and King Alfred's College Guild was formed in Janmary. Uader the instruetion of Mr. Golden, excellent progress iras been made on handibelis, and ou Wednesday week a peal of Bok Major was rung by six of the members. It is beljeved to be the lirsi peal rung at at iraining College. The ringers were Eric H. Ruffell, of Neblerton, Wilts: James W. Collins, of Hastings, Sussex: गesse Reyman, of Fairford, Glos.; Robert C. Day, of Compron Abbas, Dorset ; Nolan Golden, of Northrepps, Norfolk ; and Feginald M. Mallett, of Geldestoti, Norfolk. Mr. J. Gaylor, who umpired the peal, is from Watford, Herte, and kindly gave up his aiternoon to the task. He checked the calling and courses from manuscript.

## RINGERS

In the belfry, and at night,
Gbostly in the candle-light,
See the ringers circle-wise,
See the ropes that fall and rise.
List: above the clash of hells
The leader some mew sequence tells,
In closing loand and opering fist,
The hand of an Evangelist.
For to those who never come
To Church, the Chureh had else been dumb;
As calls the Mussulman to prayer,
From minaret, those ringers there,
Their message reaches every ear.
Few may listen, all most hear ;
Lef the Ringers know that they
One and all are Preachers Lay.
Lation.
S. CLAUDE TICKELL

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

To the Editor
Sir, As with your leading article last week, so with Mr. Guise's letter in this weck's issue, there is much witl which I heartily agree. At the same time, there are one or two points in it that call for a word or two in reply. He says that the expease incurred by the associations in sending members to Council is a reason why they should have a recognised status. Buta what more 'status' cotrd they possibly have than they have alroady got? With the exeep" tion of the fifteen hon. members, the Council is wholly made up of the associations. It is the associations in Conmeil.
As regards the word 'representative, I an thankful to say that my copy of Johnson's Dietionary does not give 'delegate, as a synonym for it, nor do I remember any word in the Rules of Council other than 'members' But I may be wrong, as I only speak from memory
I am sorry that I fail to see the point in what Mr. Guise says as to voting against item 8 on the Coumeil's agenda. It seems to me to be a most desirable and lautable attempt to get ringing properly repregented in the Councils of the charels, and I do not see how it is going to cost the associations auything at all

No one laments nore than $I$ do the absence of refercuce to the Central Coumril in reports and rules of assosiations, but whose fault is it? Certainly mat that of the Combeil.

The Council, I take $i t_{1}$ referred the ifom' mentioned by Mr . Guise to the associations to give those who had not debated it an opportunity to to so, ank in the case of those who had debated it to give them further opportunity, so as to be certain of getting a wellmatured opinion from them.
The associations do not give the Council "power to enforce,' because they bave not got that power to give, and if they gave it the Council conld not use it.

Of course, if the Coumcil is not worth the money that it cosis, it will sonn die a matural death-or, rather, it wonld have died years ago.-Yours, ete.,

> CHARLES D. P. DAYIES.

## DEIEGATE v. REPRESENTATIVE.

Sir, Is Mr. Guise correct when be writes that in the English Dietionary (there are nany, he does not say which) "this word "representative" means "delegate"' $p$ As a printer, I have been using a Standard Dictionary for the past 36 years, and this is what it says about both words:-
Delegate v.t. (delegatings, delegnited). To send as a. representative; to dopate; to commit to another's care. n. a representative; a deputy.
Representative-a. Fitted or serving to represent; conducted by the agency of delegates; typical. n. One wha or that which represents; a person elected to represent a constituency.

So you see, Sir, that hoth words as nouns are one and the same thing, 'repregentative. In addition, I may add that in all the reports of fassociations $I$ have by me are set out the names of the representatives upon the Central Gouncil of Chureh Bellringers
The Central Council has been in existence for 38 years, and I say, calmy and deliberately, that it has justified its existence, and I prophesy that, whatever happens at Chelmsford on Whit Monday, it will continue to carry on its good wort.
That it bas no power to enforce its decisions has not prevented its decisions from being enforced, or, at any rate, respected. How often do we see peals of Grendsire Major published nowadays? ar Plain Bob Triples or Caters? or seven-bell peals without a covering ieuor? The Central Council say they are to be discountensuced, and they undoubtedly are.-Yours, ete.,
W. A. CAYE.

## TOO MUCH FUSS.

Sir, - I think the majority of ringers will agree that to us flue words "Representative" and "Delegate" nean exactly the same hhing, and it was a surprise to me, after making inguiries, wo learm there is a difference in the meaning. If Mr. Guise will look in the new Oxford Dictionary be can study it for himself. The presifent fthe Central Council was entirely within his rights when he made the statemert Mr. Guise refers to, and while those words "elect representatives stand, a member has a perfect right to give his awn persomal view and rote. Whether it is wise or not is another question. My own personal view of the matter is that there has been a lot too much fuss made over the natter. The Central Coun[f], we have been told several times, stand only in an advisory position. The rales they make can only be kent by the goodwill of the Exercise, and they have no means of enforcing them. I do not think the majority of the Exercise would welcome any body which injed to fine them over peal ringing, which, after all, is only a pleasure. I do not wish Mr. Guise to think I am aganst penalities. Sy own society has fines, and I believe in them for service ringingtrat that is at duty, although it may be a pleasant one. It is, however, an entirely Bifferent thing to peal ringing-Yours, etc.,
A. H. PULLIEG.
(Continued in next column.)

## CAMBRIDGE YOUTHS 200 YEARS AGO.

D1:. CHARLHE MASON'S ASELSTANCE. TO HOLT.
The paragraph last week giving the recotd of the prat of Gualldsire Caters ot New College, Oxford, in 2734, in which the occupation of the ringers was given, is a remander thati in the list of members of the Socieiy of Cambridge Youtbs, Ringers to the Town ant University of Cambridge, , given the occupation of the individuals, beginning wit! the members elected iu 1724 as follows:-

William Amflerson, Esquire.
Roberi Harker, Whitesmith.
Thomas Carmwall, Snwyer
Hewes Carter, Watolmaker.
John Derke, Gentleman.
tenrge Gilbert, Peruke maker.
Francis Humt, Joiner
Henty Mniline, Geatleman.
Johm Savell, Baker,
Jahn Twok, Bricklayer
Johm white, Verger of Trinily College.
Joseph West, Inukeper:
In the following year Charles 3[ason, D.D., "Fellow of Trinity College and Woddwatdian Professor," was elected a mornher. Dr, Mason was kedrlo inferested in ringing, and in the liturary of Downing College, Caninitge, fue thee manuscript books on chatge zinging which once formed his notebooks. In one of these buraks are the figures of Garthon"s peal of Guandic- be fist ever rung.
Many years bater Dr. Mason used his good uffices in an endeavonr to assist Johm Holt in obtainiag subscribers to ihe btond-sheet of his peals. Dy. Mason solicited the support of the Norwich ringers, and received the following significant reply:-

Norwich, August 27th, 1753.
Reverd. Sir, -1 desire you'ly excuse ny not Subsurbing to a Work which I have some Reason to fear will not answar to Expectation. I must Confess Our Compary Seem Intirely to slight it, ibough I musi Own it is not a Generaus Way of Treating Mir, Holt's performaree, but I helicve they are Induc d to this by that Ingenions Ringer, Mr. Amable's mot Encouragiug of it, hail he Approved of it, his Influence on the Colledge Touths I preanme wonlil
have been suffejent ta have sent it to the Press willout any
Further Subscriptions.
'Revd. Sir, Give me leave to Observe to yout thal tis almost twenty years Since I sent to the Fevi. 3ir. Windhall a Witole peal of Ten with iwo Inferior Changes Only, Fully Txplaintag by an
Infalible rule low to make any proper peal on all Numbers ilat Infallible rule liow to
go with a Quick

For Self and Co., I ani, Sir,
*With due respect
Four mosst Gumble Sprvant,
Dr. Masarn ves $n$ subscriber to the broad-sheet for two copies ant
the Cambridge Company for fous.
Among other inderesting elections to the Society of Cambrider Youths may be mortioned the following -
1796. Thomas Pricherv, Brower of Trinity College
1726. John Robinson, Member of the Giprpration.
1747. Richard York, Attorney-at-Law
1767. Willim Imearsole, Gentleman (tatally blinul, Tat aal ex cellent Rimger
1768. Richavd Widnell, Coak of King's College
1775. Ioln Bowtell, Bookseller und Binder, a great Benefaer:in Addembrookes Hospital.
1787. Thomas Steers, Gentleman, an ingenious Mallematician.

## YEOVLL PARISH CHURCH BELLS.

At Yeovil Parochial Ghareh Council meeting, Mr. J. CiondeJiitel steward of the Pingers' Guid, read ab extract from the conductor report calling atitention to the state of the bells, antl especially the great inerease in the wibration of the frame, dun to their un even running, dansed hy gudgeons and bearings being walls out in truth. Not only did this vibration make the bells diffienth to rinu. but it involved constant wateh and attention, and might hame a hanl effect on the straftare of the tower. It was henty for yars sinch the bells were last relitugg, and during that time, with the exception of the tenor and rinth hells, they did not appear to have receiverd any attention from bell hangers. In lis (the conductor's) opinian. the time had now come when the question of calling in expert adwies should be coasidered.

The Council decided to seek the advice of a firm of helf foundre. Yeovil has a ring of ten bells with tenor of 72 cwt .

## (Contfoued from prewious column.)

THANKSGIVING DAY.
Dear Sir-The sfanding Committee of the Ceniral Connci] Haw, had under consideration the question of organised ringing should there be a Thanksgiving Day, for the recovery of the fing , anml it has been decided to recommend the secretartes of the affiliatrul Guilds to bear the mather in mind should the occasion arise withau much previous warning.-Yaus faitiffully,
J. ALEX. YOUNG, Han. Secretars,

## NOTES BY THE WAY.

BY J. ARMIGEL TROLLOPT.
'JHE CENTRAL COUNCIL'S AGTHORITY゙-TEE DEVELOPMEN'J OF RINGLNG—TOSEPF ETKES.
[ am interogted in a mild sort of way in this controversy ahout the Cambral Gouncil and the associations, because I rather think lhat it was some remarks of mine that started the wresent discussion. We were considoring lagt yenr the agenda of the coming Central Council meeting, and I said something like this: 'In the long run yon musti leave the decision ta your members. They will thean ail the arguments for and against. They are men whom you liate electad heause you can trust their judgment. The hest you can find (I was not one of them). They are pour representatives, not vour delegates. The presitent of the Central Council was present. and lo repeated the phrase al the Council's meeting. (It may have heen acoincidence.) What I was thinking was that memhers of the Central Council are in a similar position to Members of Parliament, not to felegates to a Trades Tinion Congress. But the whole moniter is easily squared by a little eommon sense.
If the associations are groing to debate and settle the items of the Centual Conncil ngnata before its meeting, I don't see why they need send il boprosentative; it posteard wonld do as well.
On the other hand, the man who represented an association would Ine ro fol who did not pay attention to the wishes of his constitucney. And it is all to the good of the Council narl the Fxareise that the associations end any other person should take an interest in its agendm and oxpress opinions on its resolutions. Sn I ann fully ngree with irr. Whittington's letter so fro . Put I think that if Enyone is gring to vote on that gentrman:s proposef resolation i mav be as well for him to know what he is voiting fors
Ton't imagine that yous ave voling for the old idea of truth in poal ringing aud the old slandard for peal compositions; you are doing nothing of the sott. Fam are voting for a nes standard, which, $T$ think, is quite out of harmony with tlue traditions and risage of thr Exereige. And don't think yout are roting in defence of W1. Bantes Tamesi arrangement of Cambrtage, hecause vou are mol. T believe that the intention is to keep the old stanciards as far as possihle and at the samn lime let in the other by, so to
speak, whe back floor, That sort of thing won't do. Fou want to Face the fanis of the case fuirly.
Now, if tistory traches us one thing it teaches as that though ringing has preserved a remarikable unity since the leginning, it is ahway remeloping or, rather, $T$ ghould say that wherlerer ringing lans innopered it las develoned in some wat or other. The great principles armain unchanged, hut new applications of them are foturl. It proves the life of present-day ringing that not $n$ few of llman huw hem in arse day. And murrme has met with onnosition, retive or passive. They ugen to sar", in mer rounc time, "What is the goml uf talking alrout a Int of ner methode: nolody will ring them? What we hawn got are good enough for us. ${ }^{1}$ Rut we do ring new methods nowadays. When the Little methods were intrulured. peoble did not likn them: ther were a mew idea. I confess



Anol so ? watal arluige thial. tho dovelonment vemesented hy Mr. Whens arnes arrongemont of Cambridge should lue laft alone for mad rasiviel it bs wellomeaning, but will der, if ally, and don't
and rasiriel it by well-meaning, but utterlv illogien, alefinition. pubhimation of MI: Pitman's composition. with tea Surgmise methods to nne peal. would perlape fare heon lonked on as an interesting matitios. sud nlonast nortainly as a thing sos alfowed by the then samhatit of bmal ringing. And now $T$ wonder how long it will be letion at hand rines it or something lite itf One ithing it can suy, it will he wodlt rloing. There is that ablout spliced ringing whist makes ant penl in nny one melhont scem quite tame. Of rourse,
 wis on reliof to pot into London Suprise heeallse it gnve you a trather."
the moral of all this is that the Faxerrize and the Council shouth not be bu any hutry to pass pules. Realis the triles we want
in finging nre vory fow. II is not like a sport where there is comnetilion hetroen two partios, and you must lave rales fo loble the hulatm tombeen thom. The wules of ringing are mol resivictive, lhoy :re not fanded primarily to say that ringers onust not do lland. They aro the rosult of the experienme of the Frescise as to Hin host wne to rlo things: thoy are really gowd ndvice, not orders. Anh so, if there is nny good rensen, anyone may hreak then. Of low that the oft rules forbatin splicel noals, yet when they were intrulum bands thag liem with the palire appramb of the Exereisro.

## SURREY ASSOCIATION.

CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICTS AMALGAMATED
The annual general meating of the Surrey Association was held at Reigate on Saturday weok. It was a most successful gathering, 65 members being present. The following towers were represented, viz, Aslrtead, Banstead, Beidington, Buckland, Burstow, Cherlwond, Chelsea, London, Croydon (St. John's and Sk. Peter's), Cravley (Sussex), Dorking, Epsom (Christ Church), Ewell, Godstone, Guild ford Cathedral, Honfeld (Sussex), Holley, Lcstherhcad, Merstham, Mitcharn (St. Peter's and Christ Church), Newdigate, Redhill, Reigate, Shoreham (Sussex), and St. Paul's Cathedrah Ringing commencent at 3 p.m., and a service was held in the Parish Church at 5 p.m. conducted by the Vtear, Canon F. C. Davies, who gave a short but interesting address. Tca was served at the White Harf Hotel, and was followed by the business mecting.
Canan Davies was elected to the chair, supported by Mr. D. K. C Birt (chairman of the committee), Mr. C. H. Kippin (hon, secretary), Mr. C. F. Johnston, Miss Nora Johnston, Mr. M. A. Northover etc. An apology was read from Mr. C. Deav, who was under the cloctor with ' flu.'

The treasurer's statement of accoments was passed,
The committee's report for the year 2928 was presented. It stated that siace the last anmul meeting tho association hat lost its Master, Mr. J. D, Drewett, J.P., at the age of 74 years, and referved to his work for the association, of which he was Master for 15 years. Other memhers who had passed away included Mr. E. Hull, of Leatherhead, Mir. Is, Attwater, of Wandsworih, Mr. W. States, of Croydon, Mr' T Miles, of Epsom, and Mr. L. C. Fervidge, of Bonlalton. Thirty-onc peals liad been rung for tha association during 1928, which induded their first peal of Yorkshire Surprise Royal. The rules passed at Leatherhead had been revised for the rueeting's consideration, as the overlapped and needed clarifying. Progress had been made in the xhistricts. Only at three affiliated towers was luging impossihle owing to the had condition of the hells. Althoupls the Guildford Guild was now in operation, practically no effect lasd been made upon the membership to the association of those towers in the central district which were in the Guildford Diocese.-The report was adopted.

Ono hon. member, one ringing member, and three compounding members were elected. Beddington was chosen as the place for the next annual goneral meeting.
It was decided that the Central and Western Districts hecome as one under the title of 'North-Westera' District. No alteration wa made to the Southern District.
The rules as revised by tie committee were unanimonsly passed the memhers, and will be pat into force at onec.
The following officers were elected en bloe: President, the Right Rev. the Lord Bishon of Somthwark; Master, ME. D. Kenneth Pirt; treasurer, Mr. Chas, Dean: hon. secrelary, Mr. Chas. Kippin; assistant hon, secvetary, Mr. F. NF. Dryby: amitor, Mr. W. Housden: representative upon the Central Council (racam caused by the deatl of Mr. Dreweti), Mr. C. F. Kipmin.
A vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Dean and Mr. Jippin for their services during the year, and also to those who lrad helpend in making the meeting a sureess, especially to Mu. Northover, who marl all arrapements connected with the ton.
This concluded the business meeting, which only lasted 40 minutip
During 末lo afternoon and evening most of the slandard methon were rung, including a course of Cambridge Surprise Rayal. Reigat bells are a good neal of ten, and were reliung and vetured eigitned montis ago by Messurs. Mears nind Slantank.

## FIRST 720's

At Rock Ferry, Cheshire, on Thursolay, Warch 2lst, 720 of Norwirh Surprise: J. Gorst 1, T. Birch 2, H. RoDers 3. G. F. Edwards Rogers 5, J. Goote (conductor') 6.-Aiso on Thursday, March 720 of Ipswich Surprise: (r. R. Fitwavis 1, H. Rogers 2, T. Birch
W. Dear 4 , T. Rogers 5, J. Cooke (conductor) 6. First 720 in th methods hy all the band, and on the bells, both methots being rings for the first time by a resident bancl of the wirral Branch.

## (Continued from pravious column.)

I must express my regrets at the sad news of the death of Toseph Sykes. He was a man wham I was continitally meeting ing the conrse of many sears in all sorts of unexpected spots. used to write to me from many foreign places. The Iast time across him was in Paris, where he was quite ret home-just as if he had lired there all his life, for he lod a woaderful gift of acquiring the language of the country lue happenet to be in. With bis herp I ssw in grod deal of Parisian life, which would have Even impos sible to a casual visitor. He was a goed ringer. especially lemar ringer, witla a most interesting stove of ringing tales. Peace to his ashes.

## REV. H. LAW JAMES' INCONSISTENCY.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir, I have reaci with interest Mr, Lap James reply to my list letter. He certairly puts farward a very interesting point, nimely, late since the ' leads" of even-bell metiods are (in geveral) joined together when the treble leads, and those of odd-bell trebledominatcd methods (in general) as the treble leaves the lead, it is nattral to conclude that in the former case rounds is the first row of the method, and in the latter case it is the last.
He also raises the question of rownd blocks. I am only gtating a well recognised fact when I say that there are few arts in which rore words and phrases are in everyday use, but which have to admit ambiguity when viewed through really critical eyes, than that of campanology. Now this term 'round block' is one of these, although in this oase the ambiguts is not very obvious at first sight. I submit that wo use this term "round block" to mean two different ftuings; there are the round block of which Mr. Law James gires ns examples the three leads of Bob Mivimus; these (he says) begin and end respectively 1234 and 1324, $13+2$ and 1432,1423 and 1243 , and are joined logether by makiug 2nd's place when the treble leads to give the 24 changes on four bolls. There is also the meaning which we have in mind when we say thar "a peal must be a round block, ${ }^{3}$ this being another way of saying 'a peaf must start from, and end with, rounds.' These two types of round block might well be dis$t$ inguished ns "open" and 'closed." A round block beginuing 12345678 and ending 12436587 would be an 'open' one; a. 'closed" one would have to satisf $\begin{gathered}\text { the fureher condition of actrally coming }\end{gathered}$ back to 12345658 (the row we stared fiomi. The difference between these two types is admittedly elighe, but it is an essential one.

Mr. Law James gives an answer to ray first question, which was, On what authority did he mane certain statements?" His answer, as I understand it, is that the stimements were based on what are (in his opinion] 'naturai lews, which cannot be attered,' and which he proceeds to set forth.
He totally ignores my second question, which was, "How did he reconcile his parsistent renarks to tha effect that "rounds is the first row of a peal nud not the last' with the Ceatral Council's condition that "a peal slaall in all cases start from and end with rounds"? I think ho will forgive me for assuming it as agreed that these two phrases are, in fact, irreconcilable.

I should like to say here, as one of the junior members of the Exercise to whom lae refers in tis letter, that we of the younger generation do realise what a vary deep delot of gratitude we owe to Mr. Law James and his brother for their large shate in the great increase of campanological knowledge which has tafen plece in the last 60 years and wo do resppect, and ralue their opinons hirghy. It is, therefore. in no spint af unfriendliness or disrespect that I take

If there is one ident which We Exercise should set itself above alt others it is that of consistency. We can hardly hope never to be inconsistent, hat I do urge that is is the comman duty of eacla one of us to do our best to ricl our exurentely complicated art of as much as possible that is inconsistent.
Now Mr. Law James has surely placed limself in a position of extreme inconsistency. He is on the Sinnding Committee of the Central Council, and he is also president of one, and a member of many associations which are affiliated to it; and yet he tolerates rales which are entirelr irreconcilable with whab he consiteps natural laws which canot be alberet.' Surely the mily consistent thing to do is to propose that the rules in question lie alteren. The rules of the Cantral Council are not unalterable: it is for its members to briug them into line with what they consider to he "natural laws which ofnnot be aitered.' Tuit while we are affiliated to the Central Counail it is surely no less than our duty io stick to what are at whe moment its rules num to refmin from making statenents which are in direct opposition to them.
The real trouble is that some of us are going about the jols the wrong way: we are starting from the wrong enci. Let us take the example of Mr. Bankes James" aremgentent of Cambidge Minor, I thak we are all 日greod that the arrangement is a vely clever one, and reflects great credit on the composer": but this in itself does nof make it a thue peal. A great many of us go further than this, and fpel that it roes supply a great need in that it makes it possible to ring 5,040 Cambridge Minor with wo $65^{\circ} \mathrm{z}$ at back stioke, without ringing the same 720 seven times So far so good; hut this is where certain people $h_{\text {ave left the rails of conaistmey nitogether: : they have }}$ proceened to fake the existing rule and twist it ahon! until they hafe decoived themseives and others into believing that it means something which no one reading it in an mbiassed and logical woy conld possinly imagine linat it wn ever intended to mean. Surely the reasomalo lime of action is to propose a rule (firee from ambiguity) which conforms with their riew of what should he regarded as a peal, and theu let the Central Conncil decide for or gegainst it.
Iu any case fhe existing mule lins not mored quite satisfactory, in vew of the conspicuous inability of the Fxereise as a whole to agree as to its raxet meaming: il is therefrre fo be homed, and, I think. assumed, that somethine will lan done nboul it al the next Gentrai (Continued in rest columes.)

## MERIVALE MEDLEY

## To the Editar.

Dear Sir,-Further incestigation shows that Merirate Medey is कo twenty pars six-score of Original Doubles, with fwe teversals in each balf.

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## Repeat the whole

This is the six-score of Origimal Doubles.
Now lay a whole pull behimd at (a) in cach of the last five parts instead of the whole pull at lead, aud you get Mcrivale Medey
H. L. JAMES
N.B.-The letter which appeared Inst weck gives a correct account of tie $Q$ sets of M.M., but, unfortanately omited the five reversals explained above. These five reversals are interesting. because they show the comection with Carter's Douthles and Stedman Doubles thus:-

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Carter' Doubles consist of a slow six of Stodman, lonf a quilt six, and then the second half of auother quick six. H. r. T

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES

 for morning service. a quarter-peat of London Sutprize Major in 40 mins.: F. Palmer 1, A. Bigley 2, J. King 3, J, R Main \&. H Chambers 5, I. T. Ward 6, A. Y. Ther 7, W. Perkins (ronluctor 8 . HALESOWEN.At the Parish Chureh, on Sunday. Felmuncy 24th, for evening serrice, a quarter-peal of Lourlon Surprige Majoz (1,344 changest in 52 mins. by memhnes of tha* lotal bamit AFarris 1, W. Goley 2, T. Greminald 3. W. Brown t, T. Writic 5. I. Cox 6, F. Birci 7, A. Hackett (conductari) 8.
KENSINGTON.-At St. Mary Abbott's, oul Sundey, February 24bl, for evening service, quarter-peal of Stedman Caters 11,260 changes) : F. G. Miles (conductor) 1, F. F. Sinkins 2, A Cut molna 3, C. F. Winnes 4. A. Waddington 5, F. F. Weltam E, P. [. Miles 7, W. F. Juid 8, G. C. Rice 9, Capt. C. Warmer 10.
DEPTFORD.-On Sundaj, January 27th, 81 St. Nicholas Churelh, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 42 mims.: S. E. Daynes 1, Miss J. Colegate 2, A. J. Ford 3, F. W. Iturnton in W. Merritt 5, W. H. Daymes 6, G. If. Daynes (conductary J. J. Harding 8.

WANDSWORTH.-On Sumdap, January 201h, al Holy T'rinity, West Hill, for morning service, at cut " quarter-meal of Stenmma Triples (1,092 changes) in 41 mins.: Joha Lee $1_{r} \mathrm{~F}$, F . Goidiatd 2. T.
 Tricker (conductor) $7, G, F$. Edwards 8 . 'J'reble man fum Streallana, 2ad, 3ra and 7th from Houmslow, $5 \neq 1$, fyon Thiames Din ton, remainder from Pulney:

## [Continked from previous columa.)

Council meeting. But do let us, as an Exeretse, go about it the right way this time, i.e. let us first docide on our poliey and than frame the rule, not pass a rule first and thon sperde the inct tw lwe months fighting about what to means.-Vours fathfinllu,

STEPHEN H. WODD.
21. Prol Street, Partick, Glasgow

## NOTICES.

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CENTRAL COUNCIL.-The honorary secretary will be glad to receive the names of any ringers who fell in the Great War, and whose names do not appear in the Council's 'Roll of Honour,' other than those already notified. The Writer is waiting to add such names before the Chelmsford meeting.-E. Alexr. Young, 55, Rushey Green, Catford, S.E. 6.

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at Tickhill on Saturday, March 3oth. Bells ready early. Tea will be provided for those who inform Mr A Hill, Sunderland Streer, Tickhill. A good attendance is requested.-Percy Gledstone, Hon. Sec., 34, Silverwood View, Conishorough.

NORFOLK GUILD. - The annual general meeting will be held at Norwich on Easter Monday, April Ist. The rings of bells of St. Peter Mancroft (r2), St. John-de-Sepulchre (8), St. Michael-at-Coslany (8) and All Saints' (5) will be available. Divine service will be held at St. Peter Mancroft at 12.30 p.m., when the address will be given by the Archdeacon of Norwich. Luncheon will be served at William Grix, Limited, Criterion Restaurant, White Lion Street, at I.30. Tickets 25 . 6 d . per head. The annual business neeting will follow immediately after luncheon.-Arthur L. Coleman, Sec., High Croft, North Walsham, Norfolk.
SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-Next meeting will be held at South Anston on Easter Monday, April ist. Bells open early. Tea provided to all those who advise Mr. C. Fowler, Princess Villas, South Anston. This is imperative. It is hoped as many as possible will attend.--R. Harrison, 4 r , Baltic Road, Shefield.
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - The annual meeting will be at St. Albans on Easter Monday. Bells available at 2 p.m. Service at Cathedral 5 p.m. Address by the Vicat of Aldenham. Tea at 6 p.m., followed by annual business meeting, at the Ver Residential Hotel, Holywell Hill, adjoining the river bridge. Notification of attendance will be appreciated, for the sake of the caterer and others. - G. W. Cartmel, Hon. Sec., Duffield, St. Aibans.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-The annual meeting will be held at Cambridge on Easter Monday, April 1st. Committee at St. Mary's Vestry 11.15 a.m. Service 12 noon. Address by the Vicar (the Rev, Dr. P. N. Waggett). Lunch, followed by the business meeting, at the Dorothy Café, at 1 p.m. Ringing at St. Mary-theGreat (I2), St. Andrew-the-Great (8), Old Chesterton (6) and St. Mary and the English Martyrs (8) (after 3 p.m.). -Rev. R. Copeman, Owlstone Road, Cambridge.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-Central District.-The next meeting will be held at Ashtead on Easter Mondlay, April ist. Beils available from 3 p.m. Tea at Ashtead Peace Memorial Hall $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Business meeting following. -D. Cooper, Hon. Dis. Sec., 5, Harrison's Rise, Croydon.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-The annual meeting will be held at Maidstone on Easter Monday, April ist. Committee meeting in All Saints' Vestry at II 1 5 5. Service in All Saints' Church at 12. Address by the Rev. H. de. V. Watson, Rector of Harrietsham. Dinner in the Corn Exchange at I o'clock, followed ly business meeting. Towers open for ringing ; Maidstone (All Saints) (10), Leeds ( 10 ), Hlarrietsham (8), West Malling (8), Linton (8), Barming (6), Boxley (6), East Farleigh (6), Bearsted (6), St. Michael's, Maidstone (6). - Fred M. Mitchell, Assistant Hon. Sec., Ir4, Sun Lane, Gravesend.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - A general meeting will be held at Whitby on Easter Monday, April isl. Bells (ro) available throughout the day. Tea will be provided at a charge of 2 s . per head, and all applications for same must reach Mr. G. W. White, 84 , Church Strect, Whitby, not later than first post Tuesclay, March 26 th. Members are urged to attend.-Percy J. Johnson, Hon. Gen. Sec., 396, Meanwood Road, Leeds.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Annual meeting, Easter Monday, at Leicester. Bells of St. Margaret's (is), Cathedral (ro), St. John-the-Divine (io), St. Saviour's (8), Belgrave (8) (except between 10-11 a.m. and $\mathrm{I}-3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. ), All Saints' (5) available during the day Committee meet 3.55. Tea 5 p.m., followed by general meeting. Convivial 8 to 10 p.m. All at Victoria Commercial Hotel, London Road. (N.B.- 1928 reports now ready, price 6d., post free $\mathrm{V}_{2} \mathrm{t}$. .). -Ernest Morris, Gen. Hon. Sec., ${ }^{2}$, Coventry Street, Leicester.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-The annual meeting will be held at Worcester on Easter Monday, April 1st. Business meeting in the Cathedral Chapter House at 2.30 p.m. prompt. Chairman : The Very Rev. W. Moore Ede, D.D., President. Service, with address, in the Cathedral at $4.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea will be provided at 5.30 p.m. Bells available: Cailedral (i2) 12.30 to 2 and after service; All Saints' (rol, St. Helen's (8), Claines (8), St. Nicholas' (6), and Sl. John-ir-Bedwardine (6). Subscriptions should be paid and reports obtained in St. Helen's Church House between 1 y .30 a .m. and $\mathrm{iz.30} \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. - J. R. Newman, Hon. Sec., Sheepcote, Severn Stoke, Worcester.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - The anual meeting will be held at Leighton Buzzard on Easter Monday, April 1st. The bells of All Saints' (10) and St. Barnabas' (8) will be available from 10.30 a.m. Hot luncheon will be at the Plume of Feathers Hotel at p.m., followed by the annual business meeting. - Ariliur E. Sharman, Hou. Sec., 199, Higlı Street N., Dunstable.

SUFFOLK GUILD.-The annual meeting will be held at Ipswich on Easter Monday. Ringing all day (except 2-3) at St. Mary le Tower (12), St. Margaret (8), St. Clement (6), Rushmere (6). Committee meeting, i2 noon Service, St.-Mary-le-Tower, 2 p.m. Meeting in Oak Lane Rooms at 2.30. Unveiling of Catchpole-Motts Memorial at 4 p.m. Tea, 4.30 , at Lyons, is. each.-H. Drake, Ufford, Woodbridge.
CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSO-CIATION.-The next meeting will be held at Masham on Easter Monday, April Ist. Bells (8, tenor 17 cwis.) will be available for ringing daring the day. Dinner will be provided at Ousbey's Cafe, members 2s., non-members 2s. 6d.-T. Metcalfe, Hom, Sec., 26, High Street, Norlh Ormesby, Middleshrough).

DEVONSHIRE GUILD.-East Devon Brancl.-The thaual meeting will be held at Seaton, Devon, on Easter Monday. Bells (6) from $2.3 \%$ Short service at $4 \cdot 30$, Parish Church. An address by the Rev. L. Stallard. Tea 5-I5, Gould's Restaurant. Meeting follows. All ringers welcome. -John H. Godfrey, Hon. Sec.
ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. ( (stablished 1637 .) -Meetings for practice will be held at 'St. Michaet's, Cornhill, on April 2nd; St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 4 th and and $23^{\text {rd }}$; St. Magnus' on the It th and 25 th; "St. Paul's Cathedral on the 16 th; Southwark Cathedral on the 18th: "St. Giles', Cripplegate, or the Coffee Pot, on the 3 oth. All at 7.30 p.m. "Business meeting afterwards.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.
BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-The April meeting of the Bedford District will be held at Houghton Conquest on April 6th. Bells ( 6 ) available 2.45 p.m. Tea at 5.-]. T. Newington, Dis. Sec., 32, Grafton Road, Bedford.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.A quarterly mecting will be held at Martock on Saturday, April 6th. Evensong 4 p.m. Tea and business 5 p.m. Nominations for C.C. representatives for the session commencing 1930 should reach me between now and July. J. T. Dyke, Hon. Sec., Chilcompton, Bath.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-Southern District. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Leigh, nr. Betchworth, on baturday, April 6th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 5p.m. Tea at the Plough Inv at 5.30. Business meeting to follow. All those requiring tea to let me know not later than Wednesday, April 3rd.-A. J. Bull, Hon. Dis. Sec., Jesmond, Queen's Road, Horley.
SWANSEA AND BRECON GUILD.-The next quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, April 6th, at h:. Elli's Church, Llanelly, Gilwern, Abergavenny. Ringing at 2 p.m. Service at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea and meeting at 4 p.m. at Church Room. Tea will be kindly proly the Vioar and Mrs. Davies.-F. E. Thomas, Dis. Sec. HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION wili hoid an eight bell contest and quarterly meeting at Kirkburton (near) Huddersfield, on Saturday, April 6th. Draw to take place $2.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All who require tea, Is .6 d . each, must send word not later than April ist to L. Hargreaves, 30 , Bankfield View, Halifax.
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Lincoln District.Next meeting at Nettleham (6), Saturday, April 6th. Tower open 2 p.m. Bus leaves Unity Square 3 p.m. and 4.10 p.m. Bus leaves Nettleham 7.I5 p.m., 8.10 p.m. and 9.35 p.m. Notifications to tea to Harold Marcon, Dis. Sec., 269, Wragby Road, Lincoln.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established I755).-Quarterly meeting will be held at Coleshill on Saturday, April 6th. Bells available from $3 \cdot 30$. Tea and business meeting at 5 . Members requiring tea please notify Thomas H. Reeves, Hon. Sec., 136, Newton Road, Sparkhill, Birmingham.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.
The next meeting of the Southern District will be held at Bishop Auckland on Saturday, April 6th. Bells (8) available 2 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. It is necessary, owing to imiced catering arrangements, at this meeting that ringers requiring tea should notify me not later than April 4th $^{\text {th }}$ so that a reasonable estimate may be given.J. T. Titt, 71 , Surtees Street, Darlington.
£ANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Brancl2 -Our next meeting will be held on April 6th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. at Hoddlesden and Darwen. Meeting 6.30 p.m. A good attendance is requested. Reports to hand. Subscriptions due,-F. Hindle, Branch Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-The annual general meeting will be held at St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate, on Saturday, April 6th. Service at $4-30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Preacher. Rev. W. Hudson Shaw (Rector). Tea in the Church Hall at 5. 15 p.m., at a charge of 15 . As accommodation is limited, provision will only be made for those members. who advise either of the undersigned by Tuesday, April 2nd. Tea can also be obtained in the neighbourhood. The business meeting will be held at 6 p.m. Ringing arrangements are as follows:-St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate, from 2 p.m. and after the meeting; St. Cilles', Cripplegate, from 2.30 to 4 p.m. ; St. Magnus', Thames Street, from 7 to 8.30 p.m.-C. T. Coles, 21 , Vincent Road, E.4, W. H. Hollier, 29, Duke Road, W.4., Hot1. Secs.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-The annual general committee meeting will be held at Reading on Saturday, April 6th, in St. Lawrence's Hall, Abbey Street (near Abbey Gateway), at 3.15 p.m.-Richard' T. Hibbert.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Devizes Branch. -The quarterly meeting will be held at Westbury on Saturday, Aprii 6th. Bells (S) ready 2.30 p.m. Guild service 4.40. Tea 5. Business mecting lollows tea. Alt ringers welcome. - F. Green, Branch Sec., 53, Avol Road, Devizes.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. - The anmal nomination meeting will be held at Armley (Christ Church) on Saturday, April 6th. Bells available from 3 p.m. All towers are requested to send a representativi. -H. Lofthouse, Hon. Sec., 8, Wortley Road, Arniley:

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Southern Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Cropthorne on Saturday, April 6th. Service at 5 p.n1., with an address by the Rev. E. H. Longland. Tea provided for those who send me their names not later that. the Tuesday previous. Bells (6) available.-J. Hemming, Branch Sec., 29, Church Bank, Great Hampton, Evesham.

## NORTH STAFFS AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

 -A meeting will be held at Bucknall on Saturday, April 6th. Tea at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{ml}$. for all who notify Mr. W. Fradley, roz, Charles St., Hanley, Stoke-on-Trent, before April 4 th.-C. S. Ryles, Hon. Sec.BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Cary Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be beld at West Lydford on Saturday, April 6th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea in the schoolroom 5 p.m., meeting to follow. Those requiring tea please notify me by April 3rd.-E. Creed, 6, West Park, Castle Cary.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GULLD.-Reading Brancl?, There will be a dedication service at the Church of $s$, Mary-the-Virgin, Reading, on Tuesday, April 9 th, at 50 p.m. The eight bells, which have been rehung, will ite dedicated by the Right Rev. Bishop Shaw. Ringing will take place after the service until $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All ringers in-vited.-F. W. Hopgood, Hon. Branch Sec., 75, Kensingfon Road, Reading:

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-The next meeting will be held at Frittenden on Saturday, April 13 tha, Dy kind permission of Rev. H. M. Leathley. Tower open 2.30. Tea at 5 o'clock. A good meeting is hoped for. All ringers welcome. A card by inth would oblige. -A. C. Kay, Dis. Sec., 6, Sturges Road, Ashford.
GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - The annual meeting will be held at Guildford on Saturday, April ${ }_{13}$ th. Ringing from 2.30. Service in the Cathediral 4.30. Tea and business meeting at Holy Trinity Parish Hall. Nominations of officers must be sent in to me not later than April ist.-J. S. Goldsmith, Hon. Sec., Southover, Hockering Gardens, Woking.
SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. - Quarterly meeting will be held at Walsall on Saturday, April $13^{\text {th }}$. Bells (new ring of 12 ) available from 3. Service in church at $4 \cdot 45$. Tea will be provided in ine Brotherhood Institute at $5 \cdot 30$. All ringers will be welcome. It is important that names should be sent in by Tuesday, April gth.-H. Knight, 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

THE BELLS OF DERSINGHAM CHLRCH will be rededicated by the Archdeacon of Lynn on Saturday, April 13 thl, at 3 p.m.-All ringers are invited. Tea pro-vided.-R. L. B. Oliver, Vicarage, Dersinghan, King's I. ym,

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Nottingham District. - The first quarterly meeting of the above district wili be held at Hearor on Saturday, April i 3 th. Bells (8) available from 2.30 to $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Mesting afterwards. Will all those requiring tea please notify Mr. J. S. Stirland, Fair View, Heanor, by April 10th.-F. W. Bailey, 42, Rupert Street, Nottingham, Local Secretary.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Maidstone Dis-trict.-The annual district meeting will be held at Leeds on Saturday, April I3th. Tower open 3 p.m. Service at 4.30, followed by tea and business meeting. Kinjly notify me not later than Tuesday, April gth.-C. H. Sone, Dis. Sec., Eungalow, Linton, Maidstone.
BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. - A meeting will be held on Saturday, April I3th, at Felkirk. Bells ready early. Short service $4 \cdot 30$. Tea 5 p.m. All ringers welcome. Kindly apply for tea before A pril zoth, to C. D. Potter, Hon. Sec., Prospect House, Royston, Barnsley.

LADIES' GUILD. - Northern District. - Quarterly meeting at Duffield, Derbyshire, on Saturday, April t3ths. Notices for tea must be sent to Miss E. Foulk, $t$, King Street, Duffield, by Thursday, April isth. Will all members please make av effort to attend? Important business for discussion. New rule for Guild, etc. Gentlemen cordially invited. - Hilda F. Jacques, Northtield Avenue, Mansfield Woodhouse, Notts.

TANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch. The next meeting will be held at Croston on Saturday, April rath $^{1 / 1}$. Bells available from 3 o'clock. A good ittendance is requested.-FFred Rigby, Hon. Sec., S, Carrimgton Road, Chorley.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch. - A meening will be held at St. James', West Derby, on Saturcay, April ${ }^{13}$ th. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Servire 5.30 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. Special methods : Double Court and London Surprise. Those
desiring tea please notify Mr. H. Hancock, Go, Sandstone Road, Stonycroft, before Tuesday, April gth.-Claude 1 Davies, Branch Sec.
LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK diocesan guild. - Southern Dis-trict-A meeting will be hedd at St. Mary's, Woolwith, on Saturday, April 20th. Bells from 3 to 8.30. Service. Tea and meeting 5 o'clock. Names or numbers for tea will be appreciated by the hon. sec., J. Herbert, 1 -, Grimston Road, S.W. 6.
GL:ILD OF DEVON RINGERS.-N.E. Branch.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Bampton on Saturday, April 20th. Bells (6) available 2.30. Service 4.45 . Tea (1s. each) 5.15 . Will those requiring tea kindly notify me by Tuesday; April 16th?-M. Hanson, Honl. Sec. and Treasurer, 2, The Avenue, Tiverton.
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CHELMSFORD-At the Cathedral, on Sunceas, January 13th. 「or morning service, 952 changes of Grandsire Triples: Miss K. Meadrows 1, A. Hume 2, A. Saltmarsh 3, T. C. Clark 4, C. Gentry 5, w. Lia coln 6 , L. J. Clark (conductor) 7. G. Coaper 8. Rung with the hells half-mufiled in memory of the late Canon H. A. Lake, Sub-Denn if Chelmeford Cathedral.-For evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1,259 changea): Miss K. Meadows 1, C. Gentry 2, A. Huree 3. R. C. Clark 4, A. Saltmarsh b, W. Lincoln 6, L. J. Clark (eonductor) 7, A. Head 8, J. Wood 9, G. Cooper 10. Rung as a tare well to Dr. Guy Warman, Bishop of Chelinsford, on the occasion uf his last sermon in the Cathedral bofore learing' Chelmsford to take KENSINGTON, - At St. Mary Abbot's, on Sunday, January 131h, $\underset{P}{\text { after meeting short, a quarter-penl of Stedman Triples: }}$ H. . . Mi. Mile: i, P. L. Miles 2. A. Cumore 3, A. Waddington 4, C. F. Winney (conductor) 5, W. E. Judd 6, 6. ©. Rice 7, Capt. C. Warner 8.

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EXETER.-At St. Thomas' Church, on March 14th, a quarterpea! of Stedman Triples ( 1,260 changes) in 43 mins., for Confirmafion service, at which the Bishop of Exeter ofliciated: $\mathbf{F}$. Hosgood 1. E. Shepherd (conductor) 2, W. Howe 3, T. J. Stokes 4, C. Routley 5, E. W. Biffn 6, A. H. Goad 7, W. H. J. Bailey 8.
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There has, of course, been a grod deal done by way of joining up methods in approximately half peals. This is 'splicing' in its simplest form, but in interest cannot be compared to those forms in which methods are changed in every course or at almost every lead. Probably the time will come when spliced peals will be as common as are peals to-day in single Surprise methods. Composers might well devote their attention to obtaining peals in which some of the plain methods to be found in the Central Council's Major Method 'Collection ' are spliced on the same lines as the Surprise methods are now mixed in one composition. Mr. Pitman has done it in (Conitinued on page 210.)

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## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

CHELMSTORD, ESSEX.
TEE ESEEX ASEOCIATION.
On Easter Munday, April 1, 1929, in Three Hours and Fifty-Fonr Minntes At the Catheral Chorch oe St. Mary,
A PEAL OF SPLICED SUPERLATIVE AND GAHBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS, 5280 GHANGES: Tenor $34 \frac{3}{9} \mathrm{cwt}$.


This is the first peal in 'spliced' methads rung on twelve bells. It consisted of 2,880 changes of Superlative and 2,400 of Clambridge, both methods being rung in each course, the change from Superlative to Cambridge being at the 'Wromg ${ }^{2}$ lead, and from Cambridlye to Superlative at the course end. Mre. Fletcher and J. S. Goldsmin were elected members of the association before starting.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

LONDON.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNFY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Satwrday, March 30, 1929, in Three Hours and Fiftien Minates,
Aitie Chtree of St. Sepflchre, Snow Hill,
A PEAL OF STEDHAN CATERS, 5055 CHANEES;
Tenor 3rat cwt.

| Horace Belcazr ... | ...Treble | Jogn Kentesy | ... 6 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| bin F. Pik | . 2 | Edward P. Doffield |  |
| Williar H, Hewett |  | Jambs E. Davis |  |
| A |  | Sharles W. Ro |  |
|  |  | Ce |  | Composed by Cornelies Cegarge. Conducted by Wh. H. Hewett Arranged and rung as a wedding peal for Miss E. E. Ghapman mod Mr, Reuben Sanders, who were married in the afternoon a St. Stephen's, Clapham Park, S.W. After the peal, at the invitation of the bridegroom, the health of the newly-marricd couple was drunk, the band wishing them the best of health and bappiacss for the future. Quickest peal on the bells.

> BRYGETON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Easter Monday, April 1, 1929, in Three Hours and Twenty-One Minutes At the Chorch of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF 8TEDMAN GATERS, 6079 CHANGES;

Tenor $25 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cw}$.
Meite Hart... ... ... ...Treble Henry J. Tucker ... ... 6 Jack M. Cripps ... Alfred King $\quad \ldots \quad . .$. Frbdrrick C. J. Turner ... 2 Edwin J. Harding, sen. ... 9
 Composed by Henry Johmson. Conducted by Fredk. W. Rogers


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## EIGHT BELL PEALS．

LYTHAM．
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On Saturday，March 16，1929．in Tw Hours and Fifty－Eight Minutes，
At the Cerace of St．Cotebert，
A PEAL OF STEDNAH TRIPLES， 6040 CHANGES； Brooks＇Variation．


DAPUPORD，KENT．
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION．
On Saturday．Murai 23．1929，in Two Hours and Fifty－Five Minutes，
At the Chorch of the Holy Trinity，
A PEAL DF DOURLE MORWICN GOUHT EOE MAJOR， 5024 GHAMEES； Tenor 18 量 cwt．


| Thomas Groombridge，jun． | 3 | Herbert E．Audsley $\ldots . .$. | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Grorge H．Cross ．．． | ... | 4 | Teomas Groombridge，sen．Tenor |

Composed by Gabriel Lindofr．
Thomas Groombringe，sen．Tonder
Non－Conducted．
Umpires：Ediward J．Beerand Harry Hoverd．
First＇silent＇peal of Double Norwith hy ull and by the associa－ tiou．

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TFE LANCASHTRE ASSOCIATION．
（Blackburn Branch．）
Un Samday，Mayd 23，1929，in Three Howrs ata Ten Minutes，

## At the Cherch of tee Holy Trinity，

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAdOR， 5088 CHANGES； Tenor 11翟 cwt．

 | Walter Stephenson | $\ldots$. | 3 | Fred Hentley ．．．．．． | $\ldots .$. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Wiliam McCebavg．．． | ... | 4 | Willian H．Hunter | ．．．tenor | Composed by T．B．Worsezy．Conducted by W．H．Hranter．

＊Firsi peal．Rung to celebrate the $40 t h$ anuiversary of the bells．

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THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOGIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUTLD．
On Monday，March 25，1929，in Three Hours and One Minute， Ay the Church of St．Botolph，Bishopsgate，
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR， 5152 CHANEES； Middleton＇s．

Temoz 20 cwt.

Ronald H．Buleen ．．．．．．． 2 ．．． 2 ©ecil W．Pipe．．．．

Jakes E．Davis ．．．．．．．．．． 4 Cearles W．Roberts
Tenor
＊First peal in the method，and proposed a member of the assania－ tion previous to starting．The ringers of the treble and temor have sow tung each of these belis to a peal．

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On Saturday，Match 30，1929，in Threr Howrs and Three Minktes．

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（Eurness and Lakb District Branch．）
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At the Parish Chorch of St．Mary，
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES，5040 CHANGES； Holt＇s Ten－eaft．

＊First peal in the meliod．
HACKINGTON，CANTFRTLRY．
THE KENT COLANTY ASSOCTATTON．
On Saturday，March 30，1929，in Three Hours and Threc Minntes，
At the Church of St．Siephen，
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES， 5040 CHANEES；
Pitstow＇s Variation．
Tenor a c cwt．
Edivard Ruck
… ．．．．Trebie Pracy Page
Charebs W．Breti ．．．．．．． 2 Charles Franklin...
Edwin G．Bobsden ．．．．．． 3 Harry Parhes ．．．
Frederick G．Brett ．．．．．． 4 Harry Castle ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． Conducted by Edwin G．Boesdrn．
Rung with the bells latif－muffled as a tokn of tespech to like fate
dra．Helmore． Mrs．Helmore

## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS．

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## A PEAL OF MINOR， ， 040 CHANGES；

Consisting of two 720＇s of Kent Treble Boly，wo of Plain Boby and turee of Oxford Treble Bob．

Thonas C．Ward $\quad . .$. Conducted by G．W．Ablity．
＊First peal．Rumg as a birthday compliment to Mr．C．Ablitt． First peal on the bells since they were overhauled by Mr．Alfred Bowell，of lpswich．The＇go of the bells is excellent．

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On Saticrday，Maych 23，1929，in Two Fours and Fifty－Five Minntes，
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Richard Abrams．．．．．．．．．． 2 Franh Fox ．．．
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Sydney T．Rackham ．．． 2 George Fornell ．．．．．． 5
G．Robert jones ．．．．．． 3 ｜Wilfred Williams ．．．．．．Temof Conducted by S．T．Rackham，
＊First peal，and elected a momher uf the association before com－ mencing Treble and 3rd wingers hail from Aluwavemny，znil and 4th lean，5th and tenor from Bedtwelty，Munmomilishire．

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## On Saturday, March 23, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

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A PEAL OF ERANDSIRE DOUBLES, 6040 CHANGES;
Bring 16 spliced 240 's and ten 180's. Tenor 85 cwt.
 Conducted by I. P. Hyeit.
First peal.

## SELKLRK, YORKSHIRE.

 BAIFNSLEY AND DISTTRICN SOCIETY.On Easter Monday, Apvil T, J929, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minntes,

## At the Chorch of St. Petif.

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

In lino following methods: Nelsou's Yictory, Rolton Ablyer, Royston Delight, Walsh's Delight, Selkirk Delight, Barısley Delight, Firkby Delight.
F. Priestley
.Tyeble $\mid$ H. Chant
A. Cole..
M. Perry

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Conclucted by J. T. Waite.

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IFFORD, FHREFORDSEIRE. THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sunday, March 31 , 1929, in Tto Hours and Forty-Etght Minules,
At the Chorch of St. Mary.

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, EO40 BHANGES;

Huing Iwo 120 's of Ganterbury Illeasure, 14120 's and 13 spliced 2401 s

## (Pitumes's) of Grandsiro.



## Conducted by J. P. Hyext.

Tturgr on, and in honour of, Faster Day, also to celebrate the 21st. binthday of the conductor's youngest dauplater, and hel* engagement to the ringer of the 5th. flle conductor has now called a peal of Dutules froml each of the eight lells in the tower.

## DEDICATION OF TWO PEAL BOARDS.

On Saturday, at St, Panl's Clurch, Hounslow, Niddlesex, the Vioa unveiled two peal horrds commenorating peals recently rung on the bells for the London Gounty Association, one of Grandsire Triples nun the other of Both Major. These boards have been given to the church by one of the local riugers, and are of neat design nut good urormanalip. The Yicat mentioned the methots by which people wore called to worshiv in different countries saying that frums wree ased in Africa, gongs in China, white in England we had luths, Te Irucan the use of bells from line time of the introduction of the cunfow to the prosent-rlay art ot change ringing, and dedared Hats all who wrore eugaged in ringing for church services, ard at limes of rejoicing or sorwow, were performing a useful work. It was very gratifying thint several of the Sunday service ringers took part in prol of these peals.
Mr. Chntolwarden J. I" Adcock also spoke in appreciation of the service ringers, who gave LLeir Lime voluntarily and travelled considerahle dintanees Sunduy atter Sunday to assist. He thought the captailt- (MIr. Tricker) mist linve move than a lion's share of that excollent virtue, patience.
Mr. A. E. Rogers, late churbwrudm, said that it was a pleasant surprise to him thut the contuthor of the peal of Grandsire Triples (Mr. H. Nance) was all ghl schoolfollow of his.
[mmediately the boavds ware unveited, a coutse of Graudsire I'riples wns purg on handbells by Messis. Hawthorne, Goddard, Herberl and Trioker Followed by at tune, 'Jeury' Jones," by Messus. Thadrast, T'ricker abil Tillingham.
Some goral practice was ahtained on the tower bells in three mubliods. aml a new conturtor of Boh Major was discovered.
Ringiny frimula attembed fran Harlington, Staines, Putney, Mallorspi, and Gremwich, and all voter it the most pleasant Saturduy had al Haumsiow.

## REV. F. J. O. HELMORES THANKS.

 Iturir gymputhy with him in las herenvenerst.

## SURREY ASSOCIATION <br> NORTH-WISTIERN DISTRICT.

A very successful meeting of 4110 North-Western District waf held at Ashtead on Eastor Monday, about 40 members and friends atfondiag during the afternoon nud evening. Ringing commenced at three o'olock, and the bells were kept going in virious methods. At tive o'clock the company adjourned to Aslatead Peace Memotial Hall, where 32 sat down to a very enjoyable tea.
The husiness meeting followed, Mr. A. W. Clark, District Master, being in the chair. A letter was read from the secretary of the Guiliford District of the Guildford Diocesan Guild re proposed joint meeting at Guildford on August Bank Holiday, stating that August Bank Holiday would not bo convenient to the members of his district, but they would be pleased to meet the Surrey Association one Saturday later in the year. - It was then proposed, if possible, to hold the meetiag on Octobar 5th.
It was also proposed to alter the date of the joint meeting at Ewall witl the Leatherhead District from May \#h to May 18 ill . A vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar for the use of the bells, Mr. G. Cook for makiog arraugements, and to those who waited at Lea.
The tower was again visited, and ringing continued until nine o'clock. Methods rung duriug the day ranged from Giandsire Triples to Bristol Surprise Major.

## ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

## THE ANNUAL MEETING

The Ely Diocesen Association held their anmual meeting again at Cambridge on Easter Monday. The aftendance of members it the lunch and business meeting was smaller than usual, but ringers from other places were spending the day in Cambridge, and ringing took place at Great St. Mary's, St. Andrew the Great, the Ghurch of St. Mary aud the English Martyre, "and also at Old Chesterton.

The committee met in the vestry of St. Mary's in the moruing, und the gervice in that chureh at noon was, in the absence through illuess of the Vicar, Dr. P. N. Waggett, S.S.J.E., conducted by the secretary (Rey. R. Copeman). The address, pointing out the way in which the Exercise evokes the response of the whole of our nature-body, soul and spirit-was given by the Rev. \&. H. TyrwhittDrake, Rector of Watlington, who has recently come into the diocese, and at short notice undertook Dr. Waggett's place.
Lunch followed at the Dorothy Cafo. Letters had been received from the Revs. A. H. F. Boughey, F. W. Fulford and J. B. Marshall, expressing their regret hat they were unable to he present.

The General Secretary presented his report in which he expressed the semse of the great lass which the association had sustaned hy the death of the Rev. H. B. Woolley, who had acted as district secretary for the Archdeaconry of Funtingdon for many years, and taken groat interest in ringing, aud was always ready to welcome ringers when a meelang was held at Long Stanton.
On the motion of Mr. T. R. Dennis, the mamber's stood for a few moments in silence as m mark of their respect for his memory.
There were 32 peals rung during tho year, including one of Bob Royal on bandbells.
The Treasurer produced his balance sheet, which sliowed a sum of $\pm 19$ 15s. Ed. in hand, which lad justified the printing of a deport for 1927-8, instead of for 1927, as had been planned.
The officers were re-elected, viz. : General secretary, Rey. R, Copeman; treasurer, Mr. T. R. Dennis; anditor, Mr. A. E. Austin; district secretary for Arehdencoury of Wisbecli, Mut H. W. Giddings, for Archdeaconry of Ely Mr. F. Warrington, for Archaleaconry of Huntingdon Miss G. Fields, and for Marshland Mr. W. G. Cross.
Or the motion of Mr. W. H. J. Hooton, the Rev. B. F. TyrwhittDrake was elected as representative of this association on the Gentral Council
The question of forming a new district was postponed, ind a slight alteration was made in the rules in permit the district branehes to appoint a Ringing Master for distruct mectings.
The mucli-debated sulaject of the constitution of peals of Minol und Dombles was discussed, but no resolutinn was put to the meebing. Reference was made to the illness of Wr. F. J. Hazell, following upon the death of his parents, and a grant was made to him. It was also resolved that a letter of sympathy be gent to an old rimger', Mr. York Green, who is in failing liealith.

The usual vote of thauks to the incumbents for the use of the bells and to the preacher for his address brought the meeting lo fo close, nud the members adjourned to the various towers, where tonches were rung during the aftermon und erening.

BINFIELD, BERKS.-On Good Friday, at the Church of All Snints, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Bob Minor, hallmaffled, in 48 mins.: W, Penton I, R. Blake 2, R. Duvis 3 , W. Raglev $6, G$. Bull 5 , J. Ranef (conductor') 6 . Longest touch hy tingors of 1 st, 2 nd and 3 rd .
WISTASTON, CFESFIRE-Tluree different 720 s of Thoh Minor on Good Friday for morning service, with the bells lialf-mulfted. On Easter Sumday, one for anorning service rat one for evening sorvice
the following hand: Reg Wright (first 720) 1, A. Thomas 2. W. Silubss 3, F. G. Sinill 4, J. Bayley 5, A. Cramley (conductor) 6.

## PEALS OF MINOR AND DOUBLES

## To the Eutitor.

Dear Sir - Mr. Woot asks this week how I reconeile my statement that rounds is the first row of a peal with the statement that a peal shall in all cases start from and f:ind will rounds? I do not attempt to reconcile them; they are absolutely contradictory.
Change ringing is a science; tho rules of the Cantral Council dealing with tho scientific side of the matier are just like scientific sheories.

Now, a scientifie theory is like the clothes line on which the washing is hung out to dry, but if someone proceeds to hang in fourstone weiglat upon it the whole thing comes dowa.
In 1907 we published the Collection of Minor methods, hud we drew a line under 123456, gave the figures of the lead, and drew another line after the whole peal of the treble. Wo were simply following tradition; and there was really no excuse for us; we ouglit to have known better, for on page 3 in his work on ' Duffield,' published nine years before by Sir Arthur Fepwood, he tells us guite correctly that Duffield is pricked by the six heads.
When we published the Selection of Mrjor methods in 1926, we corrected the mistake, and you will lind the lines drawn in the right place.
Now turn to Minor forty yearg ago. Six-bell ringers gloried in 11 360 's in different methods: then came the delivition of a peal of Minor given in the last edtion of 'Rules and Decisions." That was our clothes line, and we were all proud of it. My brother produced his poal of Cambridge Minor; Hat was a four-stone weight, and the motion carried at Hercford last year was the ercction of in 1uew clothes line.
I blen produced the London Sinor, and, while I still think that the line holds, a great many people think otherwise.

What is to be done? I repeat, clange ringing is a science. Now scientific theories are tested by experiment, and so the proper thing to do is to wait until we have proved by experiment that the line is fetrally broken, and when that is proved to be very eareful before we attempt to erect another.
H. LATF JAMES.

## LONDON SURPRISE MINOR.

Sir, Mr. James must be getting very short of copy to prove to pour readers that his peal of London and his brother's peal of Cambridge are true. First we get cammples of Singles and Doubles, and then, finaliy, Triples. Yes, sir, you may mix the 72 courses to get the extent of 5,040 , just as you may mix the six courses of London to get the extent of 720 , but you may not mix the three 720 's to get $2_{3} 160$. Mr. James would never tolerate mixing three 5,040 of Triples to get 15,120 , which is just the same thing as mixing thres 720 's to get 2,160 . They are both the extent in racl puethod, and must remain as such.
What we six-bell ringers-or the majoriby of us-are out for is $\overline{\text { E }}$ clear definition of what a peal of Minor slall be, and this is the definition we want: A preal of Minor shall commence from rounds and end with rounds; it must consist of at least seren true and complete 720 's, each 720 to be true an itself. ${ }^{x}$ If we get this definition all will be well, otherwise I am afraid all the ground will liave to be gone over again.

Here are three 720's of London Minor. Nos, 1 aud 2 lave two 5-6's at laad, No. 3 has four $5-6$ 's ot hand: 43 clanges part each $5-6$ in Nos. 1 and 2, mud 67 changes part eacli 5-6 in No. 3.

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There are two variations to each 720 without disturluing the $5-6$ 's.
They are the best that can be produced from the Lonton method and, in my opinion, are far in advance of Mr. Tames'. The 720 's are twue in themselven, and there are only eight 5-6s at hand in 2,160 clanges. There is mothing heve to offond tlie musical ear.-Yours truly,
C. SEVERN.

## TWO TWELVEםBELI. METHODS.

Sow that thete is a wider interest in iwelte-hed meihodㅋ, hoib their theory and practice, the following by the Rev. E. Ifinhes Iames will, we think, appeal to twelve-bell ringers:-

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## ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUIED.

The montlily mecting of the ahove Guilu was lield at. Hythe on Saturday, March 23rd. About 30 members fram rarious towers attended, including Mr. George Slingsby, of Aldington, the Kent veteran, aged 91, who is ens sprightly as ever. He taok part in a touch of Grandsire, and gave his opinion of the new ring.
The bells were started at 2.45 , and kept going till 5.15 , when tea was serfed at the Paddock 'hea Rooms. After' fea the Master (Mr. W. Evereth) presided at the husiness meeting, when votes of condolence were passed to Mr. Frighti, the local captain, on the losp of lis son, and also on the deaths of Alderman Finn (hyddy and Alderman Deacon (Rye), hon. members, and Mr. C. Head (Xye).
Egerton and Pluckley were chosen for the next meeting.
One new member was elected, and a return was then uade to the tower for furtber ringing. The going of the bells was peffect, and the restoration is a credit to the firm who carried out the work.

BEETCHLEY, BUCKS. On Tuesday, Mprch 12th, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: W. Lear 1, F. Vichers 2, J. Marks 3, F. Stonton 4, S. Smitls 5, F. Lear (conductor) 6. Firsi 720 Cambridge by ringers of 2nd, Srd and 4th, and firgt 720 Cambridge on whe leells.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

## To lhe Edifor.

Sir,-Mr. Cave can Lave it eilher way, I do not mind. I have only triced to prave liatt 'Representative' is 'Delegate.' Mr. Cave states that if is the other way about, or, in piain words, the same thing. He tives not say if ifie word 'representative' should be hanged and drawn as tie word delegato was at Hereford. With reforence to ussociation reports, will Mr. Cave keep to the point? I stated that I fail to fimi in any of the rules given reference to tho Central Council. It is a barl policy to rush veplies, wasting space and croaling an unfair position to your other correspondents.
However, the rest of Mr. Cave's letter glorifies a sociaty created to chinr for a, very fer eelect scientific change ringers, and Mr. Cave's follow-ringorb, wha are only Sunday serrice church bellingers, are lefil to tile good and nule associstions to do for them what they did before the Central Council was thought of. There is too much stress taid on the scientific side of church helringing, and it is in this light thet I betieve the Centrat Council has Lozt its popularity among the less learned ringers.
Cpon the Central Couneil agenua is an item which has already heen pasbed by them onee, viz., 'Advisory committee consultant.' My experiene is that these advisory committees are conservative, and will only accept the adrice of those ther seek. (I cousd explain this fully if necessar;) Frurthermore, does the Central Council follow up all its recommendations and see that they are not forgotten? Here, bloove, is one instance that they do not know they bave already passerl a resolution down for this year's agenda- To be quite honest, I really do wish the Council (in an improved form) to carry on, but 1 should like to see a more democratic policy.
I am wery grateful to Res. C. D. P. Davies for his kind and conatrmetive reply. Tinfortanately, Mr. Davies missed a point when I onferred to 89 upon the agendu. He mistook me for 93 . It is 8B thit: I definitely referreel to. Anoller point is this ' matured opinion', from the associates. Whal happened to the 'matured opinions'? Whicn a representalive asid he was against these 'matured opinions * the president iold him he was there to wote as a member of the Conncil and not in the way his association had inetrueted him.
Mr. Pulling's letter is also wery helpful. Through these letters it i. quite elear, that, nlithough diferent ringers possess different " dretionaries," ilere is a gross raisunderstanding as to the status an a sooviation holds upon the Council. I do not agree that the Counell are associminns in Council, but, rather, a Council formed solely to reserve their owit personnl opinions, and opinions of associations
'pious opinions.' Can the hod: secretary say that his material for the nyenta comes spontrneously from the members of the Council or from the nssociations, and which does he think he woulid


## EgGAR GUISE,

Momber of the Central Council.
P.S.-For Rev. Davies' information in the new 'Rules and Decisions of the Central Council "it states at the frest meeting of the Council there whe presont ' 74 delegates.'

## MR CRAVEN'S 5.664 BOB MAJOR

To the Eaitor.
Dear Sir, With reforence to 5,66t Bob Mujor, sent by me for pulilication in sour columns, $[\mathrm{am}$ extrenely sorry to point out that tho figura as given are not true. The W lead in the last course of uach part wouts wih the thead in the fifth course, one beivg bobbed and the other a plain lead. MI error has ntisen with the wish to produce the peal ail in-caurse. The misake is tou foolish for excuse, thercfore let me solicit your pardon.
By calling Single $W$ instead of Bob in the last course of each part puts evarything true and allows the peal to bo rung us a six-part. The 468's witt be in-course changes, and the 648 out of course. I append corlectod fighta, and with sincere apologies for such a careless mintuke.-Tours traly;

ARTHUR CRATEEN
Containing 12 courses cach of $468,648,478$ and 678. 2345678 W. 5 Out. Iu H.

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Ny colling siugle home in the third course of ang one part, the peat is reducat to 5,078. 4th and 6th only iu 6th's place, eight courses altermitely throughoud.

ARTHUR CRAVEN.

## MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION

## LEICESTER DISTRICT.

A quarterly meeting of the Leicester District was held at Rafby and Groby on Saturday, March 23rd. Groby was frst visited, the bells being raised abouli 3.30 p.m. and kept going to Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, Kent Treble Bob and PIain Bob Minar. About 4.45 p.m. the bells were lowered, and a move made to Ratby, where an excelleat tea was pertaken of in the Church Rooms by 25 members and friends.
Ratby beifry was then visited, and the six bells were kepi going till a little after 8 p.m. to Boh Minor, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Grandsire Minor, Cambridge Surprise, Donble Gourt, Oxford Bol, and Canterbury Pleasare.
The business meeting was held in the Church Room, presided over by tho iocal rice-president.
Fusbands Bosworth was chosen as the place for the next midquarterly meeting, and Melton Mowbray for the Jume quarterly meeting.
The proceedings closed with a very hearty and unanimaus vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, to the ladies who so kindly catered for such an excellent tea, and the towerkeepers of ?athy and Groby for laving their bells in such goon ringing condition.

## DEATH OF MR. J. H. LILLEY.

The death has occurred at Wells, Norfolk, of Mr. J. H. Lilley, A.R.C.O., bublier of Mr. C. R. Lilley, of Shrewshury

Mr. J. F. Lilley was an old ringer, kithough he bad mever rung a peal. He was organist and chormaster of Wells-on-Sea for nine years, and held previous appointments at Petworth, Downham Mar ket and Spalding. He was keenly interested in Freemasonry, being a membor of the 'Hundred of Jilloc' Lodge, Spalding, and while et Wells joined the 'Earl of Leicester' Lodge, of whirth he was worshipful Master in 1927-28. He had also been secretary of the Wells and District Cottage Hospital since 1922. Besides his love of music, Mr. Eilley spent much time in sketching and peinting. After the choral fumeral at St. Nicholas Church a 360 Bob Minor was rung with 6-8 covers, the bells being half-mufled: J. Hendry 1, B. Brown 2, F. Stone 3, F. Runting 4, C. R. Lilley (eanductor) 5. C. Shillaker 6, P. Adeock 7, S. Tuck 8.

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

UXBRIDGE-At the Ghurclr of St. Andrew, on Surway eveniag. March 24 th, 8 quarter-pes] of Bob Major ( 1,280 chnmges) iv 47 mins, E. G. Swift 1, G. H. Gutteridge 2, P. E. Jones 3, R. Warnett Corke (conduotor) 8 . Fancox 6, W. Nicholl (first in the method) 7, F.
BADGEFORTH, GLOS.-A Holy Trinity Church, an Sunday ereuing, March 24th, for service, a quarter-peal of Doubles, being three and a half six-scores each of Plain Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, and Grandsirc, all called differently. The ringers were: $A$. Nemmay 1, WF. Oakey (conductor) 2, G. Lawrenes 3, G. Kilmioster 4, A. Williams 5, C. Staite 6. This is the first quarter-peal in three methods on the bella, by a loeal batn. This is a young band, which was started by Mr. W. Yeend, secretary of the Clieltenhem Branels of the Gloucester and Bristol Assochation about thee years ago.
DEPTFORD. On Sunday, March 24ti, at fite Church of St. John-the-Erangelist, for evening service, in 39 mins, a quartor-penl af Grandsire Triples (I, 260 clanges): E. J. Rivet 1, A. qualtor-pen of A. Martin 3, P.C. Clarles Elliott 4, P.S. Richard Steers 5, P.C. Charles Davies 6, W. J. Jeffries (conductor) 7, A. F. Eennington 8 . ARKSEY-Foy erensong, on Palin Sutrday, a quarter-peal of K put Treble Bob Majov (1, 280 changes) ir 46 mins. : F. Garnet 1 , G. Clark 2, G. Jackson 3, E. Cooper (conductar) 4, H. Arrand 5, . MeClusikey 6, T. Revill 7 , H. Walker 8.
SIBSEY, LDNCS. At St. Mararat's Chureh, on Palm Sunday, 720 Lob Major for morning serviee: Mrs. H. Harper 1, S. Lorell 2, H. Johnson 3, F. Dewey 4, F. Leggott 5, W. Wilkinson 6, H. Harper 7, W. E. Ciarke (conductor) 8.

NGWHET, LANCS.-On Sunday, March 24 th , for evening service at St. Thomas Church, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob, Major in 47 mins. : Johr Fetton 1, F. Hamer 2, W. Staff 3, \#. H. C. Messet 4, S. Dunn 5, G. Staff (conductor') 8, J. Lees 7, A. Sidebotton 8. The above are all service ringers at Milntow Parisli Clatureh, except the 7 th, who hails from Baferstone (Rochdale). The ringers taize this apportunity of thanking the Vicar and ringers for granting them the privilege, owing to fieir own bells being out far rehangiug by Messus. J. Feylor and Co., Louglaborongh.
HURSEEF.-On Sundar, March 24th, for evensong, a quarterpeal of Grandsire Doubles in 47 mins., $4-6-8$ covering: ( 7 , Richards 1, W. Jones 2, E. Wild 3, A. Coward 4, R. Funt 5, P. Peacoek 6 . H. Wilkinsan (conductor) 7, H. Jefferies 8. Rung as a faneweli to Mr. F. Withingon, who was shorty leaving the village
AMBLJSIDE-On March 24th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Tripies (1,200 changes) for erening service, at St . Mary"s Clutelh, in 53 mins. : P.C. W. Robinson 1, J. Sewell 2, W. Nerinson 3, H. Hardy 4 , W. Middleton 5, F. Hisile 6, T. B. Newton (conductar) 7, W. Fisher 8. Treble Finger hails from Manchester, 6 fh from Blackourn, rest from Ambleside.

## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

EASTERN DIVISION.
Fhar ammal meating of the Eastern loivision was held at Mayield un Saturday, March 23 red. Ringing mommenced at about 2.30 p.m., conlimuing until 4.30 , when the menhers attended the service, which was vondencted by the Rev. N. A. King who gave a most hearty weleane io the members of the ussociation. The address which folllowal was listened with great interest.
An exeellexa tea was provided at the Royal Oak Hotel, to wheln 25 sul down. The Ref. N. A. King prosided, and also oucupind tise chair at the business meeting which followed.
Prior ro ruading the minutes, the Hon. Secretary called attendion to the preat loss the association bad sustained throngh the recent death of the Bishop of Lewes. No itoubt, he said, all those present remombered him best as the Vicar al liasthomme, the Rev. Canon W. C. Stipatfeild. Fe had actually laken the chair al the lasi mestug hetr by the division at Easthounce, whirl took place on January 12th. The late Bishop had been a kind frieud to the ringers of Fastbourne, and to the Sussex Coumty Assaciation generally.
'J'le whole rumpany then stuod in Eilence as a token of respeet.
At the election of offiecrs which followed, Mr. G. WT. Stokes was re-elected bon. secretary, and Messis. A. R. Miles. W. Franks, and W. J300Llt werr re-elected to serve on the conmiltee.

Inc following members were also elected: Messis. Menser and Moon, ni Mayfiold, and Mr, W. R. Norris, of Heene.
Mr. W. D. Smith moved a hearty vole of thanks to the Ficar for the lize of the bells, and also accorted a vote of thanks to the Ther. A. A. King for his addreas at the services, and for presidhing at the tea and mecting. He also thanked the organist for his serviees, nand said ham plessed the menshers were at the welcome accorded them that dny, There was one point, however, which to would like 10 brius betore the Vicar, and flat was the almolmal nomount of noisn in the belfry caused by the bells, which mate it very uncorsfortable to ring, and le thought fhat something should he done to remedy this defect.
Flue Chairman, in responding, thanired the eompany, and with reguct tu Mr. Smila's remarks ahout the nois\% belfro said he would come up in the fower and see for bingelf. He also promised that the matrer shomb have furblaer consideration.-This terminated the meeting.
The fingers then returned to tile church, where good practice was lad in methods from Grandsire and Plain Boh to Cambridge and Sujerlative Surprise Majot

THE LATE MR J. E. SYKES.
On Tuesday, March 26ts, at Sit. Partholomew's Clarch, Marsden, Yerks, for evening service, a quatter-peal of Kent Treble Bob ill 55 mins., with bells derply muffied as a token of vespect to tho late Mr. Josepli J. Sykes, who was a resident of Mavalen and a good friend to the ringers of the above tomer: L. T. Byram 1, J. Whitehead 2, N. Scawthorn 3, S. Whitchead 4, H. Shaw 5, C. Hoyle B, A. Carter 7, H. Hoyle (conductor) 8.

FUNERAL AT COPENHACEN.
The interment of the lat: Mr. 3. B, Sykes took place m: Copenhagen, the chaplain to the British Legation offeiating. The only relative present was the deceased's younger brotler, Major Frederick L. Sykes, but among ofhers who sttended were two represntatives of Messrs. W. C . Holmes and Co., of Hudderstitd, by whom Mr. Sykes had been employed for many yenrs; the managers of various gas works in Demmark, where be had carried out work, memberg of Copenhagen Masonic Lodges, formen and ewployes from the Eastern and Falby gasworks in Copenlagen, and several Damish personal and busimess friends of receaset. There were a great many floval tributes.

DEATH OF AN ESSEX PIONEER.
Another old pioneer of ringing in Essex passed awar on Match 22nd it the peran of Mr. Etiward Claydon, who died after several weeks of trying illness, at the age ol 73 years. Fe land laken a great interest in change ringing at St. Mary"s, Stebbing, nud lud been learler of that company for oren filly yors. Hp also took an active fart in olther church affairs, and his death will be kemaly felt by maus. Thus there passex another veleran, highly respected by all ho knew him
He land been a member of the Essex Assaciation sinee 1881.
The funeral took place on Weduesdgy, March 27 thi, and was a tended by many of his cinging friends, imeluding Mr. Howard, Mnsien of the Essex Association, aud tingers from Loudon, Dunmow and Felstead. Two 720's wore rung, with the bells half-mufiled, 720 of hent; .J. 'P. Barker 1, F. Harrington 2, A. Smith 3, H. 13. Jmery 4, A. Perry 5, W. Smith (conductor) E: and 720 of Bob Minor: H. C. Young, sen., 1, G. Emery 2, G. Schlewter 3, F. Hartidgton 4, W. Smilh 5, J. Jenninge (conducliar') 5 .

## IN MEMORY OF MARSHAL FOCH.

A1 Creat Bardfeld Clurelz, on 'Tuesday, March 28th, in memory of Madshal Foch, with bells fully muthed, excent tenor balf-mafled, 1,280 Tent Treble Boh Major in 50 mins.: W. Rithardson I, G. Hills 2, A. [iper 3, F. Suckting 4, W. Piper: 5, G. Piper 6, E. Townead 7, J. Jemnings (conductor) 8.

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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Among those who liave rung a bundred prats in their own tower are Mr. Jolin Flint, who Ias scoved 135 at the Parish Church, Bolsover, Derbyshire, and Mr. B. Warnett, who has completed the century at St. Mary's Church, Lewisham.
Many have been the expressions of regret at the fate of Mr. §. T. Bykes. Mr. J. J. Lamb writes pointing out that he took part in Mr. Sykes" first peal, which was at Weplwich, on November 13th, 1902. He is the third menber of that hand to meet a tragic eud, the other two heing Messrs. E. Pye and 1. G. Shade.

On April 5th, 1808, a peal of 10,097 Giandsive Caters was rung at Shrewsbury in 6 his. 50 mias.
April 7th and 8th is the anwiversary of the lamous 40,320 Bols Major at Leeds, Kent (in 1761), whicti was completed in 27 hours by fourteen men, wha relieved each other at intervals. The rimgere were James Barham, Thomas Barham Ahraham Barham, William Tilley, William Devis, William Attwood, Thomas Lacy, John Crisp, Richard Masters, James Hampton, Faward Cook, Stephen Bryley and John Baralh.
George Gross, sen., conducted the first peal ever rung 'in that. intricate methor," Court Bob Royal, at Shoreditcl, on April 71h, 1801.

A 12,160 Bristol Surprise Major was rung at Knebworth on Aprit 8th, 1912, and 13,440 Boh Majar at Loughhorough Bell Foundry on Whe same day ten years later.
One of the several long peals al Appletom was rung on April 11th, 1888, when the Oxford Guild scored a 13,265 Grandsure Caters.
At the present mament exteusive repairs are taking place to the carillon at Leek. The loesl watehmaker, who has charge of the clock, had been showing a friend the wonders of the clack, carillon and bells, and had descended as low the lhelfy. The frinnd gazed round in bewildered wonderment tutil his eyes rested on titu rope mats on the belfry floor, when he exclaimed, 'Well, I never kuew they knelt down to ring the bells before."

## WELL-KNOWN RINGERS MARRIED.

A wedding of much interest to a large circle of ringers was solemnised on Saturday at St. Stephen's Church, Claplam Park, when Mr. Reuben Sanders was married to Miss Elsie Chapman. Mr. Sanders has for many years been one of the leading exponents of the art of ringing in London, and bis bride has proved herself one of the ablest among the lady ringers in the country.
A number of riagers attended the ceremony, and the bells were ung in hollour of the event.
Among the wedding presents have been a dinner service from Mr. Saunders' friends in the Middlesex County Association, and a tea service from the riugers at §it. Margaret's, Westminsler.

## MINSTER ABBEY CHURCH, SHEPPEY.

ANGIENT RING OF FIVE RESTORED.
On Saturday last, March $23 \mathrm{ra*}$, the re-dedieation of the bells of this arcient abbey church taok piace by the Very Rev. the Dean of Gagterbury. After the usual form of service, the Dean proceded to the base of the tower far the actual ceremory, and a few rounds were rung.
The Dean gave an inspiring address on the history of the hells and their uses, and the cusloms of ringing and ringers.
Several ringers from various towers in the Gochester district 1919 g six-scores of Grandsire, SLedman and Plain Bob, with the assistance of Mr. A. A. Hughes, of the Whitechapel Foundry
The bells, five in number, are dated alike, 1663 , the weight of the tenor being between 11 and 12 cwt. The truble, 2nd and Jnd have in small letters, Willam Hatch made me 1663' and the 4th and tenor, 'Wiliam Hatch made nue, in capital letters. The breble, owing to a crave, was recest in 1883. Messrs. Mears and Stainhank lave had the bells at their foundry, and, the 3 tod hell being cracked, has been recast. The four other hells bave been retuned, the hell frame strengthened, and new self-aligning tall bearings fitted. New headstocks, wheels, ash stays, sliders, and new pulleys, eudes, ropes, ete., bavc also theen litted. The 'go' and tone of ihe belle have heen greatly improved, and reflect great credit on the frm. Only ante regret remains, and that is that a treble was mot added to make them into a peal of six.
The cost of the work las been entirely defrayed by a memher al the eongregation, Mr. S. T. Hipwell, an ex-sergt.-major, R.E.

The visiting ringers wish to thank Mr. A. A. Hughes for his kind hospitality.

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

The Cookham practice of the East Berks and South Bucks Brancil was attended by ringers from a wide areb, and a noticenble poini was that youth predominated. A considerable amount of spade work' wes tome, mlthough 'Cambridge' was not forgotten.

The next practice is a joint one with the Midrleser County Association mt Hillingden, to be quickly follower by the anoual meeting and jubilea celcbrations.

During the summer months it is hoped to aceept some invitations to risit oullying towers, which can only be reached comfortably in fine weather.

## HERTEORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. PRESDDENTVS GJFT.

Phe Hertfordshire County Association gathered at St. Albans on Monday for their aonual meeting, and during the day made full use of the bells at the Abbey and other churches in the city. In the aftemoon, a service was held in the Abbey, an address being given by the Rev. R. Gibbs, Vicar of Aldeulnam, and afterwards the ringers assembled at the Ver House for tea, followed by the annual meeting.
Mr. G. W. Cartmel, president of the nssociation, who is also hon. secretary, presided, supported by the Dean of St. Albans (the Yery Rev. E. L. Henderson) and the Vicar of Aldenham.

Tlie President, in lis welcome to the menbers, who numbered about a hundred and twenty, sprang a surprise on the company., it want to present to the assaciation this evening, a silver badge, ${ }^{\text {a }}$ he said. ' Last year you kept a secret from me wonderfully well; this year I had a gecret, and I kept it in ny own home. The badge is given to mark my year as president and as a token of my appreciation of tho esteem you bestowed upon me lasi year. I ask fou to accept this silver badge for the use of another president."

A torm of applause broke out as Mr. Cartmel passed ine baxige around. The silver badge, which takes the shape of a bell, las the inscriptions: 'To the Hertfordshire County Assaciation of Change Ringers, prosented by Mr. G. W. Cartmel, Easter, 1929.

The President rad a message frem the Bishop of St. Albans congratulating tha association and regretimy his inability to be present. Excellent progress in change rimging had taken place duriog the year, the Pregident added. The association's numberg had been well maintained, and they were in a sound finameial position.

Mr. Cartmel commenced the 44th anmund report with an expression of gratitude for the handsome manner in which the membern recognised his 25 years' service as their secretary, and also in conferring upon him the additional honour of president. Fhe year's work as regards peal ringing had been very successful, giving cause for much satisfaction. A perusal of the list of peals reveals a variety of methods. The peal of Yorkshire Eurpuise Major at North Mimms, and a peal of Surfleet Surnrise Minor at Wendens Ambro, were the forst in the methods for the association. Tive peals of Cambridge Sutprise have also been rung, the peal of St. Micbael's, St. Albans being the first rung in the cify- It was also unique in that the band represenfer the four towers of St. Alhans. Thirty-four peals were rung in 23 towers, with 19 different canductors, Mr. R. Howard topping the list with seven peals. Nine rang their first peat, and approximately 63 have rung their first peal in a new method, which is real progress.

The commitfee met at, St. Alhans on Fubruary 9th, and it was inieresting to record that every distriet secretary was present, besides representatives from other inportant centres. The secretary submitted proofs of a service paper for district metings, which was agreed to, subject to the approval of the Bishop of the diocese. Araft certificate of membership was subjected to much eriticism, and approved, after various suggestions had been incorgorated. The question of what constitutes a peal of Minor or Doubles was discussed, abil in view of the correspondence which had been carried on for some time in "The Ringing World," and also to give the representatives of the assaciation on the Gentral Council the opportunity of knowing the opinion of members, it was decided to make the question an agenda item. The committee agreed to the proposition brought forward by Mr. J. S. Goldismith at the last Central Council meeting, where it was carried without dissent

## BISHOP'S STORTFORD'S ALOOFNESE.

Death, continued the report, had removerl many of their zealous honorary and ringing members, amung whom were Canon Nairne, the Rev. J. P. Haythornthwaite, Rev. A. G. Langdon, Rev. F. R. Foster, Mr. E. N. Wix and Mr. F. S. Cox. Among the rank and file they remembered Mr. W. Benneti, of Aldeuliam, who for 37 years was verger, Mr. Arthur Hull, of St. Albans, who was for 53 Jears attached to St.-Peter's belfry, and Mr. George Paice, of the Tamonton band. After referring to the joint meeting with the Midalesex Association, held at North Mimms in the summer, and the meeting of the Essex, Herts and Middlesex Associations at Waltham Abbey, the report recorded that the hells at Great Gaddesden had been augmented to a peal of six, and Bishop's Stortford had been rehung. The latter tower once held an important position in the association, and listed a band in the first annual report; but they hat left the association severely alone for mary years. The greatest acquisition to the county would be the addition of two trebles at Hafteld, making a peal of ten, in memory of the three sons of the Bishop of Exeter who fell in the war. This should spur the Hatfield members to grat achievements, and give a lift to the prestige and records of the association. Another event of great interest has beea the centenary celebrations of John Briant, the famous Hertfordshire bellfounder and clock maker, which was celebrated at Hertiford on Wednesday, February 27th, the anniversary of his death. Briant cane to Hertford when 30 years of age, and get up his bell foundry in Parliament Row. The departure from the counly of the Rev. B. H. Tyrwhitt-Drake, a most loyal supporter of the association for many years and of ringing generally, was much regretted. Mr. T. J. Full, who acted for several years as librarian, liad sent in his
 ing the Contral Conncil mocting last year, conscquenfly thit resolution as to the aceessaty of appointing a commile to enguine as to the best methorl of meering urgent necessitous cases of sickmess amongst ringers, and nif affordigg help to their depentams, fell through. The resolntion wss, lowever, upon the agenda this year, and the sectelary dit the Central Counci] had promised to second it. "The Central Conncit," added the report, is a most useful body, having lone mach prood wowk in the past, and I am sure that it is to the adrabtage of the whole ringing comananty if persistently backed up loy them. It has been critieised, whith is a sign of usefulness. Genume eriticish mewer does harm, beoase if it is given and received in the zpirit of Christian followship it impats Fery often new life. I commiond ane suggestion recently put forward Mr. Alex Foung, the sorretary to the Counci, that on the oceasinit of the thanksiting selwice for the King's remarkable recovery from sickness, fingers shonlel murk the event with a joyous peal.
Thank weye atain fantered to the district secretaries for their splendid labours uf anotiour vear. Theis work was of the atmost importance for the success and progress of the assuciation, and ille attendances at the mertings showed that lhat opinion was shared by tio members also. There meetings were becuming more populay in ather associations, as wedl as theirs. In conclusion, they remom-
heved with gratitnofe the services rendered by the rarion steenlekeepers who are responsitide for the "go' of the bells, the cla: gy for arranging services at district mectings, and for use of the luells a the annims aud distrixt meetings and for pents; and those who have generously proviled 1 ens; the sytipathetic co-operation atul shat port given by the lonorary and wingith memhers, and all whers who ciation. Let then in reemou show that they walued and appreciatend the many kindly acts af atheir supporters hy regular athendance at their respective olatrahes for service ringing amd practice, and coing
all they could bithother the best interests of the association duriur all they could therther the best interests of the association rluring the coming

## STRON $\ddagger$ RMS AND GTRONG HHADS.

Moving the aduprion af the report, the Dean saikl it whs always great plensure wo him when fingers visited blie nother chume. There were two things which he respented enamonaly when he got mong ringers, and phow things were strong arms and strong luendis, I do think, he said, ' that ringers, aphrit Prom the splentirl work that they do-shi it is wery real work for God and Hise Chatrin-in
ringing on ocasions tion snow and national rejoicing, aru helping o supply samerning that has been lacking in the chatela by haw centres of fellowship. It does bring togetlier real bands of hrother hood. Sy these bands linked logether into sul association youl at
bringing tognther men of every type from the vilinges and comntan bringing lognther men of every type from the viliages and counts
It is that which is wamed enormously in the lifo of the churelj day. It is the helfry which is pulling logether prople who for invaluable centres of felluswip. We are very much apt to sil il chureh listening fo sumons-and we are not always doing that-ithd nat having anyming ins say to the frerson alongsince whom we havi sat for sears aul years. That is not Christisatity. Chrisilanit means ricire of fellowship and brotherbato It is to the
The Dean tomally moved the adoption of the report, and gratulated the association on its "very tapable ofleers" in Wr Carimel and Mr. Debenlian.
The Fon. Treasurer, Mr. E. P. Debenham, reported a halanee

Mr. W. H. Golking, of Humel Hempstend, en his elcetion as prwsi dent for the ensuing vear, was presented with the silver hadge hon. secretary officers elentel were: 'T'reasnrer', Mr. E. P. lehmanom

 W. Nash Ge C. Meals Norhern. Hin Litwrenre (Enstmal (Western).
The following wure alewed han. yinging mombers: Rev, w. IF, Fi Mitchell, St. Albans: Res, G. I. Fiemose Si. Albans; Mr. "ilbert Debenhan, St, Ahans: Mr, Charies J. 才ackson, Piuner; Mr. Harokl Mr. E. P. Hawhins, fraal wunder: and Mt. E. Bunes, Livai Munder.
Thanks to the Dean wi St, Alhans (the Very Rev. E. L. Henderson) and the Ficers of St. 1eter's, St. Stepheis's, and St. Miclaan'g Churcles for the use of the bells, were accorded on the praposition of ht: Debeninam. Mr. Cortmel was also heartily thanked for his gift to tle association.

## DEATH OF MRS. K. JAGGER

On Marcl 18th, thete pasised peacefully auray ai Shatuall Slrect, Burton-on-Trent, Tagger The d
 lagger, of Oldbury. as a last loken of respect, the hills of $B t$ Paul's Church were rutg tialf-wuflud at both services nh ['alm Suri-

## MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

## TEE ANNUA, RFI日RE:

Tho prals ring by the Midland Coumin Assodiation during 1928


 thes second highest siace the assuciacion's Formacions: 1927 being dirst with 183. It oould thereloro ho loaked uphat a succesaful year, arad the porl ringars Jinve kept up the olf tradinons. Sevaral noteworldy performancer are recorded, amolig which may be mentioned the inmorolss peals of Sledman Triples, due chiefly to the energetic "min-weckers "under the leadership of Mantice Stwinfield, whe bas get hu a new yecord of enducting 55 peals of this molhod all difforenty, thus adding many now compositions to the M.C.A. roneris, had following worthily in the foosseps of the Burton men of the patt. A penl by five brolhere- hlie Pasne family, of Systonis ahae recorcled. New methots accomplyatid include York Surprise Royal, al the tirst attompt, by the Leicestro Brauch, and still new troval methods from them is looked forward to in the near futare. Mixeth hands undor tho general hon, sectetarys conductorsbip scored the first peal of Major in six methodes ala it peal of Spliced CamLridge and Superitive. Several peals ia the higher methodg have heen rung lyy the Holsover and District bands: and also peals by Nolthgham St. DeLer's and St. Mary's. Otlier clistricts lave also anmifibuted their quata, wor must mention be omitted of the five and six bell towerg. 'lllese are valuatile edjuncts to the association's welfare, and the begiminge of peals of hells of bigher oumbers. Onty thate linadboll peals were recorded, and it was suggested that more of Lhis side of tho art ant science wauld he welcome, and those who parincipated in it would dind plonty of seopm for ranewed inderest. Firk peals by individusls nambered 28: frrsi in new methods, 115. This hater shows remarkably how intorest is still maintained.
During the Jear members had been lost through death, and some lrom luik of iaterest nad conseguent lapse of subscriptions. A host of new inembers hatl, however, boen made, hotly honorary and ringing, anal number of out-connty life nembers. Taking all Elings into consicleration, 1928 may he classed as a vers successful year. The memberthip is: Patrans nukl hon. memlers, 253; ringing members, 969 : tolefl, $1,202$.

Jast year the general lon. secretary made an urgent appeal to nll members to be sportsmanlika and pay up suhseriptions promptly, amblonce again would ask tha same. The work of the association demants a vast amount of detail work by the various local secreTaries, and an appanl is made to all lo co-operate to make things ga saccessinully-first, by not wailing to he asked bo pay up, or leaviug it till on the verge of rumbing oat; secondty, by giving local secrelaries every encouragement by assisting when fixing up mectiggs for the lucuefil of fellow-naembers, and not grtumbling if le fails to pierse all and sumdry.

It was regretied that there was an adverae income this year, as connmard witlt 1927. Honorary and ringing suhseriptions luad defrented by Ell 14s. Dne disirict, Hinckley, however, was to be congrntulated on an increase in ringing members, which was very antotnaring. Tha general fund showed an income from all sources of 8174 ls. Gd., and ant expenthure of 5116 25s. I1d.-a loss on the rearm warking of $£ 2$ 14s. Stl. The sum of 818 was transferred from the Enamal Fund to the Pell Repair Fund. Grants from the later
 hemensplorted in connection with hell restomation. National Savings Cortificing nre now worth £100, and there is also fl50 invested in Wri danm Stack. Witil the lank halance of $£ 73$ 1ts. 3d., the associntion is thereforo worth £32t.

## MUFFLED BELLS

On Mtonday, March 18th, nt Christ Church, Ealing, a quarter-peal of fidamaise Doubles in 45 mins, with the clanvers half-muffled in mentury of Mr. Willinm Stagg, a member of the local hand, who passed wway on Thussday, Marel 14th, aged 68 vears: L. H. Wilson 1. J. A. D. Webb 2, E. C. S. Turner 3, H. Reeves 4, W. G, Wison (nondtutwri) $5, \mathrm{~J}$. A. Trollope 6, J. H. Burton 7, E. Coombes 8. Rung with $7,4,8$ covering.

At C'roft, Leicostershire, on Sunday, March 17 th, 720 changes of Girandsite Doubles in 20 mins: W. Lomas I, F. E. Wilson 2, T. Adkins (ronductor) 3, F. Watson 4, F. Beiless 5, A. Warwiek 6 . Eung witb the bells laifi-mulfierl as a tribute to the momory of Mrs, Wilsuts. mother of the ringer of 2nd.

At hemwellty, Mon, on Sunday, Mareh 1701 , at the Paristh Churela in 48 mins., $n$ quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles ( 1,260 elarages), 7-6-8 cuvcring: Idris Rowlants 1, George Pophelt (conductor) 2, Glyn Willanm 3, Stewart Willinms 4, Thomas Werret 5. Ronald Griffithe 6. 'limntity Popind 7, Frank Morgati 8. Rung balf-mufled to the nnmen'y of "Woodlsine Willie,

At the Parish Chureh, East Grinstead, Sussex, on Wednesday eveniug. Pubruary 13 th, $n$ quarier-peal of frandsire Trebles (1,260 changes), with tha bells half-multed, for the Bistop of Chiclester S. Cherson 1, K. D. White 2, G. Tizzard 3, J. Tadd 4, G. Lambert 5, 'I'. Tulled 6, J. Wren (conductor) 7, G. Diplock 8.

## SPLICING, AN ANCIENT PRACTICE.

## To the Eutor.

Dear Sir, -In yon issac of March 15th apperas an arlicle with the above title over itte uame of Joln Peryy, in which lie gives the composition of Crown Bob. I wha greatly interested in this, as at gave The methods winieh were sptied together and rumg under thas name.
It nay interest lim amit others lo know that Crown Boh was rung at Leek when tho Lower contained only six bells. Onfortunately noting but the mame survivos, together with the infomation that it would prodnce 360 cilsures anly. The ringers could not have known of the Single, as iliey nerer rang more than the eigiteen score.
[ was always of the opinion the methots used were contained iu the record of a performance given on a lablet in the belfry as fol lows:-

On Wednesday, November 12th, 1845, the five following peas were rung without intermission in 2 hrs, 25 mins. : Violet, College Trchle, Oxford Treble, College Plensure and Grandsire Bob, each peal containing 720 changres; 5 . Slieldon 1, J. Winterbottona 2, 0. Ball 3, U. Davenport 4, I. Fogg 5, J. Barlow 6.

The old six bells were placed in the tower in 1721, but we havc no knowledge when Growa Bub was first practised or how the ringers beeame possessed of it. As I hat never heard the fitle mentioned elsewhere I was inclized to think it was of local origin until this article appeared.
Tha recort on the tombstone of Uriah Davenpart in flte Parisf Churchyard reads as follows: '[Triah Davenport, of this down, died Fehruary $134 \mathrm{~h}, 1860$, in the 91 st year of his age. He was a ringer upwards of 70 ycars fut the Parinli Church, Leek.
Surely this must be approaching, if not, a recard.
During the later part of his life Drvenport's mind becane en foebled, and he was given la roaming; but this caused no anxiety to his family, as be was always to be found at the cund of his rambles in what they termed the Betl-us (Bell Housc).-Yours, etc
E. A. RIDGWAY.
Leek.

## THE MEN-METHOD COMPOSITION. <br> To the Editor.

Dear Sir, In reply to Mr. C. T. Coles, I wish to poing out tha he is quite corcect in assuming that where the Bristol leads ean be rung they must be rang as home leads, between two bols home For instance, Bristol musi not be ivng for one lend ended plain followed by Cambridge 'Middle' lead and London "Wrong" Lead as in that case the liantatrokes of the treble leads will repent. I ain sending a copy of the lead of 'Gloucestershire,' which obtained from a well-known conductor recently, as I canot sa where the digures are published.
In conclusion, I sincercly congratulate the ringers whin have taken part in ringing Mr. Jimes spliced Major peals, and wisl them every success.- Yaurs truly,

A J. PITMAN
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## ST．HUGH DOUBLE SURPRISE MAXIMUS．

EY ARIHL゙Z CRAVEN．
Whe method given below is the gesult of my endeavour to make ＇Cambridge＇into a really porfect method．I shall leave it to the Exercise to judge whelher or mot I have succeeded．

The alterations from Cambridge Maximus are really very slight， alulrough the effect is great．
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I dedicate this method of St．Hugh of Lincolm，in remembrance of my connections with the place and the happy days I epent there． Also in memory of those who worked amongst us，but who have passed along．

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## EASTER RINGING．

KIMPTON，HERTS．－On Easter Day，for evening serwice， 720 Bob Minor：A．Gillings（conductior）1，G．Cain（firsc on an inside beli）2，D．Luck 3，J．Wells 4，IF．Follows 5，T．Caur 6.
KNIGHTON，RADS．－On Enster Day，at St．Edward＇s Ohurch， for morning service，a quartor－peal of Graudsire Doubles in 45 mins． E．W．Watsins 1，R．F．Jones 2，J．F．Evans 3，G．C．Abley 4，F． Evans（conductor）4，W．Wellings 6．For evening serfice，a guartor－ peal of Grandsive Triples in 43 minuLes：W．T＇．Gough 1，A．E．Jones 2，R．H．Jones 3，F．W．Watinin 4，＂T．F．Preece 5，J．F．Evans 6， F．Evans（conductor）7，G．O．Abler 8.

HANDSWORTH，BEEFFIELD．－On Easte Day，for evensong，a quarler－peal of Bab Major（ 1,264 clangeral in 45 mins．：J．C．Taylor 1，Miss Doris Turner（first quarler－peal 2，W．H．Taylor 3，A．Bos－ ford 4，J．Garth 5，F．Curdwell 6，F．Wilsun 7．F．Watkirson（con－ ductor） 8.

EASTBOCRNE，On Easter Day，al Chint Curch，for evensong， a quarter－peal of Stedman Triples in 43 mins．：WT．D．Sminh 1，J．T． Typhe（conductor）2，A．Gower 3，E．Gower 4 ，A．C．Paakhurit 5，G． W．Slokes 6，A．A．Hughes 7，B．Hobbs 8.
NORTHAMPTON．－At St．Petor＇s Church，on Easter Day，for evensong，a quarler－peal of Cambridga Triples in 40 mins．：w．H． Austin 1，W．J．Dove 2，A．Slado 3，W．R．Parker 4，F：Hopper 5， W．Sturgess 6，E．Sibley（eouductor）7．J．Wilkins 8．First quarter in the method＂inside＂by 3rd ringer．First quarter in the method as conductor．
SALEFURST，SUSSEX．$A t$ St．Mary＇s Church，on Easter Day， for evening service，quarter－pal of Grandsite Triples（1，260
 King 4，E．Mills 5，W．Hoad（conductor）6，T．Hoad 7，A．Hoad （lirst quarter and first attempt）8．After evening service，a quarter－ peal of Grandsiro Triples（1，260 clatuges）in 47 mins ：T．Goodsell 1， G．King 2，W．Hnad（conduetor）亏⿹丁口 F．Morgnn 4，T，Fond E，T． Boolh 6，E．Mills 7，A．Hoad 8.

## DEATH OF MR．JOSEPH RICHARDSON．

We regret to anmounce the deah of Mr．Toseph Richardson；which fook place at 244，Oxford Road，Roading，ou Mareh 14th，at the age of 60 years，after a rery short illness．The decensed took up rimging at his hative home of Beenlam，Barks．when quile a youth．Later， his trude took him to many parts of Eaginnd，where he manamed to store a good number of peals in various methods．
He was a member of the Ancient Society of College Fouths，the Oxford Diocesan Guild，Lancashire Absociation，and other societies．

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CENTRAL COUNCIL.-The honorary secretary will be grad to receive the names of any ringers who fell in the Great War, and whose mames do not appear in the Council's 'Roll of Honour,' other than those already notified. The Writer is waiting to add such names before the Chelmsford meeting.-E. Alexr. Young, 55 , Rushey Green, Catford, S.E.6.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. (IEstablished 1637 .) -Mectings for practice will be held at St. Andrew's, Holborn, on Aptil 23rd; St. Magnus' on the Ith and 25 th; *St. Paul's Cathedral on the $16 t h$; Southwark Cathedral on the 18 th; "St. Giles', Cripplegate, or the Coffee Pot, on the 3 oth. All at 7.30 p.m. ${ }^{*}$ Business meeting afterwards.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-The Apri] meeting of the Bedford District will be held at Houghton Conquest on April 6th. Bells (6) available 2.45 p.m. Tea at 5.-J. T. Newington, Dis. Sec.; 32, Grafton Road, Bedford.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. A quarterly meeting will be held at Martock on Saturday, April 6th. Evensong 4 p.m. Tea and business $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Nominations for C.C. representatives for the session commencing 1930 should reach me between now and July. J. T. Dyke, Hon. Sec., Chilcompton, Bath.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-Southern District. -- A quarterly meeting will be held at Leigh, nr. Betchworth, on Saturday, Aprif 6th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. Tea at the Plough Inn at $5 \cdot 30$. Business meeting to follow. - A. J. Bull, Hon, Dis. Sec., Jesmond, Queen's Roat, Horley.

SWANSEA AND BRECON GUILD. -The next quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, April 6th, at St. Elli's Church, Llanelly, Gilwern, Abergavenny. Ringing at 2 p.m. Service at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea and meeting at 4 p.m. at Church Room. Tea will be kindly proby the Vioar and Mrs. Davies,-F. E. Thomas, Dis. Sec.

HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION will hold an eight bell contest and quarterly meeting at Kirkburton (near) Huddersfield, on Saturday, April 6th. Draw to take place 2.45 p.m.-J. Hargreaves, 30 , Bankfield View, Halifax.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Lincoln District.Next meeting at Nettleham (6), Saturday, April 6th. Tower open 2 p.m. Bus leaves Unity Square 3 p.m. and 4. Io p.m. Bus leaves Nettleham 7.15 p.m., 8.ro p.m. and $9.35 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Notifications to tea to Harold Marcon, Dis. Sec., 269 , Wragby Road, Lincoln.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755).-Quarterly meeting will be held at Coleshill on Saturday, April 6th. Bells available from 3.30. Tea and business meeting at 5 . Members requiring tea please notify Thomas H. Reeves, Hon. Sec., i36, Newton Road, Sparkhili, Birmingham.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION. The next meeting of the Southern District will be held at Bishop Auckland on Saturday, April 6th. Bells (8) avail* able $2 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at $5 \mathrm{p}, \mathrm{m} .-\mathrm{J}$. T. Titt, 7 , Surters Streer, Darlington.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch, -Our next meeting will be held on April 6th. Bells (6) available from $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. at Hoddlesden and Darwen. Meeting $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. A good attendance is requested. Reports to hand. Subscriptions due. -F. Hindle, Branch Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LON. DON DIOCESAN GUILD. -The annual general meeting will be held at St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate, on Saturday, April 6th. Service at 4.30 p.m. Preacher, Rev. W. Hudson Shaw (Rector). Tea in the Church Hall at 5.İ p.m., at a charge of is. The business meeting will be held at 6 p.m. Ringing arrangements are as follows St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate, from 2 p.m. and atter meeting; St. Giles', Cripplegate, from 2.30 to 4 p.m. ; Magnus', Thames Street, from - to 8.30 p.m.-C. Coles, 21, Vincent Road, E.4, II'. H. Hollier, 39 , Dukic Road, W. 4 ., Hon. Secs.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-The annual general committee meeting will be held at Reading on Saturday, April 6th, in St. Lawrence's Hall, Abbey Street (near Abbey Gateway), at 3-15 p.m.-Richard T. Hibbert.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GLILD.-Devizes Branch. -The quarterly meeting will be held at Westbury on Saturday, April 6th. Bells (8) ready 2.30 p.m. Guild service 4.40. Tea 5. Business meeting follows tea. All ringers welcome. - F. Green, Branch Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. - The annual nomination meeting will be held at Armley (Chist Church) on Saturday, April 6th. Belis available from 3 p.m. All towers are requested to send a representative. -H. Lofthouse, Hon. Sec., 8, Wortley Road, Arnaley

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Southern Branch.-A quarteriy meeting will be held at Cropthorne on Saturday, Aprif 6th. Service a p.ni., with an address by the Rev. E. H. Longland. Bells (6) available.-J. Hemming, Branch Sec., 29, Church Bank, Great Hampton, Eyeshan.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Cary Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be beld at West Lydford on Saturday, April 6th. Bells $2.3^{\circ}$ p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea in the schoolroom 5 p.m., meeting to follow.-E. Creed, 6, West Park, Castle Cary.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Guilsborough Branch. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Welford on Saturday, April 6th. Usual arrangements. K. J. Cater, Althorp Park Station, East Haddon.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.-Meetings io April: St. Clement Danes', Sunday, 7 th, at io a.min; Monday, 8th (quarterly meeting), at 6.30 p.m., and the 23 rd, at 7.30 p.m. St. Mary's, Lambeth, Tuesday, 1 Gth, at 8 p.m. - S. C. Moye, Gen. Sec., 14, Great Bland Street, London, S.E. I.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Reading Branch. There will be a dedication service at the Church of Mary-the-Virgin, Reading, on Tuesday, April gth, at 5.30 p.m. The eight bells, which have been rehung, will be dedicated by the Right Rev. Bishop Shaw. Ringing wil
take place after the service until 8 p.m. All ringers in-vited.-F. W. Hopgood, Hon. Branch Sec., 75, Kensington Road, Reading.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-The next meeting will be held at Frittenden on Salurday, April 13th, by kind permission of Rev. H. M. Leathley. Tower open 2.30. Tea at 5 o'clock. A good meeting is hoped for, All ringers welcome. A card by inth would oblige. -A. C. Kay, Dis. Sec., 6, Sturges Road, Ashford.
GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - The annual meeting will be held at Guildford on Saturday, April 13 th. Ringing from 2.30 , at Cathedral ( 8 ) and $S$. Nicolas (10). Service in the Cathedral 4.30. Tea and business meeting at Holy Trinity Parish Hall. Numbers for tea must reack me by Tuesday next - J. S. Goldsmith, Hon. Sec., Southove:, Hockering Gardens, Woking.
SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. - Quarterly meeting will be held at Walsall on Saturday, April isth. Beils (new ring of iz) available fron 3 3. Service in church at $4 \cdot 45$. Tea will be provided in the Brotherhood Institute at $5 \cdot 3 \mathrm{O}$. All ringers will be welcome. It is important that names should be sent in by Tuesday, April oth.-H. Knight, 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.
THE BELLS OF DERSINGHAM CHURCH will be rededicated by the Archdeacon ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{f}$ Lynn on Saturday, April $1^{\text {th }}$, at 3 p.m. All ringers are invited. Tea pro-vided.-R. L. B. Oliver. Vicarage, Dersingham, King's Lynn.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.- Nottingham District.- -The first quarterly meeting of the above district will be held at Heacor on Saturday, April 13 th. Bells (8) available from 2.30 to $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Meeting afterwards. Will ali those requiring tea please notify Mr. J. S. Stirland, Fair View, Heanor, by April roth.-F. W. Bailey, 42, Rupert Street, Nottingbam, Local Secretary.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Maidstone District. The annual district meeting will be held at Leeds on Saturday, April 13th. Tower open 3 p.m. Service at $4 \cdot 30$, followed by tea and business meeting. Kindly notify me not later than Tuesday, April gth.-C. H. Sone, Dis. Sec., Bungalow, Linton, Maidstone.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch. -1 meeting will be held at St. Janes', West Derby, an Saturday, April 13th. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service $5.3^{\circ}$ p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. Special methods: Double Court and London Surprise. Those desiring tea please notify Mr . H. Hancock, 60 , Sandstone Road, Stonycroft, before Tuesday, April gth.-Claude 1. Davies, Branch Sec.
BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Chew Deanery Branch. -The next quarterly meeting will he held at Chew Magna on Saturday, April I3th. Bells available from $30^{\prime}$ clock. Divine service at $4.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at 5 o'clock, with business meeting to follow.-Percy G. Yeo, Hon. Local Sec., Long Ashion.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. - Southampton District.-A quarterly meeting of the Southampton District of the above guild will be held at Lockerley on Saturday, April 13 th. Bells available: I.nckerley 6 , East Tytherley 8 . Tea at 5 p.m. in the Memorial Hall. Those requiring tea please notify me by April gth.-W W, T. Tucker, Dis. Sec., \%, High Street, Eastleigh.

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. - A meeting will be beld on Saturday, April 13 th, at Felkirk. Bells ready early. Shott service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.ma. All ringers welcome. Kindly apply for tea before Aprii roth, to C. D. Potter, Hon. Sec., Prospect House, Royston, Barnsley.

LADIES' GUILD. - Northern District. - Quarterly meeting at Duffield, Derbyshire, on Saturday, April 13tb. Notices for tea must be sent to Miss E. Foulk, i, King Street, Duffield, by Thursday, April if th. Will all members please make an effort to attend? Important business for discussion. New rule for Guild, etc. Gentlemen cordially invited. - Hilda F. Jacques, Northfield Avenue, Mansfield Woodhouse, Not:s.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch. The next meeting will be held at Croston on Saturday, April $1^{\text {thth. Belis available from } 3 \text { o'clock. A good }}$ attendance is requested. -Fred Rigby, Hon. Sec., 8, Carrington Road, Chorley.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION. The Dunnow Branch are holding their ammal ringing festival on Saturday, Apris r3th. Bells available (B) from $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service in the church 4.30. Tea in St. Mary's Room at 5 , followed by a short musical programme. All ringers heartily invited to attend.-H. W. Smith, II, The Causeway, Dunmow.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Newbury Branch.The spring meeting of the above branch will be held at Midgham on Saturday, April 13th. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Service $4.30^{\circ}$. Tea 5 p.m., at 1 s . All ringers welcome. Intending visitors please notify Mrs. Horace Warner Baker, Woohampton, Reading, Berks, not later than Thursday, April irth, for tea.-H. W. Curtis, Hon. Sec., Church Road, Shaw, Newbury, Berks.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Christchurch District. - A quarterly meeting and combined practice will be held at Lyadhurst on Satutday, April i3th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m.-G. Preston, 3, Waterloo Place, Christchath.

DEVONSHIRE GUILD. - South-West District Branch. - A meeting will be held at Comwood on Saturday, April 13th. Bells (6) available 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and meeting at the Village Inn 5 p.m.—世. W. Marsh, I3, Edith Avenue, Lipson, Plymouth.

BATH AND WELJS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. Axbridge Deanery.-The quarterly meeting will be held at Bleadon on Saturday, April 13 th. Bells (6) 2.30. Service $4 \cdot 3^{\circ}$, with tea and business to follow.-L. G. Tanner, 51, Locking Road, Weston-super-Mare.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Frome and Midsomer Norton Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be heid at Chilcompton on Saturdaly, April isth. Evensong 4 p.m. Tea and business 5 p.m. Those requiring tea please notify me by April gth.-R. T. Clark. Hon. Sec., Timsbury, nr. Bath.:

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Wigan Branch. The next meeting will be held at Ormskirk Patish Church on Saturday, April inth. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting to follow. A good attendance requested. James W. Grounds, Sec., 8, School Lane, Standish.

HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Eastern Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held at Braughing on April i, 3 th, The bells will be open during the afternoon and evening. Service at 5 , address by the Vicar. Tea afterwards at the Brown Bear. All ringing friends are heartily , viled.-W. H. Lawrence, Dis. Sec., Little Munden.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Bowden and Stockport Branch. The cext meeting will be held at Wilmsiow on Saturday, April 13th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 -15. For tea please notify Mr. H. Barker, Manchester Road, Wilmslow, by April gth.-T. Wilde, Hon. Sec.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.-The next meeting will be held at Tuxforl on Saturday, April r3th. Bells (G), new it 1926, will be ready at a p.m. Good attendance desired, and visitors from kindred associations will he heartily welcomed. Good bus and tram service ex Nowark and Retford. All those requiring tea should notiry Mr. J. H. Smith, 18, Station Street, Tuxford, Newark, not later than April noth. Please note this is important.-H. Haigh, Hon. Sec., Io3, Gateford Road, Worlsop.
LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-The next meeting will be held at Pontypridd on Saturday, April ${ }^{1} 3^{\text {th }}$. Bells ( 8 ) available. Service at 4.30. Tea ancl business meeling to follow.-J. W. Jones, Hon. Sec., Cartref, Barrack Road, Newport, Mon.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOLTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD. - Southern Dis-trict.-A meeting will be heid at St. Mary's, Woolwich, on Saturday, April 20 hh . Bells from 3 to 8.30. Service. Tea and meeting $50^{\circ}$ 'clock. Names or numbers for tea will be appreciated by the hon. sec., J. Herbert, 17 , Grimston Road, S.W.6.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rossendale Branch. -Tlie next meeting will be held at Christ Churcb, Bacup, on Saturday, April 20 th. Bells ready at $3-30$. Meeting at 6 -30. A good attendance is requested. Reports, etc., to hand. Subscriptions due.-John H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 8, Oaklands Road, Edenfield, near Bury.
GUILD OF DEVON RINGERS.-N.E. Branch.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Bampton on Saturday, April zoth. Bells (6) available 2.30. Service 4.45. Tea (1s. each) 5.15 . Will those requiring tea kindly notily me by Tuesday, April 16th?-M. Hanson, Hon. Sec. and Treasurer, 2 , The Avenue, Tiverton.
GLILDFORD DIOCESAN GLILD.--Leatherhead District.-The next meeting will be held at Christ Church, Epsom, ${ }^{2}$ Saturday, April 20th. Bells (8) available from $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service at 5 o'clock, followed by tea and meeting in the Parish Room. Notifications for tea to be sent to Mr. J. Crawford, 2, Woodcote Side, Epsom, by Tharsday, the r8th instant. Hearty welcome to all.-F. G. Woodiss, Hon. Dis. Sec., 28, Strathearn Road, Sutton, Surrey.

IANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch. A meeting will be held at Todmorden Parish Church on Saturday, April 2oth. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting at $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. New rules and diagrams (6di. each) and embiems ( 3 d. each) now available. Will tower secretaries please let me know the number of members requiring emblems?-William Horan, Branch Sec., 2, Greenqirst Hey, Todmorden.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Rochester Dis-trict.-The half-yearly meeting will be held at Gravesend on Saturday, April zoth ( $n o t 27 \mathrm{lh}$, as arranged). Bells available at 3 . Association service in church at 5, conrlucted by the Rector of Gravesend (Rev. Elliott Mitchell). Tea, by kind invitation, will be provided only for those who notify me on or before Wednesday, Aptil ${ }^{7} 7 \mathrm{t}^{\mathrm{h}}$. Fired ME. Mitchell, Dis. Hon. Sec., 14, Sun Lane, Gravesend.

A JOINT MEETING of the Micrilesex County Assuciation and London Diocesan Guild (South and West District) and the East Berks and South Bucks Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild will be held at St. John's, Hilling don, on Saturday, April 2oth. Tower open at 3 p.m. Tea will be arranged at 1s. each. Will those requiring tea kindly notify? All ringers welcome. - Wm. H. Hollier, 29, Duke Road, W.4, A. D. Barker, Cambridgg Wexham, Slough, Bucks, Hon. Secs.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Eastern District. The annual meeting will be held at Pontefract on Saturday, April 20th. All Sain1s' bells (Si available from p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Teat at 5 p.m. in the All Saints Church House at is. $6 d$. per head, and those requiring same please notify Mr. W. Pearson, 53, Northgate, Pontefract, by Wednesday, April 1 zth. For detailed particulars see circular.-A. B. Cook, Hon. Sec., $58_{2}$ Wynclham Street, Hull.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Mancheste Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Chtist Church Pendlebury, on Saturday, April 2oth. Belis ready o'clock. Meeting at $/$ P.im. Chair to be taken by th Vicar. Will members make a special eftiort to atrend?-1 Hall, Branch Sec., 22 , Silver Street, Miles Platting.

LANCASHIRE ASSOEIATION.-In conjunction with the Liverpool Diocesan Guild the half-yearly meeting will be held at St. Helens on Saturday, May irth. The Bishop of Liverpool has provivionally promised to attend -W. H. Shuker, A. Tomlinson and C. I. Davies, Hon. Secs.

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## TWELVE 8ELL PEALS.

GREAT FARMOLPH, NORFOLK. TEE NORFOLK GULD.
in Eastar Monday, April 1,1929 , in Three Hours and Thivey-Five Minutes. At the Chorce of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF ROD MAXIHUS, 5016 GHANQEB;
Tenor 30 cwt . 2 L b. in C sharp.
Frbderick Borreti ... ...Tyeble Arimur King
William Bason ......
Jozn Harwood ... ... ... 3 EdWard Keti ... ... ... 9
Ernest Weiting ... ... 4 Cbarles Loveti... ... .... io
William Dokgan ... ... 5 Ghorge Balley ... ... ... il

Composad by J. Reeves, Conducted by F. Borrrit.
First peal on 12 bells br all except ringers of treble, 2nd and 4 thi. BIRMINGYAM.
THE ST. MARTIN'S GUIAD FOR THE DIOCESE OR BIRMINGHAM.
On Tuesday, Apyil 2, 7929, in Thyee Howys and Forty Minutes. At tae Chirch of St. Martin,
A PEAL OF ETEDMAN GINQUES, 5010 GHANGES;
A. Paddon Smith

Thomas
Fridas H. Rebves ... ... 2 J. Frank Smallwojd... ...
Frid Price ... ... ... ... 3 Jamis H, Sbeprerd ... ... 9 Jamzs Grorge ... ... ... 4 Samthi. Grove ... ... ... 10 Frame W, Perreng ... ... 5 Albert Walker... ... .... . . 1 Fobert Mathews ... ... 6 William T. Froggatr ...Tonor

Compesed by John Carter. - Coaducted by Albrrt Walefr.
First peal on the recast peal of twelve. Mr. Thomas Miller rang his first peal of Stedman Ginques at St. Martin's Church, Bimmingham, 49 Jears ago, i.e., in April, 1880.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

KETTERING, NORTEANTS. THE PETERHOHODGH DIOGESAN GDILD.
On Twesday, April 2, 1929, in Thres Hours and Thiriy-Fary Minutes, At the Cherch of SS. Peifr and Pagl,
A PEAL OF KENT TREGLE BOB ROYAL, $\delta$ OOB CHANGES; Temor 24 cwt.
George Bafford ... ...Tribly Tbomas R. Hrasher ... 6
 -George Wartien... -HARRY WARREN... .... ... 4 Anderson Y. TYCER... .... 9 tCyril D. Nichola ... ... 5 Robert G. Black ... ....Temar Compared by W. P. Whiterfan. Conducted by Ropbri G. Bcack

* First peal of Roynk. + Firgt peal of Royal 'inside.' Firsi peral of Trelle Ten as conductor. This composition is now rung for the lirst time.

LEICESTER.
THE MIDLAND COUNTEAR ABEOOLATIOA.
On Saturday, April 5,1929 , in Thee Hours adad Thirty Minutas, On the memorial Bells of St. John-ter-Divinf, A PEAL OF BTEDMAN CATERE, 5067 CHANBEA;

Tenor 2 I cwt. is E.

| John Oldham | ...Tveble | Willian H. Clarer |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Harolij J. Poolig | . 2 | - Harry L. Smitr |  |
| Thomas H. Vallahcz | ... 3 | L. William Jacgoes |  |
| Colin Harrisen ... | 4 | William Wicison |  | Percy Harrison...... Composed and Conducted by Wileian Willson.

* First peal on ten bells. First peal on the ten bellin siace the augmentation by Measrs. J. Taylor and Co., of Loughhorough, the Irebles being the gift of the conductor. This coraposition has the sixth, ils extent behind the ninth in the tittums, and 25 consos fehind the eighth in the inverted home position.

PAINSWIOK, GLOUCESTERSHRR.
On Easter Monday, Aprat 1, 1929, in Thye Hours and Twenty Minwtes, At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRAND8IRE GATERS, 6147 CHANEES;
Thomas Baldwys
...Tveble
Frank Cole...
Albert Wright Georgr Godrding Grorge Orchard
... 3 Frank Waite
Frank Poniting
Fran
Whate
JOHN BALEINGER... ... ... 9 Compesed by Arthor Knights. Condueted by Alyert Wright.

## HIRLING, KENT

THP KENT OOUNTY ASBOCLATON.
On Easter Monday, April T, 1929, in Three Honys and Eight Minntes, At the Cherch of All Saints,

- FEAL OF ज्ञOUBLE MORHIGH GBURT BOE MAdOR, b120 EHARAER। Tenor iecwt, in C .
Thomas E. Sone... ... ...Tyahla Charles H. Sone ... ... 5 Mrs. H. Bafer ... ... ... 2 Willian Wenban ... ... 6
 William E. Pitman ... ... 4 Aluert Relys ... ... ... Temey


## Composed by James Pagett. Conducted by "homas E. Sone.

First peal of Double Norwich wh the bells. Thas emposition con tains all combinations of 45 in $5-6$ and whe 5 tin 24 limes home. CARDIFF
THE LTANDAFE AND MONMOUTH DIOCESA A MGOCIATION.
Cr Easter Monday, dipar 1, 1929, in Thres Hours and Eight Hintites,
At the Chorch of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 EHAMGES;
Tgurbtans' Fopr-part
Tenor 27 cws. in D.

 Condected by Thomas Page.
Ftrst peal of Steduan Triples. First peal of Stedman Triples on the beils. Arrarged as a birthday complinment to the ringer of the second. Also it compliment Lo Herbert Daries, this being that maniversary of his wedding, and a wedding peat for the son of William Prge.

## Galleywood, essex.

THE ESEEX ASSOCIATION
Un Easter Monday, April 5 , 1929, in Three Howrs and Ten Minutes,
At the Chyrch of St. Micyarl and All Angels,
A PEAL ©F 8UPERLATIVE 8URPRI8E MAJGR, 6088 CHANBES; Tenor $14 \frac{d}{2}$ cwt, in $G$.
George Green
William Keeble
Treble Wizliad J. Nevard

 Composed by Henry W. Wilde. Conducted by Willam Keezle TENEY, PEMBROKEREIRE
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMODTH DIOCESAN AS8OOIATION
On Enster Monday, April 7, 1929, in Three Hours and Thirleen Minules,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF ARANDSIRE TRIPLES, BOAE OHANGES;
Parker's Twimye-part.
Tenor Iqdit cwt.
G. William Holdis... ...Tredle|Charles H. Perry .... ... 5 Ernest Stitch... ... ... 2 Alberi]. Pitxan ... ... 6 John W. Jones ... ... .... 3 John Phillifs ... ... ... 7 -Rev. F. A. Qswril. ... .. 4 Alnred W, Wright ... ...Teno

## Conducted by A. J. Pitman.

* First peal of 'luiples with a bulb holl, The wisitorg take this mp: nortunity of thanking the Vienr for the use of the bells, arin that focal hand for laving ererything ready.

GALTORD.
TEE LANCAEHIRE ABSOCLATION.
On Twetday, April2. 1929, in Tico Hours and Fifty Hinules. At the Churca of ter Sacred Trimity,

## A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIFLES, 5040 DHANEES;

Bankis' Six-fart, No.
Tenor ifickt
Josepf Hall
 Conducied by IF. Stoneley.
Rumg in homomr of the silver writitus of Mr. alld Mis. W. T.
 service ringers at the above churdi. at linst peal on cighi bells.
 evening serviec. 720 Canbridge Surpug Minor: Miss G. Burbhinh 1, H. M. Catterata 2. Miss K. Jumehuall 3, Rew. Fi. F. Wilkinstai 4 , F.. A. Midwinter 5, L. Pierrepont (monlantom) 6. First 720 in the method for lingers of 20tl antl 5ill.

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Ax the Cesorch of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5046 GHANQE8;

## Parker's Twhlve.part.

Tenor 16 cwt .

$\begin{array}{cc}\text {...Trebie } \\ \cdots . . & 2 \\ \cdots . . & 3 \\ \cdots & 4\end{array}$


-Charles H. Perry ... ... 5 Frederick E. Stone $\quad$... 6

Transposed and Conducted by C. H. Peray.

* 35 th real. + Proposed a member before the peal.


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THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Weetern Branch.)
On Tresday, April 2, 1929, in Thre Hons and Three Minutes, At the Chorch of St. James-tae-Great
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDEE SURPRIBE MAJOR, 505B CHANGES,

Middeleton's.
Tenor II cwt.
Dennts R. Morris

- George Papnble

| Tyeble |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\cdots \cdots$ | 2 |  |
| $\cdots \cdots$. | 3 |  |
| $\cdots$. | 4 |  |$|$

- Wilfrad Williabs... Sidey T. Holy... $\begin{array}{ccc}\ldots . . & 5 \\ \cdots & \cdots & 6 \\ \cdots & \cdots & 7\end{array}$ Conducted by Sibney T. Holt.
* First paal of Surprise. W. Willizms was elected a member of the thergiation before etarting.

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 Tenor $16 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

- Dennis R. Morris William Ranford...
... .... -Wilpred Williams... .... 6 Composed by Thomas B. Worsery. Conducted by Sidney T. Holt * Wirst peat of Oxford. First peal of Oxford, on the bells. This and the p:eceding peal were arrauged for Messrs. Popuell and Willians, of Bedwallty, Mor.


## BREWOOD, STAFFORD.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STATFORD. On Tuesdav, Appil 2, 1929, in Thred Hours and Eightien Minutes,

At ihz Chonce of SS, Mary and Cad,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, G040 DHANGES;

Thorstans' Fofr-part.
Tenor 2 r ayt.

| Heragrt Knight | ...Treble | Albertg. Hont |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gborge Warner | … 2 | J. William Perry | ... |  |
| Christopabr Wallater | 3 | jogn Perry ... | .. |  |
| amiaham E. Winterton | . | Tromas Priry |  |  | Conducted by John Perry.

Rung for the Easter Festival, also immediately aftcr the wedding of Mr. 1 s . W. H. Webb, of Bithop's Wood, aud Miss L. M. Arcier', of Hreword. Mr. H. Kuight hulongs to St. Peter's, Wolverlamptan, nind 3r. W. Wallator to Willenhall, the reat are local ringera. The lamed disire to thank the parouts of the bride for their very kind lisupitality after the peal.

## BRISTOL <br> GLOLICESTER AND BRISTOL DIOQESAN ASSOCIATION. On Wrednesday, Agril 3, 7929. in Three Hours and Two Minules, <br> At the Church of St. Peter,

A PEAL OF GAMBRIDEE SURPRISE MAJOR, EQS6 GHAMGES;
Willias H. Thomas ...
Tenor 22 cwt .
Thomas F King... ... ....
 Albert Stowgll … ... 4 Josepf T. Dyкg .. ... .... Composed by C. Midoleton. Conducted by Alfred E. Reeybs.

WHITWICK, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCLATION.
On Wednesday, April 3, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes. At tae Chorch of St. Joun-tee-Bapist,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, g040 CHANGES!
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Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Maurice Swineield ... ...Tyeble Josepe Balley ... ... ... 5
Samdel Pinder ... ...... $.2^{2}$ Epiraim W. Rands ...

Conducted by M. Swinfield.
BRAINTREE, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASEOCLATION.
On Sateviay, April G, 7929, ilt Thiee Haws amd Twelve Minutes, At fhe Cherch of Sx. Michael,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 608 GHANGES

 Tenor mizewt. in $G$.
## William Kerble

|  | .. reble $^{\text {a }}$ |
| :---: | :---: |

Basil Ridgwell...
Artere Sith
 Composed by Thomas B. Worsley. Conducted by Whlifam Keeble

* Pirst peal in the molthod. FTirst peal.

WHALLEY, LANCASHIRE.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

At tee Parise Cgurch,
A PEAL of boule norwich court bob major, 5184 chane Tencr $22 \neq$ cwt.

Composed by Rev. H. Law James. Conducted by A. Tomlinson,

* First peal in tho method. First peal iu the method on the bellu.

SAXLINGHAM NETHERGATE, NORTOLE.
THE NORTOLK GUILD.
On Sahteday, April 6, 1929, in Two Hou's ana Fifty-Five Minutes,
At the Cherch of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5898 CHANGES Tonor $8 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

 | William C. Dorfield | ... | 2 | Grorge Poyntz .... | ... | ... | 5 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| John Aldis, jon.... | ... | .. | 3 | F. Nolan Golden | ... | .. | 7 |

 Compoged by A. I. Pitman. Conducted by Jas. F. Dubfield.

LIVERPOOL.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sutwiday, A bril 6, 1929, in Three Fours and Thinten Minutos.
Ai the Churce of St. Jobn, Toezrook,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDEE SURPRISE MAJOR, 6089 GHANGES Tenor 20 cwt . in E .
 $\begin{array}{llllll}\text { Thomas W. Hammomd } & \cdots & 3 & \text { James C. E. Stampon .... } & . . . & 7 \\ \text { JohnBraseg }\end{array}$ Composed by T. B. Woascey. Codducted by E. Jenkins.
First peal of Cambridge on the bells.
BANSTEAD, SURREY.
TEE GUMDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saticrday, April 6, 1929, in Thret Hours and Nine Hinutes,
At the Ceurch of All Saints,
A PEAE OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 GHANGES; Teaor 217 cwt.
Joh
Jog
Fre
Al
C
H

$\begin{array}{lll}\text { Fredrrick G. Woodiss } & \ldots & 3 \\ \text { Albert E. Cbereman } & \cdots & 4\end{array}$
Composed by G. H. Cross.

* First peal of Major insida.
$\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Ghorgr Marriner } & . . & . . & 5 \\ \text {-Ronacd H. Dover } & \ldots & . . & 5 \\ \text { Wiliam G. Newberry } & \ldots & 7\end{array}$ Aibert Harman .... ...Teno Conducted by Acgert Harmari


## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

BLACKWELL, DERBYSHIRE-
EAST DERBYSEIRE AND NOTTINGHAMSHTRE ASSOCIATION. On Saharday, Marah 2, T929, in Tavo Hours and Thivly-Seven Minutes,

## At ing Parish Cedrch,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 504日 CHANGES;

Being 21 six-scores of Grancrire and 21 six-scores of Plain Bab.
Bentamin Walbanik ... ...Tyeble | Wilfred Riley ... ... ... 3
Bernard Bajly ..... .4 .... 2 Arthar Smithson $\quad . .$.
Fred W. Knowles ... ...Tmor
Conducted by F. W. Knowiss.
GROSCOMBE, SOMERSET.
ПHE BATE AND WELLLS DIOCESAN ABEOCTATION.
On Easter Monday, April T, 7929, in Three Hours,
At the Cherce of Si. Mary.
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Seven aifferent 720's.
Tenor 17t ewt.
Thomas Smell ... ... ...Tyeble | Wiliam C. Shote ... ... 4
Frank D. Riceards ... ... 2 Eric C. Wadian ... ... 5 Edward G. L. Coward ... 3 Ronald G. Becr... ... ...Tehor Conducted by R, G. Beck.
The 50th Somerset tower in which the conductor has rang a peal. DINDFR, SOMERSET.
TEE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Easter Monday, Apvil 1, 1929, in Two Hotws and Thirty-Nine Minutes.
At ter Cherch of St. Michazl,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Comprising 12 six-scores of Plain Bols and 30 of Grandsire, 14 different callings.
Thomas Snell
Ronald G. Beck.

> ... ...Treble

Tonor 12 cwt. (approx.).
Ronald G. Brce.
Conducted by W.C. Shote.
Mr. E. J. Rowe was elected a life member before starting.
EASTRINGTON, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRL ASSOCIATION.
On Easter Mohday, April T, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Fiod Minutes,
At ine Cevace of St. Michabl,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 504s CHANGES;
 Arthor Cryer ... ... ...Trebláp Horace Morley... ... ... 4 Robert B. Smith .... ... 2 Frank Hatfield... ... ... 5 Fred Terry ... $\ldots . .$.

Conducted by W. A. Hubson.
2at from Howden, treble and 4th from Selby, and 3rd 5th aud tenor from Hemingbrough.

## TARLS BARTON, NORTHANTS.

THE PETERBOROUGE DIOCESAN GULLD.
On Eustey Monday, Apvil 7. 1929, in Thec Hours.

## At mhe Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF HINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Woodibine, Kent and Oxford Freble Bob, Double Oxford, Double Conrt, OxPord Boh, and Plain Bob. Tenor 14 cwt. Menry W. Gayton ... ...Trable $\mid$ Wileiam Siock ... .... ... 4 Frank Kirk...... John R. Main ... .... ... 3 Amos Smart... ... ... .... Texpr Conducted by Amos Smart.
RATBY, NEAR LEICESTER.
THE MIDLAND COUNTTES ASSOCIATION.
(Leicester District.)
On Sattrada, April 6, 1929, in Two How's add Fifty-Fio Minutes, At the Chorce of SS. Philip and James,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANBES;

Being seven different 720 's.
Charles A. Priestanle ...Trebli
"Sterrick B. Boriley ... 2
*Thomas E. Gardner
(approx.).

James H. Spencer ... ... 3 Ernist H. Bagworih Norman S. Bagworth 4
5 Conducted by Norman S. Bagwortf.

EALLATON, LEIOESJERSFIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTELES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 6. 1929, in Tto Houls and Forty-Eight Minutes,
At tee Chorch of St. Migeael,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Comprising Old, Plain Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, St. Dunstan's aud
Grandsire, forty-two six-scores, each ending with roundis. Temor 11亲 ewt.
Josrph Norion ... ... ...Temble Ernest Morris .... ... ... 3
Ronald Robsell $\quad . .$.
A. Norman Grary ... ...Tenor

Conducted by Ernest Morris. SUTTON-ON-TRENT, NOTTS.
THR MIDLAND COUNTIES ABSOCIATION.
On Sanyday, Apyil 0, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifiy-Six Minuies, At the Parise Cherch,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 6 © 40 CHANGES;
Being one 720 of Single Court and six 720's of Plain Bob. "John P. Bezson
Miss Grace Burchnall.

| $\ldots$...Tyebly | Arthor ]. Cuaminerlain ... 4 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 4 | Edward Foster |


| Miss Grach Birchnall... | 2 | Edward Foster ... ... ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Miss C. Burchnall... .. | 3 | Leonard Pierrepont |
| ...tenot |  |  | Conducted by L. Pierrepont.

* Tirst peal of Minor. The Misses Burchaall were elected menuhers of the M.C.A. previous to slarting.

HASKETON, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLE GULLD.
On Sahrday, April 6, 1929, in Two Houy and Forty-Fouy Minutes,

## At the Parise Chorce of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting of 720 eacli of Cambridge Surprisc, Double Court Flain Bob, Woodhine, Kent, and two of 720's of Oxford. Tenor $93 \mathrm{cw}^{2} \mathrm{t}$. Charles Ablitt... ... ...Treble Wicliam A. Woods ... .... $4^{4}$


Conducted by George W. Ablitt.
Rung as a birthday complinent to $\mathrm{Mr}^{*}$. G. Pryke.
TIBSHELF, DERBYSEIRE.
EABT DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTINGHAMSHIRE ASSOOLATION.
On Saurday, April G, 1929, in Two Howrs aud Forly-Eight Winutes. At the Parish Church of St. John-the-Baptist,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, GOAO CHANGES;

Comprisiug four 720's of Oxford Treble Bob nud threa of Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt.

| Arthit Smithson | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ Treble | Erngsi T. Maliender | ... | 4 |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Bernard Bailey | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Fred Clarke | $\ldots$ | ... | ... | 5 |


Conducted by F. W. Kwowles.

* First peal of Minor. Rung in honour of tlso g3rd biythciay of Mr. J. W. Scott, who has beeu a bellinger and towerkeeper at this thurch for forty-two years, and who atill takes hig place in the belfry.


## HANDBELL PEAL.

FEERING, RSEEX.-
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, March 30, 1929 , in Two Hours and Thirdy-Seven Minutes, At Rye Mill Farm,

## A PEAL OF EOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Grorge Green ... ... ...i-2 $\mid$ William Keeble ... ... ...5-6 Lewis W. Wiffen ... ... Composed by Frebi. A. Holden. Conducted by William Keeble First peal of Major on handbells by G. Green. Rung to celebrate ithe 51st birthday of the conductor.

## THE PEAL AT WINCHESTER TRAINING COLLEGE.

To the Editor.
Dear Sir-Referring to the peal at Winchester Training College, I congratulate Mr. Golden in laving roused so much interest in the College, but it was not the first to be rung in a training college, as $n$ peal of Grandsire Caters was rung in the Music Room of St. Mark's, Chelsea, on May 16th. 1920 , but only one of the band was a resident. It is to be loped the juterest may be maintained. Wishing them the lest of luck, yours etc.,
W. AYRE.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

 A RECORT OF PROGRESS.Whe 32nd anmal general mecting of the Midallesex County Association and London Diocessn Guild was held in the City, and ptoved a great suzecss. 'l'he attendance during the afternoon and evening reaclied nearly ninety, and the thzee towers npeu for ringing were at tiunes filled to the limit of their capacity for comfort. The serviep, Jehli at St. Rotelph's Clazelh, Bishapsgate, at 4.30 , was very weil altenied. The lesson, taken hom 1 Cor, xiv, was read by Mr, hymn, 'Unchanging Gorl, Who livest,' was sthg. The address was given by the Rer. A. Cominardini, well-known for his mid-day inspiving sermons to eity warkers. After welcoming the members of the association, he chose for his text a passage from 1 Kings
Tiz the clay ground, and drow ath analogy between the choice by King Solomin of a phare for motulding vessels of melal to adorn the tomple, atal God's fhoice of a way of moulding our lives. The orgnist at the service was Mr. Lconard H. Warner, well known to
13.B.C. listeners, whose rendering of the viarious hyms and other 13.B.C. listetrers, whose rendering of the various hymns and other music was zatueh appreciated.
An exeellem tea was served in tho Church Hall. The Rev. A Letmbardin, Mr. T. Walker and Mr. I. H. Warner joined the memhers of the association at the meal, although the former was unable (1) stas for more than a rew minutes. After tea, a well-struck course tof Stedrian Cingues was ring ois landbells by G. R. Pye, Mps. Ci. W. Flether, fi. H. Cross, J. Thomas, (i. W. Fletcler and W. pye

The ${ }^{\text {President took the chair at the subsequent husiness meating- }}$ He was supported by Mcssrs. W. Pickwarth and C. S. Bird (vicepresiden(s), Messrs. C. T. Coles and W. H. Holliet (hon. secretaries) fand ollier officers and triembers of commitiee.
increasing interesti of younger generation
The report, which had already becu dishributed amougst the memhers, was taken as read and adopted. Extracts from a alisfactory repart are as follows:-
The end of the war fotuld tis, like other associations, with our loral bands sadly dopleted, and in sotne cases almost broken up. In addition, quite a number of those menbers who returned from active service thok no furdier parl ith the ringing of our bells. However, the efforts required from those responsithe for lseeping the associalinn in ath aktive state was fortheoming, and to-day it is true to say that our strength has never been so great, or our activities so wide. Whing the period under review out membership has increased by tipwards of 100 , notwithstanding that dealh has taken a heavy foll. There has been a considerablo increase in the uunber of affiliated towers, and instruction has been given at rifferent times to several of our hands. Much credit, is tuce to those who lave undertaken this work, as well as to those leaders of local societies who, by coninmotis uxertion, have nol alloweil their bands to become depleted. Ghuing the Inst year or (wo a welcome sign has been the increasing interest slown in ringing by the younger generation, and at the last annual mpeting this was especially noticed. The future of our association is with these young men. Let us therefore continute our elforts to intarest theni in pur ard and in our Guild.:-
After referring to the satisfactary district meetings and the success of the joint meetings will ather associations, the report went on: The peals rung during the yenr numbered 69, two of which were rung on landhells and the remainder on tower hells in 38 different Tuwers. The conducting was slared ly 16 of the members, whilst 163 took part in the peals. Ten members rang their first peals, and 81 their first peals in a new method. Quite a large number of members, rang their hivgt peals of Superlative and Cambridge Surprise Maxinus, Cambridge Surprise Royal, and London and Bristol Surmise Mujor ; and sitl more their mitial peals of Stedman Caters and
Triples. Miss E. E . Chmpman rang her first peal of Surprise Maximus, whilst Miss F. F. Orr trok part in the lirst penl of Yorkshire Surprise Major rung hy the association. To them, and to Mr. W. G. Wilson, who condueted his lirst peal, we cxtend our congratulations. The association ablained lhe honour of ringing the first peal of Superlative Supprise Maximaz in London, (his being accomplishod at Sobllwark Caltedral att Junury 14h. Teals of Yorkshire and Tincolnishite Stupprise Major were rung by the assaciation for the lirst time, the latter peal leciug rung without any of the land laviny previously practised the method! 'Two peals of Spliced Surprise Major in four methods were conducted from non-observation hells

Messis. Willians and George R. Pyc, these being periormances of standing merit. Five Suprise Major methods were fung in one pral or the firat time on Becember 18 th ai Willesden, whilst an excelTrut performance wes accomplished on handledla at Ealing on Decomber 20th. Three of the peals were rung with half-muffeil dappors in mentory of the lite ©. I. Edwards, R. F. Holloway, and (i. Paice, at Heston, Acton and Edmonton, respeetively. Allicugls ant appearing in ottr records. wr must not umit to refer to Mr. James Goorge's 1,000 dh $^{\text {peal, which was rung at Wolverhampton on }}$ Oeloler 6th. Mr. George has been a loyal mumber of this association for some 30 yonrs, and whilsi congratulating him on his achievemont. we must express our pleasurc that a eonsiderate ntumber of liis peals huve boen rullg for this socicty. The quarter-peal list duntes prograss in eeriain lowers, but at the same time other lowers
which were at one time prominent in the list show a decline. Several 720's at six-hell towers are noted, and the Northaw band must be congratulated on having rung some 30 extients of Minor, includiug one of Splieed Oxford and Kent Treble Rob.

## 31EMBERSHIP

The: membership jemains the same as last year. One lionerary and 00 ringing memhers were elected, but there were a large num ber of lapses, wlifst eight members ware laken from us by death In connection with the Japses of membership, most of which were caused by removals, members are reminded that the Central Cour cil has fommer a scheme for keeping in touch with ringers removing from one distriob to another. The scheme was ontlined in "The Ringing World " of June 1st, 1928. Loeal steretaries should advise their district secretary of ady removals, giving the new address At the same time, when local secretariss anc advised of removals into their district they should take every step possible to oitain the services of the ringer concerbed. During the year Messrs. Mears and Stainbayk have rehung the peal of six at St. Ann's, Stamford Hill, in new hearings, fud the eight belis at St. Mary's, Staines, in new fittings with strengthened framework. The bells at St. Paul's Cathedral have been overharled hy Messrs. J. Taylor and Co., who also hape in hand the relagnging of the bells at St. Mary Magdalene, Holloway. Messrs. Gillett end Johnston have rehung the bells at St. Joln-the-Baptist's, Chipping Barnet, on ball bearings, and are undertaking the complete recasting of the peal of eight at St. James', Clerkenwol. 'Me isleworth Bell Fund now reaches a total of fl34, and an appeal is made for furtlaer supporti as a con siderable sum is needed before the augmentation is put in thand The Belfuy Repairs Fund instituted in hise S. and W. district early last yenr amounts to \&2 4s. 6d. Sincere tlanks are expressed to those of our members wha hate done greal service by way of in strocting at several of gur towers. Whithout this important work very little progress would be shown
The balance sleet, showing a Central Fund halance of $£ 29$ 3s. get. was adopled
Four new members were elected, whilst the whole of the retiring officers were raamimously chosen to continue for another year. death of M, ou the Central Counci, arising hougin the lamented Frank Corke, of Hiliingalon

## THE COUNCIL AGENDA

Tire Central Council agenda was mext considered, and various views on the difference between a 'delegate' and a 'representative' wor stated. It wis generally agreed, however, that the "epresentatives when voting at the Gouncil's meetings, should consider the views of their members as expressed at association mectiags, or discussion a these meetings would be useless.
On lihis question, and on thac of the peals of Minor and Doubles contributions to the discussion were made by Messts. J. A. Trollope J. Parker, A. H. Pulling, G. L. Joyce, and C. T. Coies, but on the latter very vexerl subject vepresentatives were given an entirely free hand, it being considered n question for expert advice

Representatives werc " outhorised ' to stipport the proposal to raiso the affirition fees, althougla some tioubt, as to the wistom of the incranae was expressed. The possibility of some associations redue ing their number of representatives to the Council was considered as quite a bikely restilh, with lessened interest in the Coumel!'s setivities.
Support was given th the next two questions on the Counciles agenda, hut opposition was shown to the linal item.
Acton was closen ats the vente for next year's anmual meeting
Members were reminded of the joint neeting of the S. and W Distriet and the OxFord Diocessn Guild, which is to be held at Hit lingdon on Apriz 20th, and of the ropening of Clerkenwell hella on May 4th, whilst Ma. C. S. Bird made an appeal fot donations to wards a memorial whiel it las been decided to erect in tle Acton belfry to the late Robert Holloway

The Fresident proposed a comprehensive vole of thanks to all those to whom menhers were indebted for the succoss of the meet
ing, inchuting the Rov. W. Hudson Slisw (Bishopsgetol, Rov. F. W lsaues (Cripplegate), ind Rev. H. ]. Fynes-Clinton (St, Hiagnus for the use af Lheir bells, the Rev. A. Lombardini for his addregs Mr. J. A. Wamer (organist), Messus. J. E. Davis, d. C. Fi, Bayle and W. Arnold, the towerkeepers and vergers at the rarious chutches -Mr. T. Walker, on hrlaalf of the Rector of Bislopsgate, replied t the vote of thanks, and expressed his pleasture at being present.
During the afternoon and evening a great deal of ringing wa Thames Street, and a large mumber of methods were rang, includian most of the standurd methods on eight bells, Stedman Culers an Cinques, Cambridge Royal, and Treble Bob Meximus.

## THE F G NEWMAN FUND

['evionsly acknowledged, 27 9s. ; Mr. H. l3eleher, 2s. ; Rev. Canor Helmore, Ss. : collection it Maidstone meeting on Easter Mouday pur Mr Groombridge, fu fis grant from Kent County Benevolent
 be sent to Mr, W. I'. Cockerill, Frobingham, 32, Fdgeley Road Claphan, S.W.中.

## STEDMAN AND CARTER'S DOUBLES.

To the Editor.
Dear Sir-Now that the publication of the Central Council's Colleution of legitimate methods has been postponed, it may be an opportune time to suggest luat Stedman's Soubles and its Reverge, and Carter's Doubles and its Reverse shoukd be given in their correct form with Rounds as first row in the new pulilication, whes issued, us follows:-

Reverse

|  | Stedman's Doubles. | Reverse Stedman"s Doubles. | Carter's <br> Doubles. | Reverse Carter's Doubles. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Div. head | 12345 | 12345 | Div. head 12345 | 12345 |
|  | 21354 | 21354 | 21354 | 21354 |
|  | 23145 | 12534 | 12534 | 23145 |
|  | 32415 | 15243 | 15243 | 32415 |
|  | 23451 | 51234 | 51234 | 23451 |
|  | 24315 | 15324 | 15324 | 24315 |
|  | 42351 | 51.342 | 51342 | 42351 |
|  | 43215 | 15432 | 15432 | 43215 |
|  | 34251 | 51423 | 51423 | 34251 |
|  | 43521 | 54132 | 54132 | 43521 |
|  | 45312 | 45312 | 45312 | 45312 |
| Dir, end | 54321 | 54321 | Div. eud 54321 | 54321 |
| 2nd Div. lead 53412 |  | 452312 n | Div.head 53412 | 45231 |

It will be noticed that the only difference between Stedman's Doubles and Reverse Carter's Doubles is that the ist place at the Division End in Stedman is converted into Sth's place in Reverse Carter"s Doubles; and vice versa, the 5 th's place of Reverse Stedman Doubles is coaverted into lat place at the Division End of Carter's Doubles.
There is one other peeuliarity worthy of notice, i.e., Carter's Doubles is the only one of the four methods that will extend perfectly, as a regular method, to Infinity.
Reverse Stedman Doubles will extend to Triples and Cinques, but the Caiers of this method is only a three part touch as follows:-

1st Div. Head 123456789
2ad Div. Head 759381624
3cd Div, Head 684927153
123456789
Brighton.
Yours faithfully, GEORGE BAKER

## EASTER RINGING

LEWISHAN. On Easter Surday, at St. Hary's, for Avening service, u quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: ( F , Warmett 1 , d Daliters 2, H. Jumes 3, W. Fox 4, IH. Wimelt (conductarj 5, H. Warimet, jun., 6; J. Bennett 7, E. Goodwin 8. G. Waruett hails frwm Woat Grinstead, Sussex. This was his diss quarter of Grandsire.
DURHAM, -At the Cachedral, for the aftermon serwice on Enster Day, after meeting shore for a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, 960 Bob Winor, with 6-8 covering: E. E. Herry (conductor) 1, J. R. Temple 2, W. F. Johnson 3, R. A. Jolmson 4, E. L. Allerson 5, G. Metcalfe 6, C. F. Vasey 7, H. Oliver 8. It was also a birihday compliment to the ringer of the 2nd.
HATFIELD.-On Easter Day, at St. Etheldreds's Church, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Kent Treala Bob Major (1,280 changes) : A. Shepherd 1, G. Austin 2, D. Elingham 3, R. Richardson 4, J. Dunliarn 5, J. Kentish (conductor) 6, A. Lawrence 7, Sergr. Lawrence 8. Far evensang, 1,100 Stedman Triples in 56 mins: I. Cull 1, D. Ellingham 2, S. Cull 3, R. Richardson 4, L. Shepherui 5, I. Fentish 6, 3. Dunham 7, G. Austin 8.-Or Friday, Mrarch 15th, a guarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major ( 1,280 changes) in 53 mins.: F. Cull I, G. Austin 2, A. Shepherd 5, R. Richardson 4, L. Shephord 5, J. Dunham 6, Sergt, Lawrence 7, J, Kentish (conductor) 8. Ruttg as a hirthday compliment to Mr. J. T. Kentish.
SWANMORE, HANES.-At St. Brinahas' Clurcin, on Easter Sunday, for morning gervice, 720 Oxford Single Boll: A. Watson E, W. Linter 2, W. Allen 3, E. Jacolss A, T3. IH. Clark, Aldershot (first 720) 5, R. Linter (conductor) 6.
GAFRPHILLY, GLiM.- On Easter Sunday, for evening serrice, a quarter-pcal of Stedman Triples (1,260 chapges) in 50 mins. : II. Cassell 1, E. Dare 2, S. Addicott 3, W. like 4, P. Jones 5, H. Broughton 6, A. Addicott (conductor) 7, G. Cooke B.
MERTHYR TYDFIL.-On Ěaster Sunday, Mareh S1st, for cyening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triplos (1,260 changes) iu 48 mins. : H. Davies 1, J. Goodiug 2, F. Sharpe 3, L. Stirk 4, 4F. Fisler 5, T. Emn E, J. Coles (canduttor) 7, F. StitE 8.
MDDIEMON, LANCS. On Easter Sunday, for early morning service, 360 Bob Minor, for morning service 420 Grandsire, and for evening gervice 464 Bob Major, the ringers taking part beigg; Wu. Berry, John Hallows, James Jacques, John Smith. Harry Bastow, Tom A. Ogren, James H. Bastow, Thomas K. Driver.
KENSINGTON.-At St. Mary Abbots Chureh, on Easter Day for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters ( 1,257 ohanges): A. V. Selby 1, H. G. Miles (couductor') $2, ~ F$. V. Sinkins $3_{1}$ J. A. Dart 4, C. F. Winuey 5, E. F. Wciham 6, P. L. Miles 7, W. E. Judd g, G. G. Rice 9 , Capt. C. Warmer 10.

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## BELFRY GOS5IP

The bells of Dodleston, Cheshire, oripinally five in number, have just bean rehung and retuned, and a treble added by Messrs. Gillett and Jolioston. The new bell was dedicated by the Lord Bishop of the diocese on Easter Eve, and ringers will have an opportunity of hearing the ring at the Ghester Guild meeting on Saturday, April 13th.
Mr. Alhert Walker, the Deputy Riuging Master of St. Manfin's Guild, is mong those who bave rung a lundred peals in his 'Sunday service 'tower. Ho has taken part in 114 peals in the fanous cturch in the Bull Rimg, Birminglam. Of these he has conancted 48, and has called a peal ab least three times off ench ol the twelwo bells.
Among those who lave also rung a hundred peals in their own tower are two Lewes ringers. Mr. A. J. Turner Jas scored 140 peals on the bells at Southover, in the ancient country town of Sussex, iund Mr. R. J. Dawo has rung 135 there.
Mr. Arthur Knights has rung 207 peals on Chesterfield bells, and his son, Ben, has rugg 125. M1. T. J. Salter, of Kiderminster, completed the 'century' on the bells of St." Mary's Chureln, as long ago as October, 1906.

Guardsman J. Bragg, by communicating withl Mr. R. J. Best, of 9 , Cumberland Street, pialico, S.W.l, will be able fo obfain the retum of his wallet, which was found in Buckingham Palace Road. The finder, however, is unable to communicate direct as flyere was no address. The 'clue' to the owner is a receipt issued by the Guildford Diocesan Guild.

The bells of Birmingham Cailedral will be broateast from 7.50 to 8 p.m. on Sumday.

Mr. Fred M. Mitchell, who succeeds the Rev. F. J. O. Helmore as general secretnry of the Kent Connty Associetion, lias been for ten years secretary of the Rochester District. His adtress is 114, Sun Lane, Gravesend.
'Iwonly years ago to-day the then record peal of 18,027 Stedman Caters was rong in 12 brs. 18 mins. at Joughborough Parish Church -the first time one set of men hat rung "round the clock."
Thomorrow is the anniversary of the Treble Ten record, mathe at Ashton-under-Lyne in 1914, when 14,000 of Keut was rung in 9 Lirs. 24 mins. Next Wednesday is the anniversery of the Treble Bobs Maximus record, at the same church, a peal of 12,240 litwing been rung in 8 hirs. 39 mins. ou April 17th, 1911.
It is 160 years next Wotnesday sinee the first peal of 'Narwich Court Ebo Ten Iu' was rung. The peal was one of the famons perfoumances of the Norwich ringors of that dag, and was recorded by the 'Norwich Meccury, which staied that 'from the lintmolys and egularity of its changes, it filled every lover of the art of ringiug with the most pleasing wouler and astonishment.

The incomparable peal, continued the report, ' was inventod in hise year 1751 by Mr. Wm. Yortex, one of the ringers belonging to St. Peten"s company, and thongh from that time it las been annually practised, yet never was perfectly gone througli with, without hells being out of caurse, till now, so that it may be aflimed ihat this is the linst compleat 5,040 that ever was rung in the known world.

## the broadcast of st Martin's bells

## To the Editor.

Sir,-In answer to my appen in. The Pinging World for opianams of the broactast of the bells of St. Martins, Birminghan, on Mareli 17th, I have received a good number of letters from ringers in different parts of the conntry who listened to the Bob course of Stedman Cinques. The following bad perfect reception and wonsidel the microphono was placed iu the best position, yis., on the norlb-cast end of the chutcis roof iu proper relation to distance from the bell tower, where any noise from traul and motor traffe, which is generally vory hoayy in the vicinity af the church, especinlly the ast end, is eliminated. These districts report that all the fustrus bells came through clenrly and distinctly in the roumde, changes and romends, durine the tem minutes , roadcast: Shrewsbury, Derby, Stanton-by-Dale, Lincoln, Boston, Mankseaton (Northumberdand), Pudsef, Narwich, Thames Ditton, Harking and Fulham (Londan!, Bath aud Tauntou.
The three following places-Bambury, Ghelteniam, and Weymouth -write that the bells nid not vome throngh at all cleaty, phat ane correspondent from Wiilsam, Essex, wants to know why we rlid not to some change ringiug (a little leg-pulling, I fancy)
Alow the, sin", througly the medium of "The Ringing World," to think all these friends for their expressions of opinion, which will he forwarded to the B.B.G. headquarters in Birmugham.
I also received many verbal congratulations at the Worcester maneling on Easter Monday on the perfect reception and good striking. though one rivger from the Evesham district had a very had remption of the bells, anollier lingel nearby inad perfect reception, which makes one think some wireless sets are possibly overthoed.-Youts Pathtully,

Birminginam.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCHATION

## RESIGNAIION OF HON. SECRETARY.

The annual general meeting of the Kent County Association was held at Maidstone on Easter Monday, and, owing to its central position and the fair weather, attracted a large number of members. Buring the day about 200 put in an appearance. Farious towers in the neighhourloorl, were opeaed to enable visitors to have a ring on their journey ' in , Eud "out,' with the ten bells at All Saints', Maidstone, as the central attraction. These bells were going until noon, when the association service was held in the church, conducted by the Vicar (Ganon Sopwith), the Rev. G. C. E. Ryley (Vicar of East Pecklam) accompanying on the organ with his wollknown ability. rihe special preacher for the service was the Rev. F. de V. Watson (Rector of Harrietsiam), who iook for his text Collossians iii. I, 'If ye then be risen with Cluist, seek those things which are above.' Three hymus were sung, 'The strife is o'er,' the jingers' hyma, 'Unchanging Goti, Who livest,' and 'To the name of our Salvation." A collection at the close for the County Ophthalmic Hospita], Maidstone, realised $£ 2$ IDs. 1d.

Dinner followed in the Corn Exchange, which was taxed to its eapacity owing to the large assembly. The Deputy Mayor of Maidstone (Councillor F. C. Comnor) presided, supported by the hon. sccietary (Rev. F. J. O. Helmore) and Miss Helmote, Canon Sopwith, Rev. G. C. E. Ryley, Rev. H. de V. Watson, Messrs. E. Alex. Young (hou. secretiary of the Gentral Council) and Jackson (Lonfon County), and oflicers of the association.

After dinnor, the toast of 'Tho King' was duly honoured, on the proposition of the Chairman, who said he was sure thoy wer

Mr. F. White (Crimbrook) proposed the toast of 'The Archishop of Canterbury and the Clergy of the Diocese.' He expressed pleasure that Archbishop Lang lad consented to become their president, and offered their thanks to Canon Sopwith (Maidstone), Rev. II de V. Whtson, and the Ref. G. C. E. Rylep.
The Rev. H. di V. Watson, in replying, said he was rather a link of the association, as his father-in-law, the Rer. finachbult Huggeson, was one of the founders and first secretary of the association.
'The Rev. G. C. E Ryley also replied, and zroposed the toast of The Chaiman, and thanked hirm fur his attentance, -The Deputy Mayor of Maidstone said he wris pleased to come in his officina capraty and to weleome the association to thein county town. He was one much in favonr of ald customs, and he hoped the day would never come when the old custorn of bollinging would cease.
In response to an appal on belatf of Na. Nat Newman, who was one of the founders of the association, a collection round the table imalised 844 s ., and at a committec meeting held earlier a sum of \&5 was voted from the Benevolent Fund.

## REY. F. J. O. HELMORE'S 38 YEARS'SERVICE.

'llag hon. secretary's report and halance sheet having been adopted, the Rev. F. J. O. Felmore said he wished to thank them all for
 sudden herearement. Owing to the severe trial he liad gone through fand bis advancing years (he was now 78) he said the time had come when he must resign his post as thoir hon. secretary, a position lie had held for 38 years. He thanked all who hati helped him during his illness-Mir. Mitchell, who had been his assistant, Mr. Sone for making the arrangeronts for the dinner that day, ant to the other district secretarics for their ever-ready assistance. When he first woak office, the number of members was abont 400 ; to-day it was nearly 1,000 ; the number of non-resifent members was 13, and now it was nearly 250 . 'I'he time liad now cone when lie must hand over the job to another.
Mr. W. Latter (Tonbvidge District secretary) said be had knowo Catoon Felmore during the whole period of his secretaryship, and it hatdy seemed possible to associale his mame without ' Kent County Association.' On behalf of them all le proposed ilyeir heartiest thanks to Ganon Helmore for his valued services as their hons. secretary, and said how sarry they all were that force of cironrnsiances lat compelled him to resign--This was seconded by Mr. W. Haigh (Rochester), end carried wilh loud applause.

After the names of Lord Davidson, of Lambeth, and the Dean o Rochester had heen added to the list of vice-presidents, the Rev F. J. O. Helmore said it was left to him wo propose his successor as their hon. secretary. During his iliness his assistant had renilesed good service, and he had plensure in proposing the name of Mr. Frederick M. Mitehell (anolher "Fred'), of Gravesend, as theit' hon. secretary. He would find plenty of work to do, but he was sure that Mr. Mitehell would do it to the best of his aliility until a mare suilable suecessor could be found.-This was seconded by Mr. W. E. Pitman (Canterbury) and canned unanimously.

## TINANCIAL GROWTH OF TEE ASSOCIATION.

Mr. Mitchell, in accepting office, said lo was having the honour llurst upon him, but he would do his best, and gave an account of the growth of the finanees of the association cluring the Rev. F. J. O. Helmore's period of office. When he took ofice " 38 year's ago the bulance in liand was about £90. Last year's jeport showed a halance of $£ 70$, in ardition to which they had abont 8550 invested-

## PEALS OF MINOR AND DOUBLES.

## To the Editot.

Dear Sir,-I note, from his letier of Aphil 51 , that Mv. Severn sneaks authoritatively for the majority of six-bell ringers, and in begging slightly to differ from hin I ara cateful to avoid this. atm told that there are 40,000 ringers in the United Kingdon, and
a very vidiculous estimato would place tha numher of Minor vingers at (say) 1,000. A majority would then mean 501 opinions personally canvassed, and thes 1 liave not tone.
But tho majority of the (comparatively) few with whon I have spoken have expressed the wish to see something like the following:-
A peal (menning a live thousand or a tonch (of leas than this), shall commence and end with rounds.
In Major and upwards, it shall consist of at least 5,000 true changes, i.e., 4,999 different rows and two rows of roums one of the latter shall appear at the hoginning, aud one al the end.
In Triples, 5,040 true clanges, i.e., 5,039 alfferent rows, eld. different rows, and one row, i.e., 5,040 the changes, Rounds shall be the firsl and the last rows of the peal. Fach of the blocks slatl be produced differently, with provision for one additional touch of less than 720.
11 Doubles, similarly
I agree with Mr. James that the 'commence from roturts ${ }^{\text {a }}$ shouh bo amended; we are too prone blindly to follow tho nistakes of the past. We have an example of this (a piffling example, is is irue) in Mr. Severn's letter. He shows Hiree extenls of London Surprise (upoa which I congratatate him): he gives the figures before the bobs, when, actually, they follow the bobs. Why? Beanuse customary, but that does not make it correcl.
Let us get clowu to present-day veed, and frame something which will belp along rather than velard.
And a word about Mr. Guise's letlers. Fram memory, I think bu lias suggested that his Guild should ennsider whether the expenditure in sending delegates-representatives-members (as you will; to the Central Conncil, is worth while.
If so be thai this Guild should decide that it is not morth while, it is io be hoped that nome of its nembers will avall himself of the advantages to be obtainet from the Central Conneil's Collection of Methods, Collections of Peals (and what not?), which are published from time io time with the aid of my money.
Let onv eriticism be construetive. The Ceniral Council is a funy ode body, but it is well worth while!- Fours fathifully,
St. Jolu's, Leytonstone GEORGE L. JOYCE.

## BRISTOL (?) SURPRISE MAXIMUS.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir, A stock argument of days gore by with the Rev. E. at Thwies was that eertain figures were an Oxford Exhensian of, sat London' Surptise or 'Bristol' Surprise, but in your last issue you have published a method which the reverend gentlemath desfonates Bristol (?) Supprise Maximus, which, in so far as it can be called Bi cxtension of "Bristol" Major at ath, is mast certainly, alt Oxford extension, ant in face of the correct figures of "Bristol' Royal andi Maximus given by Mr. A. Graven in these columas on January $29 \mathrm{th}_{1}$ 1923, I suggest that the Rev. Fi. B. James should find another mans for his latest altempt at Extending' Brishol' Major. - Fours faitho fully,

GEORGE THKERR.
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a growin of 5530 . The Beliry Repair Fund was instituted a guarte rarious towers in need. and there was still a halance of £lyd. THe: Benevolent Fund was starten in 1912, with Hue reault tian 885 hin Been paid to tieserving mewhers, and the balamee to-day was ell Surely that sliowed the work of their hon. secretary, Mitehell said it was a regord impossihle for him to beat it why
left to him lo carry on the tradition of Hae association, which $\mathrm{l}_{1}$ would do ta the best of his ability.
Mr. Frederick White proposed that they show their appreciation and pace the name uf the Roy. Fipererick J. O. Helmor- on the list of viee-presidents,-Several having risen to second th. pronosi-
tion, Wr. Frederick Tluornon, os another "Jred, clained the privition, Mr. Frederick Thornion, as anoticre "Fred,' clamed the lege, and il was umanimusly ngreed fo.

The usnal votes of thanks concluded the meetivg, whimin, as the fravds numbers, was a record for arcat number of Years, ahout so
lowers in Kent heing represcnted, and it was most fiting it shondri be, considering that the association was parting with shach a highlyrespected and devoted surant after so many yenrg faithful service. Ten towers were open for ringing during the day, and it is hoped that an adramage was taken of the opportunities offerma encouraging to the elergy if the usc of the bells is granted and no risitors come to ring. It is true that Maidstono has many nitractions, event to its gaol-and it is loped no one fonnd their way thero

## SUFFOLK GUILD AND THE CENTRAL COUNCIL

 PROCEDURE DISCLSSED.The amanal meeting of the Suffolk fuaid at $I_{\text {pswich ous Monday }}$ was uratked by a good dual that was of intertst. The business was trinsacted its St. Mary-lo-Tower Cilurch House iu the aftermon, and was well athendenh. Arbbdeacon framiloe presided, and utl the officers wero re-clected.
ft was pointed oul that the number of honowary members was lanetutaly suall, being only 24 in all. It was, iberefore, resolved hat "district and whitr sectetarios bu urged to obtain as many hoth memhers as possible.
In ordor to pait the relation lyetween the fintld and the Advisory Committere of the diokese on a regular footing, it was agreed to choose as one of him offechs to loe elected cach year a consultant who would act as trolnical arlvises fo any tower, and of whose uppointment the Advisory Commitiee shotid be oflicially notified. Mr. J. C. G. Haggar, of Sprotglaton, was thereupon elected as consultan, The chairmara also instructed the secretary to supply the Ldvisory Commitlee with eopios of the cards. On the care of hells. ithd an "Phe elements of change ringing, as published by the Cen$t$ ral Council, and eftetulated by the Guild.
Thote: was then passed unnomously this resolation: "The Guila uryea its mermbirs to get as many riagerts as possible electerl on ['arochial Clutach Councils, the Diocesan Conference, and the Chureh Assembly.
Thele bad bech some discussion al a former meeling as to whether ihe distriot secretaries were to he expected to risil every lowor to rolled babseriptions, and the following note to the rules was agreed ho: Th ench compuny there shall be ehosen a sucretary (or captain, M Ringing Master), who slastl celien: all subseriptions as soon after Jamuaty lst as possible, and send them ta the distriet secretary. ${ }^{\text {a }}$
There was cousiderable and lively discussion on the subject of splicing of extents, thout which there haki been so much eorrespondonce in 'The Ringing World. The following ressolution was ultimately thrided: The spicimg of methads is theoretieally unsound. But if lents in diwe or six-bell ringing should be allowed also.' There was nat vote against, the reasan given being ihat ii would wat be weli Jor the fuild to appeat to oppose so widely accepted a practice as splicing.

S'fANDING ORDRRS WANTETJ FOR COUNOLL
Fhue Secretary reporled that lie liad sent the resolutions which hat been paseed by the last anmunl mosting to the secretary of the CenIral bouncil for his information. To his surprize, when he entered Lhe mentiug, nt Herefork, he found that they were put down on the Mganda nsi ' late resolutious, to he considered at the end. Both, fowner, were thalt with in the course of previous discussions. Nimertheless, at the end of the mecting the chaimman, instead of passing therr over, went to some trouhte to explain that for some buscure point of order theso resolutions were wrong. Evidently lhota was mach confusion as to the relation between the Central Connall and its constituent badies. Ju one case there was even a proposal ta withdraw the representatives. Ho thought this quite landerg, and suggested that the best way to meet the difficulty was lo have some gtanding orders drawn up so that the associations
woulal hnow what to do. It was absurd that, when a matter liad would hnow what to do. It was absurd that, when a matter liad lipen referred to the associations, they shoulal be told that they had hore wrong to pass a resolution on the suliject.
Finmilne) said that it was mach mote dignified and useful for the members of the Contral Council to be considered to be ase for the members of the Central Council to be considered to be representalives ralleer than to be mera delogates, wha land to vote as they wore tald.
Tn the rnel the secetary was asked to write to the secretary of the Csmacil for an explanabion.

A letter in "The Ringing World" on the Sudbury District was genelary for West Guffolk, and that. that mater be refermed to hime "ssuring him of the support of the Guild in the matter. Arrisngemnins far an instructor for Hadelgh ware decided on, and the naect-
ing cloged with the usual voles of nhank.

## THE CATCHPOLEMOTTS MFMORIAL.

The Ficar of St. Marye-Tower give nus arldess at a well-atitended sorvice, and afterwards Arcladeacon Fammiloe unveiled, in the fretyence of all the metrbers, a memoriat in the ringing chamber of st. Mrary-le-Cowor to the laLn Wm. L. Catohpole and James Matis. His touk the form of a taheme in Porthand stone, consisting of an inscriberd panel, hutuessed and pitnacled in Peraendicnlar style,
anpporled an a mouked ashlat hase; two hells with their headshock Ele enrved at llo font of the panel, on which flue inseription iv as follows:-

Omnit opma to laudan. To the Glors of God and in Mownory of Willian L. Catelpole, who lied 1918 , and James
Salts, who died 1923, aged respectively 69 and 63 years, composery nud conductots of momerous peals, well versed and capible, ulways roady to give a lenping lanit to their luss learned comrades in furthering the art of change ringing. Of genial sho noble disposition were these 1 wo men. Phis tablet is erected Io record the high eseen in whinh they are lield by the whole ringing fraternity
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## WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

## THE GATHEDRAL PEAL.

The annual meeting of the Worcustershise and Districts Associntion was held as usual on Enster Monday at Woreester, when the fine weather, coupled with the athection of the new peal of twolve bells at the Cathedral, brought together a large number of members and visitors, who conmenced to arrive at an early hour. Among the latter were Messrs. F. E. Daw (London), J. P. Fidjer (Louglaborough), J. Austin (Gloucester), and A. Walker (Birmingham) The various city tower's were open for ringing, but not too much Hase semmed to be made of whem, the Cathedral seemimg to be the - Mecen * of cveryone. Ille authorities had this year kindly granted extra facilities for the bells at the Gatledral, and shortly after 12.30 their gloriots tones commented fo boom over the eity. The firsi item of the day was the unveiling of at peal tablet in the belfy recording the first peal to be rung on the new bells, riz., Sterman Cinques, on December 26th last. This was rumg by the tassociation, conilucted by the Master (M1. J. D. Johnson), who later expressed the gratification of the meubers to the Dean for making the long climb up to the ringing chamber to perform the ceremony.
As is usual on these occasions, the ringing was of a very moderate character, duc to various reasons. Althotgh there was au abundance of good twelve-bell men, it was exceedingly difficult to get then together owing to the congested state of the belfry and steps. As a consequence, some could not get in at all; some were wedged in and could not get out ; some endervoured to do their best on metsl much above their calibre, the resull heing as stated. Fowever, good humour prevailed, ayd everybody seemed happy.
The husiness meeting was heid in the Chapter Hause in the afternoon, the Dean (the Rev. W. Moore Ede, D.D.) heing in the chair. At ihe ontset, in welcoming the memhers, the Dean expressed the grateful thanks of the autharities to the members for their gift of a bell to the new peal, $£ 100$ having been raised. The 8 th bell is suitably inscribed to this effect, and a hoone tablet has been fixed in the belfry. Associated with this be also wished to montion the name of Mr. A. E. Parsons. He was sure that he voiced the regret of those present that he could not to with them that day awing tu indisposition. The speaker theo invited London and Birmingham expert opinion on the bells, and asked Mr. F. E. Dawe, of London, and Mr. A. Walker, the Depaty Ringing Master, of St. Martins Guild, to gay a few words. Mr. Dawe said he was delighted to listen to such a magniticent peal, and if consent were given he would be pleased to bring a hand of experts from London to show how they should be ruag.
Mr. Walker congratulated the Dean and Chapter upon possessing surh a noble peal, which he said wns worthy of the edifice, and
offered a suggestion regarding the lourres to prevent the sound beating down. He alao incidentally remarked that they in Birmingham rather faneied themselwes as twelve-hell ringers, and if any invitations were going they would life the opportuuity. He would bring a band of ordinary ringers from Birmingham, who would do the bells justicc. They had rung a peal on the bells of Exetcr Cathedral, which wore the heaviest in the world.
The Chairman humorously remarked that he would see what could be done for both, and that they (the Worcester people) would then decide who were the real experts.
The routine husiness was afterwards proceeded with. The report and balance sheet were adopted.
$K r$. 'T'. J. Salter moved, and Mr'. W. Short seconded, that the association form a library for the circulation of ringing literature. and after some discugsion this was agreed to, Mr. C. W. Qopper, of Lye, heing nppointed librarian. It was hoped that mernbers would avail themselves of the epportunities of requiring knowledge.
A goodly number of new members were elected, and Worcester was again chosen for the anmual meeting, this seoming now to have: become an institutioth. The atrangements for the antual peal were left in the hands of the Ringing Master.
Mr. J. D. Johmson linving expressed a wish to retire, nominated Mr. R. G. Knowles to zheceod him as Ringing Master, and this was carried. Mr. H. C. Bird was added to the Central Committee, and all the other officors wert retelected. Tlis concluded the husiness. Service, which followed in the Cathedral with an address by Canon Blake, was well atfended, the collection being given to the fund for the augmenting and overhatiling of tle ring of six at St. John's, which will slertly be put in hand.
After being photograpledt, the assembly adjourved to the Caoperative Cafe for tea, well over 100 sitting down. With the condusion of this came the parting of the ways, some for home and others for more ringing, thus closing another suchessful sind enjoyable mexting

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The work was executed by an old ringing compade, Mr. Chanjes Mee, of Sproughton, nud designed by Mr'. J. C. G. Faggar, also of Sprouglitor.
The Archdeacan said it gave him much plensure to unveil this mernorial to two ald members of St. Mary-le-Towor Society of Ringers. He referred to the fuct that Mr. James Motta was a valued member of the Guild, and commended his exmmple to the present members.
Afterwarda a good number sit down to tea at Lpons' Reslaurantw and ringity was indulged in at the various towers during the day.

## MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION'S ANNUAL MEETING

 DIOCESAN TITLES DECISION AGAIN JEFERREDBy the customary routine the anmual mecting of the Midiand Counties Assaciation was held at Leicester, amd, despile the threat il a dul] and boisterous day, the weather was rot loo bad, and, as usual, a large number of ringing members and [riends from all parts of the association's activities were present from an eariy hour. Quite a umber of life member's from surrounding Guilds such as the Warwick, Feterborough, Lincolta, and North Notts Association, were welcomed.
'The bells of 5t. Margaret"s (12), the Catherlval (10), St. Fohn-therDivine (10), Sl. Saviou's (8), Belgrave (8), and All Sainta' (5) werc available throushout the day, except for short intervala for weddings, which oven 'All Fools' Day' could noil deter! Good use was made of the opportunities provided, althoagh, as is so often usual, the rimging was not of a high standard. Nevertheless, it was Thoroughly enjoyed by all.
The commitites met at $3.15 \mathrm{p}, \mathrm{m} .$, and carried out rather a heavy programme of routine and ather business, making various recommendations for the general raceting which followed tea. Among the latter was the proposal to grant 22 2s to the fund now being negotiated by certain Corporation and other high olthials of Derby to present Mr. R. B. Chambers, B.A., J.J., ihe highly-esteemed president of the association, with an oil paintimg of bimself. Tins painting is by Mu. E. Townsend, and is now on wiew at the Derly Art Gallery

Despite the announcement made by the geveral lon. secrefary regarding the sending of names of intention to be present at tea, some 30 or more failed to do this. Fortunatoly, however, the local committee ware able to cope with thesc, and sulusequently 140 sat down to a splendid repast.

The general meeting immediately followed lea, and in the absence of Mr. R. B. Chambers (president) the vice-president, Mr. Joseph Grifin, took the chair. He was supported by the hon. treasurer (Mr. Walter Wallace), the hon, secretary (Mr. Ernest Morris), and the Rews. H. Hursb and F. W. Prath, of St. Margarel's, Req. H. V. Williams, of St, Jolon's, and Rev. R. S. Wilkinson, of Rolford.
The Hon. Secretary firs: explained that for some time past the healuh of their wortliy president had been very critical, and the ratuse of much fuxiety, but despite that he had, in conjonction with Mrs. Chambers, sent lis regards and hest wishes to all members, and hoper all would have an enjoyable day and succossful meeting. 31 . W. Willson proposed that a letter of sympathy be sent io Mc. Cliambers, expressing from ali present good wishes for a speedy re-
Inrn to health. T'lis was seconded by Mr. Clarles Draper and ctarried unanjmously.

The election of ten ringing and one life nember was duly ratilies. The report and balance sheet for 1928 were also received and passed on the proposition of Mr. W. I. White, geconded by Mr. C. Draper.

## A NEW DIETRICT IN THE PEAK.

The recommendations of the committee for the next three quarbryy menting wete cluly conlitmed, viz., June, Bakewell; Septemher; Litwerworth; January, 1930, Bolsover.
The proposal to form a new branch of the w.C.A. in the Peak District of Derbyshire having been fully discussed at the last meeting, was-after the explanation given as to its territory and work hỵ the proposed new local secretary, Mr. J. E. Lewis Corkey, churchwarden of Doremuly, authorised, and its formation will take place as previously arranged.
"The Chairman acquainted the members of the nommittee"s disliberalians aud recommendations as to the payment of delegates' fees and expenses to the Central Conneil, the honorariuma to the general and lacal hon. secretaries, sfeeplekeepers, efe., which wore aty pasbed.
A discussion on tho Gentral Cauncil's agenda (motion 7 ) was dehated at length, and nfter Learing the views of Mr. W. Willan the drlegates were instructed to support same.
The officers of the association were re-elected *en bloc ${ }^{3}$ for 1929. Thr Chaiman announced that the tegtimonial find to Mr. Wm. Willson would dotinitely be elosed on April 301 h , nud il is hoped flam all towers and individuals will note this, and send on to the hon. treasurer accordingly.
The question of the alteration-or addition to-the litle of the association to include 'for the Dibceses of Derby, Leicester', Lichfirld and Sourthwoll' cauged quite a diversion, and a lengthy disenssion ensued in which Messus. H. W. Needlum, J. Harris, W. T. White, J. Swinfield, Rev. R. Wilkinson and 'A flat ' took part.
II was thought that the association's tervitory in the Lichifeld Diocese was so small, comprising, as it dif, Burtow-on-Trent and district, that the association could not riehily add that diocese without the Bislop's sanction. Burton, to which the essociation had in the pas been greatly indebted, not only as a peal-ringing entice, lut from the worthy tnen who upheln the associntion's well-being, unturally did not wish to be omitted. Therefore, as in other parts uf ihe M.C.A. activities, where they Sind other socictics and Guildis long much good work, the question was, ought the association to make it appear to be overlapping or ancroaching on these nlifer societies" territery?
As at last yoar's moeling, so diverse were the opinions expressed, i was ultimately proposed and caprien, that the nottel be daferrent.

This concluded the busitess, and My. W. Wallace proposed hearty rote of thanks to the various clergy for the use of bells, and especially for their presence at the meeting:-Both the Rey. H. Hurst, of St. Margarel's, and Rev. F. V. Williams, of St. Jolin's, replied most appropriataly, willa witty remarks and a "story " eacla, -The Rev. Wilkinson proposeri a learty vote of thanks to the chairman, Mr. Joseph Grifin, for presiding in so efticient in way, especially during the debate on the association's title, remarkiug lue would have made a good parliamentarian. Mr. Griffin suitably replied, and, in passing, remstred ous the fach that he was one of the very few original members left, he haviug hat the pleasuro of condinetmes No. 2 of the association's performances, viz. 5,040 Double Norwids Major on July 20th, 1882, at St. Paul's, 14urton-an-Trunt

After furlher ringiug on the vacious church bells, many of those participating assembled at the Victoria Hotel, where an impromptat concelt was provided. A very happy evening was spent, and those contributing to the programmo included Mr. Percy Harrison and family, with tunes on baudbells, also other tutues ly Messrs. H. J. Poole, E. Morris, C. H. Webb and P. Harrison. The new acquisibion from the "police,' a devotee to the art of ringing, Sergt. Turuer, Kept the company 'in Lucks ${ }^{\text {a }}$ by his fumy stories, nud the Rugly friends gave an excellent course af 'Rughy Triples Major t'-in othel wotds, cagmeg. The tithit of the evening-F. H. Dexter remarking it was the best ; ringing ${ }^{\text {t }}$ that day-was a touch of Stedman Triples on the piano by Manrice Swinfield, the hobs being called by
H. Joole. Mr. Morris contriluted H. J. Foole. Mr. J. Morris contrihuten his well-worn, but ever appreciated, "Jolnny, and 'A flat " concluded the programme witla his variation of the old 'grandfather's clock.'

## NORFOLK GUILD

## THE RESULT OF THE REFERENDUM.

The annual meeting of the Norfolk Guild was held at Norwich on Easter Monday, when the rings of bells at St. Peter Maucroft (12i, St. John-de-Sepulehre (8), St. Michach-at-Coslany (8), aum All Saints (5) were kiadly placed at the disposal of the members. Diviae survice was conducted in St. Peter Mancroft's by Canou F. J. Meyrick
(Vicar). The Rev. A. G. W. Paget (assistant Minor Canon of Norwich Cathedral) gresided at the organ, and the address was given by the president (tise Archdeacon of Norwich)
Luncheon was server ali the Criterion Restaurant, White Liom Street, the Archdeacon of Norwich piesiding, supported by be Rev A. G. Blytla, the Rev. R. H. O. Bankes, Mr, Philip E. Sewell, Messrs. Authur L. Coleman (secretary), W. L. Duffield, W. C. Duffield (members of the commititee), G. P, Burton (hon. auditor), and N. W. Cooke, W. J. Eldred, B. S. Thompson, W. IB. Duacan (distriet secretaries), and 34 members.

The taast of 'The King' was proposed by the prosident and duly honaured.
The annual business then followed
The report and halance shed for the year ondiug Decerrber 31st, 1928, were adopted.

On the motion of Mr. A. L. Coleman, and seconded by Mr. P. E. Sewell, be Arobdeacon of Norwich (Ven. G. M. MacDermott Wa: anatmously re-elected president. 'l'lhe vice-presidents were all reelected, Mr. Aytar L. Coleman was re-elected general secretary and treasurer, Mr. G. P. Burton, hon. auditor, Canon F. J. Meyrick, Rev. A. G. Blytlı, Messis. Denison Hayward, James F. Dufficif, Wiliam C. Duffeld, William L. Duftield and ti. Nolan Golden werv elected nembers of the committee.
The Secretary (Mr. A. L. Coleman) moved the ratifieation of one belfry election, the reeelectian of sevom old members and the election of ten cow memisers, ant these were all duly elected.
It was resolved that the Whit Monday meetinit on May 20th be held at lulham Market, and the Atgust Bank Haliday meetiag on Augusl 5th at North Jilaham.
en was also resolved that formal motice he gires at the next general meeting for the atpointment of an adviser to the Guild on materg pertaining to elutch helle and belfries, who slatl he an exofficio member af the cammiter. This coneluded the routine busi-
ness, and the menting then aroceder to the all-impartant matior relating to the teecht circularisation of members io obtain their opiniou as to a reorganisation of the Guild.

REPLIES TO THE QUWSTJONNAIRE.
The President anuaunced that the Standing Cornmittee at their neeting held in the moming had accepted the result of the ruferendum, and referred the matter to the general meeting for considers tion. The President said that 385 circularg wele sent to membera
resideat in Norfolk. Of these, 205 werc filled up, signed and returned, leaving 120 not returued. That, le thought, was a very satisfactory result. The replies to the questionnai lows:-
(1) Are you in favour of laving three large districts instend of the present eleven small distriets?-Yes 157, no 40, ueutral 8.
(2) Do you approve of these districts covering ile areas of the Archdeacourius of the diocege - Yes 151, no 33, neutral 21. Norwich Arhdeaconry? (b) The Norfolk Archdeaconry? (c) The King's I.yns trchadeaconry? - Yes 150, mo, 29, neutral 26.
(Continted on next page.)

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES

DEPTFORD-At St. John's Ohurch, for evening sarrice, on Sauday, March 3rd, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples iu 38 mins.: $J$. Cully 1, H. Belcher' ${ }^{2}$, A. E. Petrie 3, W. Markin 4, W. Jefiries (conHirlor) 5 , R. Steors 6, E. B. Crowder 7, A. Bennington 8.
STAINES.-At St. Peter's Church, on Mareh 31st, for eveving swrice, at quarter-peal of Graudsire Triples in 46 mins.: A. Stevens 1, W. Shorlor 2, W. O. Jarker (conductor) 3, E. Goater 4, (i. Beeby 5, A. Hiscock 6, W. E. Butler 7, 1. W. Smith 8.

HEMET, HEMPSTEAD.-At SL. Mary's Church, for evensong, on March 24h, 720 Bob Minor in 25 mins. : E. J. Allen 1, R. Walrer 2, J. Floyd 3, W. Slaepherd 4, H. Gales 5, H. Golding (conductor) 6 . First 720 in tha molliod by tingers of treble and and.
srading, I.O.W.-On Paim Sunday, for matins, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (faken from Holt's Original): M. Pink 1, स. ihuvden (lirst quarter inside) 2, E. Squibb 3, A. R. Ward 4, H Barlon (couductor) 5, B. J. Snow 6, E. Hatclier 7, A. White 3.
THANET- On Sundlay, March 31st, at St. Peter's Church, after Mening service, $a$ quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 47 mins.: $G$. oventlon 1, L. Hilton 2, J. Hiscork 3, W. J. Fairbeard 4, J. Blythมии (conductor) 5, J. Bolsey 6, F. Hilton 7, G. Appleton 8.

## HESTON BELLS REOPENED.

After boing silent for about six weeks the bells of St. Lconard's Church, Heslon, were formally opened for ringing again on Easter Suturday. An inspection of the bella sone weeks previonsly had buen made by Messis. Moars and Stainbank, who augmented anil rifung the pral in 1908. They reported tho bells to bo in a bad condition and overhauling necessary. They suggested rehanging the hells, on hall bearings, repairing lite chiming apparatus, and overhnuling aral painting the frame, at an estimated cost of ell10.
Thu Chureh Conneil wisely decided to put the work in liand at fact, and asked tho Whitechapel firm to try aud get the belis finsished by Enster. This they undertook to dio, and so quickly dicl they comploto theit task that ihe bells were finished with a fortnight to spare, but it was decided to delay the opening until Easter Satinthy, when " company of the lacai ringers and members of the Biddeses Association met for this parpose. Ringing evmmenced ihnut 1.25, had coutimurd until 5.30, towehes of Stedman, Grandsire Hall Kent 'reehle Bob heing brouglat round.
The party hem adjonned to the Church Hall for ien, at which Ihi. Vicar (Rev, George Crages, M.A.) presiden, and rxpressed great fll asure in welcoming those mesent, and anmounced plat some 870 of the sum requived for the work lad been subseribed.
dfier tea, thanks were accorded to the Viear for his hospitality, and the company ngain returnet to the tower for a farther hour's tinging when further touches in rarious methots were brought mud in good style.
All prosont expressed approval at the way the wors had been carsind out, and the 'go' of the hells is all thint can be desired. Among thuse presend wure Messrs. .7. A. Trollope, W. H. Hollier, C. S. Bire,
H. C. Chaudler, E. Gladmaun and C. S. Turner, H. C. Chaudler, E. Gladmau and C. S. Turner,

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## NOTICES.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. (Established 1637 .) Meetings for practice will be held at St. Andrew's, Holborn, on April 23 rd; St. Magnus' on the 25th; *St. Paul's Cathedral on the 16th; Southwark Cathedral on the 18 th; *St. Giles', Cripplegate, on the 3oth. All at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards.

Wiiliam T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, $3^{2}$, Eclgeley Road, Clapham, S. W. 4.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-The next meeting will be held at Frittenden on Saturday, April 13th, by kind permission of Rev. H. M. Leathley. Tower open 2.30. Tea at 5 o'clock. A good meeting is hoped for. All ringers welcome.-A. C. Kay, Dis. Sec., 6, Sturges Road, Ashford.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - The annual meeting will be held at Guildford on Saturday, April 13th. Ringing from $2 \cdot 30$, at Cathedral (6) and $S$. Nicolas (Io). Service in the Cathedral 4.30. Tea and business meeting at Holy Trinity Parish Hall.-]. S. Goldsmith, Hon. Sec., Southover, Hockering Gardens, Woking

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. - Quarterly meeting will be held at Walsall on Saturday, April i3th. Bells (new ring of 12) available from 3. Service in church at 4.45 . Tea will be provided in the Brotherhood Institute at $5 \cdot 30$. All ringers will be welcome.-H. Knight, ${ }^{5}$, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

THE BELLS OF DERSINGHAM CHURCI- will be rededicated by the Archdeacon of Lynn on Saturday, April ${ }^{3}$ th, at 3 p.m. All ringers are invited. Tea pro-vided.-R. L. B. Oliver, Vicarage, Dersingham, King's Lynn.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.- Nottingham District. - The first quarterly meeting of the above. district will be held at Heacor on Saturday, April $13^{t h}$. Beils (8) available from 2.30 to 6.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., Meeting afterwards.-F. W. Bailey, $4^{2}$, Rupert Street, Nottingham, Local Secretary.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Maidstone Dis-trict-The annual district meeting will be held at Leeds on Saturday, April 13th. Tower open 3 p.m. Service at $4 \cdot 30$, followed by tea and business meeting. - C. H . Sone, Dis. Sec., Bungalow, Linton, Maidstone.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch. -A meeting will be held at St. James", West Derby, on Saturday, April $13^{\text {th. }}$. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea and meeting to follow. Special merhods: Double Court and London Surprise-Claude I. Davies, Branch Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.
The next meeting will be held at Croston on Saturday, April r3th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. A good attendance is requested.-Fred Rigby, Hon. Sec., 8, Carrington Road, Chorley.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Christchurch District. - A quarterly meeting and combined practice will be held at Lyndhurst on Saturday, April ${ }^{1} 3^{\text {th. }}$ Bells available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m.-G. Preston, 3, Waterloo Place, Christchurch.

DEVONSHIRE GUILD. - South-West District Brancl.-A meeting will be held at Cornwood on Saturday, April $13^{\text {th. }}$. Bells (6) available 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and meeting at the Village Inn 5 p.m.-E. W. Marsh, ${ }^{3}$, Edith Avenue, Lipson, Plymouth.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. Chew Deanery Branch.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Chew Magna on Saturday, April i3th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Divine service at 4 . 15 p.m. Tea at 5 o'clock, with business meeting to follow.-Percy G. Yeo, Hon. Local Sec., Long Asliton.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Southampton District.-A quarterly meeting of the Southampton District of the above guild will be held at Lockerley on Saturday, April 13 th. Bells available: Lockerley 6, East Tytherley 8 . Tea at 5 p.m. in the Memorial Hall. - W. I. Tucker, Dis. Sec., 71, High Street, Eastleigh.

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. - A meeting will be held on Saturday, April 13th, at Felkirk. Bells ready early. Short service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. All ringers welcome.- ©. D. Potter, Hon. Sec., Prospect House, Royston, Barnsley.

LADIES' GUILD. - Northern District. - Quarterly meeting at Duffield, Derbyshire, on Saturday, April 13 th. Will all members please make an effort to attend? Important business for discussion. New rule for Guild, etc. Gentlemen cordially invited.-Hilda F. Jacques, Northfield Avenue, Mansfield Woodhouse, Notts.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-The Dunnow Branch are holding their annual ringing festival on Saturday, April ${ }^{1} 3$ th. Bells available (8) from 2.30 p.m. Service in the church 4.30. Tea in St. Mary's Room at 5 , followed by a short musical programme. All ringers heartily invited to attend.-H. W. Smith, II, The Causeway, Dunmow.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Chester Branch. The quarterly meeting will be held at Dodleston on Saturday, Aprif I 3 th. Tower open 3 p.m. Service 4.30. I shall be glad to hear from those intending to be present. -J. W. Clarke, Hon. Sec., Eccleston, Chester.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Axbridge Deanery.-The quarterly meeting will be held at Bleadon on Saturday, April i3th. Bells (6) 2.3o. Service $4-30$, with tea and business to follow.-L. G. Tanner, 5 r, Locking Road, Weston-super-Mare.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Frome and Midsomer Norton Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Chilcompton on Saturday, April i3th. Evensong 4 p.m. Tea and business 5 p.m. - R. T. Clark, Hon. Sec., Timsbury, ar. Bath.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Wigan Branch. The next meeting will be held at Ormskirk Parish Church on Saturday, April i3th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting to follow. A good attendance requested. James W. Grounds, Sec., 8, School Lane, Standish.

HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Eastern Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held at Braughing on April 13 th. The bells will be open during the afternoon and evening. Service at 5 , address by the Vicar. Tea afterwards at the Brown Bear. All ringing friends are heartily in-vited.-W, IH. Lawrence, Dis. Sec., Little Munden.

LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-The next meeting will be held at Pontypridd on Saturday, April i3th. Bells (8) available. Service at 4-30. Tea and business meeting to follow.- J. W. Jones, Hon. Sec., Cartret, Barrack Road, Newport, Mon.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Daventry Branch.-A special meeting will be held at Braunston (6) on Saturday, April 3 th. Usual arrangements.-W. C. Moore, Braunston! Road, Daventry.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Newbury Brancl.The spring meeting of the above branch will be held at Midgham on Saturday, April 13th. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Service $4-30$. Tea 5 p.m., at is. All ringers welcone. - H. W. Curtis, Hon. Sec., Church Road, Shaw, Newbury, Berks.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. - Wimbome Branch. - A quarterly meeting to to be held at Winnbome, St. Giles ${ }^{\text {² }}$, on Saturday, foril 13 th. Ringing from 2.45. Tea im Parish Hall 4.30. Service 5.30. Address by Rev, E. J. Janson Smith. - C. A. Phillips, Hon, Brancil Sec.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD. - Southern Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Woolwich, on Saturday, April 2oth. Bells fron 3 to 8.30. Service. Tea and meeting 5 o'clock. Names or numbers for tea will be appreciated by the hon. sec., J. Herbert, $\mathrm{I}_{7}$, Grimston Road, S.W.6.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rossendale Branch. -The next meeting will be beld at Christ Church, Bacup, on Saturday, April 20th. Bells ready at 330. Meeting at 6-30. A good attendance is requested. Reports, etc., to hand. Subscriptions due.-Joln H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 8, Oaklands Road, Edenfield, near Bury,

GUILD OF DEVON RINGERS.-N.E. Branch.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Banpton on Saturday, April 2oth. Bells (6) available 2.30. Service 4.45 . Tea (rs. each) 5.I5. Will those requiring tea kindly notify me by Tuesday, April i6th?-M. Hanson, Hon. Sec. and Treasurer, 2, The Avenue, Tiverton,

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Leatherhead District.-The next meeting will be held at Christ Church, Epsom, on Saturday, April 2oth. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Service at 5 o'clock, followed by tea and meeting in the Parish Room. Notifications for tea to be sent to Mr. J. Crawford, 2, Woodcote Side, Epson, by Thursday, the r8th instant. Hearty welcome to all.-F. G. Woodiss, Hon. Dis. Sec., 2S, Stratlearn Koad, Sutton, Surrey.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochala Branch.. -A meeting will be held at Todmorden Parish Church on Saturday, April zoth. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. New rules and diagrams ( 6 c. . each) and emblems (3d. each) now avallable. Will tower secretaries please let me know the number of members requiring emblems? William Horan, Branch Sec., 2, Greenhirst Hey, Todmorden.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. ... Rochester Dis-trict.-The half-yearly meeting will be held at Gravesend on Saturday, April 20 th (not 27 th, as arranged). Bells available at 3 . Association service in ctureh at 5 , conducted by the Rector of Gravesend (Rev. Eiliot: Mitchell. Tea, by kind invitation, will be provided only for those who notify me on or before Wednesday, April izth. Fred M. Mitchell, Dis. Hon. Sec., ith, Sun Lane, Gravesend.

A JOINT MEETING of the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild (South and West District) and the East Berks and South Bucks Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild will be held at St. John's, Hillingdon, on Saturday, April 2oth. Tower open at 3 B.m. Tea will be arranged at is. each. Will those requiting tea kindiy notify? All ringers welcome. - Wm. H. Hollier, 2g, Duke Road, W.4, A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexhan, Slough, Bucks, Hon. Secs.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Eastern District. The annual meeting will be held at Pontefract on Saturday, April 2oth. All Saints' bells (8) available from 2 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. in the All Saints' Church House at is. Gd. per head, and those requiring same please notify Mr. W. Pearson, 53, Northgate, Pontefract, by Wednesday, April 17th. For detailed particulars see circular.-A. B. Cook, Hon. Sec., 58 , Wyndham Street, Hull.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCJATION. - Nanchester Branch.- "he next meeting will be held at Christ Church, Pendlebury, on Saturday, April 2oth. Bells ready 4 o'clock. Meeting at $7 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Chair to be taken by the Vicar. Will members make a special effort to attend?-J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GULLD. - West Dorset Branch.-A meeting will be held at Burton Bradstock ( 6 bells) on Saturclay, April zoth. Bells available from 2.30 p.m. Service at $+30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., followed by tea and meet-in.-T. Hervey Beams, Hon. Sec.

BATY AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
-Taunton Deanery Branch. - A meeting will be held at Combe lilorey on Saturday, April zoth. Service 4.30 . Tea and business after. Those reguiring tea please notify me by April 16 th - P . Merson, Bishop's Hull.
GIOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION. Sivindon Branch. - The quarterly meeting will be held at South Marston on Saturday, April 2oth. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Those requiring tea please notify me by Werinesday, April 17 th.-S. Hopper, Branch Hon. Sec., 79, Edinlurgtı Street, Gorse Hill, Swindon.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Burton District.-The next meeting will be held at St. John's Church, Newhall, on Saturday, April 20th. Bells (6) atwailable 2.30 p.m. Will those requiring tea advise me by Thursday, the 18th inst.? Reports ( 6 d .) can be obtained at this meeting. Will members make a special elfort to attend?-J. Leach, Dis. Sec., 4, Vernon Terrace, Burton,
L.ANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch. The next meeting will be feld at the Saviour's Church, Bolton, on Saturday, April 2otfi. Bells available 3 p.m. Meteting 7 p.m.-Peter Crook, Hon. See, 203, Devonsimire Road, Bolton.

## BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Luton Dis

 trich - A meeting will be held at Houghton Regis on Saturday, April 2oth. Bells (6) will be available at 3 p.m.-A. E. Sharman, Hon. Sec., 199, High Street N., Tunstable.MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinclley District.-The next meeting will be held at Wolvey on Salurday, April 20th. Bells available from 4 p.m. All ringers welcome.-W. A. Cope, Smockington, Hinckley,

SUFFOLK GUILD.-Midenhall District-A meeting will be held at Elveden, Suffoik, on Saturday, April 20th. Bulls (8) at the Memorial Tower of SS. Patrick and Andrew's Church will be available afternoon and evenin. Tea at 5 p.m. if a sufficient number notify Mr. W. J. l'anl, Cross Roads, Elveden, Thetford, not later than Thurstlay, April s8th.—P. W. Fordham, King"s Way, stiklenlaull.

AIDLAND COLNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Loughborough District.-The next monthly meeting will be held at Barrow-on-Soar on Saturday, April 20th. The bells will be ready at 3.30 p.m. Reports now to hand.-D. S. Collins, Hon. Dis. Sec.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northampton Branch. - A quarterly meeting witl be held at Boughton on Saturday, April 2oth. Bells (5) 2.30. Service +15. Tea 5 p.m. Will all who require tea please notify me not later than Tuesday, April 16th? - T. Tebbutt, West Street, Menton, Northampton.

BEDFORDSFIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade Districl.-A meeting will be held at Southill on Saturday, April zoth. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 . Owing to illness, we are unable to arrange a combined meeting at Biggleswarde, as suggested tor the Herts, Ely and Bedfortshire Associations.-C. ]. Ball, 2, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

WARWICKSHIRE cillLD.-The amual mecting of the Guild will be held at Ruglby on Saturday, April 20 oth. The Parish Church bells (S) will be open for ringing from 2.30. Tea will be provided at 5 , at a moderate charge, at the Comer House Cafe, next to the church. Business meeting will follow. Committee meeting at 4. 15.-J. A. Fenton, Gen. Hon. Sec., 6, Frederick Street, Rugby.

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.-A ringing meeting will be held on Saturday April 2oth. Tower will be announced next week.-Geo. Lambert, Drummond Hay, East Grinstead.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.--Chesterfield District. The next meeting will be held at Creswell on Saturday, April 20tb. All those requiring tea notify Mr. L. W. Bacon, Thanet House, Elmton Road, not later than April 17th.-J. P. Tariton, Hon, Sec.

KENT COLNTY ASSOCIATION.-Camerbury Dis-trict.-A bye-meeting will be held at St. Mary, Walmer, on Saturday, April 27 th. Bells available from $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Arrangements for tea will be made for those members attending and who notify me on or before Wednesday, April 24th. -Percy W. Smith, Horn. Dis. Sec., Fair View, Littlebourne, Canterbiry.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCLATION.-Lewisham Dis-trict.- The next quaterly meeting will be held at St. John's, Erith, on Saturday, April 27 th. Bells available at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service, tea and business meeting to follow. Further particulars next week.-A. G. Hill, Hon. Dis. Sec., 53, Hengist Road, Erith, Kent.

SUFTGOLK GUJLD.-General mecting at Eye on April 27 th. Bells ( 8 ) available from 2 p.m. Tea, 1 s . each, at the Horse Shoes at 4.30. Meeting follows. - Drake, Uford Rectory, Woodbridge.
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GLILD.-The annual mecting will be held at Lincoln on Saturday, April ajth. Evensong in the North-West Chapel of the Cathedral at 3.30 p.m., with an address by the Very Rev, the Dean of Lincoln (President of the Guild). Tea at the Co-operative Hall, Silver Street, al 4.35 , at is. gd. per head; business meeting immediately afterwards. Ringing at the Cathedal (12) from 1.45 p.m. until service time, and at St. Peter-at-Gowts (6) and Si. Botolph's (6) from 2 to 3 . The towers will also be open for ringing atter the business meeting until 9 o'clock. All members requiring tea should send thetr mames to Mr. Gi. Chester, 16, Carline Koad, Lincoln, not later than by Weclnesday's post, April ${ }^{2} 4$ th. -F. W. Stokes, Hon, Sec., Blankney, Lincoln.

SUFFOLK GLLILD.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Eye on Saturday, April 2 -th. Bells available 2 p.m. Tea at the Horse Shoes, $4: 30$, at 1 s , each. Those requiring tea please notify by Thursday, April 25 th. -A. J. Berry, Hon. Dis. Ses, Thormham Magna, near Eye.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Central Divi-sion.-The annual meeting will be heid at Burgess Hill on Saturday, April 27th. Tower open 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5, in Parish Hall, Cyprus Road, about is. Important. -Those who intend to be present please notify the undersigned not later than Wednesclay previous to meeting. Half rail lare (maximum is. Gd.). - A. D. Stone, Hon. Divisional Sec., 16, Belgrave Street, Brighton.

MIDDIESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GLJLD. -North and East District. -Re-opening of St. James', Clerkenwell, bells on Saturday; May 4 th. Association meeting, to which all ringers are cordially invited. Further partitulars next week; please book date.-C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec. 2 s , Vincent Road, E. 4 .

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - In conjunction with the I iverpool Diocesan Gufl the half-yearly meeting will be held at St. Helens on Saturday, May 1 Ith. The Bishop of Liverpool has provisionally promised to attend. -W. H. Shuker, A. Tomlinson and C. I. Davies, Hon. Secs.

## DEATH

HAYWARD. - At the Gas Office, Combe Martin, North Devon, on April $\boldsymbol{T}^{\text {thz }}$, Laura Kate, the beloved wife of Ambrose Henry I-Layward, secretary of the North Devon branch of the Devon Guild of Ringers. Aged 48 years. A long and painful illness patiently bome; now peace.

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It would be well, in the interests of the Church as well as of the art of ringing, if there were more Archdeacons like the Ven. Ronald Irwin, the Archdeacon of Dorking. He has under his supervision approximately half the churches in the Diocese of Guildford and he told the members of the Diocesan Guild on Saturday that whenever he visits a church with a tower and bells he makes a practice of inquiring into their condition, and, what is more, he insists upon going up into the tower and seeing things for himself. He has not yet been a year in office, but already he has ordered certain restorations to be carried out in two towers. This is in striking contrast to the indifference usually displayed by Archdeacons in matters appertaining to the belfry. Unfortunately, their interest, as a rule, stops short of the tower, and it is not' surprising to learn from Archdeacon Irwin that, when he inquires about the bells, authorities sometimes look a little surprised. Many of the bells throughout the country that are now in a neglected condition would be quickly put into better order if the Archdeacons were thorough in carrying out their visitations. They are entrasted with the duty of inspecting the churches, but few of them trouble to make an ascent of the tower, even if they give so muth as a thought to the bells. If associations coukd get the ear of their Archdeacons in this matter much necessary work might be done. It is good to find at least one Archdeacon who needs no prompting in this matter.

It is strange, however, to find a parish anxious and ready to restore their bells and, with the money for the purpose already in the bank, having to hold their hand because of the obstruction of a Diocesan Advisory Conimittee. The little Bedfordshire parish of Tilsworth wants its bells rehung in a new iron frame; it has subscribed all the necessary funds; but because the Advisory Committee want a wood frame instalied instead of a metal one the scheme has been held up for nearly two years. That is one of the drawbacks of Advisory Committees who have no member among them with any teclnical knowledge of bells and bell hanging. Even the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings, the most conservative of all bodies where restorations are concerned, has come to the conclusion that a metal frame has advantages. Assuming other things to be equal, the only claim which oak has to preference is that it does not need painting, but, apart from taking up more room, there is great difficulty in obtaining really seasoned timber, and the frame is liable to shrink and warp, or be (Continued on page 242.)

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## TEN BELL PEAL.

LONDON.
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND
NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUHD.
On Satuyday, March 30, 1929, in The ee Howrs and Sewenteen Winutes, Ai the Chorge of Si. Magnos-the-Martyr, Lower Thames Street, E.C.
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 503D CHANGES;
Tenor 20 cmi.
William H. Fosself ...Treble | Ernest Breti ... ... ... 6 Thomas H. Taffender ... 2 William Rogers ... ... 7 Thomas Groombridge, sen. 3 Edward D. Smite ... ... 8 William H. Theobald ... 4 James George ... ... ... 9 Jrfarry R. Gammon ... ... 5 William D. Grainger ...Tenor Composed by Joan Carter. Conducted by Thomas H. Taffander

Rung to celebrate the wedding of two mombers, Mr. Reuben Sanders and Miss Glsie E. Chapman, which took place the same day at St. Stephen's, Clapham Park.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

OVIRRSEAL, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASBOCIATION.
On Sattrday, April 6, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Mintites, At the Chorch of St. Matthew.
A PEAL DF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 6040 CHANEES;

## Thurstans' Four-part.

E. Harry Stoneley ...Treble John H. Swinfired ... ... 2
Chagles Draper
Chazles Draper ... ... 3
-Joszer W. Corton

Tenor so cwt.

* First peal in method. Rung during the octave of Easter as a symbol of joy.

SEDGEEY, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR TEE ARGHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.
On Saturday, April 6. 1929, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
At the Church of All Salnts,
A PEAL OF GRANOBIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGE8; Groves' Transposition or Parkrr's Twrlve-part.

Tenor 164 cwt .
Harry Bogwele ... ...Tteble Frascis Brotherton ... 5

- Jack Wh. Taylor... $\operatorname{lic}^{2}$... 2 Wieliam H. Lawley.. .6

Thomas E. Taylor ... ... 4 †Jamhs Shaw ... ... ... Temo Conducted by Wililiam A. Cooper,
* First peal on eight bellg. † First attempt on eight bells. Rung an the occasion of the 27th anniveraary of the wedaing of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Taylor, parents of the 2ad and 4th ringers.

MOORSIDE, OLDHAM.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Rocedale Brance.)
On Saturnay, Agril 6, 1929, in Thyer Howrs and One Minute,
At the Cburch of St. Thomas,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES: - F. Mellor...

| $\ldots .$. | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$. Treble |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 2 |
| $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 3 |
| $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 4 |

†H. Platt ...... $\ln ^{2}$... ${ }^{2}$ V. Howarth ... ... ... 6

F. Lampon... J. Nichole. Charducted by T. Chapman.

* First peal aud first attempl. $\uparrow$ First peal ou an 'inside' bell. First peal as conductor.

JESMOND, NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.
IHE DURFAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCEEAN ASSOCIATION. On Saturaay, April G, 1929, in Three Hours and Eight winutes, At the Chtrch of St. George
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 GHANGES; Tenor $18 \frac{3}{2}$ cwt.


Composed by J. Parker. Conducted by E. E. Ferry.

* First peal in the method, and hail from Durham Cathedral. $\dagger$ First penl, and hails from Winiation.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MDLAND COUNTES ASSOCIATION.
On Satneday, Aprif 6, 1929, in Three Hours and Fiffeen Minutes,
At tee Partsh Chorcy of All Saints,
A PEAL OF STEDWAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANEEB;
Heywodd's Transposition of Thurstans' Four-part. Tenor 30素 cw .

Conducted by Rebvers F. Elxingion.
Rung after meating short for Stedman Caters.
NETHERTON, WORGESTERSHIRE.
THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GULD.
On Sathrday, April 6. 1929. in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes, At the Ceurce of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF GRANOSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANEES;
Groves' Transposition of Parieris Tivelve-part.
Aberred Rowley ... ...Treble Wileiam Green ... ... 5

Harky Habble ..... $.2^{2}$ †Sidney Cabtwright.. .6
John Rodnd $\quad . . . \quad . . . \quad . . .3$ Johm Goodman, jun. ... 7
Thomas Townsend ... ... 4 Albert Prestidge, jun....Temoy
Conducted by J. Goonman, jon.

* First peal inside. $\dagger$ First peal. The ringer of the treble belongs to Tipton, 5th to Old Hill, 7th to Dudley, the rest to the local company.

KIRPY-LE-SOKEN.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, April 9. 1929, is Ttwo Howrs and Fifty-Five Minutes, As the Cetrch of St. Michabl,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES:

Percy Almond ... ... ...Tyeble |Edward B. Smite ... ... 5 William J. Nevard... ... 2 Gborge J. Andrews... ... 6 -Urban W. Wildney $\quad . .-3$ Cearles J. Andrews ... 7 Madrice Lisg ... ..... .4 Geborgr Grren ... ... ...Tencr Composed by Benjamin J. Francis (Bressinglam). Conducted by Grorge Green.

* First peal, and belong to the local band.

STAFFORD.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.
On Wednesday. April 10, 1929. in I hree Hours and Five Minutes,
At ifr Church of Si. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, $\operatorname{boto~CHANGES;~}$
Grovrs' Transposition of Parker's Twelve-part.
Tenor ig cwt. II lb.
-F. R. Wiggin ... ... ...Treble !F. T. Hayle ... ... ... 5
†B. J. Yeates $. . . \quad . . . \quad . .2^{2} \quad$ R. J. Warricow $\quad . .$.

- A. E. Garbett ... ... ... 3 W. H. Jones ... ... ... ${ }^{7}$
-H. Evans . ... ... ... 4 ©. White ... ... ... ...Temor Conducted by W. H. Jones.
* First peal. + First inside. $\ddagger$ First peal of Thiples. First peal as conductot. Ringers of 4th and telor were elected members before starting.

NORTH ELMHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORFOLK GUILD.
On Wednesday, Aprel 10. 7929, in Three Howrs and Fifteen Mintles,
At the Churce of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 GHANGES; Tenor 20 cmt .

- Frane V. Gant... ... .
..Treble †Cantles S. Tuthill ... 5
rWilliam J. Wasey ... ... 2 F. Nolan Golden ... ...

William B. Duncan $\quad . . .3 |$|  | 3 |
| :--- | :--- |

$\dagger$ Edward Howes
Composed by I. Reeves.
William C. Doffibld ...Temay

* First peal. $\dagger$ First peal in the method.

BOLSTERSTONE, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thursalay, Appll 11, 1929, in Three Hours and Eight Ainutes, At the Churce of St. Mary,
A PEAL of collece single major, 6136 ohanges;
Tenor 13 owt.
John R. Brearley ... ...Trable Jambs H. Charlesworib ... 5
Samerl Harrison ..... .12 Arnold Haiga ...

Composed by George Hill. Conducted by J. A. Brearley.
Rung with the bells half-muffled as a mark of esteem for the Inte
Arehie Broarley, who died on March 27 th , and was a ringer at the above church for 27 years.

> Barrow-in-Furness, LANCASHIRE. THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Forness and Lake District Branch.)

On Suturday, Apyil 13, 1929, in Three Hours and Thirten Mintes,
At the Cherch of St. James,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

- Harry A. Smith ... ...Treble -Sidney Hyber ... $_{\text {- ... }}^{\text {.... }} 5$
- Frederick limb ... ... 2 Jambs E. Burles ... ... 6

Composed by E. Morris. Conducted by E. Jennings.
*First peal in the method. First peal of Major ou tlise bells.
bolton, lancashire.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Satulday, Apyil 13, 1929, in Thyee Hows and Ten Minutes.
At tee Parish Churce.
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Wasbbrook's Variation of Tharstans'. Tenoris cwt,

Miss Rose A. Bell ..... .22 William Pennington 2 ... 5
Herbert Davemport...
... 3 Jonn Potiter
Conducted by John Potter.
* First pesl in the method.

RAINEAM, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCTATION.
On Saturday, Apyil 73, 1929, in Thyee How's and Twelve Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF KENT TREPLE BQE MAJOR, 5088 OHANGES; Tenor 22 cwt .

| William Wood... | ... | ...$T y e b l e$ | Stdart Sandpord | ... | . .4 | 5 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Ernest Dobbie | ... | .. | ... | 2 | William Spice... | ... | ... | 6 |

Frederick S. Macey... .... 3 Edward H. Spice ... ... 7
Samorl Taylor ... ... ... 4 William Halgh ... ...Tenay Composed by G. Lindoff.

* First peal in the method. Rung to celebrate the completion by F. Macey of 25 years with the Rainlam band.

TUNBRIDGE WELLS, KENY.
THE KENJ COUNTY ASBOCLATION,
Or Saturday, April 13, 1929, in Three Hours and Threo Minutes, At the Crorce of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 518! CHANGES; Heywood's Variation.

Tenor $\mathrm{I}_{4} \mathrm{cWt} 3 \mathrm{Jb}$.
Artagr R. Miles ... ...Treble Frank Bennett ... .... .... 5
William Collinson ......$\quad 2$ Staftord H. Green.... .... E
Frami I. Halrs ... ... ... 3 Fgedrrick Whits ... ... 7
Mas. F. I. Hairs ....... 4 Hrrberi Markwell.... ...Temot Conducted by F. Bennett.

WANDSWORTH.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHE.
On Saterday, April 13, 1929, in T At the Parise Chorch of All Saints,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES!

Teurstans' Fodr-part.
Herbert Langdon ... ...Tyebte
Harry R Pasmore
Ernest E. Bisa ...
William Langdon

| $\ldots$. | Treble |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\ldots .$. | $\ldots$ | 2 |
| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | Conducted by J

Conducted by J
Rung on ble 7oth birthday of Mr. W. T. Gockerill, the hon. gecretary of the above society. Firgt peal in the method as conductor. CHURCH, LANCS.
THE LANCASHLRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 13, 1929, in Three Hours and Twenty Mintetes, At the Chorch of St. James.
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 51B? CHANGES; Tenor I4t cwt.
Willef Aaron ... ... ...Tyeble Joseph Woods .... ... ... 5
Lawnince J. Williams ... 2 James Ingean ......${ }^{\prime}$... 6
Thobas Howarie ... ... 3 \#James Parr...
Arthur Lord ... .... ... 4 Jobn Hirsi... .... ... ... .... Tinoy
Composed by A. Knights. Conducted by I. J. Williams.

* Tirst peal in the mothod away from the tenor. EWELL, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday, Apyil 13, 1929, in Two Flours and Fifty-Three Minmes, At the Church of St. Maty,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE BURPRISEMAJOR,5O24CHANEES! Tenor 14 ewt.
Amos Clafke ...TY

Treble |Ernest Reeve.
Wilelam H. Hewitt...
$\begin{array}{ll}\cdots & 2 \\ \cdots & 3\end{array}$
HIRrberi Skelt ... ...
Charles W. Roberts
4 Ronald H. Boclen .. ...Temay
Composeded by George H. Cross.

* Firsi peal in the mettod.

BLRSTALL, YORKS.
THE YORESEITRE ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday, Apyil 13, 7929, in Three Hours and Twenly Mintes, At the Chorch of St. Pethr,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE EOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES; Tenor 2 acwt . q q. 7 lb , in E .

| Clarence Blackbern | $\ldots$. Treble | Sam Gibson | ... | ... | .. | 5 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Harry Robinson | $\ldots$ | ... | 2 | Arthur Adams | .. | .. | .. | 6 |


Harry Marsden... ... ... 4 Herbert Prel... .... ...Tethoy
Composed by W. Sotianstall. Conducted by E. Crowtarr.

* First peal of Troble Bob.

PORT SUNLIGET, GHESHIRE
THE GHESTER DIOCESAN GUIUD.
(Wirral Branch.)
On Saturday, April 13, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes, At Christ Cherch,
A PEAL DF DOUBLE DXFDRD BOB HAJOR, 5008 CHANGES;
Tenor racwt. 3 gr. in lb. in F.
 Lester L. Gray... ... .... 2 John Breese ... ... ... 6 John Cookr ... .... ... .... 3 G. Ronald Edwards... ... 7 G. Ronald Edwards... ... 4 James C. E. Simpson ....Tenar

Composed and Conducted by J. C. E. Simpson.
First peal in the method on the bells and by all the band.
LONDON.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GULLD.
On Salırday, April 13, 1929, in Thres Hours and Twelve Minutes, Az the Cburch of All Saints, Poplar,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MANOR, 6056 CHANGES! Tenor 25 cwt.
 Gborge R. Pye ... ... ... 4 William Pye ... ... ... Tenor

Composed by Gabrirl Lindoff. Conducted by Wileiam Pye.
First peal in the method on the bells. LISTON, SUFFOLE. THE SUFFOLK GUHD.
On Saturday, April 13, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifly-Eight Minutes, At the Chorce of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, $\quad$ 砳 CH HANEE Tenor zot cwt.

| Regrald C. Kirsey ... | ...$T y e b l e$ | Cearles F. Balley | ... | ... | 5 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| James M. Bailey | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | James G. Rumsey | $\ldots$ | ... | 6 |

 Ernest S. Bailry ... ... 4 |Frederick J. Smith .... ....Temof Composed by C. Midoleton. Conducted by Chas. E. Baieey. Arragged for the ringer of the 3 rid.

ROTHWELL, NORTHANTS.
THE PETERBOROUGE DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sathrday, April 13, 1929, in Three Hours and Fiften Aimutes,
At the Church of thr Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF RAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES; Middeton's.

Tenor al cwt.
Cerrles W. Bird ... ...Ttrble Jorn King .... .... ... ... 5
Miss Kitiy Moore ... ... 2 "Fredeftek J. Itite ...
-Harry Warren... ... ... 3 Thomas R. Hensher ... 7
Joen R. Majn ... ... ... 4 Robert G. Black ... .... Temor
Conducted by Robent G. Black.

* First peal in a Surprise method. Mr. O. W. Bird has now completed the circle in this tower.


## SIX BELL PEALS.

WOOTTON COURTENAY, SOLTERSET.
On Salurday, February 9, 1929, in Twa Howrs and Fifty-Titce Minutes.
At the Parish Chorce,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 50A0 CHANGES;
*W. Copp $\quad . .$.
R. Codrt ... ... $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2 \quad$ W. Conibere...

Conducted by W. Coniszar.

* First peal.


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On Easter Monday. April T, 1929, in Two Hours and Thirty-Thyee Minults At the Chdrgh of St. Peilir-de-Witton,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIAE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGESI Being 42 six-scores with 10 different callings.
W. Harrisdn $\quad . .$. E. G. Hawking $\ldots .$. Rung as a wedding compliment to M. Price. G. Green.

WISBOROUCH GREEN, SUSSEX. THE SUSSEX GOUNTY ASEOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 6, 1929, in 7 wo Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Petgr,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, b8t0 GHANEES; 42 six-scores (twelve callings).

Teror $12 \mathrm{cwt}$.2 qr. 21 lb .

 Conducted by F. Brooks.

* Re-elected a member before starting. $\dagger$ First peal. First peal on the bells.

BALTORSEOROUGH, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On sainrday. April 6, 1929, in Three Hours and Five Mixutes,
At tae Cherce of St. Denstan,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 42 six-scores with ten different callings. Tenor $21 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.
-William Rawles .... ...Treble |Alhert Woolley ... ... 4
Joseph Rawles... ... .... 2 V $\begin{aligned} & \text { V. John Farihing } \\ & \text { J... }\end{aligned}$
hargld Hoskins ... ... 3 Grorge Phelps ... ... ...Temor

* First peal. First peal as conductor.
BRADWELL, BUOKS.

THE OXFORD DIOQESAN GUIED.
(NORIH Bucks Branch.)
On Sunday, April7, 1929, in Two Hours and Farty-Two Minutes,
At the Charch of St. Ladrence,
n PEAL OF STEDMAN DOUBLES, BG40 CHANGES;
With ten different callings.
Tenor $7 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Charles G. Alderman ...Treble Thomas C. Waltgrs... ... 4 William Franch ...... Edward Whitlock ... ... 3 Thomas H. Bird... ... ...Tamer Conducted by Epward Whitlock.
Rung to celebrate the christening of the first son of the conductor. Tirst peal of Stedman Doubles for the Branch by a local band.

## LLANELLY, BRECONSEIRE.

THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, April IT, J929, in Two Hows and Fovly Minutes.
At the Parish Caurch of St. Elli,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;
Being seven different 720's.
Wirtan H. Saunders 13 cwt .
hrac a Jicheam
Donald Clift ...
Treble
.. $\quad . . . \quad 2$
William H. Saunders ... 4
Grorge Popnell ... ... 5
Conducted by G. Popnrll.

* First peal of Minor. D. Clift, who hails from Usk, Monmouthshire, was elected a member of the assaciation before commeneing. First peal of Minor as coaductor.


## LAMBERFURST, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 13, 1929, in Tito Hours and Fijty-Ona Minutes. At the Choreh of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 changes each of London, York, Norwich, Norfolk, Primrose, Ipswich and Cambridge.
E. E. Woodage ... ... .... Trebld James Bassett Ahdrew Marseati ... ... 2 J. James Waghorn... Conducted by A. H. Smith.
This was J. Waghorn's 50th peal, and his first in seven Surprise nethode.

## FOLKINGHAM, LINCS. <br> THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. <br> (Soutbran Branch.) <br> On Easter Twesday, April 2, 1929, in Thres Hours and One Minute, <br> At tee Chorch of St. Andrew, <br> A PEAL OF HINOR, 5040 GHAHGEB;

Being one extent of Double Court, and two each of Single Court, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.
 Josaph D. Landon
William Tileey.

Trible
$\begin{array}{ll}\cdots & 2 \\ \cdots & 3\end{array}$ Jambs H. Mosson ... ...Tenor Conducted by C. T. H. Bradley.
Rung as a birthday compliment to the father of the conductor, who Jas completed 30 years as churchwarden at the above church, also as a wedding peai for Miss G. Musson, sister of the ringer of the tenor, and Mr. F. Booth, who were married "in the afternoon. Firgt as conductor.

## CLEWER, BERKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(East Berks \& South Bucks Branch.)
On Morday, April 8, 1929, in Two Howrs ath Fifly-Fowr Minutes,
At the Cborch of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF MIHORy BO40 CHANGES;
Being two 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, and threa 780 's of Plain Bob, seven different callings. Tenor 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Thomas S. Smith... ... ...Treble $\mid$ George H. Gutteridge ... 4
 Concucted by G. H. Goifbitdge.
Firgt Minor peal on the bells. Mr. Cross (the Fector's warden) congratuiated the ringers at the alose of the peal, and afterwards kindly provided them with refreshments.

> MISTLEY, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOOIATION.
On Satmpday, April 13, 1929, in Two Haurs and Forly-Six Mintes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANRES;
Being two 720's of Kent 'Treble Bob, two 720's of Oxford Treble Bob, and tiaree 720's of Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. james Souitr
 Ernest Doraht... . Charles Honeywood ... 2 Willtabl Stiff ... Stanley Moss ... ... ... 3 Whater Honeywood... ...Temof Conducted by Walter Honeywood.
The ringer of the 4 th comes from Thorp-Ie-Soken, the rest are the local company. Rung on the anniversary of the first peal on the bells, 25 years ago. This was conducted by George Moss, sud the band, as far as it known, are al! still alive.

WISTASTON, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GULDD.
On Sunday, Aprit 14, 1929, in Two Hows and Thivty Minntes,
AI ter Chorgh of Si, Mary,
A PEAL OF HIMOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being thrce 720's of Plain Bob and two 720's each of Kent nod Oxford Treble Bob.

Tenor 6 cwt 0 qr .6 l . Hardeld G. Smith
Ggorge H. Crawley Harky Parker
..Treble
Conducted by F. H. Cravley.
Rugg as a welcome bome to Engineer F. H. Crawley, of the White Star Liner, 'Euripedes,' on his return fron his first voyage to Australia.

## HANDBELL PEAL.

MAMCHESTER.
THE LANGASHERE ARSOGEATION.
On Monday, April S, 1929, in Two Hours and Eighten Minules,
At íG, Limf Grove,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES; Tenor size 18 in $G$.
Alpred Barnes ... .... ... i-2 $\mid$ Allen F. Balley $\quad . .$.
Harold Jackson ... $\ldots \ldots$.... $3-4$ Pbter Laflin ... .... ... 7 7-8
Composed by G. Lindoff. Conducted by A. F. Ballezy.
Rung as a birthday compliment lo Mrs. H. Chapman, of Keyston, Hunts.

## GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

## CHE FIRSI YEAR'S WORK

The firg annmal general meeting of the Guildford Diocesan Guild was held at Guildford on Baturday, and was attended by about 120 menhers, many of whom participated in tho ringing during the afternoon, it the Cathedral and S. Nicolas Churches. The Guild serviec took place in the Cathedral, where a full choir led the singing. Canoa J. O. Kirwats (the Provost) officiated, and the lesson was Jead by the Rev. G. H. B. Coleridge (Vicar of Leatherhead), who gave the address.
Speakiug from the text, 'One star differeth from another star in glory" (1 Cor. xy. 41), the proacher reminded his hearerg that no Gwo things in nature were exactly alike. God never made iwo men thike; cach soul was mado to falfil somo particular part in the great harmony of the Universe, and to falfil the glory of God. So it was widh the various parts of the work for the Lronour and glory of God and lis Chareh. The Church had discovered that among bellringers a great work was being done for God. It might be that it was only on comparatively recent years that the Church had recognised the work of the bellringers, but that was, be thought, very largely bedituso the bellringers fid not themselves previously recognise that they were doing a piece of work for God-they had looked upon merely as a habby, a ciaft, an arb. But, tharrk God, during the pret lialf-century ringerg hud inerensingly recognised that they had a ercat part in the work of the Church, and without that part there would be something missing, Riglitly, therefore, they hat clatmed to bo looked upon as real, active fellow-workers for God. Such a thing as a diocesan servico for bellringers would have been an unimagimable thing fifty or sixty years ago. Continuing, the preacher said that belidingers in one sense stood for the great advertising ageney of tho Ghurch; they stoed in the light of propagandists. Where there were bells, no one noed be jagorant of the fact that itere was a church, and that there werc church services. The bells called men and women to do their duty to their God, which stood over and above their duty to their neighbour, and they enlerci into every phase of human life. Bellringers were, happily, coming into theit own, from the part they played in the hermony, which came brough the diversity, of the work which was being done for the glory of God
Ter was served in Holy Trinily Hall, at which Mr. Walter Harrison, chairman of the committec, presided. He was supported by the Provost, the Rev. G. F. B. Coleridge, Sir Arthur Martindale, Major f. H. B. Heasa (Mastor), Admiral T. P. Wialker, D.S.O. (hou. tronsurer), Mr. J. S. Goldsmith (hon. secretary), and Mr. C. A Rurdock (hon. auditor), while, later, the Archdeacon of Dorking (Canon $R$. Irwin) joined the pasty. Among those also present were Rev. Sir Jolin Hersehel (Wost Clandon), Rev. O. F. T. Willia (Dork ing), Mr. C. H. Kippin (bon. secretary, Surrey Association), Mr. J. Parkor (Edmonton), W. Charman (Warnham), Miss H. F. Mills (Briston), Miss Melville (Reigate), nad members from Aldershot Hagshat, Banstcad, Chiddingfolki, Cobham, Cranleigh, Dorking, Epsom, Frrulam, Godalming, Guildford (CaEhedral and S. Nicolas') Haslemere, Leuharlend, Oatlands Park, Ohtershaw, Seale, Shere Thames Ditton, Walton, West Clandon, Woking, Worplesdon, etc.
frise Chairman proposed a vote of thanks to the Provost for the nervice, to the Rev. G. H. B. Coleridge for his address, and to the ('athedral organist (Mr. Sowrorbutts).
In their first report the committee referred to the successful inatuguration of the Guild and the launching of the four districts. In ach district the Guidd was fortunate in obtaining enthusiastic off eners. The committee acknowledged with sincere thanks the serviees which thege gentlemen had rendered. The programme frawn up provited for six meetings in each district during the zear, and these metings were duly held, with, in almost every case, conspicuous success. In a few instances the attendance was not th to expecta tion, but when the numbers present were comparatively few, indi viduals were able to evjoy greater practice, so that cyen these meet ings had their compensations, sud certainly could not be written down as failures. The combined practices have met with warying response. It the Leathorhead Districl, where 33 wore held during the yoar, the scheme which lias theen carried out had had excellent resulis. Fare the object was definitely to assist the local band at tho tower where the practice sas held, nad some splendid spade work bad heen done. In the Guildford District the practice had been poontily, those held on Saturdlugg having been more suecessful than thosa in the mid-weak. In this distriet was proposed in future to hoid the meetings on the practice night of the tower visited. !he Glerlsey and Famhan Distriets there was a rather regretable lack of support for the combined practices, and it was hoped that the members would in futuro rally better to their officers and give ohelping linud, even if it bo at some little inconvenience.
During the year 22 peals were rung, and these included the Guild's first peals of Oxford Treble Bob Minor, Bob Minor and Surprise Whor, Grandsite Tripies, Dondie Norwich Major, Boh Major, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob Major, Superlatife, Cambridge and Lanton Sirpriee Major, Grandsire Gaters, and Kent Treblo Bob Royal. Sevanty-six ringers took part in the poals. of these, ten rang their dirst peal, two their first peal with a bob bell, one hid first in the anethod with a bol bell, 15 thoir first in the method, 10 their first
pcal of Minor, five their first of Major, five their first on tell bella and four their first of Royal. The conductors were Messrs. A. Harman, 8; J. S. Goldsmith, 3 ; W. T. Beeson, 2; A. H. Winch, 2; F. R Tullett, H. Langdon, W. J. Robinson, Frank Bennett, C. H. Kippen R. Hasted and Fred Bennett, 1 each.

## MEMBERSHIP AND FINANCE.

The membership of the Guild at the close of the year was 595 made up as follows: Life hon. members 19 , hous, members 38 , life ringing members 4, annual ringing members 393 , compounding memberg 111. Financially, the Guild might congratulate itself on the first year's working, for after paying the initial expenses, which were rather considerable, there remaned a balance in hand of ego 1s. 2d. on the general fund, while the balances in the four districts agguegate fil Ds. 10d. While the Guild could look back with eatisfaction on the first year of its existence, there was still a consider able amount of work to be done. Apart from the fact tuat some few towers still remained outside the Guild, many of those which were affliated were still below full strength in their bands. The first work of the Guild ought to be to help those companies to raise their numbers, so that the bolls might be fully manned for the Sunday service ringing. This could only bo done by the co-operation of aill the elergy and ringers in the parishes concorned, not less than the officers and members of the Guild. There wns still room for a grenter measure of support by the members generally of those whp were entrusted with carrying on the work of the Guild and who were doing their best to maintain its activities, create interest, and extend the art of clange ringing. In the past year the Guild had done well; the future depended not alone on the officers but upon the members as a whole, and the committee hoped that the coming year would see the meetings, and combined practices supported by still larger numbers.
The statement of accounts presented by the hon. treasurer showed receipts amounting to $£ 7117 \mathrm{~s}$. 4d., including 9915 s . from 39 towers which paid the affiliation fees, $£ 24$ 3s. from life members, 8718 . 6d from unattached and compounding members, 221 15s. 9d, the quota from the districts, and $f 85 s$. 1d. from other sources. The expenditure, which totalled 551 16s. 2d., included $£ 17$ 11s. 11d. incurred in connection with the preliminary organisation of the Guild. The balance at the close of the year on the general fund was thus £20 19. 2d.
The report and statement of accounts were adoplod.
The Hon. Secretary proposed the election of Mr. Waltor Harrison as the first vice-president of the Guild, and in doing so referred to the interest which Mr. Harrison took in the old Winchester Guild and the active and valued assistance he gave in the promotion of the new Guild, and since that time in carrying oll tis work. - Admira T. P. Walker seconded the motion, which was unamimously carried amid applause, and the the chairman adkowledged the compliment paid to him.
The retiring officers had been nominated by several towers, and as no other names had been received, the following were declared re-elected: Master, Major J. H. B. Hesse; hon. treasurer, Admira T. P. Walker; hon. secretary, Mr. J. S. Goldsmith; hon. auditor, Mr C. N. Burdock

Canon Kirwan was elected a life member, Mr. James Parker a compounding member, and Mr. G. Penrce (Godalming) a ringing member.
Mr. B. H. Chark, hon. secretary of the Farnham District, pregented to the Guild a landsomely bound peal book, sufficient to record 500 peals, and he was cordially thanked for his kinduess, on the motion of the clinimman.
Various alterations to the rules were considered, and on the recommendation of the Executive Committea it was resolved that in future the nomination of general officers stould be made at the annual district meetings, and of the district officers at the district meetine immediately prior to the amual distriot meeting. It was also decided that alI elections, if necessary, should be by ballot.
It was also decided that in future members attending iz meating of the Executive Committeo shoukd be entitled to receive their travelling expenses, and that power be given to the Executive Com mittee to make grants, if applied for, to towers which are en deavouring to add new bells to the existing ring, or are carrying at extensive repairg, any such grant not to exceed $£ 3$.
It was resolved to print a report for circulation mang the resicat members
A discussion took place on the venue of the summer festival, which it was suggested should be held in conjunction with the jubileee
festival of the Winchegter and Portsmauth Diocesan Guild at Petersfield and Haslemere. Several speakers expressed the vieny tha Haslemere should not be included on account of the distance which the two places are apart, and Mr. Hazalden regretted the fact that the jrbilec festival was bot to he held at Basingstoke, where the old Winchester Guild was founded.
The Master, hon. treasurer and hon. secretary were appointed as sub-committee to act with the sub-committee of the Wiuckester and Portgmouth Guild in making arrangements for tho festival.

It was decided to hold the next annual meeting at Guildford, the date to be settled by the committee.
The meetiug then discussed the various motions on the agenda of the Central Council, and requested its representatives to vote for the
principle contained in the proposal that the Council slould not recogrise as a peai of Minor or Doubles any composition in which the bells do oot strike in 720 or 120 different orders respectively before beginning the next 720 or 120.
The meeting was opposed to asking hon．nuembers of the Council to pay an afiliation fee of 5 s．each per annum，but agrced to the proposal that in future associations should pay a fee of 5s．per representative per annum．
In tho other matters full discretion was loft to the representatives to vote as thay thought fil，after hearing the arguments．

It was left to the Erecutive Committee to decide what support should be gipee by the Guild to the Bristol United Guilds＇proposal to enlarge the＇Ringers＇Directory．＇
The members agreed to a proposal to hold a joint meeting with the Royal Cumberland Youths at 马psom at some date to be arwanged．

THE ARCHDEACON AND THE TOWERS．
The Chairman welcomed the Archdeacon of Dorking，who，in reply，said it was always a great pleasure to him to come among the ringers，and also to meet them at，the churches he visited． There wers some towers he knew of where the aumbers were de－ ficient，and he hoped that more ringers might be brought in．If he was allowed to apply for grathts for bell restoration it would not be long before they regeived applications，because there were two towers where he had already ordered repairs to be carried out and the bells to be carefully inspeeted．Ho hoped the work would be taken in hand before long．He would tell these two parighes whare there was a lot of money to back them up（laughter）， Wharever he carried out an inspection ho always asked，＂What about the tower ？＇That sometimes cased surprise，but he always said to the churchwardens，＇I am going up it．＇He had had some perilous ascents（laughter）．He had found some towers sadly neglected，and he intead to see that they were put in order（applause）．With regard to the majorily of towers，he must congratulate them upon the wonderful improvement made and the very great care taken of them（hear，hear）．If there were any towers where it was neces－ sary that improvements should be caricd out，he would be only too glad if the Master or the hon，secretary would bring them to his notice，and he would bring the matters to the notice of the churchwardeas at his visitations next month．The churchwardons were the people primarily responsible for seeing that the bells and towers were in order，and if le could help the Guild in that way he was at their disposal．Continuing，the Archdeacon said that al－ though his engagenents were very numerous he hoped it would always be possible for him to look in at the Guild＇s meetings，and
if he knew the dates a good iime aliead be would endeavour to keep ther free，because it kopt him in touch with a body of meu whoso wort for the church he greatly admired．He was sometimes glad he did not live immediately next to a tower（laughter），but it was always nice to hear the bells soumding from a distance，and the work of the ringors was f very essentind bit of chureh work in the diocese． Long miglit they continue their good work．He hoped lue might always be in touch with the bellringers in his own archdeaconsy， and if at any time he could possibly attend their meetings he wonld be glad to do so．His desire was not to ha some high，bloated dig－ nidary，but to bo their servant and brother，and one who was only too anxious to help them in any way he possibly could（applause）．
Admiral Walker gave an invitation to the members to the open－ ing of the now treble bells at Woking on May 11 th，and Mr．J．S． Goldsaith informed the meeting that the Guild was losing the ser－ vices of Mr．P．G．Woodiss，hon．secretary of the Leatherhead Dis－ trict，who was leaving for the North of England．He．proposed that the thanks of the Guild be given to Mr．Woodiss for his services to the Guild．The Archdeacon of Dorkiug seconded the motion，which wis warmly accorded．
The business concluded with a voto of thanks to the secretary for his services and to the chairman for presiding．

## A＇TIRED＇PEAL．

PROPOSED RESTORATION ON BELLS AT NORTON，STATES．
Owing to the vary bad going of the abovo bells，ringing is at present confined to touches of about 240 changes．An expert from Messrs．Taylor and Co．has now bean called in to examine the bells， and in bis report be stateg that the metal is sbsolutely tired，and that the bells are all out of tune with each other，and that tho bearings are worn．The matter has been brought before the Paro－ chial Cburch Courcil，owing to an S．O．S．thrown out by the lender of the ringers，Mr．J．E．Wheeldor，and it was unanimously decided to issue an appeal to the parish for funds to rectify matters．
The bells have been in the tower since 1826 ．They hava，there－ fore，done very good service，and it is sincerely hoped that the appeal will meet with a response which will warrant the church ofli－ cials giving the order for a clear cut．
To have all the six bells recast will require a sum of e3Ag，which is rether a big undertaking for a village in these days，but there is every confidence that the natives will rise to the occasion，assisied by outlying diatricts，to whom Norton bells always appeal，as the tower stands on a hill，and the bells are heard fram far and near．

In the manatime the ringers intend to＂carry on＂as well as pos－ sible with their backs to the wal！（figuratively speaking）．
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## BELFRY GOS51P.

The commemoration dinner to the past officers of the Yorkshire Association will tuke place at the King's Head Hotel, Sheffeld, on Saturciay, September 2lst, af $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.
Forty years ago next Monday Mr. W. T. Pates callez the famous 15,227 Grandsire Caters at Cheltenham, which at that time was the longest peal rung on ten bells. Most, if not all, of tire band have now gone from us, with the exception of the Cheltenham veteran. The peal was ruug on Easter Monday, 1889, and occupied 9 hrs. 43 mins.
By a coincidence it was on the same day of the month in 1922 that the existing ten-bell record-and, in fact, the record lengtly for any number of belis-was set up by the 21,363 Stedman Caters at Appleton.

St. George's Day is the 60th anniversary of a peal of Grandsire Triples rung at Epsom, Surrey, by four fathers and four sons. The last surviving member of that band-Mr. Thomas Miles-died only last June. - He was 80 years of age at his death.
One of the earliest, if not the first, "George" peals was rung on St. George's Day, 1857, at St. George's Church, Camberwell.

The ringer of the 2 ad in the peal at Croscombe, Somerset, on April Ist was Franklin D. Rickards, and Frank D. Richards, as published.

Ringers visiting Belfast on holiday or business will be made very welcome at any of the towers, if they will communicate with the hon. secretary, W. Pratt, Kinnegar, Folywood, Belfast.

Mr. Arthur W. Searle, a well-known Exeter ringer, and one of the represeatatives of Devon on the Central Council, has been appointef deputy editor of the "Devon and Exeter Daily Gazette.'

With the opening of the new peal of 12 bells at Walsall, there are now three peals of 12 in the Archdeaconry of Stafford. Walsall is in quite a good position for 12 -bell ringers, as West Bromwich is only five miles distant, Wolverhampton 6 $\frac{1}{2}$, and St. Marlin's, Birmingham, is $8 \frac{1}{2}$ miles.

## A CARILLON FOR NEW ZEALAND.

On Wednesday of last week the Rt. Hon. L. S. Amery, M.P., Dominion Secretary, and the Rt. Hon. Sir James Parr, K.C.M.G.', High Commissioner for New Zealand, visited the Croydon Beli Foundry, where they inspected the first carillon for New Zaalaud. It consists of 49 bells, the smallest being 91b. and the largest 5 tons, the total weight of the bells being $31_{3}$ tons. The carillon is to be arected at Wellington, and is a memorial to the men and wamen of New Zealand who gave their lives in the Great War.
Messrs. Gillett and Johnston are also carrying out the recasting of the bells of Derry Cathedral, and on Friday, in the presence of the Dean and members of the Fonourable Irish Sowiety, the new wenor of 31 cwt. was cast. To the new ring of ten will be added three gemitone bells for tune playing, which will be hang dead.

THE CENTRAL COUNCLL.
TRAVELLENG FACLLITIES FOR TEE ANNUAL MEETING. To the Bditor.
Dear Sir, The railway companies, having reduced tha gaalifying number to 100 , have agreed to issue a tioket to Chelmsford at a fare and a half, nvailable between May 18th and 22 nd gest, provided that not less than 100 adults use the tickets.

As the usual attendance at provincial meetings (including visitors) is generally about 100, if all those desirous of attending from near and far will avail themselves of the said tickets, it will be to the genoral advantage.
I shali be glad, therefore, if the hon. secretaries of the various Guilds and associations will lef me know, at once, tho number of tickets they wild require, for themselves and their friends, as unless somewhere near the required namber is guaranteed it will be useless for me to proceed with the printing of the necessary vouchers.-Yours faithfully,
E. ALEX. YOUNG.

155, Rushey Green, Gatford, S.E.6.

## WHOSE MONEY? <br> To The Edifor.

Sir,-Is ML. Joyce right whan he rafers to "my money," as I rather tancy the Gloucester and Bristol Association have assisted as much as any othor association, and therefore we, too, could say,

Our money' ${ }^{3}$
As a matter of fact the Central Gounol publications are issued at a 'profit,' and therefore, in the event of our ceasing affiliation, Mr. Joyce might recommend to the Council that we ghould bave a refund, and theu bar us from future benefis.

However, as hon. secretary of an association with 1,000 members, the fear is not how to slop members buying publications, but how to get them to do so? The librarian, Rev. Q. W. O. Jenkyn, will boar me out in this.-Yours faithfully,

EDGAR GUISE.
P.S.-Mr. Foyce's delinition of the Gentral Council being a funny

## ADVISORY COMMIT'TEE'S 'OBSTRUCTION

## CRITICISMS AT BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION MEETING.

'lhe action of the Diocesan Advisory Committeo in holding up the restoration of the bells at Tilsworth, Beds, was the aubject of some outspoken criticism at the donual meeting of the Bedfordshire Association at Leighton Buzzard on Easter Monday. The meeting followed lunch at the Plume of Feathers Hotel, when Canon W. W. C. Baker, president, oceupied the chair. Explaining why Leighton had been chosen for the meeting, he said they had wet at Bedford for the last 48 years, but a month ago it was reported to the committee that the bells of St. Paul's, Bedford, were not ringable, and they selected Leighton because the conditions for ringing appertained to those they were accustomed to at Bedford.
Mr. G. F. Greea, who supported Canon Baker, proposed the latter's e-election as president, and said he had thought they were honouring Leightan by their visit, but, from Canon Baker's remarks, they were there simply because they could not go anywhere else, a fact which had minimised the pleasure he had previously felt at having them there (laughter). Mr. J. Nieholls seconded the re-clection of Canon Baker, who, in reply, said he did not do muel ringing ouw, buf his interest in the assaciation was just as keen as cver it was. Fice-presidents re-elected were Miss E. Steel Bedford, Mr. A. A. King, Laton, My. Cyril Herbert, Woburn, and the Rev. A. Rust, Hushorne Crawley.
lu regard to the appoimtment of an auditor, Canon Baker said his brother-in-law, Mr. F. Tanqueray, who conducted the first 720 ever lung by the association, and showed his interest by being auditor, was very dangerously ill. Mr. Green suggested that they should reappoint Mr. Tanqueray and send him a letter of sympathy in his iilness. This was agreed to.

Mr. A. E. Sharman, Dunstable, was re-elected hon. secretary and treasurer, and Canon Baker and he were re-appointed representatives on the Central Council.

When the venue of the next annual meeting was under discussion, a guestion arose as to when the bells at Bedford would be ready; Hifss Steel said they had only about $£ 70$ towards the cost, and wanted about $£ 290$. They ought to be able to raise this sum, but there should be alternative places in case the balls were not ready.
Mr. Green suggested that as Leighton had ten bells and Linsdale eight, Leigliton be the alternative place to wisit, but added that it wouk be a disgrace to Bedford if the bells were not ready.
Miss Steel seconded, but Mr. Cyril Herbert suggested goma other centre more accessible to ringers from the othor side of the county. Luton and Biggleswade were other centres.
Mr. C. W. Clarke, Bedford, suggested Woburn, where they were sure of a good ring: They were bad bells at Luton.

A vote resulted: Leighton 10, Biggleswade 6, Woburn 5.

## TILSWORTH BELLS.

Mr. F. Vickers, Linslade, thought that if the churchpeople of Bechfordsisire conld get Ganon Baker and Mr. Green on the Advisory Committee they would get the Bedford bells done this year. It mppeared that the present Advisory Committee, instead of helping the cause of bellrimging, were doing it a lot of harm.
Canon Baker said they could nat interfere in the matter of the Advisory Committee, because this was appointed by the Diocesan Canference. The committee was quite ready to listen to the representations of Mr. Rust.

Mr. Shaman: Do they take any notice of him? He went and reported on the bells at Tileworth, but they did not take any notice. To my idea they are an absolute waslout. The people of Tilswortli had been messed about for two years, because they had had the money in the hank all that time to carry out the work. It was disheartiening to the people who had raised the money.
The Rev. A. Rust snid be was asked to look at the Tilsworth bells, ank sent in his report. He said that tho bells werc in a deplorable condition, and that a clear sweop should be made, but he was just thanked for his letter and beard nothing more about it. Had he been asked his opinion he would have suggested an iron frame, but itse Advisocy Committee was keen on having wood frames. Architects, for some reason, always thought they should have wood frames. Ho bad the same trouble at Husborne Crawley, and insisted an an iron frame. He was afraid they were going to have a battle over wood or iron frames.

Mr. Siarmata: Yet the bell founders say they cannot guarantce a wood frame.

## Mr. J. Nicholls: They cannot get seasoned oak nowadays.

Mr. Fickers said the advised the people of Thlsworth to get a new treble bell and make a peal of six. They raised 4400 , and the late Vicar, Mr. Green, gave them f50 for the new bell. This £450 had been lying in the bank since 12 months lase June. They could not get on with the job because the Advisory Committee would not budge. The Church Council baid thoy would have the job done as they wanted, or not spend the money.
Mr. Sharman gnid that at Totternioe a hand of young ringevs raised money outside the parisk for a new treble bell, but the davisory Committee had tried to put obstacles in their way
Canon Baker replied that nothing could be done without a faculty, and the Chancellor of the diocese would not issue one except on the
advice of the Advisory Committee. He did not know whist they could do except protest.
Mr. Sharman said if there was an organ with two or three bad pipes, it was replaced by a new one, but they must not change a bel! which was out of tune. What could they do if the bells were recest without applying for a faculty?
The Rev. A. Rust replied that ihey could be made fo take them down again.
Mr. Green could not understand the Advisory Committes having the least objection to bells being rehung. Whether it was a wood or iron frame should rest with the bell hanger. If he said it was much wiser to have steel they slould hava it. He could not understand Tilsworth having 8450 wis hand and the bells not heing rung- He would lave thought that the villagers would have been up in arms ('They are'). For the Advisory Committee to keep people waiting like thatewas absurd.
Mr. C. Herbert said the reason given for not favouring bells in motal fremes was that they spoiled the tone of the bells.

Canon Baker said he would zaise the question at the next dioceasa conference, and tell them of the indignation that had been expressed.

## THE SLX-BELL PEAL CONTROVERSY.

Cansu Baker asked for some expression of opinion on what he described as the very vexed question of fivo and six bell peals. He had been ringing for 50 yeara, and did not think they could do better than stick to the old way of having seven seven-twenties, which were complete in themselves.

After discussion, Canon Baker said hefelt that the association dixl not wish for an alteration in the rules that would silow bits of seven-twentiea being rung and pieced logether to be called a peal.
A welcome to the members, on behalf of the Vicar and churchwardens, was given by one of the Leighton churchwardens, Mr. W. Gill, who said it was aice to have a predominant vote in favour of Leighton Buzzard for the next meeting. Referring to the excellent way in which the art of bellringing was carried out, he said ringers had verp littlo idea what it would mean to outsiders if they lost thair beils. He did not know of another theme more appealing than bellringing, and could not imagine what a town or village would be ke without it
Canon Baker, in reply, expreseed thanks to the Vicars of Leighton and Linslade for the use of the belfries.
Now members elected were Mr. F. Bennett and Miss Sear, Totternhoe.

It was decided to hold the summer festival at Barton
The ringing at AlE Snints' Church included touches of Stedman Triples, Grandsire Gaters, Little Bob Major, Kent Treble Bob Major, Stedman Caters, Plain Bob Major, Bob Royal, Cambridge Surprise Major, and Little Bob Royal. Touches in various methods were also rung at Linsiade.

## IRISH ASSOCIATION

## NORTHERN BRANCH MEET AT ARMAGH.

The second annwal general meeting of the Northern Branch of the Irish Association was held at the Cathedral, Armagh, on Easter Monday, when about 70 memhers and friends fravelled from Belfast. A short service in the Cathedral was conducted by the Dean (Very Rev. Forde Tichbarne, MA.), assisted by the Very Rev. W. Dowse, M.A., Deau of Commor, and the lRev. Canon C. C. Manniug M.C., M.A., Vicar of Holywood. The Rev. W. J. Parr, of Carrickfergus, presided at the organ.
The Dean of Armagh gave a most interesting review of the history of the city and the Cathedinal.
The mecting was held in the Music Room of the Gathedral, where over forty mombers from Belfast, Carrickfergus, Holywood and Buagor attended.
The following officers were re-elected: President, Mr. W. Young, Carrickfergus; hon. treasurer, Mr. R. Adamson, Belfast; hon. secretary, Mr. W. Pratt, Holywood. New officers elected were Rev. Canon Mavning as chaplain, and the Rev. W.J. Pass as organist.
The secretary's report slowed that the assaciation was in a very healthy condition, and that an interest was being taken in change ringing by other towers in the North. The four quarterly meetings during the past year had been wall attended, and formed the basis for introducing the art to the ringers of the towers visited. The membership is at present 46, but it is hoped that by next year this will be very much increased. The members cannot yet clain a peal, but the Folywood band obtained their first extent of Doubles last August and 780 of Plain Bob on March $8 t h$ of this year, during a visit of Mr. Marris J. Morris, and since then several short touches of Triples.
The Dean was the guest at luncheon, and afterwards condueted the party over the Cathedral and library of Armagh. The observatory was also visited.
A demonstration of carillon ringing was given at the Roman Catholic Cathedral in the city by the Cathedral orgarist, Mr. TT. W. Folden.

A most successful meeting was held, and the thanks of the members are due to the Dean, who made the splendid arrangements.

## PEALS ON FIVE AND SIX BELLS.

To the Editor
Dear Sir, Tri cach of your last three issues the Exercise has been urged not to be in too much of a hiturry to come to any decision about this vexed question of peals on five and six bells. I quite agree with tho wiadom of giving time and common sense of the Fxerase overy opportunity to play theiv part, but we anust not let this wibdom bliad us to the ather side of the question. We must moli 'drift.' Neither must we forget that the Central Council meetiaf is an annual affair, and that what it does not decide on ane Whit Tuesday it does not get another chance to discuss till twelve morthe later.
I want now to discuss certain points with an eye on the present and future, i.e., not taking into consideration whether they satisfy tho ambigutous rules of the past or not. And in so doing, may I express the hope that others of your readers will eriticise my yiews inn put forward their own, because I believe that this is a way in which we of the rank and file of the Exercise can be of wery real service to those whom we elect to be mervhers of the Central Council, and whom, after all, whelicr as delegates or representatives, wo more or less expech lo reproduce between them the geleral feeling of the Exercise.

Let us take first the real cause and crux of the whole argumentMr. 5nakes James' peal of Cambridge Minor. Now I am quite sure, both from my own expericnce and from perusing the many letters on the subject in this paper, that the majority of the Exercise would bo sorry to see this ingenious composition banned; I am equally cerluin that, according to the interpretation of the present rulc which is lield by the majority of the Exercise, it does not satisfy the conditions for a true peal. It is alis unsatisfactory state of aftairg which must at all costs be put right at the earliest opportunity. How is this to be done? Well, it is not at all an easy problem, but do not let us shirk it on that account.

I assume it agrecd (for the purpose of this argument) that we want to keep the liankes Jameg' peal, and therefore we must frame our conditions so that without any hint of ambiguity or being let in by the side-door it satisfies them.
Supposing first that the Council decides at Whitsun that it is premature to come to a complete decision on the zatter of peals on live and six bolls, and therefore leavos it over for another year for further investigation and discussion, may I urge that in this case they will put matiers on a move satisfactory footing by passing a resolution worded somehow like this: 'That pending a decision as to what shall constitute a peal on five and six bells this Couveil will in the meantime accept the performance of Mr. Bankes James arrangement of Cambridge Minor as a peal.' This would at least put things an a consistent basis until the whole matter is cleared up.
And now let us tackle the bigger problem. If we want to frame rules which admit the Bankes James' arrangement, there are three possibilities:-
(i.) A rule which admits not only this but certain other arrangements which lave not yet proved their value by the "acia test of cxperience,' and which $\mathbf{I}$, persoually, do not advocate letting in (at Jeast, at presont).
(ii.) A rule which lets the arrangement of Gambuidge Minor in but keeps others out. This is well righ impossible, and would cerlainly have to be done by back-door tactics, and must therefore be riscarded.
(iii) Lefting it in boldly as an exception. This is rather dratic, but it seems the only consistent and logical way out of the diffieulty,
Ta make it quite clear, my policy is to accept the Bankes James' mrangement of Cambridge Minor, and to refuse the othere, which nuclude Mr. Law Jimes ${ }^{2}$ London Minor and Mr. Morris' Grandsire Doutiles. I am quite prepared to argue my full reasons for this with any of your readers but $I$ mast not trespass on your space to do it here. Suffle it to say that the ohief argument is that the Cnmbridge Minor fullils a need which the athere do not, and that it bas proved its worth by the 'acid test of experience,' which the others have not.

I will now proceed to set down as brielly as possible a series of suggested rules and couditions which I put forward as a possible way out of the difficully:
(i.) Add words to the present condition: "On all numbers of bells a true poal shall in alt cases start from and end with rounds," to make it quite dear that the word 'peal' includes 'extents' on six nud live bells.
(ii.) Pres resolution 'that peple of Minor shall consist of at least seven true and complete 720 's, each one satisfying the conditions for "extents " given above in (i.), i.e., cach startiag from and ending with rounds.
(iii) Splicing ta be encouraged, but to be kept within the bounds of ench 720 , i.e, splice as many methods ns you like inta any 720 , lut keep the seven " 20 's themselves separate.
(iv.) Pass resohtion 'That in view of the excentional eircumstances of Cnmbridge Minor, of which there is only one 720 with $5-6$ the right way, the Central Council will accept as a peal neven or more 720 's of this metbod, provided only that each contains no repetitions (the 720 's may be divided at handstroke for this purpose), that they are joined by ordinary plain or bobbed changes,
and that the peal comes round at the end.
(N.B.-The actual wording of this would require some thought, but

I hope that I have made its aim and object plain enough.)
This rough outline lays no claim to perfection, but I think that it is a reasonable and practicable way out of the difficulty, and that $t$ is consistent and satisfies the views of the majority of the Exercise. I have not mentioned Doubles, but my iatention would be to keep them in line with Minor, i.e., at least 42 separate 120 's, each stariting from and ending with rounds. I do not consider that as yef any exceptions to this are necersary.
I have stated my policy baldy, if briefly- I will refrain from expanding and explaining it in further detail until I see what criticisms are levelled at it.- Yaurs faithfully,

STEPHEN H. WOOD. Glasgow

## METHOD SPLICING <br> \section*{To the Eatito}

Dear Sir,-I read in "The Ringing World" that at the annual meeting of the Suffolk Guild the following resolution was passed The splining of methoas is theoretically uasound. But if this departure from strict regularity is allowed, the splicing of extents in five or six-boll ringing should be allowed also." tit would be interestto know the reason why method splicing is unsouitd in theory, but none is given in your report of the meeting.
Will the hon. secretary of the Suffolk Guild please say if any reasons were advanced? Method splicing is being very widely practised on all mumbers of bells, but it is apparcnt from the correspondence lately published in your paper that many ringers are against any form of change, or any widening of the scope of ringing. The resolution in question is but another instance of this, and surely the large number of ringers who practice method splicing are entitled to know any reasous against their doing so. For if spliced experts are ruled out at the next Central Council meeting, wo way expect an attempt to get spliced methods wuled out also. Yours faithfully

## PRESENTATI N TO MR W JUDGE.

## APPRECIATION OF SERVICES AT TAOKLEY TOWER.

On Sunday evening, April 7th, an interesting function took place in the belfry of the Parish Church of Tackley, Oxon, when a presentation of a silver inkstand, in the shape of a bell, was made to Mr. William Judge, on his leaving the willage for Kirllington.
Mr. Judge lad been in Tackley for seven and a half yoars as vil lage blackamith, and during that period he had given to the struggling ringels all the holp he could. He came just at the time when the movement was on foot for augmenting the ring of five bells to six.
The ringers wish to tender Mr. Judge their most sincere thanks for all he has done, and they hope he will wisit them during the fine weather as often as convenient.
Mr. E. F. Honour, deputy foreman, made the presentation on be balf of the ringers, and in a few words he expressed the feelings of those whom he had helped so unstintingly and brought to such a degree of gutecess in the art of ringing, to that none can laye any fear in toking a bell in a six-bell tower
The present was supplied by Mr. I. E. Russell, of Woking, and was much admired by many.

## YORKSHTRE ASSOCTATION

In cold, but pleassnt weather, a general meeting of the Yorkshire Association was held at Whitby on Eisster Monday. By the courtesy of the Rector and churchwardens, the ring of ten at the Parisil Church of St. Mary were available throughout the day, and some sixty members made good and continnous use of then in a variety of methorls.
A meeting of the general committee was hefd in the Chureh Vestry in the afternoon, following which tea was served at Hood's Gafe on the Marine Parade, and the business meeting was held. To the great regret of the meeting, the president (Rey. C. C. Marshall) was un able to be present, owing to clerical duties demanding his presence at Leeds. Mr. J. Cotterell was voted to the chair, and letters of apology for non-attendance were announced from Messrs. A. Walker G. Halksworth, G. Lewis, J. Broadley, F. Clark, and J. Lawson.

An invitation having been received from Huntington, near Fork, it was agreed to hold the Scptember meeting there.
At this juncture, the Rector of Whitby, Rev. Ganon C. A. Hone, extended a hearty welcome to the association, and gave a most interesting description of the architecture of the Parish Church, whict combines beatty with quaintness in its varied style.
The very kind and hearty chat was greatly appreciated, and a votc of thanks to the Rector and wardens, and the local company of Whitby for their kind arrangements, on heing moved and seconded by Messrs. A. C. Fearnley and J. W. Addison arespectively, was car rien with acclamation.

## Mr. G. F. Alexander briefly responded.

In announcing the date of the Snowdon Dinner, to be heid at Shefield on September 2lst, the General Secretary urged members to do all in their power to make that gathering a success.

Further ringing brouglt to a close a most pleasant and successiul meeting.

## BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION FELKTRK'S FINE OLD CHURCH

A meeting was held at Felkirk on Satarday, April 13tit, wher members attonded from Sandal, Royston, Wath, Hoylandswaine, Shelley, and the local company. The bells commenced ringing early in the afternoon, and members arriring lato had the bencit of hearing the bells at their best. The tower, standing in open country, lends itself to sound and perspective. This Felkirk Church, which sounds zather. Scotlish, but is not, is ancient and honoured in its varied styles of avehitecture. On entering the church ode is struck by the sight of bases, clustered circular columns, and capitals of a Norman archway in the west end of the nave, in a desigu so pure, relimed and chaste that it is doubtful if even the Nomman work in Norwich or Durham Cathedrals can surpass it. Around and on this work has been built the present Gothic stucture in Early and Late styles. It consists of nave, north and south aisles, with clerestory, porch and noble tower. In the churchyard stands an old school built in the scholastic Tudor style, quiet and unpretentious, yet from its only door have passed hoys and men who liave lived to uphold the good name of Felkirk. To-day it is used for meetings and other gatherings, and as a room for clorgy and cloor, from which they walk in solemn procession across the churchyard.
Tho Vicar, Rev. H. R. H. Coney, M.A., was probably the most interested person at Saturday's meating. His eagerness to serve and care for the members was kindness itself. Service, whoh consisted of special and appropriate prayers and two hymus, was conducted by the Vicar, who also gave an address on the infuence of bells and their great power for good.
Tea was enjoycd in the school, the Vicar presiding at the meal and at the subseguent business meeting.
The next meeting is to be held at Shelley. A vote of thanks to the Vicar, churchwardens, the ladies and the local company for all arrangements so well made, was proposed by Mr. W. Reyner, who rejoiced in the all-round acknowledgwent which the ringers received from the clergy, churchwardens, Church Council and Mrs. Fiach. The Vicar acknowledged the wote, and said he loped to gee the association meet zgain at Felkirk.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

## DEVIZES BRANCH

A quarterly meeting of the Devizes Brunch was held at the beautifal Clareh af All Saints, Westbury, Wills, on Saturday, April 6th Ringing commenced on the glorious ring of cight (tenor 35 cwt ), cast by Messrs. Taylor and Co. in 1921, about 2.45 p.m., a new addition to the brancls from Guildford, standing 6ft. 4in., raising the tenor, and continued in methods ranging from Grandsire Doubles to Double Norwich till $4.40 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. , when the Guild service was conducted by the curate (the Rev. A. H. Mock), the lesson being read by the chairman of the branch, Mr. C. D. Heginbotham, and Mr. J. N. L Jefferics being the organist.
Tea followed in the Chureh Institute, to which 35 sat down, including the Vicar (the Rev. E. C. Alexander, R.D.).

A sloort busioess meeting follower, Mr. C. D. Heginbotham presid ing. He thanked the Vicar for his efforts as Rural Dean, to get a representative of the Guild on the Bishop's Adwisory Baard.

Mr. H. A. Gummer, of Devizes, was elected a member of the Guild.
The Clairman brought forward the question of the powers of the representatives to the Central Council, and, afler dischssion, a vate of confidence in the representative of the braneh, M. S. Fillier, was passed, the same to be noted in the minutes.

A vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar for tho use of the bells, to the curate for conducting the servics, to the organist, and to those who prepared the tea. The Vicar, in roply, said he was pleased to welcome the bratheh to Westbury, and oxplained what he havi done towards getting a representative on the Adwisory Roard. He hoped that the Guild would persevere until there was someone put on the board.

This concluded the business
Ringers were present from Westbury, Devizes (St. John's and 5t. Marys), Bratton, Buckhorn Weston, Chippenliam, North Bradey, Swindon, Weston, Mere, Melksham, Warminster and Trowbridge. Touches of Graudsire Doubles, Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob Major, Kent, Cambridge and Double Norwich were rung during the afternoon and evening.
North Bradey and Bromham were suggested for the next two meetings.
In 'Highways and Byways of wiltsinire,' Edward Hutton, wriding of Westbury, says: "The chlirch is a noble bulding, dedicated in honour of All Saints. It is a cruciform building, with fine central perpendicalay tower, consisting of clerestoried mave of four bays, with aisles, and north ehapel (this is the Ponleigh or Becket Chapel, How the fraptistry), and north and south transepts, chancel with north and south chapels, and two porches. ... The south chancel chapel (How the Ladi Chapel) is that of the Willoughbys. The north chancel chapel (now the westuy and organ chanaber) is that of the Mandits. But whose is the recessed tomib in the soutla Iransepter Perhaps a Pavely lies there. The Caroline monument there, with effigies, is that of Sir James Ley, who became Eerl of there, with efigies,
Marlborough, and of his wife."

## LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

A quarterly meeting was beid at Pontypridd on Saturduy lask. The bells, a sweet, light ling of cight by Taylor, werc made good use of during the afternoon, various methods being rung by members who mustered well from both Glamorganshire aud Monmoutlishire. Among the visitors was Mr. W. Knight, of St. Stephen"s, Bristol. The Vical (Rev. Parry-Pryce) officiated at the service, assisted by his curate. Theia followed tea, which had been generously provided in the adjoining Church Room. The subsequent business meeting was presided over by the Viens.

At the outset, the Hon. Secretary (Mr. J. W. Jones) mentioned that since the last meeting four of the members had died, including the first Master of the association, Mr. Evan Davies, of Cuerleon, Mr. H. Morgan, of Newport, Mr. A. J. Harford, of Bedwas, and 4 life member, Mr. Joe Sykes, of Fuddersfield. As a last tribute of respect, all stood in silence for e few moments.

Instructors' reports were received, and under the leading on the agenda of 'Avgmentations and restorations,' the Hon. Secretary announced that it was proposed to instal a new peal of eighe beils in the beauliful church tower at 玉bbw Vale, Mon.-A grani of 25 was made to the fund.
A letter was read from Mr. E. Guise, hon, secretary of the Brislol Uniled Guild with reference to the Ringers' Directory, as issued by the Bristol United Guilds. A discussion followed, and it was resolwen that tho letter be received
No resolution was passed in regard to the Central Council's agenda for the Whitsun meeting
New mernbers were elected, including seven from Pontypridd.
It was decided to hold the next Glamorgan meeting at Linntrisant. The nexb Monmouthshire meeting is to be held at Monmouth.

The usual vote of thanks concluded the business, and the bells werc then zung until late in the evening, bringing to a close a very pleasant and successful gathering

## DEATH OF MR. R. TOMPSON, EALING.

Enling ringers and Middesex ringers generally have sustained a very real loss in the death of Mr. R. Tompsan. Born at Chepstow in 1874, he started ringing at a very early age at St. Mary's Parish Church, Cbepstow, where he was, for a great many years, foreman of the tower: While thero he rang peals in many nethode, includSurprise, in most parts of the West Country before coming to Ealing abouk five years ago, where he had endeared himself to all. He was a most capable conductor.
The ringers of Ealing highy appreciato the kindly remarks made by the Vicar of Ealing (the Rev. C. J. Sharpe) in the pulpit on Sunday evening, when he said how great a loss the Church had sustained by the death of Mr. Tompson, who was always at his post for service ringing to cill the people to church. Fe had becn 'called away,' and that on his silver wedding day, to a bigher post. He was taken suddenly ill on April 3rd, and died on April 4tl from an internal complaint for which lee was too ill to be operated on. The sympatisy of all would go out to his wife, son and daughter in their great loss

A quarter-peal of Grandsire, with bells half-mutted, was rung at St. Steplen's, West Ealing, on Sunday morning, ins 49 mins.: $\mathbf{H}$. Foikard 1, J. E. Churchill Z, M. Stacey 3, H. Belcher (conductor) H. J. Huncisett 5, P. E. Clark E, E. Harris 7, J. H. Hunnisett 8 And in the evening a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, also half mufled, was rung at St, Mary's, Ealing, in 53 mins: P. E. Clark 1 , J. F. Walsom 2, J. E. Churchill 3, ت. J. Hunnisett 4, A. Harding 5, M. Stacey 6, J. H. Funtiett (conductor) 7, E. Harris d.

## DEATH OF MR. ARCHIE BREARLEY

The Sheffield and District Society regret to announce the loss to the Exercise by the death of Mr. Archie Brearley, who dicd at his home, Wood Royd, Deepcar, on March 27th. Eldest son of the late Mr. David Brearley, he followed his father's business of builder and monumental sculptor, many examples of their skill being evident on every hand. He was a well-known ringer, and had taken part in nearty a hundred peals, and ringing contests.
His interment took place on Saturday, March 30th, at Bolsterstone Chuchyard and was attended by a large gathering of relatives and friends. The service in church whicli was conducted by the Rev. Mason, Rector of Bolsterstone, was very impessive, the choir and arganist being present. Among the lymans were 'Abida with me." After the committal, a course of Grandaire Triples was rung over the open grave by Messrs. J. Thorpe, G. Lewis, R. Harrison and S. F. Palmer. Ringing also took place on the tower bells, which were deeply muffled, before and after the interment, but various circumstances prevented a peal being attempted. A touch of $1,440 \mathrm{Kent}$ Treblo Bob Major was rung in 52 mins. by: A. P. Knights 1, J. A. Helliwel] 2, W. A. Wooler 3, J. Thorpe (conductor) 4, M. Wilson 5 , H. Harrison 6, J. A. Brearley 7, B. F. Palmer 8. Other rinejhe was taken part in by members from Bradfield, Wortley, the Cathedra] and St. Marie's, Sheffeld, Eeclesfeld and Conisborough.

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. (Established 1637 .)-Meetings for practice will be held at St. Andrew's, Holborn, on April 23 rd; St. Magnus' on the ${ }_{2}$ th $^{\prime}$; *St. Giles', Cripplegate, on the 3oth. All at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards. - William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, $3^{2}$, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD. - Southern Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Woolwich, on Saturday, April 20th. Bells from 3 to 8.30. Service. Tea and meeting 5 o'clock. Names or numbers for tea will be appreciated by the hon. sec., J. Herbert, ${ }^{17}$, Grimston Road, S.W.6.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rossendale Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Christ Church, Bacup, on Saturday, April 2oth. Bells ready at $3 \cdot 30$. Meeting at 6 -30, A good attendance is requested. Reports, etc., to hand. Subscriptions due. - John H. Haydock, Branch Sec., y, Oaklauds Road, Edenfeld. near Bury.

GUILD OF DEVON RINGERS.-N.E. Branch.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Bampton on Saturday, April 20th. Bells (6) available 2.30. Service 4.45. Tea (is. each) $5.15 .-\mathrm{M}$. Hanson, Hon. Sec. and Treasurer, 2, The Avenue, Tiverton.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Leatherhead District.-The next meeting will be held at Christ Church, Epsom, on Saturday, April 2oth. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Service at 5 o'clock, followed by tea and meeting in the Parish Room. Hearty welcome to all.-F. G. Woodiss, Hon. Dis. Sec., 28, Strathearn Road, Sutton, Surrey.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch. - A meeting will be held at Todmorden Parish Church on Saturday, April zoth. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. New rules and diagrams (6d. each) and emblems ( 3 d. each) now available. Will tower secretaries please let me know the number of members requiring emblems?-Witliam Horan, Branch Sec., 2, Greenhirst Hey, Todmorden.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Rochester Dis-trict.-The half-yearly meeting will be held at Gravesend on Saturday, April 2oth (not $27^{\text {th }}$, as arranged). Bells available at 3 . Association service in church at 5 , conducted by the Rector of Gravesend (Rev. Elliott Mitchell). -Fred M. Mitchell, Dis. Hon. Sec., 114, Sun Lane, Gravesencl.

A JOINT MEETING of the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild (South and West District) and the East Berks and South Bucks Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild will be held at St. John's, Hillingdon, on Saturday, April 2oth. Tower open at 3 p.m. Tea will be arranged at is. each. Will those requiring tea kindly notify? All ringers weicome. - Wm. H. Hollier, 29, Duke Road, W.4, A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough, Bucks, Hon. Secs.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Eastern District. The annual meeting will be held at Pontefract on Saturday, April 20th. All Saints' bells (8) available from ${ }^{2}$ p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. in the All Saints' Church House at is. 6d. per head. For detailed particulars see circular.-A. B. Cook, Hon. Sec., 58, Wyndham Street, Hall.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester Branch.-The next meeting will be held at Christ Church, Pendlebury, on Saturday, April 2oth. Bells ready 4 o'clock. Meeting at 7 p.m. Chair to be taken by the Vicar. Will members make a special effort to attend?-J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting.
SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. - West Dorset Branch.-A meeting will be held at Burton Bradstock ( 6 bells) on Saturday, April 20tin. Bells available from 2.30 p.m. Service at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., foilowed by tea and meet-in.-T. Hervey Beams, Hon. Sec.
BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Taunton Deanery Branch.-A meeting will be held at Combe Florey on Saturday, April zoth. Service 4.30. Tea and business after.-P. Merson, Bishop's Hull.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch. The next meeting will be held at the Saviour's Church, Bolton, on Saturday, April 2oth. Bells available 3 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.-Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., 203, Devonshire Road, Bolton.
BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Luton District. - A meeting will be held at Houghton Regis on Saturday, April 2oth. Bells (6) will be available at 3 p.m.-A. E. Sharman, Hon. Sec., 199, High Street N., Dunstable.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckley District.-The next meeting will be held at Wolvey on Saturday, April 2oth. Bells available from $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All ringers welcome.-W. A. Cope, Smockington, Hinckley.
SUFFOLK GUILD.-Mildenhall District.-A meeting will be held at Elveden, Suffolk, on Saturday, April 20 th. Bells (8) at the Memorial Tower of SS. Patrick and Andrew's Church will be available afternoon and evening. Tea at 5 p.m. - P. W. Fordham, King's Way, Mildenhall.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Loughborough District. The next monthly meeting wiil be held at Barrow-on-Soar on Saturday, April 2oth. The bells will be ready at 3.30 p.m. Reports now to hand.-D. S. Collins, Hon. Dis. Sec.
BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District.-A meeting will be held at Southill on Saturday, April 2oth. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 . Owing to illness, we are unable to arrange a combined meeting at Biggleswade, as suggested for the Herts, Ely and Bedfordshire Associations.-C. J. Ball, 2, Tempsford Road, Sandy.
WARWICKSHLRE GUILD.-The annual meeting of the Guild will be held at Rugby on Saturday, April zoth. The Parish Church belis (8) will be open for ringing from 2.30. Tea will be provided at 5 , at a moderate charge, at the Corner House Café, rext to the church. Business meeting will follow. Committee meeting at 4.15 --J. A. Fenton, Gen. Hon. Sec., 6, Frederick Street, Rugby.

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.-A ringing meeting will be held on Saturday, April zoth, at Coleman's Hatch.-Geo. Lambert, Drummond Hay, East Grinstead.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Chesterfield District. - The next meeting will be held at Creswell on Saturday, April 20tb. All those requiring tea notify Mr. L. W. Bacon, Thanet House, Elmton Road-I. P. Tarlion, Hon. Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.--Sonning Deanery Branch. - Combined practice at Easthampstead (near Bracknell), Saturday, April 2oth, 6 till 9 p.m. All wel-come.-W. J. Paice, Branch Sec.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Winchester District.-A quarterly meeting and combined practice will be held at Twyford on Saturday, April 20th. Bells (8) available at 2.30 p.m. Service 4. 15 p.m. Tea at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Meeting to follow.-C. A. Smith, Hon. Sec., King's Somborne.

NEWNHAM PADDOX, WARWICKSHIRE.-Daffodil Sunday, April 2 ist. Monk's Kirby bells (8) open to visitors, 5 to 6.30 p.m.-M. R. Peacock, Vicar.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-.Canterbury Dis-trict.-A bye-meeting will be held at St. Mary, Walmer, on Saturday, April $27^{\text {th }}$. Bells available from 3 p.m. Arrangements for tea will be made for those members attending and who notify me on or before Wednesday, April 24 th. -Percy W. Smith, Hon. Dis. Sec., Fair View, Littlebourne, Canterbury.

SUFFOLK GUILD.-General meeting at Eye on April 27 th. Bells (8) available from 2 p.m. Tea, Is. each, at the Horse Shoes at $4 \cdot 30$. Meeting follows. - Rev. H. Drake, Ufford Rectory, Woodbridge.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-The annual meeting will be held at Lincoln on Saturday, April 27th. Evensong in the North-West Chapel of the Cathedral at 3.30 p.m., with an address by the Very Rev. the Dean of Lincoln (President of the Guild). Tea at the Co-operative Hall, Silver Sireet, at 4.I5, at is. gd. per head; business meeting immediately afterwards. Ringing at the Cathedal (12) from $1.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. until service time, and at St. Peter-at-Gowts (6) and St. Botolph's (6) from 2 to 3 . The towers will also be open for ringing after the business meeting until 9 o'clock. All members requiring tea should send their names to Mr. G. Chester, I6, Carline Road, Lizcoln, not later than by Wednesday's post, April ${ }^{2} 4^{\text {th. -F. W. Stokes, Hon. Sec., Blankney, Lincoln. }}$
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Central Divi-sion.-The annual meeting will be held at Burgess Hill on Saturday, April 27th. Tower open 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5, in Parish Hall, Cyprus Road, about is. Important.- Those who intend to be present please notify the undersigned not later than Wednesday previous to meeting. Half rail fare (maximum is. 6d.). - A. D. Stone, Hon. Divisional Sec., 16 , Belgrave Street, Brighton.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Kettering Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Weekley (6) on Saturday, April 27th. Usual arrangements. Will those requiring tea kindly notify me by Tuesday, April ${ }^{2} 3$ rd?-H. Baxter, Silver Street, Broughton, Kettering.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Wellingborough Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be field at Wilby on Saturday, April 27 th. The arrangements will be as usual. The address at the service will be given by the Rev. A. W. Laws, Vicar of Irchester. Tea will be provided (free) to all who notify me not later than Tuesday, April 23 rd.-F. Barber, Branch Sec., School House, Gordon Road, Wellingborough.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. - Dorchester Branch.-The quarterly meeting will be held at West Luiworth on Saturday, April 27th. Bolls (also Wool) available at $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service at 4.30 , followed by tea and meeting--C. H. Jennings, Hon. Sec., Sunnyside Road, Wyke Regis, Weymouth.

SUFFOLK GUILD.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Eye on Saturday, April 27 th. Beils available 2 p.m. Tea at the Horse Shoes, $4 \cdot 3 \mathrm{O}_{1}$ at 1 s . each. Those requiring tea please notify by Thursday, April 25 th. - A. J. Berry, Hon. Dis. Sec., Thornham Magna, near Eye.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Western District.-A meeting of the above will be held at Chester le Street on Saturday, April 27 th, when we hope the members will turr up well. Bells will be available after 2 p.m. Tea at 5 --H. Tyson, Sec.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - North-Eastern Division.The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. Osyth on Saturday, April 27 th. Service at 4.30 . Tea at 5 o'clock, is. each. Nearest station, Great Bentley ( 4 miles). All wishing to attend please notify by Tuesday, April 23rd.R. W. Stannar, 12, Ireton Road, Colchester.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch, 1879 -1929.-The branch annual meeting and jubilee celebration has been arranged at Boyne Hill on Saturday, April 27th. Bells available: Bray (6), 3 to 4 p.m.; Boyne Hill (8), 3 to 4.30 p.m. Guild service at $4-30$ p.m., with an address by Rt. Rev. E. Domett Shaw, D.D., Archdeacon of Oxford. High tea in the Parish Hall, Rutland Road, Maidenhead, at $5 \cdot 30$ p.m., at 2 s .6 d . per head. Admission by ticket. Rebate of is. allowed to branch members who have paid their subscriptions. Business meeting 6.30 p.m., to be foliowed by a concert. Names for tea, and remittance, must reach me not later than Monday, April 22nd.-A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Lewisham District. -The next quarterly meeting will be held at St . John's, Erith, on Saturday, April 27th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. Tea and business meeting to follow. It is essential that ali who require tea should notify me by first post Tuesday, April 23rd.-A. G. Hill, Hon. Dis. Sec., 53, Hengist Road, Erith, Kent.

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. - The next meeting will be held at Campsall on Saturday, April 27 th. Bells ( 8 ) ready at 3 p.m. Tea will be provided for ali those who notify H. Bradley, High Street, Norton, Doncaster, not later than first post Friday, April 26 th. A good attendance is requested.-Percy Gledstone, Hon. Sec., 34, Silverwood View, Conisbrough.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION. Bristol Branch. - The next monthly meeting will be held at Abbott's Leigh on April 27th. The bells will be available from 3 p.m. There will be no service. Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Will all members make an effort to be present, advising G. Way, ia, Seymour Road, Bishopston, Bristol?

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Leicester District.-The next meeting will be held at Husband's Bosworth on Saturday, April 27th. Bells (5) available from. 3.30 p.m. Tea, at 5.15 p.m., for those who advise me not later than Thursday, 25 th. This is the first meeting to be held at this tower; it is hoped that members will do their best to supportl it. All ringers and friends welcome. - Alban Disney, Dis. Hon. Sec., 19, Houlditch Road, Knighton Fields, Leicester.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIAT队ON.-Archdeaconry of Wisluech Branch. - A district meeting will be held at Chatteris, Cambridge, on Saturday, April 27th. Beils (6) ready from 2 o'clock. Service $4 \cdot 30$. Tea and business meeting. Will those who want tea please let me know by April 24th? All ringers are welcome. A united gathering is hoped for.-H. W. Giddings, Ior, Elwyn Road, March, Cambridge.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN fillILD.-Portsmouth District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Havant on Saturday, April 27 th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 , with address by the Archdeacon of Portsmouth. Tea and business meeting to follow. Will those requiring tea kindly inform me by Wednesday, 24 th? All ringers welcome. - F. W. Rogers, Hon. Sec., 52, Samuel Road, Portsmouth.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY. - The annual meeting will be held at the Parish Church, Ashton-underLyne, on Saturday, April 27th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Mecting at 7 p.m. All ringers welcome.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Presteigne Dis-trict.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Dilwyn on Saturday, April 27th. Bells (6) available 4 p.m. Service $\leq 30$. Tea at 6 , free, to all who notify me not later than Wednesday, April 24th. Business meeting to follow.-Jb. Preece, Dis. Sec., Lea Lodge, Staunton-onArrow, Pembridge.

ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD.-The next meeting of the above Guild will be held at Pluckiey and Egerton on April 27th. Towers open: Pluckley, 2.30 to 5 p.m, ; Egerton, 5.30 to 8.30 p.m. Tea at Mrs. Missings, Rochdale, Egerton, 5 p.m. Yellow car leaves Ashford for Pluckley 2.35. Pluckley to Egerton 4.50 . All ringers welcome.-A. J. Battin, Hon. Sec., Heronden Hall Garden, Tenterden.

SHROISSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Coalbrookdale on Saturday, April $27^{\text {th }}$. Beils (io) available 2.30. Meeting in Parish Hall 5 o'clock. Tea (is. each) at 6 o'clock. All ringers welcome. Kindly send number requiring tea before the anad to Rev. F. Tennison, St. Alkmund's Vicarage, Shrewsbury.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Derby District.-The next meeting will be held at Belper on Sattrday, April' 27 th. Bells (8) available from $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Business meeting in belfry 4.30 p.m. Annual reports (6d.) can be obtained at this meeting. All ringers welcomc. - George Freebrey, Local Sec., 81, Roe Street, Derby.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The general meeting will be held at Leeds Parish Church on Saturday, April 27th. Bells available from $5-30$ p.m. Business meeting in the tower $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All towers are requested to be represented. - H. lofthouse, Hon. Sec., 8, Wortley Road, Armley.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Newbury Branch.The bells of S. Nicholas' Church, Newbury (8) will be rededicated by the Right Rev. Bishop Shaw on Sunday, April 28 th, at 3 p.m. Tea at 4.30 . All ringers welcome. Tea will be provided for those who let me know by Wednesday, April 24th.-H. W. Curtis, Hon. Sec., Chturel Road, Shaw, Newbury, Berks.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-North and East District.Meeting at St. James', Clerkenvell, on Saturday, May

4th. The bells, recently recast and rehung by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, will be open for ringing from 3 p.m. Short service at 4.30 . Tea, by invitation of Vicar and churchwardens ${ }_{\mathrm{N}}$ at 5 , to those who accept by April 30 th. Please aduise ine. Social evening at 8 p.m. A hearty welcome is extended to all ringers.-C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 21 , Vincent Road, E.4.

## HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Hereford Dis-

 trict.-A quarterly meetingl of the district will be held at Woolhope on Saturday, May $4^{\text {th. }}$. Bells (6) available 3.30 to 8.30. Service 5 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m. Please notify me not later than April 3oth.-A. Gwyme, Dis. Sec., Deanery Cottage, Castle Street, Hereford.LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch. The next meeting will be held at Brindle Parish Church on Saturday, May 4 th. Bells available from 2.30.-Fred Rigby, Han, Sec., 8, Carrington Road, Chorley.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. - Our next-meeting will be held on Saturday, May 4 th, at St. Peter's Church, Burnley. Bells avaitable from 3 p.m. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. A good attendance requested.-F. Hindle, Hon. Branch Sec., 58 , Anvil Street, Blackburn.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. - Next meeting will be held at Worksop on Saturday, May $4^{t h}$. It is hoped a good number will attend. There being plenty of cafés and restaurants open, visitors will make own arrangements for tea. Fixture cards will be available for forthcoming two years.-R. Harrison, Sec.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - Northern Division. - A meeting will be held at Great Easton on Saturday, May $4^{\text {th. Bells ( } 6 \text { ) at } 3 \text { p.m. Service at } 4.30 \text { p.m. Those re- }}$ quiring tea please notify me by Tuesday, April 3oth.-W. Arnold, Dis. Sec., Holt Street, Earl's Colne.

HERTS ASSOCIATION. - Bushey, Saturday, May ijth.--C. H. Horton, 53, Aldenham Road, Bushey. Tel. City 4270.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-In conjunction with the Liverpool Diocesan Guild the half-yearly meeting will be held at St. Helens on Saturday, May irth. The Bishop of Liverpool has provisionally promised to attend. -W. H. Shuker, A. Tomlinson and C. I. Davies, Hon. Secs.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-The festival will be held at Bridport on Saturday, May irth. Service at i2.30. Preacher: Right Rev. Bishop Joscelyn. Luncheon at Greyhound Hotel $\mathrm{y}^{\mathrm{I}} 5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Charge is. Annual business meeting to follow. Towers open: Beaminster, Bradpole, Bridport, Whitchurch Canonicorum (8), Burton Bradstock, Litton Cheney, Loders, Netherbury, Symondsbury (6). All ringers welcome. Those requiring lunch please send in their names to $T$. Hervey Beams, Bradpole, Bridport, Dorset, byt May 6th. -F. Llewellyn Edwards, Sec.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-The annual meeting will be held at Chippenham, Wilts, on Whit Monday, May 2oth. Business meeting $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Luncheon and tea being arranged. Notice of motion to delete part of Rule I is given. Any further alteration or deletion of rules must be given on or before April 22nd. Full details Iater.-Edgar Guise, Hon. Sec., 39, Tankard's Close, St. Michaet's, Bristol.

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## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES

ROTHWELL, YORKS.-At Holy Trinity Charch, for sung Mass, on Sunday, April 14th, 720 Kingston Treble Bols Minor, in 26 mins.: H. Ward I, A. G. Wood 2, P. Massam 3, A. Wormald 4, G. W. Steel 5, T. W. Strangeway (conductor) 6. First 720 in the method by all the band. Also for evensong, 720 Spliced Kingston and Oxford Treble Bob Minor in 25 mins.: $H$. Ward 1, A. G. Wood 2, P. Massem 3, A. Wormald 4, H. L. Jones 5 , T. W. Strangeway (conductory 6. First 720 in the method by all the band.

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KILBURN, LONDON.-At St. Augustine's, on Low Sunday, April 7 th, for evensong, 720 Bob Minor in 25 mins.: L. Ficks 1, G. Moon 2, C. Conway 3, R. Gilbert, 4, A. Gardner 5, E. M. Atkius (couductor) 6. First 720 on the bells without cover bells, and first by all except conductor. Rung to mark tho elose of the Easter octape, and on the ere the festival of the Annunciation of Our Lady.

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## THE METHODS COMMITTEE'S CHALLENGE

The report of the Methods Committee, which is to be presented to the Central Council at Chelnsford, is printed on another page and from this it will be seen that the committee hope to induce the Council to give countenance to peals of Minor and Doubles which, judging from the trend of opinion expressed both in these columns and elsewhere, are contrary to the desires of the mass of the Exercise. The report is a bit of special pleading for the admission, in an official publication, of compositions which ringers of wide experience have bluntly denounced as 'false,' and which, if admitted, will open the door to questionable practices in peal ringing and will moreover set one standard for peals on five and six bells and another for peals on higher numbers. It is difficult to reconcile some of the committee's arguments with some of their previous individual statements. One fact, however, emerges. The committee want the Council to admit as a peal of Minor any composition in which each of the 720 rows appears only seven times, no matter how often any row or any block of rows appears within the limits of any one 720 . One is almost tempted to ask, 'What is behind this endeavour?' The report remarks that the contention that Mr. Bankes James' composition of Cambridge cannot be accepted on the ground that the 7 20's are true if rounds be counted as the first row, because 'it is contrary to the tradition and usage of the Exercise.' If that be so, how much more contrary to the tradition and usage of the Exercise is it to permit six-scores or 720's in which there are repetitions?

Before the Council adopts this report the Council must decide the principle of what is in future to be recognised as a true peal. The report would make it impossible for the Exercise to accept Mr. Bankes James' Cambridge as a peal if it is not prepared also to swallow Mr. Law James' London or Mr. Morris' Grandsire Doubles, and we imagine that there are a large number of ringers who. in those circumstances, will echo Mr. W. H. Barber's candidly expressed views and say, 'Scrap the lot.' There should be no juggling with truth, whether the peat be on six bells or any other number, and the plain question which the Council has got to decide, in answer to the challenge of the Metbods Committee, is whether it will adhere to ' the tradition and usage of the Exercise' and insist upon the 'extent' of a method as the unit of truth, or whether it will be content to recognise anything, no matter what happens internally so long as in a peal of Minor each row appears only seven times (or in Doubles 42 times) and the ringing ends with rounds.


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## TEN BELL PEAiS

BRISTOL.
GLOUCESTER AND BRIETOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. Un Thursday, April 18, 1929. in Thye Hours and Nine Minutes, At tee Churce of St. Stephen-the-Maktye,
A PEAL OF STEDHAN CATERS, SOOG CHANEES;
Tenor 21 cwt. ive.


Frederick G LRAKer ... $z$
|AMES Benget |ames Benneit ... ... ... 3 Alfred Firgves ... ... 8 Albhri E. Stowell ... ... 4 John A. Sorforiu ... ... 9 Riceard Clark .. ... ... 5 Lrian W. Bhaven ... .... $\quad$ Cucy
Composed by Janes E. Groves. Conducted by William A. Cave Mr. Bennett was elected a life member before starting.

## MANCHESTER

THE LANCASEIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturiay, Appul 20, 1929, in Thre Hours and Forty Minutes, At the Cathedrae,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5080 CHANGES; Tenor 27 考 cwt.
Albert Gorringr ... ...Treble Aathor Ridyard... ... ... 6
Frank Stoneley .. ... ... 2 Josbpa H. Ridyard ... ... 7
Miss C. Thorf ... ... ... 3 Wileiam H, Sifoker ... ... 8
William Brammer ... ... 4 Brnjamin Thorp......
Samoel Holt ... ... .... 5 Walter W. Wolstencroft Temó Compased and Conducted by Brajamin Thorp.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

MILES PLATTING, MANGHESTER.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Ttesday, April 9, 1929, in Three Howrs and Fouy Minutes, At tee Ceforce of Si. John-the-Evangelist,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE8;
Bankes' Six-Part.
Tenor 12 cwt 22 lb
Josefr Hall ... ... ...Trehle Albert Lees ... ... ... 5 Thomas Jones ... ... ... 2 Frane Stoneley... Joserb Seatrr- ... ... ... 3 Wilfred ]. Moss ... ... 7 Sambel Holt .... ... 4 Riceard Longden -... ... Teno

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the lat Rev. Arthur, Anderton, B.A., Rector of this church for thirty-eigh years, also to Robert Henry Hall, who died April 8th it his eighty ninth year, father of the treble ringer, and to Edwarif Oldfald, many jears a ringer at Eccles Parifh Churchs who was interred tha following day

SANDHURST, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
GLOECESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. (Cheltenaam Brance.)
On Sunday, April 74, 1929, in Two Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,
Az ter Chorga of St. Lawrenca,
A PEAL DF BOB MAJOR, $\overline{6} 40$ CHANGES;
Temor 14 cwt .
Algc Ruck ... ... ... ...Treble | Charles Martin ... ... 5 William Townsend ... ... 2 Joséph J. Cadson ... ... 6 Walter Rose ... ... ... 3 George H. Walthrs ... 7 Harold Halford ... ... 4 John F. Ballingrr ... ... Temor Composed by Arteur T. King. Conducted by George H. Walthr

* First peal in the methon. Rung on the anniversary of the con duetor's hirthday. The band were afterwards kindly entertained t toa by Mr. Pugh (a very old ringer of Sandhurst), who congrata lated them on their peal, and to whom the band tendored their lhenks for his hespilality and also for getting them the use of thu belle.


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[^32]WILLESDEN，MIDDLESEX．
THE MIDDLEGEX GODNTY ABSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUHD．
On Tuesday，April 16，1929，in Two Hours and Forly－Eight Minutes， At the Church og St．Mary，
A PEAL DF OXPORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR，B日E CHANEES Teror 10 crt ．
－Wilfred G．Wilson ．．．Treble J．Armiger Trollofy ．．． 5
Charles T．Coles ．．．.. .42
Grorgz R．Pye．．．．．．．．． 3 ｜Thomas Lock ．．．
†芭dward Lafrester．．．．．． 4 George M．Kilby ．．．．．．Tmoн
Composed by T．B．Worsley．Condueted by Charles T．Coles
＊First peai of Treble Bob，+ Firss peal of Oxford Treble Bob．
The looth peal on these bells by the association． SUNDERLAND，DURHAM．
FEE DDRHAM \＆NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Thursday，April 18，1929，in Two Hours and Fifly－Thred Minutes， At the Church of St．Ignatios－the－Mariyr，
A PEAL OF 8TEDMAN TRIPLES， 5040 CHANGE
Heywood＇s Variation．
Tenor 33 cwt ．
Thomas Strphrnson．．．．．．Tytble Robert Walher．．．．．．．．． 5
Micharl F．Harrison ．．． 2 Joshph W．Parker ．．．．．． 6
George S，Taylor … ．．． 3 Harold B．Ditchearn ．．． 7
Frane Ainsley ．．．．．．．．． 4 William Armoder ．．．．．．Tenor Conducted by Joseph W．Parker．
Rung hy the service ringers on the eve，and in honour of，the witver wedding of the Viear，Rev．G．H．J．Baily，ant Mrs．Baily． CRAYFORD，KENT．
THE KENT COUNTY ABSOCIATION．
On Sahrday，April 20，1929，in Two Hours and Fijty Minutcs， At the Ceurch of St．Paguinus．
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MASOR，5025 CHANGES； Tenor $12 \frac{3}{4}$ cwt．
Fdwin Barnett，sen．．．．Ttebla｜Charles T．Coles ．．．．．． 5 Edwin Barnett，jon．．．． 2 William R．Madgwick ．．． 6 Grorge R．Pye ．．．．．．．．．． 3 Thomas Groomsridge，sen． 4 William Pye ．．．．．．．．．t Temor

> Composed by Gabriez Lindoff. Condaeted by William Pye.

COLCHESTER，ESEEX．
THE ESSEX ASBOCIATION．
On Suturiay，Apvil 20，1929，in Threo Hours and Thivteth Mintites， At the Church of St．Peter，
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIYE SURPRISE MAJOR，5056 EHANEES， Tenor 2 I cwt．in E ．
Walter Araold．．．．．．．．．Treble Frederick Ridgwale ．．． 5
Georgr Wightman ．．．．．． 2 Frank Ceaydon ．．．...
William Kehble ．．．．．． 3 Lewis W．Wifgen ．．．．．． 7
Wicliam J．Nevard ．．．．．． 4 Abthor Sadnders ．．．．．．Tenos
Composed by Cornblius Charge．Conducted by William Keeble LODDON，NORFOLK． THE NORFOLE GULLD．
On Saturday，April 20，1929，in Three Hours and Four Minctes， At the Chorch of the Holy Trinity，
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR，5O2 CHANGE8； Tenor II cwt


Composed by N．J．Pirstow．Conducted by E．R．Goare． REDENHALL，NORFOLK． THE NORFOLK GUILD．
On Sndurday，April 20，1929，in Thee Hoursand Tuenty－Five vinutes， At the Churce of St．Mary，
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MANOR；BOBB CHANGES； Tenor 24 cwt．
Fhederick Bjraett
George Howt
Grorge Curson．．．


Composed by J．Tiorr．
＊First peal in，lhe reriation．

## CHESTER

THE CHERTER DIOGESAN GUILD．
On Salwrday，Apyil 20，1929，in Ihree Howrs and Five Minutes， At the Chorch of St．Mary－within－thb－Wales，
A PEAL DF BOB MAJOR，H08：CHANGES； Teror 14 cwt ．
Georgh F．Sperring．．．
Robert Sperring
Samdel Jones
Edwhrd Harrisom
．Tredi｜Arthor Paitghard．
Ebwhrd Harrigon ．．．．．． 4
3 －Percy Splindley
4 Edward V．Rodrnborst Tomof
＊Firsi peal of Major．First peal of Major as conductor． SOUTH ANSTON，YORKSHIRE． THE YOREBHIRE ABSOCIATION．
（SaEpField District Socigty．）
On Saturảa，April 20，1929，in Thru Hours and Nine Minurcs， At the Cherge or St．James．

## A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR，B312 CHANEES；

Tenor 1 搞 cwt
Madrice E．Wilson．．．．．Tyeble Frederick A．Adams．
Jobn Holann ．．．．．．．．．．． 2 William T．Pacmer ．．．
 Arthor Knighis．．．．．．${ }^{4}$ Composed and Conducted by Aathor Knigris．
Comile．

LEYTON，ESSEX．
THE TSSEX ASSOCIATION．
On Salurday，April 20，1929，in Two Hours and Ford－Four Minntes，
At ine Parish Chorch of St，Mary，
－PEAL OF DOUDLE MORWIOH COUBT COD MAJOR，GOg RHAMEEE，
Alfrei Prior
Tenor if cwt．
Ernest W．Fitabik
－Harold A．Edwards
＋Caarles A．Hughes

Composed and Conducted by James E．Davis．
＊First peal of Major．＋First peal in the method．First peal in
the method on the bells．
MARDEN，KEN＇1．
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCLATION．
On Saturday，April 20，1929，in Two Hours and Fifiy－Seven Mimutcs，
At the Chorch of St．Micharl and Ale Angel．s．
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES， 50 G GHANEES；
Pitstow＇s Variation．
•Arthor H．Smith
Mrs．
H．Baker
Mrs．H．Baker．．．．．．．．． 2 Filliam Wenbak

Conducted by Thomas E．Sone．
＊First prat in the method．＋First peal．Finst pesl as conducter in the melhod．

LINTON，KENT．
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION．
On Saturday，April 20．1929．in Three Hours and Two Minutes，
At rhe Chorch of St．Nicholas，
 Tenor 15 cwt ．
Charlrs It．Sonr ．．．．．．Treble｜Thomas E．Sone．．．．．．

Harry Baker ．．．．．．．．． 4 Willian Wenban ．．．．．．Tetor Composed and Conducted by Frank Benneti

## EASTWOOL，NOTVES．

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASGOCIATION． On Saturiay，April 20．1929，it Three Hours，
At the Parish Chorch ap St．Mary．
h PHAL OF GRANDEIRE TRIPLES， 8040 CHANGES；
Parker＇s Twblym－pary．Tenor igíncwt．
John P．Pollard ．．．．．．Treble Frant Bradley．．．
－Waltra Pollard ．．．．．． 2 John E．Hobas
Lawrence Chadburn ．．．3 Samoer Pintier
－Joseph Jofnson．．．．．．．．．． 4 Norman Hemmingron ．．．．Temor Conducted by John E．Habes．
＊First perl antilirst atfempt．

GRESFOHD, DENBIGHSEIRE
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUID.
On Saturday, April 20, 1929, in Three Howrs and Twenty Two Minutes,
Az the Charch of All Saints,
A PEAL DF spliced kent and oxford treble bob major, 5184 CHANCES;

## Tenor 25 cwt . in D

Thomas Rogers ... ... ...Tyeble
Eric H. Llovd ... ... ... 2
G.

Composed by J. Morgan. Conducted by J. C. E. Simpson.
F'inst peal of Spliced Major by all the band, and irst peal of Treble Boll Major by ringers of lst and 2nd. The thenks of the ringers are due to Mr. G. R. Jones for gettiug the bells, and to Mr. and Mrs. Willians who so kindly ontertained them to a much-appreciated tea afier tho peal.

## ASHBY FOLVILLE, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCLATION. <br> On Saturday, April 20, 1929, in Two Howrs and Fifty Minutes. <br> At the Cherch of St, Mary,

A Peal of double horwigh court bob major, 5056 chamaes,

- Ernest H Bagworth ...Tveble *Alfred Ballard
E. Harry Stoneley

James S. Hotchby ...
Dharles H. Webe ... Redvers F. Eexingion ... $\quad 6$

| $\cdots$ | 2 | Redvers F. Elisington | ... | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\cdots$ | 3 | †Norman S. Bagworta | $\cdots$ | 7 |

Composed by F. H. Dexter. Conducted by Redvers F. Elkingion
"First peal in the method. + First in the method 'inside.' First peal in lhe method as conductor. Rung as a welcome to the Rev. C. A. Turner, who was instituted to the living of Ashby Folville on Thursday, April 18th.

## PORTSMOUTH, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GULD. On Suturday, April 20, 1929, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

At the Cherch of St. Mary, Portsea,
A PEAL OF GAMERIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, GOEG GHANGES, Johnson's Variation of Middleton's.

Tenor $16 \frac{1}{3} \mathrm{cwt}$.
josiag D. Harris ... ...Treble Tower R. Taylor ... ... 5 Alfred T. Greenwood ... 2 Frederick S. Baycay ... 6 Frederici A. Burnett... Jambs Bennati ... ... ... 4 Edwin J. Harding. sen. ...Temoy Conducted by Frederick W. Rogers.
The conductor's 150th peal. Arranged for Mr. J. Beanett, of Landion.

BRIERLEY HILL, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE WORGESTERSFIRE AND DIGTRICTS AGSOCLATION. (Nortabrn Branch.)
On Sadurday, A pril 20, 1929, in Two Houys and Fifty-Five Minules,
At the Chorch of St. Micrarl,
A PEAL OF LONDON BURPRISE MAJOR, GO2A CHANGES; Tenor $44 \frac{1}{3}$ cwt.

| William Short '... |  | ...Treblr | FFrad Price . |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Hector G. Bird |  |  |  |  |
| Thomas Hemming |  |  | Alf |  |  |  |  |
| Clifford Skidmora |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## Composed by F. Bennett. Robrri Matihews ... ...Tenoy Conducted by R. Mattarwe.

## ERITH, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASBOCIATION.
On Surday, April 27, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,
At tar Caurch of St, Joen-the-Baptist,

## A PEAL OF pUDEEY BURPRIOE Major, g0.66 Chamges;

Tenor is cwt. in G

Heheirt A. Holdan... Cbarles W. Roberts ... Treble Jobn H. Chersman ... ... 3 Ronald h. Boleen ... ... 4 Composed by Gro. H. Cross.
First peal in the method in the county tin belle. First 'touch' in the method by ringers of treble, 3ra, 5th, Sth and 7th. Mr. L. H. Baybut was elected a life member of tho asmaciation previous to starting.

## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

EARL STONEAM, SUFFOLK. THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Sathrday, April13, 1929, in Two Hours and Forfy-Eighl Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES; Being forly-two six-scores, ten differeprt callings.

Tenor 11 cwt
Cearles Taylor... ... ...Treble Arther Clemenis
William Foeter......
Garaham A. Blaxcell ...Tenor
Conducted by G. A. Blazcelc.

* First peal on an inside bell.

BLACKWELL, DERBYSHIRE,
EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTINGHAMSHIRE ASSOCLATION, On Sahurday, April 13, 1929, in Two Howrs and Jhirty-Seven Minutos. At the Chdrch of St. Werburga,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, ठGAO CHANGESI
Being 42 six-scores.
Wilfred Riley ...
... ...Tyeble Arthor Smithson
Hobert Balley ... ... ... 2 Bernard Bailey... ... ...
F. W. Knowles ... ... ...iena.

Conducted by F. W. Knowles.
First peal by the ringer of the second, who is now just. 14 years old. GREAT EASTON, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Twesday, April 76. 1929, in Two Hours and Fifly-Two Minutes, At the Chorch of St. John,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Boh and ane of Plain Bob.

Tenor $11 \frac{1}{2}$ ewt. in $G$

* William Richardson
...Treble -Alfred Pbriy

Conducted by Waltre Smith.
* First peal of Minor. + First peal in three methods. First peal on the befls. First peal by a Dunmow band. First peal of Minor as conductor.

HENSTRIDGE, SOMERSET.
On Thursday, April 18, 1929, in Three Hours,
At the Cherch of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLEE, bOA0 CHANGES;
Being 42 six-scores with ten different callings.
Temor 20 cm

- Jack A. Lintern ... ...Treble Fradrrick J. Parsons ... 4
- Erbderick J. Pound ... 2 William C. Saute ... ... 5 Cleristopher Hollway ... 3 Edgar H. Cook ... ... ...Teng?

Conducted by W. C. Shote.

* First peal. First peal on the belle.

DALBY MAGNA, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCLATION.
On Satwrday, Afril 20, 1929, in Tuo Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,
At the Cherch of St. Swithin,
A PEAL OF DOUBLEE, 5040 GHANGES;
Being four six-scorea Plain Bob and thirty-vight aix-scores of Grand sire.
Josyph Norton
Treble Geoffrey Geary
Ronald Resamil

Conducted by G. Geary.
GREAT EASTON, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Ap;il 20, 1929, in Two Hows and Fifity-Two Minuties.
At the Cedrch of St. John,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;
Baing 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woedbine, Kent Treble Bob, Double Court, and Plain Bots, and two 780's of Oxford Treble Bob catied differently.
William E. Ricrardson Tyebie Walter Smith
Bazil Redgwbll ... ... 2 Ernast Townsemd
Frank Harringion ..... .1 J Joshe Jennings... Conducter by Joseph |r`nanas.
The company thank the Ficar for the use of the bellis, and also Mr. Woodeocic for his kind hospitality after the peal,

SUTTON-IN-ASHFIELD, NOTTS.
EAST DRRETBHIRE AND NOTTINGFAMSHIRE ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday, April 20. 1929, in Tivo Hgurs and Forty-Nine Minutas,

## At the Cherch of St. Mary Magdalene,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANEES;
Heing one extent of Single Oxford, and two each of Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Troble Bob, ancl Plain Bob. Tener 15 cwt 1 gr .18 lb . in F. Arther Smitason ... ...Treble
 Conducted by Josapr Lozd,
Rung as a 21 si birthday compliment to Mr. E. A. Wilson.
PYTCHLEY, NORTHANTS.
THE PETERBOROUGE DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Appil 20, 1929, in Two Howrs and Foliy-Eight Minutes,
At the Church of Acl Smints,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5A40 CHANGES;

Buing six six-seores each of New Doubles, St. Simons, Garterbury Plain Bob and Old Doubles, and twelve of Grandsire. Tenor 8 cwl . Herahrt Monton

Treble $\mid$ Gegage Midoleton
Sidney Menton.
Ronald Coleman
Tenar
Conducted by Sinney Monton,
Rung by an eatirely local band as a farewell to the conductor, who Enifls on April 26th on the 'Andania for Gnoada. This was his first peal as a conductor. After the peal, the band were entertained to tea by Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Coleman, and the ringere wish to express rheir appreciation of this kigdness.

## HANDBELL PEAL

## MANCHESTER.

THE GHESTER DIOGESAN GULLD.
On Thursilay, Afril 18, 1929, in I wo Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes, At i6, Lime Grovi,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, E024 CHANGES; Tenor size 18 in $G$. sharp.


Composed by G. Lindopr.
Conducted by A. F. Balley.

* First peal in tha method. 4 50th penl.


## NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.

This associaition held the second meeting of the year at Tuxford, on Saturday week. It was well attenter by members from Anston, North Collingham, Gamston, Ordsall, Orston, Shireoaks, East Markham, Sutton-on-l'rent, Treeton, Edwinstowe, Tickhill, Lincoln, Branston and Worksop, witly one or two of the local company. The six bells are a beautiul ring (tenor $1 l_{3}^{3} \mathrm{cw}$.), noted for their purity and sweetness of tone. They rum on ball bearings, and are easy to manipulate. The 33 ringers who assembled found everything in readiness, thanks to the capable arrangements made by Mr. J. H. Smith, the local captain and committeeman. Commencing at 2.30 p.on., the bells were kept in constaut motion till 9 p.m. (except during interval for the tea and meetingl, to the methods of Plain Bob, Oxford, Kent, Oxford Bob, Double Oxford, Sandal, Cambridge and London Surprise, five lady ringers taking part in the performance. Teas was provided in two sitting (through no fatle of the catercrs).

The Rev. R. F. Wilkingon presided over the business meeting which followed, supported by the hon. secretary, Rev. C. J. Sturton (Vicar of Orston) Mr. H. Cafferatta, ete.

The Hon. Sectetary made aliusion to the passing of Mr. Benjamin Hall, of Slareoaks, who had been a member for nearly 40 years, and the company stood in silence to homour his memory and as a tribute
the bereaved family
The following were duly elected as ellicient performers: Harry EdTarda, of Sutton-on-Trent, Leslite Bailey, of East Markham, George


The pext meeting will be the anmal general meeting held at Eest Retford, at the latter ebd of May or carly in June, and will be adartised es usual in "The Ringing World.
A vote of thanke was accorded to the chairman for presiding over the meeting in the absence of the Rer. Walter Smith, Vicar of Turford, to whom the secretary was requested to senel a letter of sympathy in his illness, with best wishes for his convalescence and thanks for the use of the bells. Yotes of thanks were also passed to the daterers, and the chairman briefly replied. Another red-letter day in the amals of ringing at Tuxfork ented at $9 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., when the bells were lowered in peat.

## WALSALL'S NEW BELLS

## BIG (AATHERING AT RINGERS DAY

The spring mecting of the Sociehy fur the Archacaconry of Stafford was held at ihe line uld Ghunch of St. Matthew, Walsall, an Saturday, April 13th. The chief aftraction of the crowd \{a record attendance at a quarterly meeting of this socielyl was to hear the excellent ring of twelve bells recently inshalled by Messrs Taylor and Co., of the Loughborough Foundry, atud the occasion was made a 'Ringers' Day.'

Visitors arriped from Birminghan, Leicester, Woreester, and from most of the affiliated towers in the Archdeaconry, and many were the expressions of admiration of the tane of the hells, which ware kept going from three oclock natil 4.45, when at short service was held in the church, with an inspiring nddress by the Rev. Prel. B. F. Relton, M.A., R.D. (Vicar).

A prrty of 130 sat down to a capilal tea in the Brotherhood Itstitute, presided over by the Vicar, tho was supported by the Rev, G. H. Barker, LuTh. (clerical secretary and treasurel of the society), Messrs. M. F. Harrison anri T. A. Smith (wardens), F. H. Blanchard and F. F. Harrison (wardens for the foreign), D. Tavlor, D. Oldham and C. Harrison, of Loughborougln, T'. Groves, Liens. W. F. Hallsworth, and other motabilities too mumerous to mention.
A vote of thanks to the Vicar for the uge of the bells and his mice address, and to someone for the splendid tea, was moved by the Rev. G. H. Barker and carried with applause. The Vicar replied, and gave a welcome to the visitors, remarking that he, too, wos umaware of the clonors of the fea. He therefore ealled on Mr. T. J. Elton (captain of the local band) to enlighten them, but it was evidently to bo kept a gecret, as no solution was forthcoming. The toa was admirably arranged by Mr. S. Price (verger) and Mrs. Price, who wore assisted by the wives and iriends of the local fingers, to whom llanks are due.
Mr. D. Taylor, bellfounder, expressed his thanks far the apprech1ive remarks made about the naw peall, fad dealared it te be the Gnest possible for the weight.
St. Matthew's handbell ringers gave several selections under the conductorship of Mr. T. J. Elton.
The following has been copied from some old records: "Among list of ornaments, ete, ennfiscated by Edwarf VT. in 1553 from Wa] sall Parish Chureh, one Eacrynge lgell, an sancte hell and four other bells. These were not confiscated an the gromen of any change of ritual, but merely for pecunary reasums to benefit the Royal Exchequer.
As will be seen from the following inseriptions, the original peal of eight was cast hy Thomas Ruduall, of floucester, in 1775, ava they were augmented ten by Messrs. Taylor and Ca, in 1863.
Treble.-This Peal was recast, rehung, ayd aumantoted to twelve beils in 1928 hy John Taylor and Co., Mellfounlers, Loughborough. Hasil F. Reltan, Vicar: Thomas A. Smith, Mat thew F. Harrison, Frank F. Hatrison, and Frederick IManchard, Chumborvens; Ernest H. Ingram, Mayor; Edward .T. Shelley, Deputy Mayor; William Preston, Borougls Member : Jeffries and Shiplay, Arelitech.
2nd.-1928. In Memory of Henmy Christopher Winalr, $1860-1925$.
3rd.-Rev. John Hodges Sharwod, Vicar: Willian Eacles and 3rd.-Rev. John Hodges Sharwood, Vicar: Willitan Eagles and Gearge Gilhert, jun., Churulhardens. J. Laylor atri Co., Loughborough, 1863. Reeast 1928.
4th-This Peat of Bolls was atigmented to ten hy the addition of
two Trebles, by volantarr subscription raised theng the kind two Trebles, by volantary subscription raised throngh the kind exertions of Dayid Smith Moore, Surgean, of ilais Town. A.D. 1863. Juhn Tiylor and Co., Foimders, Loughhorough, 1863 , Recast 1923 . 5th. When you 1928 ring we'll sweetly sing. 'F. R. 1775 . Recast 1928.

6th.-Fear God and Honour the King. T. R. 1775. Recast 1928 in Memory of two who made the Great Sncrifice itu 1917.
7th.-Prosperity to this Parish. T. R. 1775. Tecest 1988 in Memury of Bcaumont Coftam, 1813-1910.
8th.-Prosperity to this Parish. T. R. 1775 . Theast 1928 in Memory Redotabt October 13 Hamison, who fell in action at the Holatazollery Redotrbt, October 13t11, 1915. Aged 29.
9th.-Thomes Ruihall Glocester, Founder, 1775. Recast 1928 in Mcmory of Lieutenant Alfred Archihala Smith, who tell is action at Arras, April Znd, 1916. Aged 26.

10th.-Thomas Mears and Son of London, Fienit, 1809. Recast 1928 in Memory of William Allen, Ficar of Walsal1, 1871-1883.

11th. Thomas Hector Edward Lycett, and Thomias Orrion Deykin Hemming, Clurchwardens, 1775. Reqast 1928.
Tenor. - I to the Champ the liwing mall and to fie erave do summon aill. Recast 1928.

## MUFFLFD BELLS

At Cirencester, Gloncester, on Thuradity, April 1解h, at Holy Trivity Cburch, Watermoor, a quarter-pent of Grandsire Triples (1,260) changes) : F. J. Lewis, jun., I, F. W. Bond 2, F. J. Lewis, gen. (conduetor 3, J. E. Waters 4, H. S. Pareons 5, H. Lewis G, H. G. Bond 7, W. H. Hayward 8. Rung with the hells balf-muffled as a tribute of respect to the late Mr. W. J. Jefferias, for over Twenty years chapelwarden at Holy Primity chiturch, and who was im office when the bults were put in.

## METHODS COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

The fallowing report of the Methods Committee is to be prasented to the Central Council at its meeting at Chalms-ford:-
Since the last meoting of the Council we have heen engaged on the new edition of the Collection of Dutbles and Minor Methods. The hook woult have been rady for publication before this, but for the fact lilat doubts have arisen in connection with certain compositions. Jxamples of thene compositions are given further on in this Report, atid wo propose to inelude them in the book, hut we think that first the Coumcil ghould have the opportunity of expressing its opinion about tlinem, if it thinks is necessary to do so.
Our rasous for including them are that we consider them to be fally in furmony with the traditions and usage of the Exercise, and we have ample avidence of their practical use to ringerg. In making thin atatement, it will be clarr from what follows that we do not wish it to be understood ilat these arrangenents or anything just biko Usern were rung in timos past, but that they are fully ia harmony with the fundamental principles of change ringing and are a logical dewelopmeut similar in character to the splieing of several Major muthods into ane peal.

We would state dearly that we consider that the first thing necesbury in a peal is that it: shoula be "true and complote." These words hava been tused in this conthechion by the Exercise from the earliest limes, and they liave in historical and definite meaning, and they axpross a fundamental principle of change ringing.

On saven bells 'hrte and complete' meang that the peal contains the lotal umber of changes without yepetition, starfing from and finishing with rounds. with all the work of the Method and all the bobs and Singles properly anato, ancl without any violation of the renggaised rules of ritiging. On eight bells and upwards the same holds good exeept that, ns ringing the total number of changes iseqomes is physical impossibility, the mumber 5,000 or upwards is substituled. On tive and six luelis the total number of changes is less that 5,0 on, atsi obriously a penl must contaits repetitions. Otherwise, the conditions stand.
When the demand of the five and six-bell riagers tinat their performances should be recognised as peals arose, the assumption was made illat their 5,040 's would consist of separate, independent extents, in other words, that each six-score or 720 would conform to the conditions laid down for a peal of Triples. (Throughout this Report we use the ward 'axtent ' to signify n round block cansisting ol the whotn number of clinges on the number of hells with which we are concermed. $)$ Ahont 18 ycars ago, however, peals of Grandaire Duubles were rullg of which the composition was on similar lines the the following, two or more Extents being spliced into one nnother, A band statts ringing an Extent of Grandsire Doubles with the 5th as half-hunt or observation holl down to the brekstroke row 12435 (say). At this point a switel is made into another Extent with the 4 th as half-htat bell, and this Extent is completed, bringing the hells bitck to 12435 , from which point the orifinal six-score is resumad hud catried to its completion.
In this arratgement we lave two true and complete Extents. Thoy are just as trituo and complete as two soparate Extents rung consoctutivoly, each from Rounds to Rounds, and it would be a misuse of words to call them falso. The main difference is that in the splicodin Extent the six-score rums not from Rounds to Rounds but from 12435 to 12435.

There is a popular fallagy among eight-hell ringers that this sort of thing is done sinply for the glorification of the conductor, hat this is hy no means the arse. The opportunities for variety among fivebell viagers are so few that inevitably they \&et to know them all by Inart. Consequenty tingers who conld ring the ben regular Extents practically indefinitelt withont a falso struck blow are liable to pile up immediately some small atteration in calling is anade.
Thon the thesire of atranced riagers to score peals of Cambridge Su'prian on all even mumhers from six to twelve bells hrought to the frott the vory limiled number of 720's in all Treble Boh Minor Methods that do not bring up 6-5's at backstroke. It was in order to Jemove this intolerable blof Lart Mr. Bankes James introduced his arrurfemont. We would say that the chief reason why we think that this composition should bo considered as a legitimate and natural devolopmont in peal ringing is that it has heen tested by practical ringing. The fact lhat it is being rung by many bands in all parts of tho country, and has bear aciepteti by six-hell ringera, is, in our apinion, weighty evidence that it contains mothing out of harmony witl the traditions and usage of the Exotcise.
In this and similar composilions, instead of the peal heing made up of separnte Extents it is made up of larger blocks, in which necogsarily there is repetition of rows, but the principles of Truth and Completeneas are vigidly adhered to. We would point out that in nuy peal of Doubles ov Minor evory rhange must he repmated more than once, but this does nut necessarily mean falsemess, if that word is properly used.
Ftue Bunkes Tamins" arrangement of Canbridge referred to above floes not consist of geven Extents. It is made up of three round Blocks. Ones of these blocks is nun ordinary Extent. The other fwo compriae each 2,180 ehanges. Each of these again is marie up of thee inwomplete blocks. In these blucks 719 true changes are pro-
duced, but a point in reached where neither by a Plain Load nor Bob Lead can repetition be avoided. The three are, however, joined into one block by a $Q$ set, either bobbed or plaiaed, and the whole becomes a composition where hoth truth and completeness are ad hered to, every iadividual row, of cousse, appearing three times, a it would do if three independent Extents were rung consecutively.
The clam has heen made that this arrangement does really con sist of seven true ank complete Extents on the grounds that if wo count Rounds at the siart there are 720 true rows, followed nnother 720 true rows, followed by yet another 720 true rows. cannot accept this as sound argument. It is contrary to the tra tion accept this as aound angut, it contrary to the tradi ring and use of the Exercise, and contrary to the nature of change count Rounds at the start as a change. Ana, apart fo comple frst 720 changes do mot contain the necessary p compieteness. The justification of the arrangement lies in taking first 2,160 changes as one roulsd block, and we do not consider any particular importance (though of considerable interest) that thi block appears so nearly to consist of three true and complele Extents.

Mr. Morris' arrangement of Grandsire Doubles is of a diferent character to those we have alrcady described. It consists of 240 changes. The handstroke blows produce 120 true rows, and the back stroke blows produce likewise 120 true rows. Of course, there repetition between Handstroke and Backstroke, but no mora and no less than there would be between the separate six-scores ring con-自ctituvaly
It lias been objected that if ance the Councll recogaises anything which doss not consist of separaka and complete Extents the don will be openod to all sorts of fantastie arrangements and the standard of peal ringing will be definitely lowered. We do not think there is ans ground for such fenr. The primciple of Truth and Completeness is so deeply implanted in the tradition of the Exercise that it will be ample safeguard against auy excess. After all it shotid be remembered that the Exercise preserved a high standard in these matters and kept within rigid bounds for more thata tw centuries before there wers any definite written rules.
In conclusion, we wond point out that the Exercise at large, wht especially the five and six hell ringers as a whole, must be the final judge in this matter, and we confidently ask the approval of th Council to our proposal to prinit these Compositions and so put the proof whether they are of permanent value or not.

## Signed J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE

E. S. POWELL

## CENTRAL COUNCIL'S PUBLICATIONS AND LIBRARY.

## To the Editor

Dear Sir,-In reference to a recent letter statimg that as a mate of fact the Gouncil's pulbications are issued at a profit, will you $h$ good enough to allow me to state in your eolumus that, to the bes of my knowledge and helief, the publications always stand on th Conneil's books at a loss (in fact, a very substantial one). Bui despite this, I beliave they lave always been available to the Exer cise at large.
I nm, of course, not allowing for the anpaid services of the many skilled writers who have, in ardition, contributed the subject mattel -Yours faithfully.
E. Atex. Young

## RAILWAY FARES.

By a clerical error it was stated in the announcement made las week that the reducen fares ta Clielmaford would be at the rate single fare and a half. The rate will be single fare and a third.

## PEALS OF MINOR AND DOUBLES ROUNDS' FLRST, OR LAST?

Deay Sir, I was pleased to seo the letter in your last issue froma Mr. Joyco, and ongratulate bolh him and his friends jan joinimg the majority who desire to see the definition of peals of Minor end with the words, Rounds shall be the last row or change. It is im material to me wheher the word from" is deloted or not from th definition I gave in your issur of April 5ith, so long as raunds i is the last row of the peal. Now. why clo I stress this point? for en explanation I would like to refol him, and your readers. your issue of Fehruary 22nd, where Mr. Law James is defining, wl a peal of Minor shall he. After explaining the various 720 's. makos uss of these words: We have only inadin 5,039 changes far. This last ehange brings us hack to the first 123456. which is not the last row of the peal, luat only the first row repeated.' So will see, sir, that Mr. James would huve six-belt ringers ring last clange first, and then go on to complete the peal. What Mr. James object in desiring this definition? Simply this, to accep rounds as the last row at once proves his brotler's peal of Cambridg to be false, as rounds appears fwice in the last 720 (as I explained in your issue of March Bth1, and which Mr. James has not though fit to challenge.

With regard to my three 720 's of London, I fail to follow Mr. Joyce in his argument, but would like to point out that the 720 's wre set out by the course ends just the same as Major peals are, and the bobs under I. 4th. O. W. H. indicate the position of the 6 th when the bob is made. Care must be taken, where two 4th's are made in one course, la call the second 4th's before the bob 'Out' is called, otherwise the second 4 th's will be missing. I would advise Mr. Joyce and ather six-bell conductars, when conducting 720's of Minor with more than nine bobs, to adopt this plan-sound advice with forty fears' experience behind it. By doing so, they will be able to memorise the calling much easier. Yours truly,

## Killamarsh.

C. SETERN.

## AN ARGUMENT OWERDONE

Dear Sir,-As Mr. Wood invites criticism of his suggestions, re the settlement of the question of peals of Minor, perhaps you will allow me to romark on his suggestion No. 4. Firstly, ia Cambridgo Minor any more oxceptional than many of the other Surprise Minor methods? I submit not. Secondly, it is possible to ring seven complete '720's of Cambriage with varied callings, and each coming round in the ordinary way, without 6-5's at backstroke. I allow that some of the 720's would be variations of the athers, and in this respect not equal to the Rev. E. B. James' peal.
While on this subject, is not the question of 6-5's at backstroke being slighty overdome? If not, the first eleven Surprise methods might as well be consigned to the waste-paper baskot. - Fours faithfuilly,
C. W. BOOK.

## Newton, Cambridge,

## SKX-BELL BAND'S ENDORSEMENT.

Dear Sir, With regard to the Minor and Doubles controversy, we of the Lamherhurst band would like to endorse Mr. Joyce's lecter in this week's issue of "The Ringing World."- Yours truly,
A. H. SMIIH.

## EAST HERTS MEETING AT BRAUGHING.

This old-world village was visited on Saturday week by the Eastern Branch of the Ferts County Association. A very onjoynble time was apent by those who brawed the uninviling weather, and the fine toned bells were kept busy.
The Ficar welcomed those who gathered, and gave a helpful nddress in cinwreh, and afterwards sisited the tower

Braughing was in past years a favourite place for Squire Proctor to wisit, and was also renowned for its famous band of Bob Major ringers, as the peal tablets testify. The bells are a very musical ectave with a tenor of 19 cwt .

## LIFTON CHURCH BELLS.

APPEAL FOR RESTORATION FUND.
The bells, framework, ote., in the tower of St. Mary's Church, Lifton, Devon, heve been oxamined by experts during the past twelve montbs, and scveral defocts hava been found. The bells, a ring of eight, with 23 cwt . tenor, were placed in the tower by Messrs. Taylor and Co. a hundred years ago, and hape been in congtant use ever since. They are now in a very unsatisfactory stata, and the proper ringing of them presents a very difficult and arduous tasic. Also, the belle are rather out of tune. The chief carses are two defective supporting beams, weakness of frame joints, and inadequate bracing in the construction of the frame; bell fitting showing bad aigna of wear in gudgeons, bearings and clappers. The bells require to be guarter turned, etc., in order to make the clappers strike true, and the whole system requires to be overhauled.

Estimates have been considered, and the Parochial Ghurch Gouncil have decided to place the work in the hande of Messrs. Taylor, Loughborougi, the origina! makers and bangers. "No defray the coal of this work approximately $£ 300$ is required, and the Council would like to faiae as mech as possible of this amount by voluntery dona. tions. An appeal ia therefore made to ringers as well as to pariahioners to subscribe to this fuad as liberally as they are able. and contributions will be heartily welcomed and gratefully received by the Rector (Rev. G. F. Newman) or E. Ball, hon. seeretary, P.C.C., and treasurer, Bell Fund.

## WEDDING BEELS.

A pretty wadding took place at St. James: Parish Church, Braton, Wilta, on Easler Monday, botween Herbert Jack, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Smith, of Bratiton, and Gwendoline Julia, gecond daugliter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Chapman, of Westbury. The Vicar, the Rev. S. Collett, conducted the service and the hymus, The Voice that breathed o'er Eden' and 'O Perfect Love;' were aung. Miss Hobbs presided at the organ and played the Wedding March. The reception was held in the dubilee Hall, aud nearly 70 guesta sat down to the wedding breakfast. The bride and bridegroom were recipients of a large number of usefu! presents.
The bridegroom is a regular ringer at Bratton, and before tinging commanced for matims on Easter Day the Viear, with a few chosen remarks, presented lim with a silver-plated butter dish and knife, which had been subscribed for by his fellow-ringers. The bride'a father is a respected member of the Westbury ringers, and her brother is alaca regular ringer at Bratton. After the ceremony on Easter Monday, touches of Grandsire Doubles were rung, the ringers baing afterwards entertained to refreshments by the bridogroonn's father and mother (Mr. and Mrs. O. N. Smith).

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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

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The famous peal of eight bells at the Abbey offer a great opening for the energies of a keen ringer on the church stafi.
Miss D. E. Lewis, of Chilvers Coton, was elected as general secte. tary of the Warwickshire Guild on Saturday. This is a distinction which few, if any ladies, have before athaned. Athough severa have been elected as district sceretaries, we cannot recall the appointment of any lady as general secretary of a guild or assaciation, ca cept, of course, the Ladies' Guild itself.
The peal of Kent Treble Bob Royal at Manchester Cathedral an Saturday was rung in place of the one in May, 1927, which after wards turned out to be false. It was by the same composer, wr, 13 Thorp, who was also the couductor, and he expresses his apnlogies to the band who rang in the earlier peal.
Mr. Joln Hoyle informs us that there is still ane survirou of the peal rung at Epsom on April 23rd, 1869, by four fathers and four bous. This is Mr . George Sayer, the junior of 60 years ago, whe was the conductor of the peal. The old gentleman is living at Ashtead, Surrey
The first peal of Bob Major was rung at St. Bride's, Fleet Streel on April $26 \mathrm{Lh}, 1725$, by a band of College Youtlis.
The famous peal of 15,840 Kent Treble Bal, Major at Bethinal Green was rung on April 27th, 1868, in 9 hrs. 12 mins. Ted Horrex was the last survivor of this band, which included several of the renowned London ringers of the last half of the nimeteentle eentury.
The first time a beut rang three Surprise peals in a day was on April 27th, 1901, when the St. Stephen's, Rochester Row, compary scored Superlative, Cambridge and London.
The 12,896 Cambridge Surptise Major was rung by the Midanal Counties Association at Stoney Stanton on April 28th, 1823.
Next Thursday is the anniversary of the first peal of which fhern is an authentic record-Grandsire Bob Triples at St. Peter Maneroft, Norwich, on May 2nd, 1715.
The ringer of the 4th in the paal of Double Oxford at Port Sumlight, on April 13th, and publislied last week, was Ralph G. Edwards, and not G. Ronald Edwards, who rang the 7th. To rimg both 4th aud 7th would lave been a somewhat difficult proposition.

## METHOD SPLICING.

## To the Editor

Sir, As Mr. Coles asks whethar there were any reasons advauced against method splicing at the amual meeting of the Suffolk Cinidd, I asn only say that we had a good representative meefing with our hest ringers present, and that a number spoke against it and no one int favour. There was one who voted ngainst the motion, but he dind not say anything in favour of splicing, but, as it was so widely pracfiscd, he thought we ought not to seem to disparage it. Everyone seem to have a tifferent reason for not supporting splicing, but ds no record was kept it would not be safe to say more than that it semed to be the genoral opinion that if we started to rimg a mathorl we should ring if and not change to someling else before concluding. My own reasou was that the theory we ring by is that we must keep to one method in what we rivg, varied by two kinds of calls, and only two. To have a third kind of call breaks this principle in one way; to splice in another method or methods breaks it in another way, and a broken principle is an unsound principle. you cannot rely onl it; it will not thear any woight of argument.
The line we took up was that we to not want to ring spicer melhods ourselves, but we do not watit to hinder others who wish to do so. Only if rules, or theories, or principles are to be hoketh or strained to allow of the splicing of methods, much more shonld the splicing of extents be allowed. The latter is interesting to the ordinary ringer, and is good practice, while the former only concerus advanced men. This point is especially telting in it diocese where there are so many fire-bell towers is there are in Suffoll.

HEfbert Draze

## SILVER WEDDING CELEBRATION.

On Saturday, Aptil 13th, ringets from Norton-le-Moors, Cheadin, and the local band med at Kingsley Parizh Church to ring in honour of the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. H. Carnwell. A 720 of Cambridge and touches of Londou, ©xford and Kent 'Trable Boh were rung, after which, at Sumy Side, Host and Hastess Carnwell provided a real wedding feast, which was thoroughly enjoyed.
Mr. Carnwell gave everyone a hearty welcome, whicle was acknowledged by Mr. J. E. Wheetdon. Tea over, a move was made for the tower, where a well-struck quarter-peal was rung for the occasion, consisting of 240 York, 240 London, 240 Cambridge, 240 Violet, 120 Woodbine, 216 Kent, by the following: J. Barker 1, J. Beresford 2. W. Carnwell 3, H. Carmwell (conductor) 4, J. E. Wheeldon 5, A. W. Hall 6.

## MORE CROYDON CARILLONS.

## WORLD'S LARGEST BELL ORDER TOR MESERS. GIILETT AND JOHNSTON. <br> THE WELLTNGTON CARILLON.

The first carition for New Zealand, which has been cast at the Groydor Bell Foundry and is to be erected at Wellington, is a memorial to the men and women of New Zealand who gave their lives in the Great War. The eavilkn has been given by individuals or groups of people, and will be one of the most important in the world. It consists of 49 bells, covering four and a quarter cliromatic octaves, the bass bell being five tons in weight. Each bell has an inscription bearing the name of some battleground or engagement of the war, whose names have now become household words, such as 'The Somme,' 'Jutland,' "Gallipoli,' 'Epres,' 'Anzac,' ' Delville Wood, " Hill 60,' etc. Some are dedicated to individuals, others to the memory of military units, such as that of the 5th (Wellington) Regt., "The Nurses' Bell" (dedicated to the rurses and V.A.D.'s who mate the supreme sacrifice), the officers and men of the medical service, members of Government departments, the Royal Navy and the Merchant Service, the New Zealand Mounted Rifles, the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps, the New Zealand Division, and the men of Wellington City and suburbs. Five of the bells beay

A formal inspection of the bells by the High Commissioner of New Zealand (the Rt. Hon. Sir Jarnes Parr, K.G.M.G.), was made at the Groydon Foundry, as briefy reported in our last issue. There was a large number of guests, who were veceiven by the gonial hoad of the firm, Mx. C. F. Jobnston, and they had the opportunity of hearing the fine qualities of the carillon, played hy Mr. Clifford Bull, of Bournville, and Miss Nara Johnston.
In the foundry the risitors saw the casting of bells for a curillon it Holland and many other interesting things comected with the making and tuming of bells.
Before adjourning for tea, Mr. Johnston referred to the accasion as 'Dominion, and enpecially +New Zealand, day at the foundry. $\mathrm{H}_{6}$ reminded the company that all the lig beil orders for different parts of the world were being carried out in England, and the furthest point from these shores which would have a carillon was Wellington. He referved to the many interesting points alout the new bells, and to the fact that this carillon would be shippori in a fortaight and be in New Zealand long hefore the fower to teceive them was complefed-in fact, the architect had not wet heen appointed.
Sir James Pary compzimented the firm on proving the fallucy of the idea that a British manufacturer always wanted about thre years to complete an order. There was under consideration a suggestion that the hells should first go to an exhibition in North-liset England for six months. Sir James expressed cordial sentiments on behalf of New Zealand, particularly on the fact that the bells were Britisl, and gave interesting information about the destimation of the carillon.

## CHICAGO'S RECORD ORDER. SIXTY-FOUR BFLLS.

Speaking at the Now Zanland gathering at the Croydon Bell Foundy', M1. Cyril iolnston was able to announce that his dirm had obtained the largest contract for bells ever placed in one order. Adulvessing his guests, he said: I wauld like to fell you a dead scorel-at least it has been one unti! this moment. It concerns the University of Ghicago, which is a good example af the scale upon which edteational life is carried on in America. At Clicego 1he Thiversity pursties a poaceful existence some eight miles from the 'City af Gummen' and waving traffic. There are 800 profuseors attempting to instil learoing into 6,500 undergraduates in 75 buildings. The mewest building is the beautiful Gothe Clapel ly the Fimous archited, Goodhue, of New York. Arising from it is a thassive tower, 210 feet high, and dominating the whole hefglibourhood. In that fower will he placed a great earillon of 64 bells, the bourdon (or largest) weighing 17 lons, and one of lhe two largest eloeks in existence will chime quarters and strike the hours. This, the largest order for hells ever placed at one and the same time, has loren placed with this firm, and lure is the cable uathorising the anthouncement.

## DERRY CATHEDRAL BELLS

## AN TULSTER RESTORAT'TON

On Friday week another interesting gaibewing touk placo at the Croycion Foundry. where, in the preseuce of the Deat of Deruy the Very Rev. R. A. S. Fingil

## THE WELLINGTON CARILLON,

 showing electro-pneumatic mechanism.badges, or symbols, and not only are they extremely line examples of the founder's oraft in their appearauce, but as an instrument the Garillan is one of the finest ever built. The toning and tone has becn pronounced exceptionally fine by no less an authority than Dr. Sydney Nicholson, warden and foumder of the Sehool of English Chureh Music, and late organist at Westminstor Abbey, who has especially commended the exellence of the small bells, the lightest of which weighs only 9 lbs .

In the construction of the gatilion there is the usual clavier for hand operation, the lowest 25 keys being attached to pedals as well as to the manuals. In addition the fitm's patent electro-pneumatic mechanism is attached, and las a dual function. One connects an jvory keyboard, similar to that of a piano, which can be fixed in any part af the tower for use by a musician, who is not necessarily a carillonneur, and the other operates a paper band machine, on the principle of the pianola, whereby tunes, specially arranged for carillon music, are played-the mechanism being released by a clouk at any intervals desired in the day. The machine will be equipped initially to play twelve tunes in this way, but other music will be added from time to time. There is no limit to the selection, but each tupe has to be arranged specially to suit bell music.

The frame waighs 34 tons, and is constructed to carry 53 bells eventually, ats the intention is to add four lower bells, the largest to weigh ten tons.
and members of the Honourable Irish Saciety including Sir Lomis
A. Newton (governor), the 31 ewt. tenor hell for Dery CallusIfal was renast. Messrs. Gillof and telnostoll arce recasting the whole peal of ten with three additional semi-lones for tume phaying, and the whole is to be rehusw in a mew metal frame, with new fithings throughout. The total estinated weight of the thitemen belle is 146 cwt

St. Colomb's Cathedral, Derry, was completed in 1633 , and it was recerded on the temor bell of the old peal of cight, which wewe tocast in 1812, that ' the five larger bella were prosented to the City of Londonderry hy King Charles L in $1638^{\circ}$. Another was given by the cilizens of the fown in 1671, and two thy the Howourable the Irish Society in 1630 . When the bells were rectast in the enrly i9tla entury the old inscriptions were not preserved on them, but thes: are being restored on the new ring of fen. The recast tenor boars tho imseription: 'Glory to God in the Highest. The Fonourabia alie: Irish Society of London, Founders of this Gatliedral and Donms of its two most ancient belle, gave me s.1. 1928. Golonel Sin Lums A. Newton, Bart, Alterman, Governor, Frederick Whittinglam, ©.C., Depaty Governor, Leslie G. Landragin, Sechetary. ${ }^{3}$
The visitors, prior to the casting of the ball, were receired by Mr . C. F. Johnston and shown the many interesling things for ho geen in the works, ineluding the Wellingtan carilion, upan winioh a recital was afterwards given by Mr. W. E. Jordan, the Loldghborough borough carillonneur.

At the casting of the tenor, the Dean of Derry and Sir Lauis Newton threw silver coins into the molton metal as it was poured into the mould.

When the gecond hell was rechat, the 7hh in the peal, giver as a memorial to Sir John Macfarłund, Major Roabld Ross, the present M.P., and Canon Pat. M'Cormick, grandison of a past M.P., also dropped coins into the molten metal
When the sixth bell, originally given by Charles I. in 1638, was recast, Lady Clammorris and Mr's. Ronald Ross threw in pfeces of lver.
An amusing little incident dalayod the proceedinge for a minute ay the ladies cama up on to the platform withoul their purses, and inshauly the eager fands of a number of Ulster folk were reached forward with coins and supply the deficiency.
'Ithe thee garmi-tone bells are thung' dend and will be used only for tume ringing.


## DERRY CATHEDRAL.

## DUNMOW RINGERS' FESTIVAL

Tha Duntow ringers held their annal ringing festival on Apri] 13th, when ubout 40 ringers were present from Braintrec, Maldon, firematead Green, Bardield, Stebbing, Springlield, Romford, Brentwooti, and Gratt Easton. During the afternoon a service was condueted by the Vicar (Rew. N. Mallishe, V.C.), assiated by Rev. P. E. 'I". Widriagton, Rector of Great Eastan. A party of about lifty were anterlnined by the ringers, their wives and other friends in 85 . Mary's Room, the Vienr presiding, suppolved by the Rer. P. E. T', Widrington, Mr. C. H. Howart (Master of the Essex Assonation) aud Col. Gibbons.
'lubches were rung on the hamibells, but, uniontunately, the gentlemen who lad arrangal a few sunga werc ill. Otherwise, a very enjoyablr ewening was spent.
The Viear, on behalf of the ritpers, weleomed the visitorg to Dunmow. Mr. Foward reaponded by thanking the Vicar for the use of the bells, also Mr. Sunders (the organist) and the various ladieg for their wark in providing the lea. "ricy were all very pleased to come to Dummow, where they werc always so welt received, and where there: wrete sueh a sphentid peal of bells. He was also very pleased they had carried out the selime he had advised in lanimg a fhorough jolinnate of the hells, and hy laving such a rephatable firm as Messrs. T. 'luylor and Co. to carry it out. The bell founders completed their lask io everybody"s" satisfaction, and the bells still] went as well as lhey did tho dny they were opened. He was very glad to see 8 mumber of visitora present, its it gave the rimgers and the association Ereat deal of encouragement in their work.
During the nfternoon and erening various toucheg were rung, inelading Cambridge Surprise, Double Norwiel, Oxford aud Kent "T'rehle Bub Major and Grantsive Triples.

MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION ENTERTAIN OKFORD GUILD JOINT GATHERING AT EHLINGDON
A successful joint meeting of the Gouth and West District of the Middlesex County Association and the East Berks and South Bucks Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild was leld at St. John's, Fillingdon, on Saturday, and was attended by a company of ovor sixty. Mr. F. W. Goodfellow (Ringing Master) was in charge of the ringing, the feature of which was that anly ten-bell methods were practised, hence its auccess, as a numher of merabers from both Guilds had, to thair delight, an opportunity of having a pull an ten bells for the first time, if only in rounds.
A service was conducted by the Rov. W. J. Monles, the 'Ringers' Mantal' being used. Mr. R. Williams was the organist, and gix choir boys assisted freatly to mako the service bright and musical.
The party afterwards adjoturned to tho Church Hall, where Mrs. F. W. Goodfellow (hostess) and her willing assistants bad tea waiting. The Vicar (the Rev. H. . . Kiteat) presided, supported by the Rev. W. J. Monies, Mr. G. H. Nevil) (churchwarder), Mr. A. D. Barker (hon. secretary and treasurer of the Oxford Branch) and Mrs. Barker, Messes. F. W. Goodfellow, J. A. Trailope (hon. treasurer), Mr. W. H. Hollier (hon. secretary of the South and West Distriet), sud Mr. W. Piekworlh (vice-president of the North and Ease Diserict), Mr. F. Corke (Ringing Master), etc.
'The Vicar, who welcomed the Oxford Guild to Hilliogdan on behalf of himself and the Middlesex County Association, said what a groal plaasure it was to him to see so many pregent from the surrounding districts. He wished them every suecess, and said the would be delighted to welcome them there again on any future occasion. Mr . Trollopu and Mr. Pickworth further extended the weleome. Mr . Barker, on behalf of the Orford Guild, said what pleasure it had been to accept the invitation, as it cuabled them to have an opportunity of practising on ten bells, and, furthermore, it indicated the brotherly spirit ithat existed between the two Guilds.
As a last tribute of respect to Mr. W. Stagg, Mr. R. Thompson and Mr. J. F. Stilwell, who had gassed away since our last meeting. the Hon. Secretary asked the company to stand in silence wilh bowerz heads. This was dome, and the Ficar offered an appropriate prayet Handbeld ringing hy Messrs. G. Crass, A. D. Barkel, W. Gutteridge, C. W. Roherts, W. Hewitt and others, and tune ringing by Mr. and Mrs. Barker and members of the Oxford Guild were greatly appreciated.
Other well-known ringers present were Messra. A. W. Coles, G Martin, W. Welling, W. Henley, J. R. Mackman, R. Bullen, R. Wingrove, G. Gutteridge, G. Gillbest, ete.
Mr. Nevill (churchwarden) wus elected hon. member, and votes of thanks werc accorded to the clergy, organist, choir boys, Mrs. Goodfellow and her assistants, also to Mr. Fued Goodfollow, Mr. J. J. Pratt, and all who assisted in making the meeting such a great sucaess

The "return wisit * of the Guildford Diocesan Guild to the Middlesex Assacistion will take place at Sunbury on Saturday, Sunc gth.

## LADY RINGER MARRIED

Bagshot Church, Surrey, was the scenc of a pretty wedding on Saurrdey, when Miss Mabel A. Nye, only daughtey of Mr. and Mrs. E. Nye, of Lyulurst, Bagshob, whs married to Mr. Victor Welton, eldest son of Mrs. Welton, of Dulwiel. The bride"s father has been for many years one of the most enthusiastic ringers in the district, und the taride herself proved an apt pupil in the belfry. As a tcacher in the day and Sunday Schools and an active participatior in the social activities is the district, Miss Nye is extremely popular, and a large congregation of well-wishers assembled to witness the ceremony, which was porformed by her uncle, the Rev. A. V. Nye, Vicar of Brightmet, Bolton, Lancs. The bide, who wus given away by her father, wore a charming dress of white georgette, tyinmod with pearls, and a peil with a wreath of orange blossam. She cerrien a sheaf of Madonna Jilies. Three sisters of the bridegroom acted as bridemaids, aud they were atived in powder blue chepo-de-chine dresses. Mr. F. Nye, jun., was best man. The hymns, Lead us, Hearculy Father, and O Perfect Love, ware sung in the service, at the conclusion of which the bells were nerrily ring by the local ringers, and as the happy couple left the church the organist played Mendelssohn's * Wedding March.
large number of guests, ingluding many ringera, attended the suhsequent reception at the Pariah Hall, and, when Mr. and Mrs. Welton left for their honeymoon in the Isle of Wiglt, they deperted to the sound of the beils, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples being rung by: Mrs. Hazelden (Guildford) 1 , J. S. Goldsmith (Woking) 2. B. Hawkins (York Town) 3, H. J. Chaftey (Otterslaw) $\$_{1}$ W. Melville (Guildford) $5, F$. Nye (Bagshot) $6, \mathrm{C}$. Hazelaen (Guildford) (eonduetor) 7, E. Hunt (Bagshot) 8.
The large namber of presents which the bride and bridegroom received was testimony to the esteem in which they are both heid. There wore gifts from the Vicar, superintendent and geholars of the Sunday School, the master, teachers and ptupils of the Day School, the Vicar, churelwardens and ringers of Bagshot, the Tennis Club, the Cricket Chub (of which Mr. Weltou is seerctary), as well as fum individual ringing nod oftiet friends.

## GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

A HAPPY LITTLE MEETING AT CHRIST CHURCH, EPSOM
Although only fourteen ringers attended a meeting of the LeatherInead District of the Guildford Diocesan Guild, beld at Christ Church, Epsom, on Saturday last, methods ranging from Graudsire Doubles to London Surprise Major were rung, and everyboty was happy. The towers represented werc Leatherhead, Epsom (St. Martin's), Banstead, Ewell and Newdigate, and those present included the genersi seretary of the Surrey Association (Mr. Chas. H. Kippin) and the secretary of the Central District of the same association (Mr. Daniel Gooper). In the absence of the Vicar, the service was conducted by the priest-in-charge, the Rev. H. Hamiltod Maughant, who took as his lext, 'We will make a joyiul noise unto the God of Jacob.' We thought his text singularly appropriate. A 'joyful noise' is a good term to apply to the average ringing at meatings (this particular meeting, of course, excepted). In the course of his address, the Rev. Maughan welcomed the Guild to Christ Church, and said how pleased he was to find that the bellrimgers in the Guildford Diocese had formed themselves iato "a definitely religious brolherbood.' In the course of his journeyings ahout the country be liad come across hands of ringers who would ring the bells for a service and then go to the nearest public-house, and ho was therefore pleased to meet a Guild of bellringers who never did that sort of thing.
Some of us wondered how we had earmed such a distinction. We all felt very good. It when nice to be told that we were not as other men are. The Guildford Diocesan Guild has reason to be prount of such members.

Immediately after tea, the Rev, Maughan had to leave, but before doing so expressed his pleasure in being able to serve the Guild in any way, and, on behalf of the Vicar, said he hoper we would enjoy our visit and come again. This was all the more welcone in view of the fact that Christ Chureh, Epsom, is one of the very few towers possessing peals of hells in the diocese which have not yet become affiliated to the Guild. -On the proposition of the district secretary, seconded by Mr. G. Marriner, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Rev. Maughan for his kinduess and hospitality. This was earried with neclamation.
At the business meeting which followert, the following new ringing members werc electers: Miss J. M. I. Cotirell, Mr. C. 1 Read, Miss H. I. Port, and Rev. C. F. T. Willis, of Dorking, and Mr. William Robinson, of Christ Church, Epsom. The following belfry elections were also confirmed: Mr. R. Clanpell, of Dorking, elected as a ringing member prior to an attempt for a peel at Ranmore, and Mr. R. H. Dove, of Thornton Heath, elected as a compounding member: prior to pea! ai Banstead.
The District Secretary (Mr. F. G. Woodiss) briefly explained the eircumstances which conspelled him to relínquish his duties at so short t notice, as reportad in last week's issue of 'The Ringing Wovin,' and which made it necessary for thens to find a successor immediately $\rightarrow$ a successor who could be relied upon to carry out his duties efficiently and well. He was pleased to be in a pasition to inform the meeting that the dialrict committee had succeeded in finding such a man in Mr. Alnn R. Pink, of Dorking. Mr. Pink had consented to serve them at the sacrifice of other claims upon his time and leisure, and in proposing him as his successor, the District Secretary said he hoped they would give Mr. Pink the same wholehearted support as they had given him.-This was seconded by the Chairman (Mr. A. Harman), and carried unanimously.-The usual votes of thanks coneluded the meeting.
During the ringing in the evering, several members commented upon the fact that the 'go " of the bells was mucli wore than usual. Examination revealed the fact that the fittings were in a precarious mondition, and that this peal of bells, which have been regarded for the last thirly years as ideal for peal ringing, neederi the immediate attention of the bell hanger if serions damage was to be avoided. Plans were made En inform the proper authorities. F. G. W.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION

The spring meeting of the Cheltenham Branch of the Gloucester and Briatol Association was hold at Swindon Village on Saturday, April 13th. The uneven hexagonal tower contains a peal of live heils (tenor about 12 cwt .), all of which go well.
Owing to the illness of the Rector, the chairman of the branh (Rey. A. D. Penmisigton) conducted the service, the lesson being rend by Mr. G. A. Nock (Elkstone). After service, the members adjourned to the schnol, where a splendid tea, gencrously provided by the Rector, wis awaiting them.
The busincss meeting, followed with the Rev. A. D. Pennington in the chair, supported by Mr. W. Zeend (churchwarden), Mr. G. A. Nock, Mr. W. Wakeford (secretary, Tewkestury Branch) and over thirty members representing Prestbury, Cheltenliam (St. Mary's and St. Mark's), Lecklampton. Elkstone. Alterton, Badgeworth auk the local tower. It was decided, on dime invilation of the clasiman, to visit Alderton for the summer meeting, in which it is loped the Tewkesbury Branch will combine.-The Chairman proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Rector for providing lea, and trusted that he would soon regain his full health on his retirement (which takes piace in a few weeks).-The Rev. A. D. Pennington was heartily thanked for the service. The tower was again risited, and good practice obtnined.

## WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUIID.

A quarterly meoting of the Southampton Distriet of the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild was held at Lockerby on Saturday, April 13th. The bells of Lockerby ant East Tytherley wert utilised during the afternoon. Tea took place in the Memorial Hall. Lockerby, presided over by the Rector of Dibden, disfrict chairman. Those present included the Vicar of Lockerby, Mr. G. Williams (vicepresident), Mr. G. Pullinger (general secretary), and members from Dibden, Romsey, Portsea, Tilehficld, King's Somborae, Winchester, and North Stoneham. The Vicar of Leckerlyy (Rev. R. A. Sidebottom) was elected an hon. member of the Guild, and votes of thanks were atcorded the Vicars of Lockerby and East Tytherley for the use of the bells, after which the handibells pere madn use of, a course of Grandsire Caters being rung by the following: Mrs. G. Williams 1-2, F. T. Bayley 3-4, F. W. Rogers $5-6$, G. Williams 7-8, W. Andrews 9-10. Afterwards, on Lockerby hells, Doubles, Kent Treble Bob, and Cambridge Minor were rung. The next meeting is fixed for July $13 \mathrm{tl}_{1}$ at Dibden, due notice of which will be given in "The Ringing World.'

## WINCHESTER DISTRICT.

A quarterly meeting of the Winchester Distriat was held at Twrford on Saturday, April zoth. Thinging on the light peal of eight hells and service conducted by the Rev. Marris (Vicar), who gave a short address, was followed by tea, prepared in the Village Hall, to which 30 sat down. Ringers were present from Winchester, Twyford, Micheldever, King's Somborne, Hursley, North Stoncham, West Eur and Ringwood. At the business meeting which followed, the Vicar was voted to the chair. Several new members were elected, including the Vical of Twyford as ati thon. member.
A vote of thanks was given to the Vicar for the use of the bells and for his splendid address. - In reply, he gave the Guild a hearty welcome, and was very pleased to see so many visitors.
After the meeting, a party jommeyed to Owslebury Church, where there is a ring of six. Others continued ringing it Twyford iill eiglıt o'clock

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

The spring meeting of the Newbury branch was held at Midgham on Saturday, April 13th, members being present fram the fol lowing towers: Bucklebury, Brightwalton, Bemban, Englefield, Hampstend Noryis, Highelere, Newbury, Thatelam, Wool ton Fill, and the local ringers. A shoct Guild service was conducted the Vicar (the Rev. V. W. Peake), who gave a very interesting uldress. Mr. W. Mathews, of Bucklebury, presided at the argan.
Tea was served in the sehoolnoom by Mrs. H. Warber, of Woolhamptan, when 23 sat down.
The business meeting followed with the Res. Y. W. Peake in the chair, supported by the secretary and treasurer (Mr. H. W. Curtis). The Secretary reported the death of Mrs. W. W. Palmer, an hon. member of the hranch, also of Mr. H, Benson, of Peasemore tower (a life subscribur\%, and all present stood for a few moments as a token of respect.
The summer meeting was lixed for Bucklebury on Saturday, June 15th.
Three guineas was voter from the Branch Fund to Hampstead Norris tower towards the repair of the bells.
A bearty wole of thanks was accorded to the Rev. V. W. Porke, Mr Mathews, and Mrs. Warner, proposed by the secretary and earried with applause. The tower was ngain visited, and some goan totiches brought round, Grandsire Doubles, Plain Bob, Kent T'rehlo Boh nad Canbridge Minor being rung.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCTATION

FRITTENDEN'S NEW BELLS.
A meeting of Ashford District was held at Frittenden on Suturday April 13 th, when a eampany from twelve different towers assumbled to ring on the new peal of bells. The gailhering was honouver by the presence of the domor of the bells (Admiral Sir A. Moore) aud Mr. C. F. Jolinstom, of the lirm of Messrs. Gilleit and Jolnston. Servier was conducted by the Vical (Rex. H. M. Leathley), the association form heing used. The Vicar gave a short address of welcone to the
association, and spoke upon igeli history. Tea was served al the Bell Inn by Host Bearsby, some 29 njembers being present io enjoy the good things provided.
At the business meeting, which followed, Mr. C. F. Johnston presided, and Warchorne and Ruckinge were selected for the meeting in May. Admiral Moore and Rev. M. L. Leathley were made honorary members of the association, and six now practising members werte also elected. Mr. C. Tribe then voiced the members opinions of the excellent work of Jiessry. Gillett aud Johnston in producing such an excellent peal of hells, the "go ' heing perfect. To this Mr. C. F.
Johnston replied, speaking of the great care that was taket in the Joluston replied, speaking of the
musical produchon of such a peal.
Votes of thanks to the Vicar, organisis and Mr. H. Baketr, the captain of the local hand, were passed. A return was then made to the tower., where further ringing brought to a close a mosi enjoyable meeting.

Some alteration is to be carried oat in the foror to reduce the noise in the ringitg elambet.

## WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

## CHANGE IN THE SRCRETARYSHIP

The anmual meeting of the Warwickshire Guild was beld at Rugby on Saturdny last, about 39 members and friends atconding. The vellg of the Parish Church were used for ringing during the afternoor and evening, most of the standard methods being attempted. The committee met in the vestry at 4.30 , where various matters to bo brought bafore the general meeting were discussed.

A good tea was partaken of at tire Cornor House Cafe, after which the meeting look place.
After the mintutes of the last meeting hard heen accepted, the motion on the agendi, ' 'Ehat this Guild's name be altered to the 'Coventry Dincesan Guild,', aponsored by Mr. F. W. Perrens, was the suhject of a lengthy discussion. After various opinions for and atrainst, Mr. James George moved an amendment that the matter bn postponed for one yenr, and this was carriced unanimously.
The balanee sheet for the year 1927-8, which showed cash in hand C22 10s. Bd., was accepted.
On the election of officers, lwo changes were made, viz., Miss D. E. Lewis, of Chilvers CoLon, was appointed general secretary in place of Mr. न. A. Fenton, and Mr. W. Dale, of Coleghill, Birmingham Dighict secretary in place of Mr. I. W. Pemberton. The other officers were $1 \mathrm{e}-\mathrm{elected}$

The meeting places for the next tinee months were decided on as follows: May, Clifton, ncar Rugby; ofune, Fxhall; Suly, Stoke-inCoventry. One life fiuging member and six tingilig memberg were elected.

The reports eowering two yen's were distributed, a record number of peals being shown, due in the main to the late Mr. J. E. Sykes.
The Ringing Master, M1. T. W. Chapman, proposed a vote of thanks to tite president (Rev. J. L. White) and the Rector of Rugby, who were botla present, ind their replies brenglat a successful meeting to a close.

## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD <br> A JOFINSON ' RELIC.

The quartefly metting of St. Martin's Guild for the Diocese of 3irringham, was leld at Coleslill, Warwickshire, on Saturday, Apri 6th. Thn Parish Church, which stands on high ground, has a very fine stepple and ormmonted spire, and is moti-known landmark over a wide fren of country. The church originally dated back to the 1 the enatury, but wery lithe of that building remains now, as it was thoroughly rostored in 1868. It does, however; contan a remarkably lino specimen of Noiman font, which is probably a relie of an carlier church on the same site. It lias also a number of very fine and intercating monuments, particularly two effigies of knights whicts lie under low moulder arohes in the walls of the north and soulth nisles. These nre I4th eontary and are snpposed to be of John de, Clibion of the time of Fdward I., and his grandson John. There are also many costly maral monumente and several good brasses.

The bells, a nice linndy poal of eight, were kept going in various methods from Grandisiro to Cambridge Major daring the afternoon and again aficur the business meeting.
Ten was partaken of in the Council Romm at the Town Hall, and was followed by the meeting, which was presided over by Mr. Vicepresident 'l'. IRussam, owing to the unavoidable absence of the Presiding Riaging Master, Alclerman II. S. Pritchett, M.A., who was on duly at Lincoln

The Choirman roferred to the loss fine Guild had sustained in the certls of one of the viec-presifents (Atr. William Kent) whom he had known since 2870 . He had a moet gerial and lovnble temperamont, and was a good friphd to all he came in contact with. As a last tuibute of respect to his memory he asked ull present to stand for a moment iu sitence.
'The Central Council mgenda was discussed in detail, and fintly 1 was deciked to give the Guild's representative a free hand to vote oln the various ilems as he thought fit, after hearing the wiews of the other reprusontatives. Shanlly the proposition to inerease nssociations' subseriptions lo $5 s$ be earried, it was decided to support it.

A\%. Walker reported tho receipt of a letter from Mr. W. T. Pates, of Cineltenthom, enclosing a letter M1. Pates had received from the late Henry Johnson, sen., containing the ligutes of a long peal of (irandsire Caters. It was clecided to preserve this in the Guild's archives, and the secretary was instrueted to tender to Mr. Prates the best thanks of the Guild for the gift.
It was dectded to hold the mext quarterly meeting at Great Barr on Satinday, duly GLl.

Vates of thaniks werce tendered to the Ven. Archdeacon Richards for the use of the hells and to Mr. C. Dale For making the necessary leeal arrangements for ten, etc., this hringimg a very enjoyable meeting to in close.

## wedding bells.

At St. Bartholomew's Church, Burstow, Survey on Monday, April 1st, 720 Boh Minor: J. Bradley 1, V. Cousins 2, W. Slaughter 3, L. Ponfold 4, H. Parsons 5, A. Biulj (conduetor) 6. Rung on the occasion of the mmriago of Mw. H. Kew (the loenl foreman) to Miss D. Funthell, of Warminster, Wiltshire. First 720 in the method by all,

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. (Established 1637 .)-Meeting for practice will be held at St. Giles', Cripplegate, on the 30 th, at $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Business meeting afterwards.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis-trict.-A bye-meeting will be held at St. Mary, Waimer, on Saturday, April 27 th. Bells available from 3 p.m. -Percy W. Smith, Hon. Dis. Sec., Fairview, Littlebourne, Canterbury.
SUFFOLK GUILD.-General meeting at Eye on April 27 th. Bells ( 8 ) available from 2 p.m. Tea, is. each, at the Horse Shoes at 4.30 . Meeting follows.-Rer, H. Drake, Ufford Rectory, Woodbridge.
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-The annual meeting will be held at Lincoln on Saturday, April 27 th. Evensong in the North-West Chapel of the Cathedral at 3.30 p.m., with an address by the Very Rev, the Dean of Lincoln (President of the Guild). Tea at the Co-operative Hall, Silver Street, at 4. 15, at is. gd. per head; business meeting immediately afterwards. Ringing at the Cathedal (12) from 1.45 p.m. until service time, and at St. Peter-at-Gowts (6) and St. Botolph's (6) from 2 to 3. The towers will also be cpen for ringing after the business meeting until 9 o'clock.-F. W. Stokes, Hon. Sec., Blankney, Lincoln.
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Central Divi-sion.-The annuai meeting will be held at Burgess Hill on Saturday, April 27th. Tower open 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5, in Parish Hail, Cyprus Road, about is. Half rail fare (maximum 1s. 6d.).-A. D. Stone, Hon. Divisional Sec., 16, Belgrave Street, Brighton.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Wellingborough Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Wilby on Saturday, April 27 th. The arrangements will be as usual. The address at the service will be given by the Rev. A. W. Laws, Vicar of Irchester.-F. Barber, Branch Sec., School House, Gordon Road, Wellitngborough.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Western District.-A meeting of the above will be held at Chester le Street on Saturday, April 27th, when we hope the members will turn up well. Bells will be available after 2 p-m. Tea at $5-\mathrm{H}$. Tyson, Sec.
ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North-Eastern Division.The next quarterly meeting will be heid at St. Osyth on Saturday, April 27 th. Service at 4.3 . Tea at 5 o'clock, is. each. Nearest station, Great Bentley ( 4 miles). R. W. Stanoard, 12, Ireton Road, Colchester.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Portsmouth District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Havant on Saturday, April 27 th. Bells (8) available $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service at 4.30 , with address by the Archdeacon of Portsmouth. Tea and business meeting to follow. All ringers welcome.-F. W. Rogers, Hon. Sec. ${ }_{52}$, Samuel Road, Portsmouth.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch, 1879-1929.-The branch annual meeting and jubilce celebration has been arranged at Boyne Hill on Saturday, April 27 th. Bells available: Bray (6), 3 to 4 p.m.; Boyne Hill (8), 3 to $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Guild service at 4.3o p.inu, with an address by Rt. Rev. E. Domett Shaw, D.D., Archdeacon of Oxford. High tea in the Parish Hall, Rutland Road, Maidenhead, at 5.30 p.m., at 2s. 6 d . per head. Admission by ticket. Rebate of is. allowed to branch members who have paid their subscriptions. Business meeting 6.30 p.m., to be followed by a concert. -A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Lewisham Dis-trict.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. John's, Erith, on Saturday, April 27 th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. Tea and business meeting to follow.-A. G. Hill, Hon. Dis. Sec., 53, Hengist Road, Erith, Kent.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY. - The annual meeting will be held at the Parish Church, Ashton-underLyme, on Seturday, April 27th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Meeting at $7 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All ringers welcome.

ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD.-The next meeting of the above Guild will be held at Pluckley and Egerton on April 27th. Towers open: Pluckley, 2.30 to 5 p.m. ; Egerton, 5.30 to 8.30 p.m. Tea at Mrs. Missings, Rochdale, Egerton, 5 p.m. Yellow car leaves Ashford for Pluckley 2.35. Pluckley to Egerton 4.50 . All ringers welcome-A. J. Battin, Hon. Sec., Heronden Hall Garden, Tenterden.

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-A quarterly mecting will be held at Coalbrookdale on Saturday, April 27th. Bells (ro) available 2.30. Meeting in Parish Hall 5 o'clock. Tea ( IS . each) at 6 o'clock. All ringers welcome. - Rev. F. Tennison, St. Alkmund's Vicarage, Shrewsbury.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Derby District.-The next meeting will be held at Belper on Saturday, April 27 th. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. Business meeting in belfry 4.30 p.m. Annual reports ( 6 d. ) can be obtained at this meeting. All ringers welcome. - George Freebrey, Local Sec., 8s, Roe Street, Derby.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The general meeting will be held at Leeds Parish Church on Saturday, April ${ }^{2} 7$ th. Bells available from $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Business meeting in the tower $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All towers are requested to be represented.-H. Lofthouse, Hon. Sec., \&, Wortley Road, Armley.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch. - A meeting will be held at St. Luke's, Liverpool, on Saturday, April 27 th? , in comnection with the celebrations of the centenary of the bells. Arrangements as follows: Bells available 3.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Service 6 p.m. The meeting arranged for St. Helens on May inth is cancelled-Claude I. Davies, Branch Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Newbury Branch.The bells of S. Nicholas' Church, Newbury (8) will be rededicated by the Right Rev. Bishop Shaw on Sunday, April 28th, at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at 4.3 o . All ringers welcome. -H. W. Curtis, Hon. Sec., Church Road, Shaw, Newbury, Berks.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. - North and East District.Meeting at St. James', Clerkenwell, on Saturday, May

4th. The bells, recently recast and rehung by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, will be open for ringing from 3 p.m. Short service at $4 \cdot 30$. Tea, by invitation of Vicar and churchwardens, at 5 , to those who accept by April 3oth. Please adxise me. Social evening at 8 p.m. A hearty welcome is extended to all ringers.-C. T. Coles, Hor. Sec., 21 , Vincent Road, E. 4 .
HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Hereford Dis-trict.-A quarteriy meetingi of the district will be held at Woolhope on Saturday, May 4th. Bells (6) available 3.30 to 8.30 . Service $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Please notify me not later than April 3oth.-A. Gwynne, Dis. Sec., Deanery Cottage, Castle Street, Hereford.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch. The next meeting will be held at Brindle Parish Church on Saturday, May 4th. Bells available from 2.30.-Fred Rigby, Hon, Sec., 8, Carrington Road, Chorley.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. - Our next meeting will be held on Saturday, May 4th, at St. Peter's Church, Burnley. Bells available fron 3 p.m. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. A good attendance requested. -F. Hindle, Hon. Brancl Sec., 58 , Anvil Street, Blackburn.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. - Next meeting will be held at Worksop on Saturday, May 4 th. It is hoped a good number will attend. There being plenty of cafés and restaurants open, visitors will make own arrangements for tea. Fixture cards will be available for forthcoming two years.-R. Harrison, Sec.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - Northern Division. - A meeting will be held at Great Easton on Saturday, May $4^{\text {th. }}$. Bells (6) at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Those requiring tea please notify me by Tuesday, April 3oth.-W. Arnold, Dis. Sec., Holt Street, Earl's Colne.
ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North-Westera Division.A meeting will be held at Thaxton on Saturday, May 4th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Other arrangements as usual. Those requiring tea kindly advise me. - C. Beeston, 5, King Street, Bishop's Stortford.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND IONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West District.There will be a meeting for ringing practice on Saturday, May $4^{\text {th }}$, at Christ Church, Ealing, from 6 to 8 p.m., before a dance, organised by the Clrist Church, Ealing, ringers, in the Parish Hall at $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Admission 1s. 6 d . All ringers and friends welcome. Tickets can be obtained at the door, or from W. G. Wilson, Assistant Dis. Sec., 9, Grove Cottages, Ealing, W. 5 .

NORTH STAFFS AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. -A meeting will be held at Norton-in-Hales on Saturday, May 4th. Tea, 5.30 p.m., for all who notify Mr. D. P. Roberts, The Rectory, Norton-in-Hales, Salop, before May rst.-C. S. Ryles, Hon. Sec.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Guilsborough Branch. - A special meeting will be held at Creaton on Saturday, May 4th. Usual arrangements.K. J. Cater, Althorp Park Station, East Haddon.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-

 CIATION.-Eastern District.-A meeting will be held at Durham on Saturday, May 4th, when the beils of the Cathedral, St. Nicholas' and St. Oswald's will be available. Meet at St. Oswald's at 2.30. Tea at Pattinson's Café for those informing Mr. W. H. Johnson, 42, Whinney Hill, Durham, by May rst.-Frank Ainsley, Dis. Sec.SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUlLD.-Devizes Branch. -A monthly meeting will be held at North Bradley on Saturday, May 4 th. Bells (6) ready' at 2.30 p.m. Guild service 4.40. Tea 5. Short business meeting follows tea. All ringers welcome. -F. Green, Branch Hon. Sec., 53. Avon Road, Devizes.

- NOTTINGHAM SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS (Established 672 ). -The annual mecting for election of officers, efc., will be held at St. Mary's, Notlingham, on Saturday, May $4^{\text {thin. Tower open } 5 \text { to } 9}$ p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.m. All ringers welcome. - F. Blood, Hon. Sec., 91, Dame Agnes Street, Nottingham.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-The May meeting of the Bedford District will be held at Thurleigh on May 4th. Bells (6) available 2.45. Tea at 5.-J. T. Newington, Dis. Sec., 32, Grafton Road, Bedford.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Bicester Branch. Annual meeting at Ambrosden on Saturday, May 4 th. Bells (8) just rehung in ball bearings. Tenor 20 cwt. Service 3 p.m. Bicester ( 8 ) 2 miles : bells available during evening.-E. A. Clifton, Hon. Sec., 79, Sheep Street, Bicester.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIA. TION.-Ilchester Deanery Branch.-A meeting will be held at South Petherton on Saturday, May 4 rh. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea. and meeting to follow.-F, Farrant, Martock, Somerset.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Hunts District and Ladies' Guild, Northants District.-A joint meeting will be held at Huntingdon St. Mary's (8) on Saturday, May $4^{t h}$. Godmanchester bells (8) also available from 6 p.m. Service at St. Mary's 4.30 p.m. Tea at the Walder Cafe, George Street, at 5.I 5 p.m. Will all who require tea notify Miss S. Thursfeld, Cranford Rectory, Kettering, or let me know not later than April 30 th, C. Fields, High Street, St. Neots, Hunts.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-The festival wilł be held at Bridport on Saturday, May irth. Service at 12.30. Preacher: Right Rev. Bishop Joscelyn. Luncheon at Greyhound Hotel i. 5 p.m. Charge is. Annual business meeting to follow. Towers open: Beaminster, Bradpole, Bridport, Whitchurch Canonicorum (8), Burton Bradstock, Litton Cheney, Loders, Netherbury, Symondsbury (6). All ringers welcome. Those requiring lunch please send in their names to T . Hervey Beams, Bradpole, Bridport, Dorset, by May 6th. -F. Llewellyn Edwards, Sec.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUll.D.-Isle of Wight District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Brading on Saturday, May irth. Beils available at $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Scrvice 4.30 p.m., followed by tea at the Parish Hall and business meeting. Will those reg!iting tea kindly notify me not later than Tuesday, May 7th ? - B. J. Snow, Hon. Dis. Sec., No. 2, Collingwood, Dantel Street, Ryde, I.O.W.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Hath Branch.-The next meeting will be held at Corsion on Saturdny, May inth. Bells (8) at 3.30. Service 4.30 . Tea to follow. A good attendance is requested. Theo Grant, Branch Sec., Swainswick, Bath, Som.
I.ANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Owing to the parish outing the half-yearly mecting arranged for St. Helens on May inth is cancelled. - W. H. Shuker, A. Tomlinson, C. I. Davies, Hon. Sees.

HERTS ASSOCIATION. - Bushey, Saturday, May 1113. Bells available from 3.30 till 8.30 . Evensong 5. Tea at Institute 5.30. Number for rea by $7^{\text {th }}$. Cheap tickets from all stations to Bushey. Buses stop near church.-C. H. Horton, 53, Aldenham Road, Bushey. Tel. City 4270 .

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Woking Parish Church, St. Peter's (at Old Woking). The two new church bells will be dedicated by the Bishop of Guildford on Saturday, May inth, at $3-30$ p.m. All ringers will be beartily' welcomed to the dedtication and are cordially invired by the Vicar, churchwardens and bellringers to tea at the Church Hall after the service. Will those coming to tea kindly notify the Hon. Secretary, Mr. IV. H. Edwards, Church Street, Old Woking, not later than Wednesday, May 8th?

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-S.E. Division.-The next meeting will be held at Great Waltham on Saturday, Nay ith. Bells (8) available 2.30. Usual arrangements. All those requiring, tea please notify Mr . W. E. Davies, Great Waltham, Chemsford, not later than Thursday, May gth.-H. W. Kirton, Hon. Dis. Sec.

A JOINT MEETING of the Surrey Association (NorthWestern District) and the Guildford Diocesan Guild (Leatherhead District) will be held at Ewell on Saturday, May $18 t h$. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. Tea to follow in the Church Room. All ringers welcome. Will those requiring tea kindly notify Mr. C. E. Read, s, Grove Villas, Higls Street, Ewell, not later than Wednesday, May I5th?-D. Cooper and A. R. Pink, Hon. Dis. Secs.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - Preliminary Notice-50th Annual Mecting Jubilee Celebrations at Chemsford, Whit Monday, May zoth. I I a.m., service at the Cathedral, with an address by the Jord Bishop of Chelmsford. ${ }^{12}$ noon, meeting at the Cathedral Hall. 3.15 p.m., lunch at the Com Exchange. Tickets: Members is. 6d., non-members 2 s . 6 d ., applitations for which to be made with a remittance to Mr. E. J. Butler, 3, Eustace Road, Chadwell Heath. - Chas. H. Howard, Master; F. J. Pitstow, Gen. Sec- and Treasurer, 45, High Street, Saffron Walden.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-The annual meeting will be held at Chippenham, Whit Monday, May 2oth. St. Paul's (8) and St. Andrew's (8) available from io a.m. Other bells available by arrangement. Service 12 noon, St. Andrew's Church. Luncheon I p.m., 2s. 6d. (cold). Book direct to Mr. Dunford, Bear Hotel, Chippenham, on or before May isth. General business meeting 2.30 p.m., St. Catherine"s Schoolroom. Important business. Motions proposed include deletions to Rules I. and III. and additions to Rule XII. and III. of branch rules. Copies and proposers may be had upon application. Tea is. per head, Bear Hotel. Some principal officials retiring and do not seek re-election. Please notify me for tea on or before May 18 th. - Edgar Guise, Hon. Sec., 39, Tankard's Close, St. Michael's, Bristol.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Guildford bistrict. - District meeting at Chiddingfold on Saturday, May ${ }^{3} 5^{\text {th }}$. Ringing 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m., followed by tea (is.) and business meeting. Numbers for tea to me by Friday, May 17 th. -G. L. Grover, Hon. Sec., Merrow Cottage, East Clandon, Guildford.

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## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

MILFORD-ON-SEA, FANTS.-On Sunday, April 2lst, for the 10 oclock service, and to celahrate the silver wedding of the Yicar, Rev. H. N. Lirner, and Mrs. Larner, a quarlec-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1,260 changes) iu 46 mins. : L. Parker 1, Miss Sparshall 2, E. Hinton 3, R. Derliam (first quarter-peal of Triples) 4, G. Scragg 5, IT. Sparshall E, G. Preston (conductor) 7, G. Parker 8. Eirst quarterpeal by treble and tenor ringers, whon helong to the local band.
HENINGFORD ABBOTS, HUNTS. For morning service, on April 21st, a quarter-peal of Boh Minor ( 1,272 clanges) in 46 mius.: J. Smart 1, H. Senders 2, F. Warrington (conductori) 3, G. Ransome 4, ( 7 . L. Perkins 5, J. Perkins 6. Mr. H. Lavender kindly stood out to allow a visitar to ring.

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The question of subduing the sound of bells autside a church has previously been dealt with in an earlier report (Section 11 of the 'Preservation and Repair of Bells, Frames and Fittings'), and little is now added to elaborate those recommendations. Yet this is probabiy the most important phase of the matter. In a populous neigbbourhood, a peal of bells which is noisy in the vicinity of the church can be, if much rung, a decided inconvenience, not to say nuisance to those around, and it cannot be denied that all reasonable steps should be taken in such cases to minimise the cause of complaint. There are, up and down the country, numerous rings of bells which are far too noisy outside the tower for the comfort of the neighbours and even new and costly rings are sometimes erected without precautions being taken in this respect. There have been cases where large sums have been spent on new bells, but nothing has been done to allay thenoise outside, with the result that the bells soon come near to permanent silence out of consideration for the public who live or work close at hand. While we do not agree with those incumbents whose line is that of least resistance, which results in stopping the bells, when opposition to them comes from a small section of the public, there can be no question that where there is genuine cause for complaint every effort should be made to remedy the matter. In the vast majority of cases this can be done at comparatively small cost, particularly if the ringers will themselves do the work with material provided for them by the church authorities.
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On Saturday, April 27. 1929, in Three Honrs and Twenty Minutes,
At ine Cathedral,

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

 Tenor 55 cwt .Fraderick Blacklider
...Treble
Bunjamin A. Knigets
Fred Rigby ... ... .... ...
Harry France ...........
William Sharples ... ... 5
Composed by Edwin Tuabrell.

* Firat of Treble Bob Royal. ing atempt on ten bells by the Preston Branch. First on ten by angers of ist, 3 rd, 4 th, 5 th and 9 th. Rung as a birthday compliment to J. Brown, and the 18th anniversary of the wedding of wr H. France and Mrs. France.

BEDDINGTON, GURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Salurday, Apill 27, 1929, in Threa Howrs and Fiftem Hinutes,
At the Parish Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDCE SURPRIBE ROYAL, BOH CHANGES; Tenor $18 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

| Horace Belcher | .Treble | Willam R. Madgwice ... 6 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| John T. Kemitish |  | Charles W. Grimwood ... |
| Willian H. HHweit... |  | - Ernest Breti |
| Eupin F. Piex | . 4 | James E. Davis... |
| Alfred J. Trappiti | 5 | Dharlas W. Rosmets ...T |
| Composed by Wm. |  | onducted by Wm, H. Hewz |

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

EPBOM, SURREX.
THE SURFEX ASSOOLATION
On Twesday. April 23. 1929, in Two Hours and Fify-Eight Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Maritn,

## A PIAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5OH CHANEEE;

H. J. Romble ... ... ...Treble

Jon= Brave Thliam Cook .... ... ... 5

- Joun Brans .... .... 3 Tromas A. Shrobe ... ... 6

Beari … ... ... 3 Grorge A. Cooz... ... ... 7
James Romble ........... 4 A. J, Serube .... ... .... Then Composed by Rev. E. Banzes Jameg. Conducted by John Beame * First peal inside. This peal was ruag by four fathers and their four sons on the 60 th anniversary of the now famous peal recorded in the tower. It was blso rung as a birthday peal to the son of Mr. George Cook.

BRIDSTOW, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE EERFPRORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Friday, April 26, 1929, in Thre Hours and Fauy finwhes,
At the Ceorce of St. Bridget,
A PEAL OF BOB MAdOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor 9 cwt .

[^33]ROLLESTON-ON-DOVE, STAFFORDSHLRE. THE MDLAND COUNTHE A聂OCLATION.
On Weduasday, Apyni 24, 7929 , in Two Howrs and Fifty-Six Minutes, Ai yhe Cgorce of St. Mary-the-Virgin.
A PEAL OF ITEDMAN TRIPLEB, 6040 CHANEEE;
Whebrboor's Twgnty-part, No. 3.
Teñor 12 owt.


Conductej by M. Swinfiect.
Rung in hooour of St. George's Day, also as a birthday compliment to Mrs. J. Bailey and Mrs. J. S. Hntchby. This is the firg peal on the bells since they wers augmented to oight and rehung on ball bearings in new frame by John Taylor and Co. The pesl is now a most musical octave, aud the 'go' is perfect. The besi thanks of the band are due to the Rector for kindly providing tea after the pearl.

BURNHAM-ON-SEA, SOMEHSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOOEFAN ABSOGLATION.
On Suturday, April 27, 7929, iat Thes Hows and Twelve Minutes,
At the Ceurce of Sz. Andrew,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE RORNICH COURT BOE MANOH, EO4O CHANGEEI Tenor 22 cms .
Wilciam J. Prescoti... ...Tyeble Willian H. Lloyd ... ... 5
Alfred J. Wyatt .... ... 2 Piercy Merson ...
Jamas Hint... .... .... ... 3 3 Acgander Evans
Lhomas F. King... ... ... 4 JOSEFB T. Dyxe ... ... ... ... Compond by Wizliam A. Cave. Conducted by J. T, Dyer.

BEBINGTON, CHESHIRE.
THE GHESTEF DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Wirral Brance.)
On Saturday, April 27, 1929, in Three Hours and Three Minutas, At the Chorch of St. Anderw,
4 PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5408 GHANRES; Tenor $8 \mathrm{cwt}$.3 qT. $\mathrm{I}_{5}$ lb. in A flat.
 Composed and Conducted by J. C. E. Simpson.

* First peal of Treble Bols. + First peal of Majov awsy from the treble. $\ddagger$ First peal in the methol. This was Mr. John Breese's -25th peal, in all of which the conductor has had the pleasure of taking pert.

> WOORURN, BUCES.

THE OXFORD DIOCREAN GUILD.
On Saturday, April 27, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Fou, Minutes, At the Churct of SS. Prier and Pail,
A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE TRIPLE8, bete GHANGES;

 James W. Wilkins ... ... 2 Willian J. Botthill ... 6 Wilciam J. Norton ... ... 3 Donalif F. Bore 3 am... ... 7 Challis F. Winney ... ... 4 Cbcil W. Pipe ... ... ... Tonor Conducted by W. J. Bottriel.
Rung on the jubilee celebration of the Tast Berks and South Bucks Branch. The ringers take this opportunity of thanking the Ficer for his kind hospitality after the peal.

STONEY STANTON, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE MIDLAND COUNTLES ASEOCLATION.
On Saluytay, April 27, 19 gis, in Truo Hours and Fifiy Minutes, At she Cerrce of St. Michael.
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Pitstow's Variation of Thersians'. Tenor 14 cmt .


LEISTON, SUTFOLK.
THE EUETOLK GUILD.
On Saturday, April 27, 1929, in Two Haurs and Fifty-Six Mitutes, At the Chorch of St. Margaret.
A PEAL OF BRIBTOL 8URPRISE MASOR, 505G CHANGES; Tevor 20 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt
Reginald C. Kerexy... ..Treble
Jates G. Romsey
Fridderick J Smith ... 3 Charice Baileson...
Emest S. Bailey ....... 4 Cgarlesf. Hailiy ... ...Temor

Composed by Gabrifl. Lempozf. Conducted by Chas. F. Bailey KNIGHTON: RADNORSEIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sulurday, April 27, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Sin Minutes, At tee Cegrce of St. EdWard,
A PEAL DF GRANGSIRE TRIPLES, BA40 GHANGES;
Hole's Ten-part.
Tenor 10 cwt .
Geoferry C. Abley $\quad .$. Trible Joen F. Evans ... ... ... 5

 Williay J. Beniamb ... 4 Ficgard H. Wellings ...Temor Conducted by Francis Evans.

* First peal of Triples. First pual of Triples as conductor. Ringer of the frow Ludlaw. $A!1$ the others are mernbers of the local band. MANSEYELD, NOTTS.
TEE MIDLAND COUNTHES ABSOCLATION.
On Saturday, April 27, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minute,
At the Pakish Cgurch of St. Peter,
A PEAL DF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANEES; Tenor 14 cwh.
Thomas Bettison ... ...Trable "Joha W. England ... ... 5


Compored by Charles Sevrrn. Conducted by Tromas Betison
* First peal of Major. ECKINGTON, DERBYSHRLE.
THE MTDLAND COUNTIES ASGOCIATION.
(fanprield Digtaict Society.)
On Suturdey, Abril 27, 1929, in Three Hours amd Thitten Minmes,
At the Cgerca of SS. Peten and Pagl,
A PEAL OF OXFDRD TREBLE BOB MAJDR, 605G OHANGES; Tenor $16 \frac{5}{3} \mathrm{cwt}$

Precy Jervis ... ... ... 4 A. Percivai Kntghtg ....toner
Composed by Arthur Knights. Conducted by A, P. Knigets.
* First peal in the Oxford Variabion. SHIPLEY, YORKSHIRE
THE FORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Setterday, April 27, 1929, in Three Hours and Fiue Minutes.
At tae Chusch of St. Padl,


## 

 Tenor If cwt.Ropert W. Jennison, sen. Trefle |Wilgiam Barton
Tronar B. Kgndall... ... 2 Albert J. Hugers

Composed by A. Kmights (i74). Conducted by William Barton. MACHEN, MONMOUTHSHIRE.
THE LLANDAEF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATYON
On Saturday, Apvil 27. 1929, in Three Hours and Two Minmes,
At the Chorch of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, G040 CHANBES;
Groves' Transposifion of Parker'e Twrlve-part. Tenor 15 cwt .


George Coors
Conducted by Alban E. Slatter.

* First pead and were made tnembers bufore starting.


## BRENCHIJEY, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASEOCIATION.
On Satwday, April 27, 1929, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,
Ax the Cadrce of All Saints,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANEE8; - Jambs W. Kniget ... ...Tyeble Hafry Baber ... .. ... 5 Mrs. H. Baker...
 Composed by J. Reeves. Conducted by A. H. Smith.

- First peal of Major, and elected a member of the nasociation previous to starling. $\dagger 50 \mathrm{th}$ peal of Major. First peal of Major ab cenduetor.


## TWICKENHAM, MIDDLESEX

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GULD.
On Safurday, April 27, 1929, in Three Hours and Four Minutes.
At the Parish Chtrch of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF GRAND8IRE TRIPLES, b04日 CHANEES;
J. J. Parkrr's Twelve-fart,

Wilfred G. Wilson ...Treble
Miss K. M. Bradford ... 2
Ernest C. S. Turner ... 6

- D. Hile brown ..... .13 Artadr Harding ... ... 7 Edward A. Morris ... ... 4 | Joseph Lovell ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by E. C. S. Torner.
* First peal. Rung as a 2lst birthday complimeut to Reginald A. Wager, one of the Twickenham band.


## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

HINXWORTE, HERTS.
the hertrord county association.
On Sunday, April 21, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes, At tag Parise Chorce,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, $\operatorname{tag}$ OHANGES;
Being seven 720's called differently. Tenor 9 cwt .

 Conducted by S. H. Warlis.
First peal by ell except coneuctor. Firat peal of Bab Minor as conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to Princess Elizaketh. ULCEBY, LINCS.
THE LINCOLN DIOCEGAN GULLD.
(Northeran Brangh.)
On Monday, April 22, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,
At thy Chorch of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL DF DOUBLE8, soto CHANEEB;
leing 20 six-scores of Grandsire, 12 Plain Bob, and 10 St. Simon'a Jack Bray .. ... ... ...Trebia |Lauaence England ... 3 -Martin Walker $\ldots \ldots$.... a Frank Lord $\dagger$ Hogr Ebatison
... ...Tenor Conducted by Jack Bray.

* First of Doubles. + First peal. First peal on the bells. Trhe ringer of 3 rd was elected a member before starting. HUNTINGDON
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, April 24, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes, At tez Cherch of All Saints,


## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGE8;

Sewen different extents.
Dennis Adams
Williaks Bavin. Jobn Smakt ...
...
Conducted by Frank Warrington

## * First paal.

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FLM, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.
THE RLY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
(Marsaland Brance.)
On Saturday, April 27, 1929, in Two Howrsand Fifty Minufes, At the Church of Ale Saints,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES; Being seven 720 's, differently called.
A. Norman Geary ... ...Treble Fred Wigmore ... ... ... 4 - Robert W. Cropts ... ... 2 Cladde Cousisg... ... ... 5 J. Geoffrey Grary... ... 3 Ernest Mormis ... ... ...Tenop Conducted by Ernest Morris.

* Firat peal. The conductor's 55ath peal, in 176 towers and in 24 counties. Kindly arranged for Messrs. Geary Bros., of Billesdon, and Morris, of Leicester.

STONE, WORCESTERSHIRE.
TEE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTE ASSOCIATION. On Saturday. April 27, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Ttwo Minules,

At the Chorge of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob ${ }_{x}$
Double Court, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor $5 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

- Joskph Lawrence

Treble Wieliam Ranford
Thomas J. Salter
.... 2 William Short ... Sidney T. Holt . 3 Zefrles Camm
$\begin{array}{ccc}\ldots . . & . . & 4 \\ \cdots . . & . . . & 5 \\ \cdots & \text { enor }\end{array}$ Conducted by Sidney T. Holt.

* First peal in seven methodis. MISTLEY, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOGIATION.
On Saturday, April 27, 1929, in Two Houys ard Forty-Nine Minutes,
At the Cherch of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5050 GHANEE8;
Being seven 720's, each called differantly.
Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cw} \mathrm{t}$.
Stanley G. Moss ... ...Treble | Frank G. Honeywood ... 4 Cbarles Honeywood … $\quad$ a William Stify ... ... Grorge W. Moss ... ... 3 Walter Honeywood ...Tenoy Conducted by George W. Moss.
- First, peal in the method inside. A 65th birthdny peal for Mr. W. Honeywood, who afterwards entertained the band to tee. The conductor's 130 th peal.

COSGROVE, NORTEANTS.
THE TOWCESTER AND DISTRIGT ASEOCIATION. On Saturday, April 27, 7929, in Two Howfs and Fifty-Eight Hinutes,

## At the Parish Cherch.

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, b040 CHANGES;
Being 42 biz-scores with ten aifferent callings.

- Harry Cashmore ... ...Treble |†William Neale ... ... 3

- Tbumas E. Roberis ...Temor Conducted by T. E. Robzrts.
* First peal on five bells. + First peal 'inside.' W. Nerle and Wi. Dillow were elected members previous to starting. The ringers wish to take this opportunity of thanking the Rector for the use of the bells.

HUSBORNE CRAWLEY, BEDFORDSHIRE.
THE BEDFORDSHERE ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday, Aprii 27, 1929, in Three Hours and Tuelye Stinutes,
At ifr Chorce of St. James.
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of London, Wells, York, Cambridge, Oxford, Woodbine and Kent.
Hbary Stapleton ... ...Trebla | William Stock ... ... ... 4 Henry Gayton ... ... ... 2 | Ednond J. Hobas ... ... 5 Charles W. Clarx ... ... 3 | Horace H. Smith ... ...Temoy Conducted by Horace hi. Smita,
Rung for the wedding of Mr. William Peacock and Miss Alice Yates. Mr. W. Peacock is a valued and greatly reeppected member of the Husborne Crawley band. The peal was also a birthday compliment to Glyn F. Smity.

ALSAGER, CHESHIRE.-On Enster Moaday, April 1st, a quarterpeal of Grandaire Triples ( 1,260 changes) in 40 mins.: $\mathbf{H}$. G. Smita 1, A. Boath 2, C. S. Ryles 3, J. S. Royle 4, T. W. Arrowsmith 5, A. Crawley (canductor) E, H. Parker 7, G. W. Bideulph 8. C. S. Ryles longegt length in the method. Rung after failing with Treble Bob.

## WRENTHAM, SUFFOLK. <br> THE EDFFOLK GOILD.

On Sunday, April 28, 1929, in Two Hours and Fopty-Five Minutes, At the Chorcg of St. Nicholas,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGE\&I

Eeing 720 each of Canabridge and Norwich Surprise, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Court and Plain Bob. Tenor 10t ewt. Charles Bailey...
$\begin{array}{cc}\ldots \text { Treble } & \mathrm{G} \\ \ldots . . & 2 \\ \ldots & \mathrm{~A} \\ \ldots & \mathrm{~F}\end{array}$ George Let
William C. Bunn
2
3
FRA
L. Nadnton Frangis W. Naunton ...Tenoy
Conducted by Francis W. Naunton.

Rung with the bellf half-mufled as a last tribute of respect to Mr. John Larter, who was interred st Reydon, the previous day. He Fers a great friend of the Wrentham company.

## HANDBELL PEAL

BRAINTREE, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOGIATION.
On Saturday, April 27, 1929, in Two Hours and Twenty-Scven Minutes, at 3. Cressing Way,

## A PEAL OF BOE MAJOR, 5182 CHANEES;

## Bhsil Rbogwell..

Wileiam Kgeble
Composed by Jamas Hant.

| I-2 | Lewis W. Wiffen |
| :--- | :--- |

The conductor 550 ith peal.

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

EAST BERKS AND SOUTH BUCKS BRANCE JUBHEE.
The julvice celebrations of the East Berks and South Bucks Branch will be remembered for many years by those who attended at Boyae Fill on Saturday last. Some fifteen diferent towers in the branch area wers represenfed, and, in addition, a number of unattached members and visitors were preseat.

The bells were raised puactually at 3 p.m., and were kept going to various methods until 4.30 p.m., when the Guild service was conducted by Rev. W. S. Riddelsdell, M.A., Vicar of Bray and chairman of the branch. The Archdeacon of Oxford, Rt. Rev. E. Domett Shaw, D.D., gave an excellent address on the text taken from Zachariah xiv. 20 and 21, "In that day shall there be upon the bells of the horses, holiness unto the Lond, and the pots in the Lord's hotse shall be like the bowls before the altar. Yea, every pot in Jerusalem and Judah shall be heliness unto the Lord of Hosts."

An oxcellemi meal was served at the Parish Hall, where the compeny ineluded Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn (Master of the Guild), Rev Canon G. F. Goleridge (president of the Central Gouncil), Mr. A. J.
Wright (general treasurer of the Guid), Mr. W. Bottrill (MetropoliWright (Beneral treasurer of the Guid), Mr. W. Bottrill (Metropoli-
tan Police Guild), Mr. F. W. Goodfellow (Ringing Master, South and West District, Middlesex County Assaciation), and Messrs. C. F. Winuey, J. J. Parker, W. H. Fussell, J, Evans, H. Colling and E. Keeley, the last-ammet being over 90 years of age.
The business meeting followed, the Chairman offering a warm- welcome to the Master and Canon Goleridge.
The election of 17 new members was confirmed, and the Rector of Fulmer and his band of eight ringerg were proposed as members by the Secretary, and clected forthwith. Tho son of the new Branch Thinging Master was also marle a member.

A wote of condolence was carried in silence to the relatives of three recently deceased members.
The financial statement was well receired and accepted, a qote of hanks keing accorded to the auditor. Whe Secretary commented on the present strang financial position of the brancl, and also on some of the more recent monthly practices, especially the mach enjofed joint mecting with the Middlesex County Association at Millingedon.

Canon Celeridge Ifumorously suggested that a new rule might be made compelling ringers to sitin in the front pews and not the back ones, to the beerefit of the preacher as well hs the listeners.

Numerous votes of thanks and appreciation were passed to all connected with making the arrangements.-Mr. J. J. Parker, responding, expressed his pleasure at laving been a member for 50 years.Mr. W. H. Tussell produced the receipt for his first subscription, dated July 26 til, 1879 .
The following officers were elected: Chairman, Rev. W. S. Riddelsdell, M.A.; branch secretary and treasurer, A. D. Barker; Branch Iinging Master, Mr. T. J. Fowler; branch representatives on Genera Committee, Mrs. A. D. Barker, Messrs. J. L. Kirk, T. J. Fowler, J. G. Truss and G. H. Gutteridge.

It was decided to pay the expenses, where necessary, of representatives attending the General Committee meeting.

It is hoped to vibit Amersham for the mext monthly practice.
Aftor the business was finished, a musical evening was enjoyed, and, following a touch of Stedman Triples on handbells, some excollent songs were rendered by Messrs. W. R. Ash, T. J. Fowler and Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn. Mr. Ayres, orgaisi, of Cookham, presided (Continued in pert column.)

## A HANTS TOUR.

EAST TYTHERLEY, HAMPSETRE.
TTE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GULD. On Tuesday, April 23, 1929, in Three Houre,

At the Chorce of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF OAMBRIDEE 8 URPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES

Middleton's.
George Williams
.r ...Treble
Gentge R. Pye
D. Cecil. Wilgiams .... .... 3

Couducted by George Wileiams
The Ficar (the Rev. A. E. B. Leahy) met and welcomed the band after the peal.

SOUTHAMPTON, HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINOEEBTER AND PORTBMOUTH DLOCESAN GURLD. On Twesday, April 23, 1929, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

At tere Ceprch of St. Micgarl,

- PEAL QF DOURLE MORWICN COURT BGD MAJOR, 508 g GHANEE


## Tenor I6 cwt. I qt. I 5 lb. in $F$.

Jonn W. Faitheuli. ... ...Trebie James Bgnneit
Grorge R. Pyr.
Wirliam H. Fossell
2
3
Samoel J. Hzctor
5

Grorge Wicliams
Composed by J. Hont.
Krith Hart...
7
Cliam A. Cave $\cdots$. + Thar
Eirst peal of Double Norwich on bells since recasting. The Vicar (the Rev. R. Spread) risited the belfry whilst the peal was in progress.

DIBDEN, HAMPSHIRE.
THE WLNCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Weinssday, April 24, 1929, in Two Houys and Fifty Minntes,

## At the Cgorch of All Saints,

a PEAL OF SUPERLATIYE SURPRISE MAJOR, BOEB CHANEEE, Tenor 10: cwt.
 MILFORD-ON-SEA, HAMPSHERE
THE WINOHESTER AND PORTSMOTTH DIOCESAN GUILD. O. Thursday, Jpril 25. 1929, in Three Howrs and Siz Minutes,

## At the Chorcg of All Saints,

A PEAL DF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Samohl J. Hector
Williama. Cave
George R. Pye
renar $12 \frac{1}{c} \mathrm{cwt}$ in G .

Jambs Bennett
Treblo Frodericis S. Bayley

Composed by G. Lindoff.


First peal of London on the bells.

## GOLDEN WEDDING.

On Friday, April 19th, Mr. and Mrs. J. Hands, of Femalean Road, Caversham, celebrated their golden wedrling-
Mr. Hands is one of the oldest members of the St. Peter" Society, Gaversham, which was inaugurated in 1884, wlaen Canon Coleridge first took holy orders.
To mark the occasion, a quarter-peal of Cambridge Surprise Majom was rung on Sunday evening, April 21sli, by: H. Simmonds 1, A. 13. Cullum 2, J. Fands 3, W. Lewington 4. A. Wiggias 5, E. J. Menday 6, G. Essex 7, E. W. Menday (conductor) 8.
Messrs. E. W. Menday, G. Essex, J. Fands and H. Simmonds are four of the first change tingers of the St. Peler's Society, Caversham, and have been ringing every Sunday for 45 years. Mr. Hands, wios has passed 'the allotted span,' is still in the pink of health.
(Continued from previous column.)
at the piano, and still another momber from Cookham produced some weird and wonderful noises behind the scenos.
A little community singing formed part of the programme, aud the evening closed with the National Aathens.

It is rumoured that the arrangements for the centenary are already in hand, and it is hoped that although the meal may be chiefly in tabloid form, there will be liquid refreshment to suit all, as well as suitable cosy corners and seats for loving couples-mnless this is out of date in 1929.

## THE METHODS COMMITTEE REPORT. MH TROLLOPE CRITICISES OUR COMNENTS. <br> To the Editor

Vear Sir, -The besi reply to your criticism of the Methods Commitcees repurt is, I thimk, the report itself. We want members of tho Contral Comeil to read it and mote what it says and what it does not any, and wote accordingly. Buat there ale one or two things which perhaps mas profitably tee said.

1. You ang that before the Coumel adopi this report it must decintr: the primeiple of what is to he recogaised as a peal. The prisciple was decided centirries ago: it is fruth and completeness. But if you mean the details, then, swely, you are puiting the cart before the horso- Jedwood justice "-sentence first and trial afterwards. What we desire is that the Excmoisc, and, particularly, the five end six boll ringers, should have the opportunity of tosting and judgiug these compnsilions. Later on it will be time enough to settle on a defnite rule. And in this contunction if would mosi respentfully suggest to eighit-hell ringers that they should suspend their final judgment on the matter. In eight-hell ringiag the opportunitios for expansion and development are practically unlimited. There is plenty of room to pick end choose. For live and six bell ringing it is not so. There the scope is wery limited, auf it does seem rather selfish for eight-bell ringers to refuse to five-hell yingers such opportunity for davelopment as there is.
2. All beated talk aboul ' nu juggling with truths,' is quite beside the point. No one warts to juggle with truth. No one would willingly ring it fulse peal. We propose to print these compositions beenuse, after having examined them jurinially, we are convinced that they ena puoperly be called holth titue and conplete. The only people who can faitly be said to juggle with truth are these who, by strainiug langunge beyond the breakitg point, iell us that the Bankes Inmes Canbridec comsists of seven true 720's.
3. I am quile aware that many fingers of wide experience, objeat to thase compositions, and even 'bluntly denounce them as fnlse. There never was any development in ringing that some rimgers uf wide experieme did not object to Little methoris, spliced rimging, titae ust of singles in amposition-all of them we have been told tre theoretically unsound. I remember' the highest authority in the Fixerdise saying thaI London was an illegitimate methad; and 1 ila not douht thal inn old Plain Cliange riugers of the seventconth century looked on Cross Peals as undesirable. People are fully in their rights in not liking these new compositions, hut thoy need not ring them unless they like: and, even if they are in a majority, that seoms on adoguate reasor for stapping those who do want to ring thom.
4. If $i_{s}$ mat fair to raid inta a formal domameal like this report, signod hy more than one person, anything which is not thare. We nowhore say that we wanl tine Conncid to admit as a peal of Minor any composition in whinh earln of the 720 rows appears only seven times, no natter how of teth any row or any bloch of rows appenrs within the limils of any one 720, or anything like it. Personally, I should sulscribe to no such opinion. We ask for agpuoval of our interntion to print certain definite compositions which we think are uneful to the Exercise.
5. The report does not set up one standard for peals on live and six bells and another for peals on higher numbers. It recognises that, owing to facts, a difimenee already rexists anit must exist, Narnaly, on seven bells you can and mast ring the full extend of the whangos. On night and mort hells you rannot, and therefore need nol ring thr inll extent, and on six and live you must repert elnuges. The older idea thal a peal of Minor must consist of geven geparnte mitenlis went whers the Hankes James arrangement of Cambidge was mosepterl. And as you yourself publicly accepted that arrangement as soubul, you canmen hlame ofr committee for doing the same thinge It is alogical and defersilsle position to take up thut a peal of Mimor mast consist of seven scparate 720's, but once you abandan that you esunat in fairness or logic admit a composition liko the Cambridge nunt womdemn Morris arrangement of Doubles. If you say the 120 's of the latter are false, so also are the 729 's of the tormer. If the former can be justified as a whole composition (as you do justify it), se can the lutter. They stand or fall fogether.
6. Of all the une nompositions we propase to include, there are only twn which yout lave not approved. We cannot see fanything in which theg diffor in prineiple from the athers.
7. May I romind you that the Exercise, while accepting as a matural thing the phituciple of tuabs anci completeness, has nover beten fulty agreed for any long time as to what does constitute a pasi of Minor or Dobbles? There has hecn a good deal of change Aud developmond of opinion on this maltor in the past, and there seerns na roason why there should not the further change and developmont in the future.
8. Our position is hrondly this: When we decided to inptove bhe "Minar Collection " by adding compositions, we found that there were two compositions whieh wero boginniog to be popular among five and six ball ringers. Both were diferent from nolder compositions, and we bud to decide whether to include them. The guestion was nat whetber we as intlivituals approved them, but whether the five
and sis bell ringers wauled them, and whelber they ware likely to be of use to them. There could be no doubt as ta the answer.
In conclusion, may I suggest that it is rather u pity you did nat yield to the temptation to ask, "What is behind this endeavour? The alswer would have been no easy.-Yours sincerely,
J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE.

## COMMIITEE'S CONFLICTING VIEWS

In the above letter, Mr. Trallope says that 'of all the compositions we (tho committed propose lo include, there are only two which you have not approved. Whe cannot see anything in which they dffer in principle from the others."
It is very kind of Mr. Trollope to refer to our Bpproval, but that is not the point that matters. The attiturle which we have adopted liss been one of supporting the intentions of the Central Gonnel as indicated at Herefard. The Exercise, und certainly the Counch have a rigat to know, whal the ather compositions fre-if they depart from the reognised standard of being tride anil complete ex-tonts-before they are printed and published under the name of the Council. Up to now the only compesitions which have been definitely mentioner in this controversy are Rankes James Cambridge, Law James' Londod, and Pitman's and Morris' Grandsire Doubles. Are there nny others? If 60 , the Council would prabably like to know.
Therc are a number of points in Mt. Trollope's perfectly fair criticism of our article with which we should like to deal did space permit, but for the moment space forbids. We cannot, however, resist coutrasting some of the statments, made ly members of the commitfee, which slow that they have wolshied pretiy considerably over this matter individually hefore making up their minds collectively, while Mr. Trollope in his letter this weels appears to lave Forgotiten what Mr. Trollope sairl in these columns on December 14tir
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## Mr. TROLLOPE, December 14th, 1928 :-

The 720's in the Rev. E. B. James arrangement of Cambridge are all true.

Rev. H. LAW JAMES, Janutry 18th, 1929:-

Consider my brother's arrangemont of Cambridge Minor. We make 720 changes of the bells so that we have the correct number of clanges made, bat the lagt change made takes ur into the next 720 . We now ling througl that, and the last change made bringe us into the mext 720 , and so on throughout. 'flye last change in tha beventh 720 brings us brek into the first 720 Bgain, and completes the first 720 , so that each of the seven is true and complete.
Mr. TROLLOPE,
25th, 1929
The old idaa of as six-bell peal was that it must cousist of a least seven true aud complete extents. The words "true" and 'complete" and 'exteni' later been used in the Exercise for $H$ cotsple of centuries, and they al. ways have had and lave a thefinte and unamistakable thean

Mr. THOLLOPE, May 3rd, 1929:-
The only peopie who car fairly he said to juggle with truth are those who bs atraining language herond the breaking point tel us that the Bankes James' Cam bridge consists of seven trat 720 '
Mr. TROLLOPE, January 25th, 1929:-
Uuless you do count rounds at the start as a change, six of the sever 720's cannot by any streteh of the word be considered true.

Committee's Report, April 26th:- Bankey James arrange ment of Cambridge does not consist of seven extents.

Mr. TROLLOPE, February 8th, 1929
It (the Herefora resolution) lays down that a peal of Minor shall consist of at least seven brue and complete 720 's.

Commitioe's Report, April 26th, 1929:-
The Binkes James" arrange ment dous uat consist of sewen axtenis. . . . The justification of the arramement lies in taking the first 2.160 thanges as one round black.
Regarding Mr. Morris' arrangement, 1he Report says: 'Of course, there is repetition betweer handstroke and back stroke.

## (Other letters arg unavaidably hald over.)

## THE YOUNGER GENERATION.

## Mr. C. F. Winney, quoting from the Middlesex County Absociation, Increasing imlerest of vounger

有 keoll friends, who are sad at the apathy of persons they bave tried to enenurage in this duty to the Chumgh.SUDDEN DEATH OF A BURTON LATIMER RINGER We deegly regret to announce the death of Mr. Harry Mcanows which took place with tragic suddenness on Tuesday evening, Aprit 23ad. The decensed had been to bis work that day as usual, and, in the cvening was at work in his garden, when about 6.30 he was sean to fall to the ground. A neighbous went to his assistance, but Mr. Meadows died in about two minutes. At an inquest which was helf, the dactor stated that a post-mortem examination revealed that the deceased's heart was twice the nomal weight, and the jury returbed a verdict of 'Death from natural causes.
The funeral took place at St. Mary's Church on saturday afternom, the Rentor (Rev. G. L. Lethbridge) officiating. In addition to the local ringers, there were also present Mr. R. G. Black, general sectetary, and Mr. W. T. Wilson, treasurer of the Peterborough Dionesan Guidd, Mr. R Trurner (Kettering), Mr. A. Hennan, Kettering (an oldi-time Burtan ringer), Mr. J. R. Main (Finedon), and P.C. Robineon, who is also a ringer.

The deceased had been a ringer at St. Mary's Church for 23 jears, and duriug the whole of that time had been most regular in his aftendance to ring for the Sunday services. He bad not bean a great peal ringer, but he had rung about twenty peals in all, the groater part of them having been Minor in seven mothods.
After the funeral the bells were rung balf-muffled to touches of ${ }^{1}$ lain Bob Stcdman and Grandsire. The bells were algo rung moffled for botlu services on Surday.

## ARCHDEACONS WHO HELP.

## To the Editar.

Bir, Witio reference to your learling article on this subject, I would like to say that in the Ven. Archdoacon Fowson, Archdeacon of Warrington in the diocese of Liverpoal, ringers have another valued friend and helper.

For many pears the Archdeacon has held the office of warden of the Liverpoof Diocesan Guild, which comprises the Liverpool and Wigan Branches of the Lancashire Association, and, what is still more to the point, feequently attends the hranch meetings.

He never loses an apportunity of encouraging our art amongst those newly ordained into Orders, and there are not melay towers in the district that he has nat visited. Despite advancing years, bis energy and work on behalf of ringers daes not diminish. In fine, we all love our Archdeacon for what he is-our friend.
I am also informed that the first Master of the Chester Diocesan Guild was Archdeacon Barber.

- APPRECIATORY.


## LADIES' GUILD.

A quarterly meeting of the Northern District of the Ladies' GuiJd was hekl at Duffield on April 13th, whea again the attendance was extremely poor. Nevertheless with generous assisfance from the gentlemen quite a variety of methods was attempted, the ease with which the belis can be handlea making them most suitable for ladies to ring. A very appetising tea was provided in the schoolroom, after which the business meeting took place, three new memberg being elected.
The new rules for the Ladjes' Guld and also for the districts werf brought forward and passed, one of the latter boing thet the annual district meeting shall precede the annual gencral meeting.
Votes of thanks were extended to the Yicar, and especially to the local band for their efforts to make the meeting a success, also to the ladies who prepared auch an excellent tes.
Date and place of mext meeting mere left open peading arrangements for the unveiling of the ladies' peal tablet. Further ringing took place throughout the cveniag, bringing a most enjoyable meet ing to a close.

## METHOD SPLICJNG

To the Editar
Dear Sir, Mr. Drake reply seems to call for some comment. He states that several reasons were advanced in support of the resolutian that the splicing of methods is theoretically unsound, but he only gives us his own reason. Fe contends that the theory we ring by is thas we must keep to one kind of methot in what we ring, varied by two kiads of calls. To do other than this breaks the principle, and a broken principle is an ansound principle.
I should like to ask Mr. Drake three questions: (1) Has ac evev rung 120 Grandsire Doubles, or Holt's Ten-part peal of Grendsire Triples? (2) Daes he consider that either of the different singles used breaks the Doubles or Triples principle? (3) If he agrees to breaking primeiples by the calling of any kind of single, in odd-bell methods, why does he object to further innovations which have the decided merit of incrensing the scope of ringing and making it much more complex and interesting?

It is a pity the other reasons advanced at the SuIolk Guild's meeting are not given. One can only come to the conclusion, regretfully, that there are still a number of ringers who object to change of any kind.-Yours faithfully,
G. T. COLES
P.S. In my letter published on April 19th an error occurs. In the last line but two the words "spliced cxperts" should read spliced extenf."
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## BELERY GOSSIP.

At Kington Magna, where the bells were rung on St. George's Day, the King's message to lis people was, at the Bector's request, read out to the ringers by the ateeplekeeper.
A minor tour, resulting in four peals of Major, took piace in Hanis last week. It extended over three days. The last of the peals was London Surprise on the new bells at Milford-on-Sea, and the band had a miraculous eseape from losing it. Just as the conductor nalled 'This is all,' at backstroke, his rope broke, came down in front of him and laid on the belfry foor. Has such a thing ever been known before?
Four fathers and four sons have repeated at St. Martin's, Epsom, the performance of extetly eixty years ago in the same tower. They have rung a peal of Grandsive Thiples
The peal at Henstridge on April 18th was rung by members of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association.
Next Sunday is the annipersary of the 12,312 Grandsire Caters rung at Painswick in the year 1817. Even at that date it was rot the record length, for a peal of 12,603 had been rung at Norwiob in 1737.

The frat peal of Grandaire Bob Maximus was rung at Southwarts on May 7th, 1792.
Edmonton bells were opened by the Cumberland Youths with a peal of ' 5,280 Oxford Treble Bobs,' composed and conducted by John Reeves, on May 8th, 1788.
'Many happy returns' to-day to Mr. Albert Waiker, Deputy Ringing Master of St. Martin's Guild, and on Tuesday to Mr. Georgo Williams, Master of the Winchester Diocesan Guild.

Mr. Cballis Winney writes that April 29th was the late 'Jack" Hayes' wedding day, and on that date in 1884 he turned in Southwark tenor. It was a vastly different problem in Lhose days, remarke Mr. Winney, compared with to-day, when the bell is tucked up in an iron stock. It was George Mash who pereuaded Hayes to tackle the the job one practice night.
Several correspondents have reminded us that Miss Lewis, who has been appointed general secretary of the Warwickshire Guild, is not tho first lady to hold such an office. Miss Violet Shorter was secretary of the Ely Diocesan Guild for twelve months, about six or seven years ago, and did most admirable work.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

THE MEETING ATT GHELMSFORD.
The Essex Association, through the hon, becretary, Mr. T. J. Pitstow, announces the following arrugements in connection with the meeting of the Essex Association at Chelmsford on Whitsum Tues-day:-

The following eight-bell towers will be available for peals on Saturday, May 18th: Writtle, Widford, Galleywood, Great Badiow, Borebana, Feering, and Braintree. Those wishing to take part should send their aames as early as passible, but not later Lhan Saturday, May 1Ith, to Mr. W. Keeble, Rye Mill Farm, Feering, Kelvedon, Lssex. Service ringing on Sunday in addition to the above-mentioned towers at the Cathedral (12), Great Waltham (8), Broomfield (6), and Springfield (6).

The headquarters will be the County Hotel. Bed and breakfast at the usual wommercial rates. Accommodation can also be given at the Bell Hotel and White Hart Hotel. To prevent disappointnent, inlending visitorg should write and make their arrangements at once.

The Essey Association is celebrating its jubilea on Whit Monday at Chelmsford. Visitors will receive a hearty welcome. For priticulars gee announcement in notices columne. A private 20 -seater bus has been engaged to enable ringers to wisit the neighbouring towers from 3 to 8 p.m. on that date.

Luncheon on Trueday can be had at Hicks Bros.' Restautand; High Street, Canmon's Restaurant, Duke Street, meav Railway Station, also at County Hotel. Previous notice should be given at the latter place. A room at the County Hotel bas been reserved for the use of visitors and friends in the evenings of Monday and Tuesday.

The Essex Association invite all members of the Central Council to tes at the County Fotel at the conclusion of the afternoon session on Tuesday.
F. J. PITSTOW,

Hon. Secretry
45, Higli Street, Saffron Walden, Essex.

## COLLEGE YOUTHS' SECRETARY

BUST TO BE EXEIBITED IN THE ROYAL ACADEMY
A bust of Mr. W. T. Cockerill, the hon. secretary of the Colluge Youths, is to be shown tht this year's Royal Academy exhibition. The sculptor is Miss Hiley (daughter of Mr. H. Sesom Hiley, architect, and a student of the R.A.), who has produced a fine work of art, which has received the hall mark of the R.A. by acceptance for the exhibition at Burlington Housc. The sculptor was commissioned by Mr. E. Alex. Young (hon. secretary of the Gentral Council), and the bust is a gift to Mr. Cockerill. It was cast in bell metal, provided by Mr. A. A. Hughes, by Singer-Morris, Ltd., and stands upon a Hoptonwood marble base, carved to Mr. Young's degign by Mr, J. Rowhotham, also of the College Youths.

## BELFRY ACOUSTICS.

The following is the report of the Towers and Bulfries Comimitter on Belfry Accustios, to be presented to the Central Council at the Chelmsford meeting:-
It is juportant in the case of rehanging and tuning to pay great attention to acoustic conditions. The tower is cleared of many large beams, thick planks and the accumulatiou of the dirt and dust of ages, which all teud to deaden sound, and into this empty room are placed the bells, readered by tuming more powerful in tome than before.

Much excellent rdyice is given in Section II. of the 'Préservation and Repair of Rells, Frames ancl Fitingis,' publisbed by the Council, and need not be repeated Isere.

So far as the noise outside the tower is concemed, there is nothing to add to this except to draw attention to the sound-deadening material known as Cabot's Quilt, which is of use jn forming a liniog to the wooden stutters suggested for the belfy windows.
As to the inside, and dealing first with the diffictaty of hearing one or two bells in a ring, the committee has notes of a successful experiment recenty carried out by Mr. Hosse in the Haslemere tower on the limes laid down in the above publication. [n the sume conneation special mention should be made of the ingenious, thougls very simple, contrivance of Mr. Pates in the tower of St. Mary's, Cheltenamm. Here the treble swings side by side with the tenor, and although a shuto was placed near the mouth of the treble it was quite inauible jn the ringing room after the first pull off in rounds. Sometbing was wanted to throw the treble sound fowards the shute, and at the same time to throw the tenor sound away therefron. This was effected by boarting in Lhe lower hadf of the tenor and trebie wheolg with half-ineh match boarding. The result is all that could be desired.
Then with regard to the comfortable hearing of a whole ring in the rivging room, ton much stress camot be laid upon the importance of thene being af least 2ft. Gin. between the fioor immediately under the bells and the ceiling of the ringing room, with no connect ing shutes of avy kind. If it can be 8 ft. or loft., so much the better In cases where a plastered ceiling is not practieable, e.g., where Wires und eranks of chiming lammers have to he accommodated, it will be necesary to lave a wooden ceiling, and in this case much can be done with Cabot's Quilt, Celotex, Lead (2lh. per font) or Felt, laid above the ceiliag.
In any chas, it is well to have some sound-deadening material immediately under the bells, and in some cuses round the walls of the belfry as well. This, of course, applies to towers where the ringing roon is obviously too neat to the bells and cannot be lowered.

Cabots Quilt is compased of seaweed ar eel grass that romes from Nova Scolia, It is usually made up into mats, but may be obtained loose for packing in between Moors. It can be obtained through the leading bell founders. Gelotex is a falted bourd made of sugar-cane, and can be obtaned through ary arehitect on buider.

A case is known of a heavy ling of eight to whin the ringerg' foor is so near that the sallies go ronm the wheds. There is only onf floor botween the rimgers and the bells. The noise was, of course, unbearable, but a rast improverumt was made by laying down Gabot's Quilt directly under the bells, the layers increasing according to the size of the bell.
There are many towers where both acoustic und other couditions would be far better if the bells were rung from the ground level. Wher the bells are being rehung this may well be considered. Often it brings tha ringer to exactly the right distauce from the bells, but it has also certain passible disarvantages.
The alternative plans of a cingers' ioft or gallery open to the church has very much to recommend it. fhis is especially adapted to a westrend tower with a high arch on the east side, and perhaps a large west window, with the floor of the nower required for church geating $\mathrm{Dr}^{\circ}$ a baptistry or a choir vestry. A flooy is put in 8 ft . or Ioft. from the ground, it may be of deal; across the easi arch runs sil oak frout, or a light iron railing, just high enough for safety. The window remains visible, and is in no way spoilt by the lianging ropes, as is sometimes supposed to be the casc. The floor is reached by a wooden staircase from inside the chath. Tlie ringers have perfeet ventilation without draught, are in good light and within good hearing of the bells.

Examples may be seen at Aidermaston, Bletchley, Clapham Park, St. Peter Mancroft, Painswici, Wokingham All Saints, and very many other places.

## C. W. O. JENKYN, Convener of the Gammittee. <br> C. D. P. DAVIES. <br> J. H. B. HESSE: <br> E. H. LEWIS. <br> E. A. YOUNG.

## BISHOP'S CONGRATULATIONS.

A quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples were rung at St. Michael's Churcli, Minehead, on Sundsy, in hououry of a ristit of the Bishop, of Tbuiton. At the commencement of tits serraon at evening service, the Bishop congratulated the ringers on their quarter-pral, and remaxked upon the perfect striking of the hells. The rangers were W. Folly 1, C. Strawbridge 2, L. Mason 3, F. Bulley 4, F. Date 5, W. Hoyle 6, J. Pugsley (conductor) 7, W. Male 8.

## ST. JAMES CHURCH CLERKENWELL.

## GREAT CITY RESTORATION.

The new ring of eight hells in the famaus Church of St. James, Clerkenwell, recast and relung with new fittings by Messus. Gilleti and Johnston, Croydon, was dedicated by the Lord Bishop of Stepney on Sunday, April 28th, at 6.30 p.m. His Worship the Mayor, the Mayoress aud members of the Finsuury Borough Council were in aftendance

The old bells had an unenvinble repnation for years. The fittings wero old fashioned and out of repair, and the oak frame had lacked aitention, with the result that it was hard work for the ringers to


## ST. JAMES', CLERKENWELL.

 foll fouders, a model belfry thas boula the euthorities' desive thal Clerkenwell and a belfry of which the parisin might be proud, will te rewardeal hy a speedy formation of a capable band of lingers, willing to sarve the cinurch in the exercise of st centuries' old craft.Nos. 1, 5, 6, 7 and 8 were cast originally in 1791, No. 4 in 1837, and Na. 2 was recast previously in 1801, and No. 3 in I904. Al\} tha old inscriptions have been reproduced and the old metal usen agatr. The tenor is $24 \mathrm{cwt} 2 \mathrm{gr}, 21 \mathrm{lb}$, in Fitat

Mesars. Gillett and Johnston, who have carried out the whole of the bell restoration work, have a specin] intereat in Clerkerwell, for
it was in this borough that Mr. Willian Gillett, the founder of the lirm, firge get up his fuctory a hundred years ago, before he moved ar Croyion in 1844.
The present head of the firm, Mr. Cyril Johnston, was chairman inr four years of the British Horological Institute, which is in (lerkenwell, and has many personal associations in the locality.
St. James' Church, Cleikenwell, holds a unique position, inasmuch it lyy an Act of Parlianemt in 1784 , in the reign of George MII., for pulling down the edurch and building a new church, the elhureh with its appurtenancea is vested in the Lrustres, the following being an exfract from the Act:
and the property in the bells, pews, seats, baoks, and all goods, clattels, and ornarrents, in the said new church and churchyard silall also be rested in the said Trustees for ever upon the stme trust.'

## THE REDEDICATION.

A crowder congregation whe present at the service on Sunday evening, when the lishog of Stepney rededicatea the organ and the bells. Tlie Mayar and Mayoress of Finsbury, the town clerk and members of the Corporstion were in attendance, and preceded the choir in pruenssion to pews reserved for them. The service was conducted by Tlu Viesr, tho Rev. C. J. Farker, with whom his people were that riny celehrating tire successful restoration of the organ, the spire and lle twlls at $n$ cost of more than $£ 3,500$. For the actual ceremony, The cherical and civic procession moved to the base of the tower, where the Bishop rededicated the bells, tolling the tenor twice and uffering the customary prayors.
In in sermon that must bave heen one of the mosi impressive and rloquent cyor delivered on such an accasion, the Bishop congratulated tha Vicar, wardens and parishioners on the splendid result of their endeavours, for cerlainly St. James', Clerkenwell, had given a $1+$ ndt to the churches of the diocese, and he wished that the ntumerous other whurches, so sady in need of similar attention, would follow lheir hright examplo. Ho wishea at least one message of his to remain in the minds of his hearers. Whenever, after that dlay, they heart the bells of thitt church ring out, he wanted them to remerilire that $a$ man's destiny should not control him; whatever the temptalion or the trials, is man conded rise triumphant over all these things-he could control his own destiny.
At the close of the gerrico, the Bishop, the Mayor and many
aitors wore specinlly interested in the old registers, dating back to visitors wore specinlly interested in the old registers, dating back to Hhe middle of the 16 th century, that had heen restorcd with great
skill. skill.
Refore and after the service a special band of Middlesex County Association, organise, by the hon. secretary, Mr. C. T. Coles, and inclucling Mr. W. Pyo, Master of the Association, rang the bells; and 1 lo Bishop specially complimented Mr. Cyril Johnston mat the tone of tho reuasi: penl, which he much admired.

A mecting of tho Midilesex County Association is to be held at Clarkenwell tomarrow, and will he in the nature of a ringers' opening of the brlls. In connestions with this a social will be held at the Victorit ILotel, Charterhouso Street, corner of Farringdon Road, at 8 p.m. All ringers will be weleome.

## DEATH OF AN OLD SUFFOLK RINGER

It is with deep regret wo have to record the death of Mr. J. Larter, who passed oway it his residenee at Reydon, near Southwold, on Weilnesdny, April 24th, after only a few days' illness, nt the age of 74 years. He joined the Norwich Association soon after ifs formation, and wha distriet serratary for the Halesworth District frir muny yeats. Thurn being bn hells in his own parish, he rang in all the chtrehos round about, and was widely kanown by a large aircle of fricends, his greafest holby beise instructing joung ringers. Theve ure fow ringers who have trivelled and walked move miles Hlan ha did for this parpose. He was in tlie employnent of the Earl of Stradbroten as foreman for approximately forty years, and lived n! thr timber yard until ho retired four years ago and went to reside at Reydon.
The funeral took place at Reydou Pavish Church on Saturday afternoon, the Rev. Asitom, of Jggleslall, officiating. In addition to the family mourners there wure present manv old frienis of the rirccased, induding Mr. J. Hill (late Butler), Mr. Haggarths (head gurdenez), Mr. R. Thompson (foreman. also a bellringer). The inver's present were Mussirs. G. and R. Pearce, of Wenhaston, E. R. Cuate, I. Sumlding and C. F. Sayer (Becles). J. Howard, and R. Thompon (Fraleswortl), L. Hammand (Chediston), W. Kerrison (Wisselt), F. Ford nad P. Self (Brampton), E. Grindell Rand E. Gundwin (Southwolè), E. Bailey, sen. F. Bailey, jun, W. Durrant, W. J. Suwyer, A. J. L. Nrunton and F. W. Naunton (Wrentham). Imnestintely after tha conmittal praycr, a course of Boh Major was ping over the grave by J. Howard 1, A. J. L. Naunton 2, J. Spalding, 3-4. E. R. Goate 5-6, F. W. Lambion 7-8.
The funcral arrangements at the deceesed's express wish were Wrted out by his brother ringers, Mossts. Naunton Bros., of W'renthan. In the evening from 5 to 7.30 various toutches were rung ist the Southwad bells with half-muffich clappers as a last tribute of
wapect. A half-mufled peal was also rung at Wrentham on Sunday. Wapect. A halif-muitled peal was also rung at Wrenthan on Sundry. the Finil and Comesss of Stradbroke.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

## EASTERN DISTRICT OFFICERS.

The annual raeeting was held on Saturday, April 20ta, at Pontefract (All Snints'), some 40 members being present, representing towers at Arkbey, Barnslcy, Goole, Hatfield, Heraing brough, Howden, Hull, Leeds, Selby and Suaith.

A short service was held at which the address was given by the Rev. C. ©. T. Naters, Vicar of Pontefract. Tea was provided in the All Sainta' Church House by the local company, and was followed by the business meeting, the Vicar of All Saints', the Rev. A. G. Slipley, M.A., presiding.

On the motion of Mr. P. J. Johnson (Leeds), hon general georetary, the following officials were re-clected: Mr. G. S. Miller (Hul5), Mr. R. B. Smith (Howden), to the committee; Mr. F. W. Dale (Hull), to the gencral committec; nad Mr. A. B. Cook (Hull), hon. district secretary, who was accorded a special vote of thanks for his past services, and who acknowledged the continued soafidence which the members placed in lim.
Four new mernbers were elected: Messrs. D. Fewster and J. M. Pickering, of St. Patrick's, Patrington, and Messrs. G. Cawklaill and R. Newham, of Howden. An invitation from the Rector of Hutfield to hold the summer meeting there was unanimously accepted.
A comprehensive vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar of All Sainta' for the use of the bells, service and presiding at the meeting, the Vicar of Pontefract for his address, and the organist, alen the local company and Mr. W. Pearson for the competent arrangements.

## ANOTHER RING OF EIGHT IN DEVON.

## NEW OCPAVE AT KINGSTEIGNTON.

Kingsteignton, Devon, is now in possession of a fine rimg of eightf bells, cast, and hung by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston. There was previously a peal of six in the tower, successors to an earlier riug. The new octave, which is, of course, tuned oa the five tone harmonic principle and hung in a new frame with all the latest modern fittings, has cost about $£ 650$, alI of which has been raised by voluntary subscriptions.
The dedioation was performed on Saturday week by the Bishop of Exeter, who, in an address, congratulated the parishioners on the mighty work they had completed, and added that the bells could speak a message to therm that no human tongue could teach. The bells told thom all things that interested them as a cormmunity. They were essentially a part of the whole social organisation of their civiligation. People forgot at times that they were a community and talked only as a set of individuals. He deprecated the selfishness of that old iden. Thinking of themselves alone conduced to what he described as a miserable hife.
Parties of ringers were aresent from Wolborough, Moreton, Chagford, Bovey Tracey, Chudleigh, East and West Teigumouth, Ipplepoa and Highweef. All expressed thernselves delighted with the music and 'go' of the bolls.
The notes, inscriptions, and weights of the bells are:-
Treble F.-Presented by George H. and Alethen Beer, 1929. 4 ewt. 2 q. 10 lb.
2nd, E.-Presented by S. and W. Couch, in menory of their mother, H. R. Cooke, Vicar: T. J. H. Partridge, A. P. Ycoman, clurchwardens, 1929. 4 cwt. 3 gr. 81 lb .
3rd, D-Mears and Stainbank, Founders, London, Defunctor Plero, Plebern Voco, Festa Decoro, Donum Johannis Whidborne, 1869. 5 cwt. 0 qr. 2 lb .

4th, C.-Mr. Samuel Mudge and Mr. Nicholas Watts, churchwardens, Thomas Bilbie, Fecil, 1766.6 cwt. 0 qr. 1 lb .
5th, B flat.-Mears and Stainbank, Founders, London, 'Gardemus Gaudentibus Dolentibus,' Donum Joliannis Whicborne, Aлло Domini, 1874. Joha H. Hext, Vicar. ${ }^{7}$ cwt. 2 gr. 4 lb .

6th, A.-Tri Vnj Deo Sit Gloria Sempi Terna, I. Byrnell, W. Waye, wardens, I.P., E.S., $1726.9 \mathrm{cwt} 0 qr .16 lb.$.
7th, G. Soli Deo Detvr Gloria, T.P., 1623.11 cwt 2 qr.
Tenor, F-God Save the Church, the Rev. Christopher Beeke, Viear, William Waye, Richard Westlake, churchwardens, 1745 , Tho Wroth, Fecit; recast 1919; John Nightingale, Vicar; Thomas Butland, Virginie Quinton, churchwardens; 'Peace on earth, good will towards men.' 16 cwt. 3 qr .11 lb .

## WELLINGTON BELLS RESTORED.

The bells of the Parish Church of Wellington, Shropshire, have recently been restored, and hung on ball bearings in a new steel frame. The work lins been admirably cayried out by Messers. Mcars and Stainbank, of the Whitchapel Foundry.
On Tucsday, April 16th, a quarrter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung in 45 mins. by: H. Whailey 1, Wr. Saunders 2, E. V. Rodenhurst 3, J. B. Tyler 4, L. Bishop 5, FI. Hayward 6, W. A. Fleteher (covductor') $7, W$. Thomas 8. The ringers expressed themselves as bighly pleased with the 'go' of the bells, and congratulated Mr. Tyler, who has been responsible for the rehanging, on the satisfactory completion of lis work.

## SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION

A quarterly meetiug was held at Coalbrookdale on Saturday, April 27th. The church is beautifully situated on the side of a hill, aud the bells are a very fine peal of ten by Mears and Stainbank About 25 members and visitors were present from Shrewsbury Alberbury, Malinglee, Worthen, Wellington, Bridgnorth, Sheriffales, Crewe, Birmingham, and the local tower, also two lady ringers from Cardiugton, who rang rounds on ten very well considering that their own tower contains onily four bells.
Ringing began at three o'elock and continued until five, when tea wh partaken of in Trinity Hall. The business meeting followed, the Viear, the Rev. F. Eland, presiding.
It was explained that this meeting would have heen held at Wellinglon, but permission could not be obtained. The tower there is very close to the shope, and numerous complaints are received if the bells are rung on a Saturday afternoon.
Nine new members were elected from Whitchurch
It was unanimously decided that Mr. W. Saunders attend the Central Council meeting at Chelmsford if passible, and that his expenses be paid.
Mr. A. Woodvine praposed that the assaciation print a balance ahect annually for eirculation amongse the members, and this was carried. The next meeting will be lield at Moreton Corbet on July 20th, if possible
Mr. Sauuders proposed a very hearty vote of thanks to the bon. secretary (Rev. F. Tennison) for his presence at the meeting and his continuedi interest in the association. This was carried with applause, and itr the course of his reply the Rev. F. Tennison said how grateful the members were to the Vicar of Coalbrookdale for the use of tho bells and hall.
This concluded the business, and the members then returned to the tower for further ringing nintil 8.30. The methods rung during he day were Grandsire Triples and Caters, Stedman Triples and Boh Major.

## LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the Southern District of the London County Asso fiation and the North Southwark Diocesan Guild was held on Saturday, April 20th, at St. Mary Magdelene's Church, Woolwich, and was fairly well attended. Ringing took place under the supervisiou of the District Master, Mr. H. Mance, some very good touches in various meithods being brought round, including a course of Cambridge. The begimers, also, were not forgotten, everyone being neenamodated.
A tery bright service was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. G M. Pickering), who gave the fassociation a hearty welcome, and a helpfuladdress. One of the local young ringers presided at the organ, and tho hymats and psalms, etc., were well rendered. Tea followed in the Mission House. where the party were the guests of the Rector, churchwardeus and the local band. a splendid repast thoroughly enjoyed by all, was presided over by the Rector, supported by the Master and the local Ringing Master (Mr. Aldridge). The husiness meeting followed, with Mr. Mance in the ellair. The rottine businesg was soon got througla, but there was an animated discussion under the heading of "other business." This arose because a tower laal not been obtainerd at which to hold a meeting, and it was stated that it was partly owing to the fact that the local band were not first asked their pernission. The secratary maintained that the proper person to ask was the inchmbent, whilst a momber moved resolution that the secretary be instructed to obtain satietion first of the local band. The resolution was, however, lost.
Dusing the meeting a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Rector for the use of the bells, for arranging and conducting the service, also, as part host wiils the churchwarden and local ringers, or supplying the tea, to the ladies who prepared and served the tex in such great style, to the organist, and, last, but by no means least, to Mr. Cyril E. Palmer, local secretary, whose kelp in arranging details was regarded as most valuabie by the diatrict secretary. As a consequence of the discussion, a somewhat late return was made to the lower, when more ringing was indulged in, bust some meabers had to leave early, as woolvich is right at the extremity of the district's activities.

## AN OPPORTUNITY FOR A RINGER

## To the Editor

Sir,-May I ask for a little space in rour columns to give a few delails albout the vacant post at Sherborme Abbcy, to which reference was made in 'Belfry Gossip' last week? I learn that the office is one of whole-time employment, atd the emoluments amount to about sloo a year. The vergor has to attend to the cleaning and besting of the building, work in the Abbcy close and so forth, besides the ufficial duties at the church services. In the event of some capable ringer obtaining the appointment, there will be a great opportunity of cloing valuable service in the cause of ringing. The eight massive hells afford a most interesting field of enterprise. -Your's faithfully,
(. F. LL. EDWARDS.

Kington Magna

## A SHEFFIELD CHURCH'S JUBILEE,

ORIGINAL RINGERS TAKE PART IN CELEBRATIONS.
The celebration of the jubilee af the Church of St. John, Rammoor Sheffield, took place on Weduesday, April 24th. The original church war erected by the late John Nemton Mappin, and opened April $24 t h, 1879$. It was destroyed by fire on Januery 2nd, 1887, and reopened September 9th, 1888 . The service was conducted by the Rev C. Cole-Hamilton, M.C., Vicar of Sholing, and the same Jymme and pgalma were used as when the church was congecrated by Dr. William Thomson, Arohbishop of York.
The bells were rung previous to the serviec, alde several touches were brought round. Three of the ringers who took part wert Messis. G. Fiolmes, W. Burgar and J. Dixon, who partieiputed in the ringing forty-nine years ago, when the bells were first opened, and later rang in the first peal on the bells early in 1881.
The bells were also rung in the evening, the local conpany being assisted by Messrs. R. Harrison, sen., R. Harrison, jun., W. Busgar, J. Dixan, and S. Lee. The Rev. Camons J. R. Lee Nicholls, M.A., rang the third in a short touch of Sterman Triplea before the morning service.

## TREBLE TEN AT BLACKBURN

The peal of Treble Bob Royal at Blackburn, which js recorded in this issue, represents a step forward by the Preston Branch. It was rung at the first attempt. The ringer of the 4 th had never previously had a pull on ten bells, and all excepting the conductor acorent their first peal of Treble Ten. The composer in a Prestan Branch ringer, and the composition is now rung for the first time. Grateful thanks are tendered by the band to the Blackburn Cathedral ringers for making the attempt possible, and for their kind congratulations after the peal

## F. G. NEWMAN FUND

Previously ackuowledged $\mathrm{s}^{7} 7$ 15s., Mr. G. Willians $58 ., \mathrm{Mr}$. O Austin 2s. Gd., Mr. E. Brett 2s., Mr. J. S. Hawkins 2s., Mr. W. G. Whitehead 5 s., H. A. R. 2s. 6月., Mr. W. Idle 2s., Mr. C. 11. Burroyne Cockecill, hon. secrelary, Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Rond, Claphan, S.W. 4 .

## LINCOLN CATHEDRAL

On Tuesday, April 16th, in 55 mins , a quarter-peal of Crandsire Caters (1,260 changes) was rung on the Cathedral bells: $\mathbb{S}$. I. Wolfe 1, C. MuGuiness 2, G. Flintham 3, T. Pyle 4, J. A. Freman (conductor) 5, C. H. Ghester 6, J. Waldeh 7, F. L. Pask B, H. Walker 9. J. Vickers 10 . First quarter-peal of Caters on the bells, and rung as a birthday compliment to the Dean of Lincoln (the Rev. Dr. T. C
Fry who was 83 on the 161 h . It was ring after meching short Fry), who
for Cingues.

## SURREY ASSOCIATION SOUTHERN DISTRICT.

The members of the Southerm Bistrict of the Surme Association ret at Leigh Clurch on April 6ill. Durimg the afternoon ringing took place, members numbering over $30^{\circ}$ from Buckland, Burstow, Chartwood, Forley, Leigh, Limpsfield Charl, Reigate nod Redhill towers being present. Many wisitors from Beddington, Crawley, Croydon, Leatherhead, Newdigate, Swindon and olher towers were also present. A service was held in St. Bartholomew's Church, and was couducted by Rev. T. Kame, Vicar of Teigh, and Miss A. M. Witchell (organist) presided at the organ. The Vicar gave a short ndidress.
An excellent tea was provided at the Plough Inn by Mr. W. Pursans, and was followed by a meeting, Rev. T. Kanc being elected to the chair. Mr. F. Sanders, of Buckland, was clected to the committee, a vacancy having been created by the elcction of Mr. D. K . Birth, of Merstlam, to be Master of the Associstion. Two peals had been recorded since the last meeting, held at Charlwood in Jamuary.
It was decided to bohi the next meeting at Limpsfeld Charl in June, and the quarterly peal will be atterpted at Belchworth, and couducted by Mr. G. F. Foad, of Reigate, subject to its being possible to make the necessary arrangeroents.
Rev. T. Kane was elected an hon. member of the association, and the following were aiso elceted members of the association: Messre. G. H. Weller, P. Pescud, S. Beadle, R. Bcadle, A. Wnrrcti, G. D. Weller and J. Weller.
At the conclusion of the mecting, a vote of thanke was accorder to the Rev. T. Kane for taking the service, for addressing the members and for occupying the chair at the meeting. Mis $A$. M. Mitehell was also accorded a leearty vote of thanks for presiding at the organ; Mr. G.-H. Weller was thanked for making the excellent arrangements, which contributed to the 日uccess of the meeting.
The members afterwards returned to the fower, and the ringing of thaldard methods was resurned.

## NOTICES.

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HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Hereford Dis-trict-A quarterly meetingt of the district will be held at Woolhope on Saturday, May 4 thi. Bells (6) available 3.30 to 8.30 . Service 5 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m.-A. Gwynne, Dis. Sec., Deanery Cottage, Castle Street, Hereford.
lancashire association.-Preston Branch. The next meeting will be held at Brindle Parish Church on Saturday, May 4th. Bells available from 2.30.-Fred Rigby, Hon, Sec., 8, Carrington Road, Chorley.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.--Blackburn Branch. - Our nexi: meeting will be held on Saturday, May 4 th, at St. Peter's Church, Burnley. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. A good attendance requested.-FF. Hincle, Hon. Branch Sec., 58, Anvi! Street, Blackburn.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. - Next mecting will be held at Worksop on Saturday, May 4th. It is hoped a good number will attend. There being plenty of cafés and restaurants oper, visitors will make own arrangements for tea. Fixture cards will be available for forthcoming two years.-R. Harrison, Sec.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - Northern Division. - A meeting will be held at Great Easton on Saturday, May 4th. Bells (6) at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. - W. Arnold, Dis. Sec., Holt Street, Earl's Colne.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North-Western Division.A meeting will be held at Thaxton on Saturday, May $4^{\text {th }}$. Bells available from 3 p.m. Other arrangements as usual. Those requiring tea kindly advise me. - C. Beeston, 5, King Street, Bishop's Stortford.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West District.There will be a meeting for ringing practice on Saturday, May 4th, at Christ Church, Ealing, from 6 to 8 p.m., before a dance, organised by the Christ Church, Ealing, ringers, in the Parish Hall at $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Admission is. 6 d . All ringers and friends welcome. Tickets can be obtained at the door, or from W. G. Wilson, Assistant Dis. Sec., 9, Grove Cottages, Ealing, W. 5 .

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Guilsborough Branch. -- A special meeting will be held at Cteaton on Saturday, May 4th. Usual arrangements.K. J. Cater, Althorg Park Station, East Haddon.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Hunts I'istrict and Ladies' Guild, Northants District.-A joint meeting wili be held at Huntingdon St. Mary's (8) on Saturday, May 4th. Godmanchester bells (8) also available from - 6 p.m. Service at St. Mary's +30 p.m. Tea at the Walden Café, George Street, at 5.15 p.m.-C. Fields, High Strect, St. Neots, Hunts.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Eastern District-A meeting will be held at Durham on Saturday, May 4 thi, when the bells of the 'Cailiedral, St. Nicholas' and St. Oswald's will be available. Meet at St. Oswald's at 2.30. Tea at Pattinson's ©Care. Frank Amsley, Dis. Sec.

NOTTINGHAM SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS (Established r672).-The annual meeting for election of officers, etc., will be held at St. Mary's, Nottingham, on Saturday, May $4^{\text {th. }}$. Tower open 5 to 9 p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.m. All ringers welcome. - F. Blood, Hon. Sec., 9r, Dame Agnes Street, Nottingham.
BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-The May meeting of the Bedford District will be held at Thurleigh on May $4^{\text {th. }}$ Bells (6) available 2.45. Tea at 5.-J. T. Newington, Dis. Sec., 32, Grafton Road, Bedford.
BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIA-TION.-Ilchester Deanery Branch.-A meeting will be held at South Petherton on Saturday, May 4th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea and meeting to follow.-F. Farrant, Martock, Somerset.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Andover District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Amport and Thruxton on Saturday, May $4^{\text {th. }}$ Bells available 2.30 p.m. Service in Amport Church 4.30. Tea and business meeting to follow.-The Rev. F. C. Sear, St. Mary Bourne Vicarage, Andover.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Reading Branch.The spring meeting will be held at Shiplake on Saturday, May 4th. Bells available from 3 p.m2. Ringers' service and tea. All intending to be present please notify the secretary -F. W. Hopgood, Hon. Branch Sec.

FRESSINGFIELD AND FRAMLINGHAM RINGING ASSOCIATION-A joint meeting of the above will be held at Cratfield Church on Saturday, May 4th, at 6 p.m. Bells will be available from 3 p.m. - L. E. Etheridge, Dis. Sec.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-North and East District.Meeting at St. James', Clerkenwell, on Saturday, May $4^{\text {th. }}$ The bells, recently recast and rehung by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, will be open for ringing from 3 p.m. Short service at 4.30. Tea at 5. Social at the Victoria Hotel, Charterhouse Street (Farringdon Road comer) at 8 p.m. A musical programe is being arranged. A hearty welcome is extended to all ringers.C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD. - Meetings for May: St. Clement Danes', Sunday, the $5^{\text {th }}$, at 10 at m. ; Monday, the 6 th, at $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. ; St. Mary's, Lambeth, Tuesday, the 14 th, at 8 p.m.-S. C. Moye, Gen. Sec.
ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLEEGE YOLTHS (Established r637).-Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on May 9th and 23 rd, *St. Paul's Cathedral on the ${ }^{14} 4^{\text {th }}$, Southwark Cathedral on the 36 th , ${ }^{*}$ St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 28th, St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 3 oth; all at $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. *Business meeting after-wards.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodinglīam, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. -- Owing to the parish outing the half-yearly meeting arranged for St. Helens on May uth is cancelled. - W. H. Shuker, A. Tomlinson, C. I. Davies, Hon. Secs.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-S.E. Division.-The next meeting will be held at Great Waltham on Saturday, May ith. Bells (8) available 2.30. Usual arrangements. All those requiring tea please notify Mr. W. E. Davies, Great Waltham, Chelmsford, not later than Thursday. May gth.-H. W. Kirton, Hon. Dis. Sec.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-The festival will be held at Bridport on Saturday, May inth. Service at 12.30. Preacher: Right Rev. Bishop Joscelyn. Luncheon at Greyhound Hotel i.15 p.m. Charge is. Annual business meeting to follow. Towers open: Beaminster, Bradpole, Bridport, Whitchurch Canonicorum (8), Burton Bradstock, Litton Chency, Loders, Netherbury, Symondsbury (6). All ringers welcome. Those requiring lunch please send in their names to $T$. Hervey Beams, Bradpole, Bridport, Dorset, by May 6th. -F. Liewellyn Edwards, Sec.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Isle of Wight District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Brading on Saturday, May ith. Bells available at 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea at the Parish Hall and business meeting. Will those requiring tea kindly notify me not later than Tuesday, May $7^{\text {th ? - - B. J. Snow, Hon. Dis. Sec., No. 2, Collingwood, }}$ Daniel Street, Ryde, I.O.W.
BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Bath Branch.-The next meeting will be held at Corston on Saturday, May 1 thl. Bells (8) at 3.3 . Service 4.30 . Tea to follow. A good attendance is requested.-Theo Grant, Branch Sec., Swainswick, Bath, Som.
GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Woking Parish Church, St. Peter's (at Old Woking). The two new church bells will be dedicated by the Bishop of Guildford on Saturday, May ith, at $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All ringers will be heartily welcomed to the dedication and are cordially invited by the Vicar, churchwardens and bellringers to tea at the Church Hall after the service. Will those coming to tea kindly notify the Hon. Secretary, Mr. W. H. Edwards, Church Street, Old Woking, not later than Wednesday, May 8th?

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Tonbridge District. -The next meeting of this district will be held at Cranbrook on Saturday, May uth. Tower open at 2.30 . Service at 4.3 . Tea, at gd. per head, after service, followed by business meeting. Half travelling expenses up to 25 . each will be paid to members attending. Members requiring tea must notify the district secretary not later than Tuesday, May $7^{\text {thh - W. Latter, Hon. Dis. Sec., }}$ 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Weils.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Chipping Norton Deanery Branch. - The annual spring meeting will be held at Shipton-mnder-Wychwood on Saturday, May 1ith.-J. Keyte, Hon. Sec., Charlbury, Oxon.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Tirapston Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Twywell on Saturday, May rith. Usual arrangements. It is hoped as many as possible will attend as business is important. -J. Nickerson, Branch Sec., Halford Street, Thrapston.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-A meeting will be held at Feltham on Saturday, May irth. Ringing from 3 p.m. Arrangements as usual. All ringers welcome.-W/m. H . Hollier, 29, Duke Road, W.4.
BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. - A meeting will be held at Shelley on Saturday, May inth. Bells ready i p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Tickets can only be given to those who apply before May $7^{\text {th }}$. Address: A. Goldthorpe, Red Hill, Shelley. All ringers and friends invited-C. D. Potter, Hon. Sec.
DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.-The monthly practice at Netherton, Saturday, May itth, 3.30.-Herbert Sheppard, Hon. Sec.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Ashford Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held on Saturday, May inth, at Warehorne. Tower opens at 2.30 . Tea at 5 o'clock. Ruckinge tower opens 6 till 8 o'clock. All ringers wel-come-A. C. Kay, Dis. Sec., 6, Sturges Road, Ashford.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Alton District.-Quarterly meeting at Froyle on Saturday, May 1 ith. Bells (6) available from 2.30Service 4.30. Sir Hubert Miller, Bart., kindly jnvites all members to tea at the Shrubbery House after service. Will those intending to be present please notify me by Thursday, gth?-B. C. Taylor, Binsted Vicarage, Alton.
AN IDEAL TONIC.-Visit Bushey, Saturday, May nth. Cheap tickets from all stations. Bells available 3.30 to 8.30. Evensong 5. Tea $5 \cdot 3$. Number for tea by 7 th.-C. H. Horton, 53, Aldenham Road, Bushey. Tel. City 4270 .

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Daventry Branch.-A special meeting will be held at Everdon (6) on Saturday, May irth. Usual arrangements.-W. C. Moore, Fircroft, Braunston Road, Daventry, Northants.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION. The pre-Whitsun meeting will be held at Wbitley Bay on Saturday, May irth. The bells of St. Paul's will be available after $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Committee meeting at the Victoria Hotel at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. and tea ( $1 / 6$ per head) at $50^{\circ} \mathrm{clock}$. Members intending to be present please advise me by the 8th.--Geo. S. Taylor, Sec., 12 g , St. Leonard St., Sunderland

A JOINT MEETING of the Surrey Association (NorthWestern District) and the Guiidford Diocesan Guild (Leatherhead District) will be held at Ewell on Saturday, May 18th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. Tea to follow in the Church Room. All ringers welcome. Will those requiring tea kindly notify Mr. C. ERead, I, Grove Villas, High Street, Eweil, not later than Wednesday, May ${ }^{15}$ th?-D. Cooper and A. R. Pink, Hon. Dis. Secs.
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Southern Branch.The next quarterly meeting will be held at Hough-on-the-Hill (6) on Saturday, May 18th. Service in the church at 4.30 , followed by tea and business meeting. Those requiring tea please notify Mr. H. Haynes, Hough-on-the-Hill, Grantham, not later than Wednesday, May ${ }^{15 t h}$-C. T. H. Bradiey, Hon. Sec., Folkingham.

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Rossendale

Branch.-Our next meeting will be held at St. Thomas' Church, Helmshore, on Saturday, May 18th. Beils ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30 . A good attendance is earnestly requested.-John H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 8, Oaklands Road, Edenfield.
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Western Divi-sion.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Petworth on Saturday, May i8th. Bells available from 2.30. Tea at Mr. Knight's Restaurant, Lombard Street, 5 p.m. All those intending to be present kindly advise by Wednesday previous to the meeting. Half railway fares, is. 6 d . -A. W. Groves, Amhirst, Dominion Road, Worthing.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-The annual meeting will be held at Chippenham, Whit Monday, May 2oth. St. Paul's (8) and St. Andrew's (8) available from 10 a.m. Other bells available by arrangement. Service 12 noon, St. Andrew's Church. Luncheon I p.m., 2s. 6d. (cold). Book direct to Mr. Dunford, Bear Hotel, Chippenham, on or before May 1 1th. General business meeting 2.30

3p.m., St. Catherine's Schoolroom. Important business. Motions proposed include deletions to Rules I. and III. and additions to Rule XIII. and III. of branch rules. Copics and proposers may be had upos application. Tea is. per head, Bear Hotel. Some principal officials retiring and do not seek re-election. Please notify me for tea on or before May 18th.-Edgar Guise, Hon. Sec., 39, Tankard's Close, St. Michael's, Bristol.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - Preliminary Notice- 50 th Annual Meeting Jubilee Celebrations at Chelmsford, Whit Monday, May 2oth. II a.m., service at the Cathediral, with an address by the Lord Bishop of Chelmsford. 12 Hoon, meeting at the Cathedral Hall. 1.15 p.m., lunch at the Corn Exchange. Tickets: Members is. 6d., non-members 2 s .6 d ., applications for which to be made with a remittance to Mr. E. J. Butler, 3, Eustace Road, 'Chadwell Heatl. - Chas. H. Howard, Master; F. J. Pitstow, Gen. Sec. and Treasurer, 45, High Street, Safiron Walden.

NORFOLK GUILD,-General meeting will be held at l'ullham Market on Whit Monday, May zoth. The ring of bells at Pullam Market (8) and St. Mary, Pulham (8) will be available. Dinuer at the King's Head, St. Mary, fulham ( 2 s .6 dl . per head), at 1.30 p.m., followed by business mecting. Mermbers requiring dinner to notify the secretary not later than Thursday, May 1 Eth, in order that the host will have the number specially to provide for. - Arthur L. Colenan, Sec., High Croft, North Walsham, Norfolk.
NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION. - Preliminary Notice-The annual meeting will be held at Gresford on Whit Monday, May zoth. Further details in next issue. -W. Cathrall, Hon. Sec., 20, Ffordd Estyn, Garden Village, Wrexham.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. - The annual general meeting will be held at Kettering on Whit Monday, May 20th. The Central Committee will meet at 10.45 a.m. in the Parish Hall (near the church). Service in the church of SS. Peter and Paul at 12 noon, when the preacher will be the Very Rev. the Dean of Peterborough. Lunch at the Royal Hotel at i p.m., followed by the business meeting. Applications for lunch tickets must be made not later than Monday, May 13 th, to the general secretary, with remittance, 2s. 6d. The bells available are Kettering (io) throughout the day, and Burton Latimer (8), Rothwell (8), Desborough (8), Weekley (6), Isham (6) and Barton Seagrave (5) after the meet-ing.-R. G. Clark, Gen. Sec., Stamford Road, Geddington, near Kettering.
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - The annual general meeting will be held at Brighton on Whit Monday, May 2oth. The towers of St. Peter's and St. Nicholas' will be open from 2 till 3.30 and after the meeting. The Good Shepherd, Dyke Road, 7.30 till 9 p.m. Special service in St. Peter's Church, at 4 p.m. A meat tea will be provided in Parish Hall, adjoining church, 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Tea 2 s . 6d. (is. 3d. to members). Half rail fare (maximum 2s. 6d.) allowed to resident members. Those intending to be present should notify honorary general secretary not later than Tuesday, May 14 th. - A. D. Stone, Hon. Gen. Sec., 16, Belgrave Street, Brighton.
GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Guildford District. - District meeting at Chiddingfold on Saturday, May ${ }^{25 t h}$. Ringing 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m., followed by tea (is.) and business meeting. Numbers for tea to me by Friday, May 17 th.-G. L. Grover, Hon. Sec., Merrow Cottage, East Clandon, Guildford.

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MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Nottingham District. The next meeting will be held at Beeston on Saturday, May I th. Bells (8) from $3 \cdot 30$ p.m. Members make own arrangements for tea.-F. W. Bailey, Local Sec.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - A nnual Festival at Hereford, Whit Monday, May zoth. Service in Cathedral Ladye Chapel, 12.15 . Dinner at Booth Hall Hotel, I p.m., 2/6. Dinner tickets from Mr. A. W. Davic, Ioz, Rylands St. Business meeting after dinner. Finging throughout the day.-H. S. T. Richardson, Hon. Sec., St. Nicholas' Rectory, Hereford.

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## A DROP IN PEALS.

Our readers will doubtless turn with interest to the study of the peals analysis for last year and to the report of the Analysis Committee. Those who judge the progress of the Exercise by the peals that are rung may read this report with some misgivings. There was a falling off of no fewer than 139 peals, which is perlaps disappointing in some respects, after the revival which $19^{27}$ showed upon the two immediately preceding years, but, surveying the post-war position as a whole, this falling off is hardly as serious as may appear at first sight. The year 1927 showed an exceptional jump forward of over a hundred and seventy peals, so that, compared with 1925 and 1926, there is nothing very alarming in the drop in 1928. The number rung ( 1,702 ) is well below the average for the last eight years, during which it may be said peal ringing returned to something like its pre-war conditions, but it was still above the number rung in the two years before 1927. Perhaps the most disquieting feature of the year's peal ringingl is the drop of 46 in the peals of Grandsire Triples. If this were offset by more peals in more advanced methods it might have been attributed to the progress of the ringers, but the decline is spread through all the grades of ringing and the drop in Grandsire seems to point in some measure to a lack of aspiration on the part of young ringers.

There is, however, another probable contributory cause, and that is that most associations are now holding more meetings and practices than they used to do. This somewhat curtails opportunities for peal ringing, but expands the worl of the ringing organisations, which is really a more important matter. Many other things may, of course, easily make a difference of a hundred or so peals in the aggregate. Even the element of uncertainty attaching to peal ringing might weigh more heavily against the ringers in one year than in another and so affect the total. There is, therefore, no need for pessimism. Peal ringing is bound to have its ups and downs; its good years and its lemer years. At the same time, those twenty-seven associations whose peal totals have dropped during 1928 compared with 1927 might do well to look into the causes of the failing off. If it is lack of interest or enthusiasm, now is the time to try and infuse a little more keenness into the members, because, when all is said and done, it is usually the peal ringers who are most competent as service ringers. Peal ringing, as a rule, not only makes a man a better method ringer, but often a better striker. This advantage whicls peal ringing gives is often overlooked by those who say that peal ringing is of no importance to anyone but those
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taking part. Unquestionably it is a factor in improving a person's ringing, and, if it does this, it is worth wide encouragement. At present the number of people who take part in peals is small compared with the total number of ringers and the general standard of ringing would be raised if more could be induced to interest, themselves in peal ringing.

## TWELVE BELL PEALS.

BIRMINGHAM.
THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Thesday, April 30, 1929. in Three Hours and Thirly-Sit Minutes, At the Chergh of St. Martin.
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;

| Ernest T. Alraway ... | ...Treble | William Donding | ... | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Albert E. Norman | 7 |  |  |  |
| ... | .. | 2 | Morris J. Morbis | ... |
| .. | 8 |  |  |  | | Alberi E. Norman | ... | ... | 2 | Morris J. Morbis | ... | ... | g |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Fred Price... | ... | $\ldots$. | .. | 3 | Ernesi Mangeli | $\ldots .$. | .. | 9 | Frank W. Perrens ... ... 4 James H. Shepherd ... ... io George F. Swann ... ... 5 James George ... ... ... II John Neal ... ... ... ... 6 Albert Walker... ... ... Tenor

Composed by James E. Groves. Conducted by Alberi Walker
The band met for Maximus, but time did not allow of this being rung, and Cinques was therefore substituted. A birthday compliment to Messis. Allaway and Mansell.

## WORCESTER

THE ST. MARTEN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Sattroday, May 4, 1929, in Three Fours and Fifty-Five Minstes. At the Cathedral Cgorce of St. Jogn.
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES; Tenor 49ㄱㄹㄴ cwt. in B.
Prrcy O. Laflin... ... ...Tycble| Frank E. Pervin ... .... 7 Ernest T. Alcaway ... ... 2 J. Frank Smallwood... ... 8
 Frank W. Perrens ... ... 4 John Neal ... ... ... .... io Fred Price ... ... ... ... 5 A. Paddon Smiti ... ... it Thimas H. Reeves ... ... 6 James George ... ... ...Tenop

Composed by Jozn Carter. Conducted by Albert Wacker.
The Guild thank the Dean and Chapter for kindly granting permission for this peal, and the Rev. B. G. Isaac, bell warden, for making the necessary arangements. The peal was also a birthday compliment to Mre. F. W. Perrens, Miss Phyllig Smallwood, Mr. E. T. Allaway and the conductor.

LIVERPOOL.
THE LANCASEIRE ASSOCLATION
On Saturday, May 4, 1929, in Font Hows and One Minute,
At xhe Ceurch of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAXIMES, 5136 CHANGES;
Tenor 39 cwt .3 gr .10 lb .
John Holman ... ... ...Tyeble Tbomas Hammond ... ... 7
 Lester L. Gray ... ... 3 Titos Barlow ... ... ... 9
 Thomas B. Worsley ... 5 Benjamin A. Knights .. ii Arihdr Knights ... ... 6 A. Percival Knighis .. Temo Composed by Arthor Knights. Couducted by B. A. Knights. * First peal of Maximus. + First peal of Treble Bab Maxinus First peal of Maximus as conductor.

## SUTTON COLDFIELD BELLS REHUNG.

The bells of the Sixton Coldfield Parish Church were reopened on Tuesday, April 30th, after having been rehung and placed in bal bearings by Messrs. Mears and Stainank, of Whitechapel Foundry London.

Touches of Stedman Triples, Bob Major, and Grandsire were rtung during the evening, members of the Sutton Coldfield tower and tho following visitors taking part: Messrs. Wm. Davies, J. W. Pembol ton, F. Rishworth, G. Siras, F. Diekens and T. Bloore. The conduct ing was shared by Messrs. B. Leedham (Ringing Master, Sutton Coldfeld), J. W. Pemberton, Wm. Daries, and T. Bloore. Jhe Yicar and churchwardens expressed their delight at the excellent munne in which the work had been completed, and thanked the ringers and visitore. The 'go' of the bells is all' that can be desired.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

TRURO, CORNWALL. THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUKD.
On Friday, May 3, 1929, in Three Hours and Twenty-T Two Miuntes,
At the Catbedral Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5004 CHANGES; Tenor 33 cwt .3 qr .10 Jb .

| His Srd | I yeb | Rev. E. S. Powell . |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| +Mrs. E. S. Powhlc... | 2 | Frederick G. Viles |
| Harold Benneti | 3 | - William H. Slerman |
| or S. Ro |  | ames H. Sue |
|  |  |  |

Composed and Conducted by the Rev. E. S. Powell.

* First peal on ten bells and first attempt. + First peal of Granclsire Caters. The conductor has now called peals of Grandsire Doubles, Triplea, Caters anil Cinques. Mrs. Powell was elceted a member of the Guild prior to starliug. Rung to mark Canou E. F. Corfe's completion of 25 years as Precentor of the Cathedral.


## LEICESTER.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES AESOCIATION.
On Sathyday, May 4, 1929, in Thyee Hours and Twentw-E ght Minutts,
At the Caterdrac. Cherch of St. Maninn,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5017 CHANGES;

 Teno 2I 3 3 cwt. in Eflat.Marold J. Poole ... ...Tyeble Frederick H. Dexter ... 6
C. Harry Webs... ......$\quad 2$ William H. Clarke ... $\quad . . .7$

Josiab Morris.. .4

Composed by F. H. Dexter. Conducted by Ernest Morris.
Rung half-muffled to the respected memory of the greatily esleomed president of the association, Mr. R. B. Chambers, B.A., J.P., who passed away Sunday, April 28 th , aged 79 years.

## WOLVERHAMPTON.

TEE SOCIETY FOR THE ARGHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.
Dr Saturday, May 4, 1929, in Thrae Honvs and Thivy-Fout Minutes,
At ife Collegiatr Chorch of St. Peter,
A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE GATERS, 5057 CHANGES;
G. Arthur Baker

HERBERT ISNJGHT
... 2
John Perry...
Johm C. Abams...
William H. Lawley... ... 9
Composed by J. E. Grovss.
Cbristopher Wallater ... 6

Rung as a peal of welcome to the Rev. Robt. L. Hodson, who whe instituted Rector of St. Peter's the previous evering: also as a courplimeat to Mr. J. W. Perry (gon of he 3rr? yinger) on bis 21st birthAay, and to the wife and daughter of M', W. A. Cooper.

DUDLEY, WORCESTERSFIRE.
THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.
On Suthray, May 4.1929, in Three Hoursand Twenty Minutes,
At tee Parish Chorec of St. Thomas,
A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE GATERS, 5057 CHANGES; Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr.

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Samerl Bafer
Samder J. Hoghes
Herbert Sebppard
....Tr

OHN RoqkD.
Omposed by W M...
. Mackewrigex. Collcucted by J. Goodman, Jon
This was the annual peal for the Guild. The ringers of treble and 8th belong to Old Hill, 2nd and 7th Eo Coseley, 3nd to Smethwick, th and 6th to Dudley, 5th to Netherlon, 9th to Stourbridge, tenor to Lye.

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A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANDES;

Taylor's Six-part.
Tenor 16 cwt .
-Mrs. F. A. Clements ...Tveble "Frederjck Clements ... 5
Henry Gillett $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2 \quad$ Thomas Banning...${ }^{-. .} 6$

- Wileiam Wright ... ... 3 Bernard Phillips ....- .7
-Cecil Pratley ... ... .... 4 "Horace James ... .... .... ... Tenar
Conducted by Thomas Banning.
* Firsi peal of Triples. First peal in the method by locni band.

PCLHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORFOLK GUHD.
Un Monday, April 29, 1929, in Three Hasps and Ten Minutes,
At tae Currch of St. Mary-the-Virgin,

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

 Tenor 14 cmt .Ennest Whiting ... ...Trefle| Herbert Falcher
Tony Pricg ......
Charles Baker ... ... ...
Fpedepich R Borpett ... 3 Russs Ll Riches... ... ... 7
Composed by Arthor Kwighis, Conducted by Ernest waiting

## HELMTNGHAM, SUFFOLK THE SUFFOLK GUKD. <br> On Tucsday, Apvil 30. 1929, in Thrie Hours and Ten Mintics, At the Cherch of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAdOR, 5056 CHANEES;

 Tenor 198 cwt.-Gedrge R. Southgate
Trebla Grorge Whitisg †James Bennett, jon.
William Wighzan
George Pryke ... ... ... 3
4 Gegrge Benneti
Composed by Henry Imans. Conducted by James Bennett.

* First peal. + First peal of Treble Boh on a bob hell. .'lhe ringer of the tenor has now completed the circle to a peal in this, his Sunday service tower. The conductor's 450 th peal.

CRATFORD, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Friday, May 3,1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Taw :Mintres,
At ter Chorch of St. Paulinus,

## A PEAL OF SPLICED fambridee and superlative surprise HAJOR, Ef20 GHANCES;

## Tenor $12 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.

Edwin Barabett, sen.
.Treble $\mid$ Thomas Groombridge. jen.
Thomas Groombridge. jen.
Charles W. Roberts Edward I. Bebr... ... Jobn H. Cagesman ... - 3 Eharles W. Robrits Frederick M. Mitchbli ... 4 Herbert E. Audsley $\quad . .$. Temor
Composed by A. J. Pitman. Conducted by Joen H. Chersman.
First peal of Spliced Surprise for tha above association, and rung at the first attempt, without previous practice. Rung as a compliment to the late secretary, the Rer. F. J. O. Heimore, and to the new secretary, the ringer of the 4th.

BADSEY, WORGESIERSHIRT.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRIOTS ASSOCIATION. Sootbzan Bramch.)
On Suftryay, May 4, 1929, in There Howrs and Five Minwtes,
At the Chorch of St. James,
A PEAL OF GRANDEIRE TRIPLES, GO40 CHANEES;
Groves' Transposition of Parkrr's Twelve-part.
Tenor 17 cwt. in $F$,



- Herberi jordan ... ... 4 Ggorge Moisey ... ... ...t Thor

Conducted by Geofrery J. Hemming.

* 50th peal. First peal as conductor. Rung with the bells hali-


ROMFORD, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCLATION.
On Tuesday, April 30, 7929, in There Hours, At the Church of St. Edward,
a Peal af dousle morwich count bob major, 5088 cmamees, Tenor 15 cwt .


Composed by Edwin Barnett, sen. Conducted by James E. Davis

* First peal in the method.


## GUחDEORD, SURRET.

THE GUHDDFORD DIOCESAN GULLD.
On Tuesday, April 30, 1929, in Three Hours and Twelve Minates.
Ai the Cathedral Church of the Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF KERT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, SO2 9 GHANGES; Tenor 23 cwt .3 qr .8 lb . in D.
 * First peal. † First peal in the method.

## BLETCHLEY, BUCKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GULED. (North Bocks Brangh.)
On Saturday, May 4, 1929, in Three Hours and Five Minstes, At the Parisu Church of Sy. Mary,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5090 GHANGES;

 Holy's Ten-part.Tenor 15 f cwt.
Walter Sear ..

- Edward Whitlock ...
†Arther Crane ... ...
......$\quad$ a $\quad$ thatry V. Sbar......
Conducted by Harry V. Sear.
* First peal on eight bells. + First peal iuside. Rugg as a birthday compliment to A. Crane, also to Mr. E. Marks, au old and respected momber of the local baut.

ERDINGTON, BLRMISGHAM,
THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BLRMENGFAM.
On Sathrday, May 4, 1929, in Two Hours and Fufty-Five Minwtes. Ay tae Church of St. Barnabas,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, $\operatorname{tadO}$ CHANGES;

Heywood's Transposition of Teurstans' Foer-part. Tonor 15t cwt .

| Joseph W. Pemberton | $\ldots . T$ Trbble | Willam C. Rhones | ... | 5 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cbarlas Cottrbil | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Alan Short | $\ldots$ | ... | .. |
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 Wileiam Davies... ... ... 4 | Joba E. Pywell ... ...Temor Conducted by Grorge F. Swans.

* Firsi fural and frst attempt for Stedman. Rung by special request of he Vicar to celebrate the laying of the foundation stone of SL. Mary"b, Pype Hayes, Erdington, lay the Bishop of Birmingham. It wus also a birthday compliment to Mr. W. J. Meers, Ringinte Master, and Perey Rishworth, only son of the ringer of the 7 th.

SCORTON, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCLATION. (Furness and Lake District Brancb.)
On Sathrday, Muy 4, 1929, in Three Hours and Fifteet Minutes, At tee Chureb of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holts Tan-part.

- Wilfred Bolton
... ...Treble
Triomas Handa thomas hannan .....
 $\dagger$ Raymond Forshaw ..... $.4 \quad 4$ | Rtchard Raimpozd ... Conductea by Edwin Jennings.
[ript touch on eight bells. $\ddagger$ 25th peal together. $\ddagger$ First peal away from treble, and first athempt. This is the first peal ons these beils, which were opened on Jture 281 h , 1 g79.


## SIX BELL PEALS.

PERRANARWORTHAL, CORNWALL
THE TRURO DIOGESAN GULD.
On Monday, Apyil 29, 1929, in Two Hours aud Fifty-Eight Minutes,
At the Church of St. Piran.

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Scyen extents.
Tenor 12 cwt.
-W. Ewari Minors ... ...Treble "William h. Sleeman ... 4

Conducted by Alan R. Pink.

* First peal of Minor. + First peal of Minor ${ }^{\text {+ }}$ inside.' First peal as conductor. Arranged for the conductor, who heils from Dorking, Surrey. First peal of Minor on the bells.


## HIGHAM-ON-THE-HILL, LEICESTERSHIBE. <br> THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCLATION. (Hincelay District.)

On Tuesday, April 30, 1929, in Two Howys and Foriy-Four Minktes,
Ait fee Ceurce of St. Petre,
A PEAL OF MINOR, $\operatorname{G0a0}$ CHANGES;
Being two extents each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and three of Plain Bob.

- Walter Allen

| nifford |
| :---: |


| ...Tyebla |
| :---: |
| $\ldots$ |

Charlis R.
Harry Hill
Conducted by Arthor E, Rowlry.
$*$ First peal is thrsee methods. $\dagger$ Fïrst extent of Treble Bob. $\ddagger$ First exteat of Oxford.

DEEPING ST. JAMES, LINCOLNSHIRE. THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUID.
On Weduesday, May 1,1929, in Threa Hours and Sixtoen Minutes,
At the Ceurch of St. James,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 500 CHANGES ;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Court, Single Court, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenar 193 cwt .
Edward A. Sneath ... ...Trebic| William Tilley... ... ... $^{4}$

Conducted by H. M. Day.
Rung to celebrate the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Gcorge H Welis, who were married at West Deeping on May Ist, 1879.

> SHILTON, WARWICKSHIRE. THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Sathrday, May 4, 1929, in Two Howrs and Thivty-Fow Minutes, At taz Cherch of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's.
Grorge Gardner
Oswald J. Humt $\quad . .$.
Hubert G. Sommers.... Conducted by Josrpa H. W. Waite.
This is the first peal in the method on the bells.

## HANDBELL PEAL.

MANCHESTER.
THE LANCASEIRE ASSOCLATION.
On Monday, April 29, 1929, in Two Houps and Forty-Six Möntes, Ax i6, Lime Grove,
A PEAL DF OXFORD TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;
Tenor sige 18 in $G$.
-Alfred Barags ... ... .. i-2 Allen F. Balley ... ... 5 -5 - Harold jackson … ... 34 | Frederick Page... 4 Peter Laflin
Composed by C. H. Haitersery. Conducted by A. F. Bailey.

* First peal of Oxford 'in land.' ${ }^{\text {a }}$ First peal of Oxford Treble But Royal. First pea! of Oxford Treble Rob Royal on hand bells in the county and by the association. Rung at the first attempt. A birthday compliment to the conductor.
(0ther peal reports are unavoidably held over.)


## DEATH OF LADY RINGER.

LOSS TO THE WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
It is with deep regref we have to record the death of Miss E. M. Johnsoa, of Hinton, neal Evesham, whicl took place at her home on Saturday, April 27th, at ilse early age of 28 jears. She was the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F.J. Johnson, and for several years held an important post in the Income Tax department at Evesham, and later was thansferved to Hereford. At the end of 1925 she was campelled, through failing health, to resign her post and lire an open-air life, which it was hoped would renew her vigour. Alhough her ilness was a lengthy one, ste bore it with great fortitude and checrfulness, and her thoughts were always for others rather than for herself. Although every care and attention was bestowed upon her, she passed away as above stated.

Miss Johnson was a member of the Worcestershire and Districts Association, the St. Martin's Guild, and the Ladies' Guild, and had on many occasions travelled long disiances to be present at the meetings of the latter. She was an adept handbell ringer, and nover happier than when ringing a pair of handibells in a peal. Fer last peal was rumg last Deacmber, and was her SIst, 50 of which were rung with her brother Joseph.
Referring to her death at the Sunday evening service, the Rector, the Rev. V. C. Blythe, said Miss Johnson had a great love for God and His Church. She had been a Sunday School teacher, a member of the Church Council, fun of all whon he had been privileged to visit he had never seen anyone who showed such sincerity and readiness for the last call. The important thing in our life, Jee said, was two-fold-the infuence we leave belind us and the character we take away with us. Nellie Johnson always slowed gentleness, quietness of manner, ability, kiuduess and love, and he loped her influence would bo for the good of all liss hearers.
The funeral took place on Tuesday, April 30th, when the pretty church was filled with mourners and friends. The Rector, the Rev. V. C. Blythe, and the Rev. J. H. Stallard, Vicar of Hallow, officiated. The grave was beautifully lined with flowers, and at the end of the service four of lee very near ringing friends with whom she had rung many haulbell peals rang a course of Grandsire Triples over the grave, viz.: FI. Middleton I-2, J. Hemming 3-4, G. J. Hemming 5-6, J. Hall 7-8. Later, muFted touches and the whole pull and stand wore rung on the tower bells, as a token of respect and esteem in which deceased was held. No less than 45 beautiful foral tributes were sent by relatives and friend, including two from her colleagres from the Evesham and Hereford tax deparments. The greatest sympathy will be exteuded to the bereaved parents and greaty.
The following is a lisi of Miss Jolmson's perls
Haudbells. Towor Bells. Rung. Condneted. Rung.


## DEATH OF MR. J. H, BATTING, OF BEACONSFIELD.

It is with deep regref that the Reaconsheld ringers have to an mounce the death of Mr. James H. Batting at the comparatively early age of 53 years. Born at Beaconsfield ju 1875, he had been a member of the local band about 35 years, and for the greater part of that period liad acted in the official capacity of steeplekecper. Fe had been ailing tor some time past, and an operation was found necessary, which was carried out at the King Edward Hospital at Windsor. From this, however, he never rallied, and quietly passed away on April 26th. The interment took place on Wednesday, May Ist, at tho Beaconsfield Cemetery, and was attended by a large gathering of relatives and friends. The burial service was impressively conducted by the Rev. R. Wells (Rector of Beaconsfield), and the sympathy of all goes out to the bereaved wife and children in their great-loss.
Mr. Batting's deatil leaves a gap in the lanks of the Beaconsfield ringers which will be hard to fill as he was always at his post for service ringing. He was not a great peal ringer, as he was debarred irom ringing many peals owing to a weakness left by a serious illness which he had some twenty-fire ycars ago. He had, however, trken part in a few peals, including the only local peal on the Beaconsfield bells. He was a very safe ringer in most of the standaria methods, his favourite method for service ringing being Stedman Triples. After the interment the local ringers raug a 504 in this method at the Parish Chumeh with the bells half-mufled: F. W. Buckland 1, Miss K. Fleteler 2, 3iss D. Fletcher 3, \#. H. Fletcher 4 , H. Wiugrove $5, \%$. Blackmore 6 , R. Buckland 7 , A. S. Bagley 8 .

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIE.

The Third Session of the Thirteenth Council (37th Annual Meeting) will be held in the Cathedral Hall, Chelmsford, on Whitsun Tuesclay, May $215 t$, 1929, at If a.m. precisely.

The morning sitting will be adjourned from 1 p.m. till 2.30, from which hour the Council will sit, if necessary, until $5.3^{\circ}$ p.m.

The Standing Committee will meet previously at 9.45 a.m. in the same room.

1. Minutes of the last mGendin, 1929
2. Apologies for absence-
3. Statament of accounts aud of sale of publications.
4. Fiection of honorary members.
5. Presentation of new members to the Irresident.
6. To receive and discuss the reports of the following ermmitiees, viz.:
(a) Standing-
(b) Peal Collection
(c) Literature and Press (sab-committee).
(d) Metlods.
(c) Peais Analysis.
(f) Towers and Belfuies.
(g) Records.
(li) Legal Liability. Broadcesting

## MOTIONS

7. That this Council will not recognise as a peal of Minol or Doubleg any composition in whicl the bells do not striko in 720 or 120 different orderg respectijvely, before beginning the next 720 ar 120 . (Mr. R. Whittingtion and Mr. A. H. PuIling.)
8. (a) That honorary meatbers pay an affilation fce or 5s. each per annum. (b) That associations in future pay a fee of 5 s. per representative per annuru. (Mr. E. W. Elwell and Rev, C. W. O. JenEyn.)
9. (a) The Council asks eack association to appoint a consuilant to the Advisory Committee or Committees in its arem, (b) Tha Council asks each association to make every effurt to get mas many ringers ns possible elected to Parochial Churchs Cotncils, to Diocesan Committees and to the Churdh Assembly. (Rev. H. Drake and Mr. Cl. J. Sedgley.)
10. That the rules of the Council be amended in order to provide that the notice and agenda of each amual medifg of the Council be published at least pight weeks, instead of twelve weeks, prior to such meeting. (Mi. J. G. Goldsanth and Mr. C. T. Coles.)
11. That a commithe be appointed to consider the bes methad of dealing with cases of extratdinaty sickness amongst memhers of our affifated change ringing associntions, with power to report to the next annual meeting. (Mif. W. Ayre and Mr. E. 4. Young g
12. To fix the place of mext year's meeting.
13. Other business, if any

155, Rushey Green, S.E.6.
E. ALEX. YOCNG,

## TRAYELLING FACTLITRES.

Owing to the smal! nunater of applications received, no wouchers. for cheap tickets to Chelmsford will be isstud harougli the secretary of the Central Comeil. The following information will, therefore, probably be welcomed by members and friends:-
Dear Sir,-The J. Rand N.E. Company now issue theap tickets daily from Liverpool Street to Chelmaforl at the single fare for llye return journes, viz., 3s. 11d. These tickets are available mis the outward joumey by any train after 9.30 a.m., and an the retarn journey by any train the same day. A fast train leaves Liverpool Street at 10.3 a.m., arriving at Chelmsfard 10.52 . This should suit Council mombers staying in Lomdon. Earlier trains at ortinary fares are run at 8.15 and 8. 45 . These timings are, of conse, for Whit Tuesday. A special service will he run on Whit Monday, and cheap fares under above conditions will be available. The times of these trains are not yet published.
Week-end tickets are awailable from Friday, Saturday or Sunday until Monday or TMestay", evailable by any train. Fare, Ss. 3ul. retum.
This jnformation may be of use to members of the Council- Yours failhe bly,
cOLLS.
21, Vincent Road, E.4.

## MORE YOUTHFUL RINGERS

On Monday evening, April 29th, for practice, 720 Plain Bob Minot was rung by: G. Batule 1: W. Bailey 2, Miss W. Cooke 3, S. Bailey 4, W. J. Batle 5 , J. Cooke (conductor) 6 . The first 720 on an in-
side bell for the ringers of the and and 4 th, the latter beine only 12 years of age.

## ST. JAMES'. CLERKENWELL

GREAT RINGERS' GATHERING AT OPENING OF BELLS.
A great gailhering of ringers on Snturday altended the meeting of the Middlezex County Association and London Diocesau Guild, arranged in connection with the opening of the new ring of bells, which Meserg. Gillett und Johnston have installed at St. James' Chureh, Clerkenwell. A description of the worls which hus been done was given in oar last issue, and suffice it, now to say the visiting ringers found that ihe hells and the 'go' fully upheld the reputation of the Cruydon firm. An interesting point about the new ring is that they are the first in the city of London tuned on the Simpson principle, which gives them power as well as tone, and the probahility is that someling will have to be done to lessen the sound in the gitreets nround, and possibly to reduce the volume in the ringing chamber itself, Fveryone was extremely plensed with the bells, und the church authorities are to be congratulated upon the successful issue of their big restoration sclieme.
Everyborly was accommodated with a pull during the afternoon or ovening. undel the tower mastership of Mr. William Pye, aud in mil about 120 rinters took part.
A bright service was eonducted by the Vicar (Rev. C. J. Parker), the singing being led by the elooir, and a golo was sung by Miss Dawson. The Vicar gave a most appropriate and thoughtful address.
Subsequently the Vicar und churchwardens entertained the ringers to tea in the crypt of the church. This is now a commodious parish hall, complete with stage and other necessary accommodiation. "'was not blways thus. It is not so long since that it was a vast vault, piled sis feet high, with rotiting cofins and mouldering bones. These were reverently removed and busied elsewbere, and then came a somewnat daring huilding scheme. The huge brick pillars, eight fiest thick, supporting the church overhead, were cut away and the arches supported on girders cerried on stauchions, with the result that there is now i large and well-lighted apartment for parochial
The ringere gathering was presided over by the Vicar, supported by Mrs. Parker, Mr. C. F. Johnston, Mrs, Johnston, his mother, Rev. O. A. Areher and Rer. T. T. Thear (curates), Mr, W. 1'ye (Ringing Masterl, Mr. W. Piekworth (North-East District vice-president), Mr. C. T. Coles thon. socrotary), Mrs. How, Mr. A. J. Duncombe churchwarden). Tea was serped by members of the congregation.
Afterwards a brief business meeting was held, at whicl five now members wore elected, and it was left to the secretary, in conjunc-
(ion with the district secretaries of the Essex aud Herts Associations, L. 1 arrange the venue of the joint meeting between these threo organisations. There was a spriglitly discussion, howevel', before a derision was come to.

## ONE OF THE FINEST PEALS IN JONDON.

Mr. C. T. Coles said they had heard that day perliaps the finest para in London: if it was not the fincst it was not far away from it. t was the dirst peal tumeri on the Simpson principle in the county Surrey, but hat was the first one in London, and he thought that all who fint heard them would say lley were a very fine peal of bolls indeed, and a great eredit to the firm of Gilletf and Jolnston (applauser. They congratulated Mis. Johnston and his staff on a very fine piece of work. Mayy tingers did not like bells hutug on so hung had a tendency to whip back, which resulted in the ringer having to hold the bell, but no one who lad rung on these new hells could fomplain of that. That whe the lirst time he had rung bells on ball bestings which went sa ensily. Many ringers distiked ball learings on bells because, they said, the ringer hat more wory
than work. Th this case they could sar there was neilher worry nor work. As regards the tone, they wove a very fine peal of bells, both inside and outside the tower. Oulside, perhapa, they might be improved a little if the lourres were blocked up a littic more. The bells were still yery noisy near the tower, and he loped something might be clone in that respect. Continuing, Mr. Coles thanked the Viear, on bohalf of all present, for inviting thent to that ringers' upening' aud for meeting then iu the very finc style he had done. He wished to couple with that vote of thanks the names of the churchwardens, Mr. Howe and M:. Duncombe, who, with the Vicar', lad given them that excellent teu (applause). For a district meeting, that was $u$ record for their association. On one or two occasions they had had nore at their nunual meeting, but to his know-
leage nover at an fistrict meeting. Iher were most grateful to the
 Virar nund churdwardens for thit kindness (spplause). Mr. Coles ako thanked the ladics of the congregation of St. James' who liad for their help at the service, He tongratulated the Tionr on being tho possessor-almost the sole possessor of this fiae peal of bells. He understnod that St. Tames was one of three churches in the connlry where the halls and other property of the chureh were vested in the Ficar and churchwandens for ever, and even Advisory Boards and Chancellors hat im power other them. He had even hearti it said they could burn the lot down as long as they did not burn the house opposite (laughter). Whetler that was true or uot, it was true that the property of the ehtureh was vested in the Vicar and ehurchwardens, and that the Chancollor had no control Vicar and ehurchwardens, and Ihat the Chancollor hat no control
over the belle at all (Inughter), Mr. Coles added that a local haud
was to be formed at St. James'. There was already a nucleus from those who remained of a company he had the pleasure of helping a few years ago. They hoped to get some more young nien localiy, and the associatiou would arrange for an instructor. The practice night would be Friday, and he hoped, after a few weeks, when they got going, that other members would come along and assiat ther (applause).

## A SHOW JOB.'

Mr. Gyril Johnston seended thio vote of thanks to the Vicar and wardens for their hospitality, He suid a fem yerrs ato there was a popular song that told them, Every cloud lias a silver lining, and in the dedication service last Sunday he seemed to catcla from
the Viear a fleeting glance which reflected that sentiment (applause). Proceeding, Mr. Johnston said: Although Lhis is essentially a "bell gathering," I know you all would wish to congratulate him, his wardens and the people of the parish on the successful issue of their magnificent efforts. It is not every Vicar, who, with his wardens, can celebrate at one and the same time the restoration of the organ, the spire, the bells, the ancient registers, the installation of electric light-all at a cost exceeding $£ 3,500$-and then proceed to indulge in the entertainment of a large hody of bellringers. Although we are told that nobody has any money nowadays, the Vicar has given a great lead to other churches, sonie of which have done nothing to their bells for three or four centuries. I ought not to say too much about this, perhaps, because we are contractors. The story of that part of the restoration of St. Iames' for which my firm has heen responsible-thal of the bells-might be summed up in the following short interviow that took place. To put it tergely, I said to the Vicar, "Look here, let's have a show job," Churchwarden How, at his elbow, ejaculated, "Sball us?" and the Viear said "Let's" (laughter). Not only were they anxious to have the last word in modern fittings and musical bells, bat I want to tell you how readily they adopted every, suggestion for improvement of the ringing room and for the ringers' comfort generally. The verdiet has been pronounced very generously by Mr. Coles to-day, and on behalf of myself and my staffi wish to say how much we appreciate what he has said. A bell founder's calling in these days would seem to require many and increasing qualifications. He must be versed in engineering, music, bellwinging, business methode, organisation, finding his way by road to a little village that is not on the map-and now, I am told, in occlesiastical law as well (latoghter). S'T' IAMES' UNUSUAL TRUST.
We work in places that are fuli of interest and historical associations, and not the least of these has been St. James' Church Clerkenwell. This church was velbuiti in 1784, and is, I believe, as Mr. Coles has tald you, one of ouly three churches in the country that have a peculiar constitution. By an Act of George 1II.'s reign, it was vested in the Vicar and wardens as trustees in perpetuity, and 'the property in the bells, pews, seats; books, and ail goods, chattels, and ornaments, in the said new church and churchyard shall also be vested in the said trustces for ever upon the same trust." Our own interest has been a special one, for Mr. Willinm Gillett set up his factory in Clerkenwell a hundred years ago, before we moved to our present site in 1844, and intimate personal associations with the neighbourhood have lasted right down to the present day through the British Horological Fnstitute and the local members of the clockmaking industry. There are, we know, some fingers who do not approve of the progress that has been achievert in this country in the art of tuning bells. I am surc, confinued Mr. Johnston, "that they atre considerably in the mimoritzt, It is have to believe lant anyone with the faintest preiension to possessing a musical enr can prefer a succession of false chords, with no legulat sequence of the falsities. They say they like the good hold tone of predecessors* pattern-well, in our opinion, and in that of the Vicar and wardens, the bells of St. James' were a bold, had lot They have now been given a new lease of life that will be measured probably in centuries, and I trust you will find that they have gainerl nobility of claracler. They were cast or vepast previously at varying dates from 1791 to 1904 , and harefory' no question of antiquity entered into the problem. That rather leads me to refer to the diference of opinion that occurs on occasion luetween some of
the ecclesiastical authorities ol socielies with anticuarian interests and the bellfounders, in the mattor of the restoration of cluurcl bells. Is the old wood frame to be nased again?-it has heen here. If a new frame is necessary, should it be of wood or metal? Ought the hells to be recast, or ought they not? How old should a bell be before it either deserves retention in a peal to the musical detriment of the whole, or relegation to a museum? Every oasp ought to be treated on its merits, and I am confident that if Advisory Committees and those interested in the care of churches and church hells would get more in touch with the bellfounders, who have the practical knowledge, difficulties would be removed, olistruction of schemes avoided and satisfaction gained by all parties. In conelud ing, I wank to express onr appreciation of the spirit in which the Virat and wardens have entered into this whole scheme. It is difficult to realise that Mr. Parker has been here as curate or Vicar for 42 years. Surely he must hate taken Holy Orders at that period of his [ife when Mellins Food was his principal nourshment (laughter), I would like to refer to the enthusiasm of our staff nud employes,
who have worked with a will in the foundry nuld in the tower to
give you of their best, and, last but not least, I want to thank personally Mr. Coles, Messis. Pye and their bend of ringers, who not only rang the peal so successfulty at last Sunday's ceremony, but were good enough fr) give us a trial run on Friday before the great dity. If only we could lake them to every openirg job we have in every part of the world, I feel sure we should sell a wew peal of bells every day (laughter and applause).

The Vicar, in responding, referred with regret to the absence of Ni. How, whe for the last few months had given nime-tenths of his fime to the repairs which had been going on in the church, and it was a great joy to bim to see everything so quickly nearing completion. For himselt, The thanked God they had been enablerl to do this work. With those who let their churches go for century after century wilhoud doing anything, he sympathised very much, becalase he knew the difficulties wicn they had not got the money. In St. James' they had been able to raise the money, but there were so many parishes where they liad not got it. He respected those who declined to incur liabilities if they had no guarantee of being able to pay. In that parish they had a legacy left them just in the nick of time. The bells had not been rung for over two years, because the steeple was not fit. The organ was dropping to bits week by week, and the organist spent more time in the organ repairing it than be did at the keyboard. The money came just in time to justify them putting the work in hand. As far as the hells were cancerned, it was a great gratification to him that they approved of them, and that they lired them. For himself, without any technical knowledge, it had been a great pleasure to listen to the bells. They were of brilliant tone, sad, as far as he had ever heard bells, he knew of none that gave a belter result than these (applause). The Vicar, in conclusion, expressed his pleasure in seeing such a large gathering, and hoped they would have ploasant memories of their wisit. He added his thanks to the ladies who had assisted at the tea.
Following further ringitg, a social evening was spent at the Fictoria Hotel, Charterhouse Strect, and was attelded by Mr. C. F. Johnston, Mr. J. H. R. Freeborn, Mr. Jonea (works manager'), and several others of the foundty staft, besides a large number of association members and friends. Mr. Freeborn acted as M.C., and songs were given hy Miss Dawson (daughter of Mr. G. Dawson, of St. John's, Leytonstone), whose item, 'Ring, Bells, Rimg', was especially appreciated and was asised for a second time; also by Mat. Freeborn, Mr. Dave Wrighl (Croydond, and Mr. G. L. Joyce (Leytonstone) Miss Windsor and Miss Lamb were the accompanists. On handhells, courses of Stedman Caters and Oinques, Cambridge Major, and $\mathfrak{R}$
(Continued in next columan.)

## THE MINOR METHODS COLLECTION.

To the Editor.
Dear Sir,-In reply to your request the following is a list of the compositions at present in the MSS. of tho Collection of Minor Methods.' It is, of course, subject to revision and alteration.

DOUBLFS.

1. The standard callings of Stedman and Carter's Peinciple
2. All the standard callings of Grandsire.
3. A 5,040 made up of spliced six-scores. Thris gives the greatest variety of calling possible.
4. Examples of six-scores with bells other than the treble as the Whole Funt. These variations are as old as Fabian Stedman.
5. Pitman's arrangement of Grandsire.
6. Morris arrangenent of Gramdsire.
7. The standard calling for Plait Bob, Wew Bob, and suchlike methods.

MINOR.
8. Fifty 720's for the different Plain and Treble Boh Methods
9. Five selected 720's, with mised Bobs and Sivgles, for Plain Bob. These with the two standard callings make a very sutable 5,040 for Bob Minor.
10. Thirty-five 720's which, with two Singles, are apglicable to various Plain methods. When the Singles are omitted, these giv incomplete 720 's, which cen be used as in the Bankes James arrangement of Cambridge.
11. A selection of arrangements similar to the Bankes James' Cambridge for Treble Bob methods with sixth's place at lead-end.
12. Law James' arrangement of London.
13. Gompositions for spliced Little and Alliance methods.

It will be scen that all those about whioh finere is any controversy are referred to in the commitfec's report, and they eomprise only a small proportion of the total number.- Tours truly,

ARMIGER TROLLOPE.

## (Continued from previaus column.)

touch of Double Norwich, weve givea by Messrs. G. R. Pye, W. Pye, G. H. Cross, C. W. Roberts, W. Hewett and T. Groombridge. Mr. G. F. Johnston saw, that nobody lacked refiesinments, and during the evening proposed 'Success to the Middesex Association aud trealth to ils othicers. Mr. C. I. Coles (hon. secretary) acknowledged the toast, and rook the opportunity of thanking Mr. Johnston for bis hospitality, and the several artisies who had so kindly entertained the company.
The procedings were eventually termated by the singing of the National Anthem.


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## BELFRY GOSSIP

Mr. Abert Walker, Deputy Ringing Master of St. Martin's Guild, has been elected a vice-president of the Birninglam Association of Mechanical Engineers, of the Council of which he has lyeen a member for six years.
That inveterate veteran, James George, las heen at it again. He is $75 \frac{1}{2}$, but on Tuesday of lust week he rang the 11 th at St . Martin's, Birminghan, to a peal of Cinques, and on Saturday put the $49 \frac{1}{2}$ cwi. tenor at Worcester Cathedral through a peal. This kincks the proverlial spots off anything that anyone of his age has ever done before.
A peal it Worcester Cathedral is still a 'man's jobs, despite the magnificent rehanging of the new peal hy Messrs. Tuylor and Ciz. The tower still (metaphorically) wanders all round the cathedral while the bells are ringing (formerly it used to make a wider tour of the whole precincts), and the peal on Saturdny was, without cloubt, one of the greatest performances in Mr. George's wouderful career.
Incidentally the peal at Worcester wns the one hundredth wiich he and Mr. Albert Walker bave rung together.
The peal of Cambridge at Brading, Isle of Wight, on Saturday last, was tho second Surprise peal to be rung on the Island. It is nearly 33 years ago (August 3rd, 1896, that the last Surprise peal was rung lhere. This was Superlative at All Sainis', Ryde, and was conducted by Gearge williams.
The bells of Scorton, Lancs, were cpeach lifty years ago next montl (June 28th, 1879), but the first peal was not rung on them until last Saturday. Messrs. E. Jeunings and W. Robingon, who took part, rang their $25 t h$ peal together; and are the first Westmorland ringers to ring this number together.
A hundred and fifty years ago to-day a peal of 12,240 Bolj Mujor was rung at Branghing, Herts.
"lo-morrow is the anniversary of the record peal of London Surprise Major rung at King's Norton in 1903. The 14,112 changes occupied 8 lurs. $40^{\circ}$ mins., and this is still the longest peal of London jet rung.
A memorable Superlative Surprise periormance took place on May 15ih, 1894, al Loughthorough, when a penj of 8,800 was rung in 6 bre. 16 mims. Canon Coleridge and Diek Lanc are among the survivots.
The ringer of the 9 h in the peal at Black burn on April 27 h has T . T. Bimson and not Buinson, as patblithed last weck. With the peal of Maximus at Liverpool, Mr. Ben Knights has now callex at deal of Kent Treble Bob on six, eight, ten and twelve belis.
The bells of SI. Martin's, Birmingham, will be broadeast an Sunday evening from 7.50 to 8 p.m.
Mr. George Wells, of Deeping Si. James. Lincs, who with his wife has just celebraterl lis goldon wedding, has heen a ringer for 61 years, and is still learning fresh Surprise Minor mothods, and hopos shortly to scare a Surprise peal on a light ring. Enfortunstely, he did not feel equal to standing in the peal arranged in celchration of his wedding jubilee.
Writing with legard to the peal at Henstridge, Somerset, which was claimed to be the first on the bells, Mr. E. F. Creed writes that an peal was rung there on June 3rd, 1911, by Castle Cares nud Ditofeat members of the Batli and Wells Association.
The peal rung at Twickenham on April $27 t h$ was the first by Miss K. M. Bradfora and not by C. H. Brown. It was a twenty-first hirthday compliment to Reginald A. Wegner
Mr. Edwin H. Lewis, who has heen residing at Wishaw, Scotlnate, for a mumer of years, and has hecn general manager of the Ginsgow lron annl Stcel Co., Leri, has now taken up an important position in Lanton as a director of the T'monel Fortland Gement Co.. Lid., and of Messrs. F. L. Smidth and Co, Lutd.
Refore leaving Wishaw, Mr, and Mrs. Lowis were the recipians of numerous parcing gifts, including presenis from the employes of the Glasgow Tron and Steel Co., Ltte., the West of Scotland Irom and Steel Institute's Council, by whom they were entertained to dinner, and the congregatoon of St. Andrew's, Wislatw, of which Mr. Lewis was Rector's warden, lay representative and lay clector.
Later in the year Mr. and Mrs. Lewis will setite at Brasted, Kent, in what is now the Rectory. Mr. Lewis' husiness ties have kept him from any very active part in ringing for stme jears, but we lope he may now be able to find a little more time to join in the arl.
The demands on our space this week by the analyses tables and report luve necessitated holding over a number of reporis and letiers to the editor.

## NARROW ESCAPES.

Dear Sir,-I was wery nutuch interested to raad, under 'Belfy Gossip,' of the narrow escape a party of ringers had of losing a pesi of London Surprise Major at Milford-on-Sea. We had axactly the same experience when ringing a peal of Doubles at Dinder. Somerset, on Easter Monday last (recorded in your issue of $A$ pril 12th), the rope of the tenor falling at my feet just as the conductor said 'That's all."-Yours truly, EDWARD J. ROWE.
Stourton, Zeals.
Several other correspondents have writen, telling of ropes breaking after the bells had come routd or when the bells were being lowered after the peal.

## ANALYSIS OF PEALS RUNG DURING THE YEAR 1928.

Compiled by the Committee appointed by the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers.





TOWER BELL PEALS OF＇MLNOLk AND DOUBLES ring during the year 1928.

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| TOTAL |  | 20 －12 | 24 | 1.1 | 5 | 78 | 5 | 956 | 14.1 | 18 | 18 | 8 | 2 | 1 | 146 | 480 |

（n） 21 mathouls．（b） 22 methods，（c） 14 methemis，（d）one 9 and one 10 methods． （6） $10 . \mathrm{mos}$ ．

HANDBELL PEALS ruug duriug the Year 1928.


## REPORT OF THE ANALYSIS COMMITTEE．

tho penl ringing of tha year 1928 shows a serious decline as com－ puter wihi 1927．It fralls short of last year lyy 139 paals，the total number being 1，702，against 1，8d1 in 1927．Town bells show a de－ rrase of 108，there being 12 peals less on twelve， 4 on ten， 84 on night，${ }^{3}$ of Minor，and 5 of Doulales．On landbells there are 31 peals lawer，in spite of an incrense of 10 pants on twelve．They liave de－ eleutsod by 5 on tien， 32 an eight， 2 of Minor，and 2 of Doubles．

Tlue following table slows the inlal peals tung under the different


Peals of Maximus and Royal are more than last year，but there is a falling－off in Cinques，Caters，and Triples，as the following table， enmpared with that of last year，shows：－

Other Plait


Stedman peals are 14 less，Grandsire 53 less ，and other methods 7 less．Jiriples show a great loss of 53 perls，Stedman acconnting for only one of these，a decresse of 46 peals in Gratisine Triples being remarkable．

Major also shows a serious falling－off of 40 on tower bells and 23 on landbells
Surprise ringing has not maintained last year ${ }^{3}$ g disappointing level in Major Bristal slows 5 peals Iess，Superlative 15 less，other methods 2 loss．Superlative Maximus is also one down，London Surprise peals are the same，and the following show increases：Cambridge Maxi－ mus 2 peals，Royal 6，and Major 1 ，other methods af Royal 2 peals， and Spliced Surprise Major 4．Altogether there are 8 fewer peals of Surpirise
A large proportion of the decrease in Major peals is in Treble Bob there being mo fewer＊than 46 peals less，but there is compensation in whe fact that there are 9 more peals on the higher numbers． gether there are 182 penls of Treble Bab this year，mande up as fol lows：Maximus， 4 of Kent and 2 of Oxford；Royal， 28 of Kent and 1 of Granta；Major， 115 of Kent， 24 of Oxford and 8 Spliced．

These last are inclucled in tho Spliced Major column in the wable．
It is satisfactory to note that Double Norwich continines to in－ crease，showing 14 more peals than lasf year，a tatal of 124．Litlle metlods lave also advanced from 5 peals to $g$ ，but to set against this Plain Bob las decreased by 29 peals on ald numbers，a total of 149.
Other methods of Plain Major are 5 more，while Spliced peals on all numbers（other than Siurprise and Treble Bob）are 2 less．
Minov peals are 5 less，and Doubles 7 lass tinn lasi year．
The Milland Gounties Association again have scored the most peals having 150 tower and 3 handbell peaig，a decreage of 30 peals on last wear＇s total．The Lancashire Association has 110 on tower and 9 an handbells，a drop of 15 peals，while the Kent County Association las 109 peals，fill on tower bells， 3 fewer than last year．No other socirlb has reaclied the century，the Yorkshire Association having dropped frons 105 to 70 ．
Thirtecn societies slnow an increased number，totalling 99 mare peals．Three newly－affilialed total 38 peals，while six associations lave the same number．Twenty－seven show a decrease，amountimg in all to 276 peals．

New Cambridge Surprige Maximus，York Surprise Royal，Kent and Lincolnshire Surprise Major，Gainstorough Livile Bob Major，and the Lipersedge varintion of Spliced Treble Bob Major，were rung for the furst time．

Unlike last year，long lenglis on $8-10$ bells ane conspicuous by their absence，the only one to repout being 10,800 of Hinor in three metlods iny the Suffolk Guild

Peals worth noting are Stodman Cinques by bac London County， the band consisting of six fathers nnd six sons；the first 10 －bell pal by members of the Police Force，being Grandsire Caters for Lutncashire Association； 22 methods of Surprise Minor in seven $7 \mathrm{~T}^{2}$ by the Esgex Associakion：Double Norwich Major，in which 2.3 rums by one man，for the Gloucester and Bristol；a Fredevick peal of Stedman Tuiples and Grandsire Triples by one family，both the Kent Couniy；a peal of Jondon Surprise，being first in meihod by all the band，far the Lincaln Guild；and the peal of Sutprise methots of Major by the Midalesex County
Following ate the mumber of peals rung each month in 1927 and 1928

| － |  | 1927 | 1928 |  |  | 1927. | 1928. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| January | ．．． | 148 | 124 | JuIy |  | 120 | 118 |
| February | ．．． | 152 | 145 | August | $\ldots$ | 139 | 116 |
| March | ．．． | 133 | 144 | September | $\ldots$ | 140 | 144 |
| April |  | 159 | 127 | October： |  | 191 | 154 |
| May |  | 149 | 164 | November |  | 165 | 152 |
| \＄une |  | 144 | 125 | December |  | 201 | 189 |

An inalysis of the footnotes shows that ringers who have acored their first peal number 593 ，being 18 less than in 1927．Ringers of peals in a different method，ou method on a different number belle Lotal 1，135，an increase of 39 on last Fenr＇s total．Ringers of
（Crutinued in next calumn．）

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

The quarterly meeting of the Lewigham District was held at St. tuhn's, Exith, on Satuviay, April 27th. The bells were made good use of during the aifternoon and evening, touches being brought round in methods ranging from Grandsive Triples to London Surprise Major. The Ficar (Rev. W. M. Browne) conducted members who were nof ringing olt a very interesting inspection of the chureh, which is of great historical interest.
The Vicar officiated at the service, and gave a very interesting address. At the conclusion of the service the members repaired to the G.E.S. hut, there to partake of tea, kindly supplied by the Vicar, who heartily welcomed the members to Erith.
The business meeting followed, the Vicar presiding. One nesy member was elected, and the election of another previous to a peal was ratified.
Mr. E. Barmotit, jus., gave a report of proceedings at the association's committee meeting on Easter Monday, st Maidstone, and called altention to the circular by the new secrelary (Mr. F. M. Mitchell). Eynsford and Shoreham (Kent) were proposed for the next meeting, and Shorelem fmally chosen for a date in July.
Mr. W. J. Jefries noved a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the lells, for his kind help to the members in describing the church, for conducting the service and address, and for his gellerous hospitality in supplying the tea; to the organist for his services, and to the ladies for their attention to the visitors' creature comforts.-This was earvied with applause.
The Vicar briefy responded and woiced his thanks that MI. F. J. Cullum, the velerari captain of his ringers, was sufficiently recovered froat his receut illuess to be present on that occasion. This concluded the meeting, and after a few touches on handbells, which were warmly appreciated, the members returned to the tower for further ringing.

## ESSEX ASSOGYATION.

## G GAIN TO THE ASSOCIATION

The guarterly meeting of the North Eastern Division of the Essex Association was ineld at the parish of St. Osyth, near Clacton, on Sotarday weok, when 72 ringers were present from 18 parishes. The Rector officiateri at the service, having previously conducted all the lingers round the chutrh, explaining to them the various items of interest (of which there were many). The visitors much appreciatert this extra 'turn, in their welcome to his, one of the oldest parish churches in East Anglia. Among those present at the tea were the Rector, churchwarden= and organist. Mr. O. H. Howerd (Master of The Association), Mr. Ne下ard (District Master), Mr. R. W. Stanaard (district secretary), and other well-knowa ringers, many of whom were visiting this outof-the-way parish for the first time. At the subsequent meating ten new members were elected, and Messrs. Howsrd and Norard proposed and seconded respectively a wote of thanks to all.
St. Osyth is a gain to the association of a mew tower, with its nine members, am there is a promise of having the bells restored shortly.

> (Continued fron previous column )

Heir lirst peal inside number 51, away from the fenor 16 , in the method inside 73, Mnximus 1, Cinques 4, Royal 2I, Caters 9, Major 77, Triples 25, Minar 82, Doubles 35, ous 12 hells 18 , on ten 59, on uight 33 , on six 12 , Surprise 21, "in hand' 6 , in method "in hand 29.

The namber of new conduclors totals 60, and conductors of a frest ruethod 79.

In andition, the footnotes slaw that SI peals were the first on the hella, 38 since restoration or augmentalinh, and 158 the first in the method on the bells. Mufled and tralf-muffled peals number 81, birthday peals 269 , wedding (including silver, golden and diamond) 63, chureh festivals and dedications 34, Empire Day 5, Armistice Day 22, annirersaries 60, welcome and farewell peals 50 , complimentary i5, royal hirthdays 16, golden wedding and retirment of the Avelibishop of Canterbury 19, enthronement of the new Arehbishop Canterbury 3.
There is a slight decrease in the number of ladies who lave rung peals. This year total is 88 . Two only appear among the condututors. Two peats-one of Rob Major and one of Cambridge Sur prise Major-were Flug by the Ladies' Guidd.
Two peals of Doulbles were published with faulty statements, mortctions of which have been received from the secretaries converned.

Again we conclude our report with the number of peals rung in eacla of rapresentative jears since 1881, the total for the whole period being 53.541

| 1881 | beimg 53 | 1902 | 1,313 | 1915 | 259 | 1923 | 1,885 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1885 | 500 | 1905 | 1,519 | 1917 | 130 | 1925 | 1,689 |
| 1889 | 797 | 1909 | 1,628 | 1919 | 1,048 | 1926 | 1,667 |
| 1894 | 859 | 1913 | 2,3598 | 1920 | 1,471 | 1927 | 1,841 |
| 1888 | . 1,002 | 1914 | 1,415 | 1921 | 1,632 | 1928 | 1,702 | GEORGE WILCLAMS, West End. Southampton.

EDTHF K. FLETOHER, 45, Walsingham Road, Enteld. JOSEPLE W. PARKER, 5, Amberley Strect, Sunderland.

## DEATH OF M.C.A. PRESIDENT. <br> CLOSE OF A LONG AND ACTIVE CAREER.

The Midland Counties Association hes sustained a great loss by the death, whicls oceurred on April 26th, of the president, Mr. Robert Baker Chambers, J.P., of Littlenver, Derbyshire. Mr. Ohambers was in his eighlieth year, and had heen in failing health for some little time past, as a result of which he lad relinquished many of the public positions which he formeriy lueld, bat he retained until the last lis office and his inferest in the M.C.A. Mr. Cliambers succeeded tho late Mr. J. W. TayIor as president of the association, and lue rendered it invaluable service by the transformation which he offected in its financial standing. By interesting his large circle of friends in the organisation, he secured what must bo the largest list of honorary members ins any ringing society, and thas le buile up the association in a strong position. He was himself of a generous nature, and materially assisted in hell repair funds, almosi invariably giving a private donation when the M.C.A. made a grant. The tenor bell at Peatling Magnu, Leicestershive, bears his name as the donor at recasting in 1906, and he did much work anonymously in this direction.
Mr. Chamberg was a man of many parts, who served his day ant generation wilhout spariug himbelf. A Derbyshire man, he was born at Wilue, near Slardow, on January 5th, 1850 . His father, Mr . Josepli Chambers; who was a farmer and landowner, died in the year 1856 . His mother, a daughter of Mr. William Fall, of Peatiling Magna, Eeicestershire, owned considevable property in thaparish, and also in the parishes of Boullon and Allestree, in the county of Derby. Mr. Clambers was ceducated at Mr. R. N. Wilson's School, Castle Doniugton, and at Ellesthorpe House School. neay Rugby. For a time after leaving school he occupied a large farm, and took an interest in agrioultural affairs, being a member of tho Derbyshivo Agrieultural Society, and a steward at several shows. Ee took an active interest in alhletics, and was president of the Snwley Crichet Club, captain of the Sawley Football. Athletio and Rowing Clubs, winning winmerous prizes in local waiking and other competitions. During two seasons he played full-back for South Derbyshive Football Club. In 1870, Mr. Chambers matriculated at Magdalen Hall, Oxford, nnd during lis residencu there he rowed in his College Torpid and twice in his college ciglit. He won the College mile walking race from scratch in 8 mims. 15 secs., and was second in the threemile walkiug race at Oxford University sparts in 1872 He tock liis B.A. degrce in 1875, Magdalen Hall in the meantime lanving been transformed into Hertford College. In 1876, M1. Clambers took up lis residance at South Sitch, ldridgehisy, where lie remained until 1893, still taking an interest in sportHe was also actively engaged in political matkers, being four years a member of the Executive Councils for hoth tha Midand and Weat Derhyshire Conservative Associations, and be ropresented the Wirk-worth Rurai Deanery on the Diocesan Council. In the Fear 1882, h. was articled to Mr. A. H. Rohothan, Deriby, aud was admitted ns is solieitar in 1886. He was associated with the firm of Kohotionam aml Co. far some years afterwards. In 1893, Mr. Chambers removed th. Green Hill, Derby, and since then took an exceedingly useful pant in town affaits He lad, for instance, been a clantobwarden of St. Peter"s, Derby. The notable restoration of that ancient church. which cost mearly 910,000 , was in a large meastre due to Mr. Chambers' efforts as hon. secretary to the restoration committce, as well as to his owfl gencrous gifts. He was a mentoer of the Southwell Diocesan Conferemee, and of innportani comantiees connected with
that body. Ho also actively co-operated in educational affairs. His became one of the Church of England members of the School Boari in 1902, and continued therean until the duties were taken over by the Town Council, and he then became a member of the Fduntion Conmittee. He had twice been Mayon of Derby, liaviug been frsi elected to the Town Council in 1903.
He was anl ideal sportsman, and was associated with imunnerable county organisations of a charitable or philanthropic nature.
The funcral at Littleover was athended hy a very large sud representative county gathering, and among those present were Mr. J. Griffin (vice-presideat), Mr. W. Wallace (hon. treasurert, Mr. E Denison Taylor, and Mr. W. Willson, representing the Midland Counties Assaciation, and wreaths were sent by the M.C.A. and St. Peter's Church bellringers, Derby
Muffed bells were rung in many parts of the area of the associa tion's activities, including a peal at Leicester Cathedral and at. St, Pcter's, Derby (recorded usewhere), and the louches given below. One of the cherished passessions of the genoral hon. seeretary (Mr. Enest Monvis) is a silver bell inkpot given to bini (unknown to the general body of members of the association by the degenged president in recogrition of the clerical help which the seeretary Jat
given him. It is inscribed, 'E. M. 22 mil Janary, 1927 . given him. It is inscribed, 'E. M., 22nl Jannary, 1927.
Ad All Saints' Chureh, Wigstan Magna, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes) ly the Surday service band, with the bells half-mufled: W. H. Humberatone 1, W. Brewin 2, A. Ward 3, A. Chamberlain 4, A. H. Carter 5, J. Carter (conductor) 6, F. Llayd 7, E. Lloyd 8.

At Wingfield, 936 Rob Minor, with the tenor coveritag: J. P. Tarlton (conductor) 1, Olive TarIton 2, Dorothy Tarlton 3, Doris Dilkes 4, B. Wheoler 5, W. Wain 6, P. Martin 7.

## NOTICES.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 637 )- Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magrous' on May 23 rd, *St. Paul's Cathedral on the ith, Southwark Cathedral on the I6th, *St. Michael's, Corntill, on the 28 th , St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 3oth; all] at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards. Willian T. Cockerilf, Hon. Sec. Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Claplam, S.W.4.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-S.E. Division.-The next meeting will be held at Great Waltham on Saturday, May ifth. Bells (8) available $2.3^{0}$. Usual arrangements. -H. W. Kirton, Hon. Dis. Sce.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-The festival will be held at Bridport on Saturday, May inth. Service at 12.30. Preacher: Right Rev, Bishop Joscelyn. Luncheon at Greyhound Hotel 1.I5 p.m. Charge is. Annual business meeting to follow. Towers open: Beaminster, Bradpole, Bridport, Whitchurch Canonicorum (8), Burton Bradstock, Litton Cheney, Loders, Netherbury, Symondsbury (6). All ringers welcome. -F. Llewellyn Edwards, Sec.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.--Isle of Wight District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Brading on Saturday, May itth. Bells available at $\mathbf{2 . 3 0}$ p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., followed by tea at the Parish Hall and business meeting.-B. J. Snow, Hon. Dis. Sec., No. 2, Collingwood, Daniel Street, I.O.W.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Bath Branch.-The next meeting will be held at Corston on Saturday, May inth. Belis (8) at 3.30 . Service 4.30 . Tea to follow. A good attendance is requested. Theo Grant, Branch Sec., Swainswick, Bath, Som.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Woking Parish Church, St. Peter's (at Old Woking). The two new church bells will be dedicated by the Bishop of Guildford on Saturday, May ixth, at 3.30 p.m. All ringers will be heartily welcomed to the dedication.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Tonbridge Dis-trict.-The next meeting of this district will be held at Cranbrook on Saturday, May inth. Tower open at 2-30, Service at 4.30 . Tea, at gd. per head, after service, followed by business meeting: Half travelling expenses up to 2s. each will be paicl to members attending. - W. Latter, Hon. Dis. Sec., II, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Chipping Norton Dcanery Branch. - The anoual spring meeting will be held at Shipton-under-Wychwood on Saturday, May ith.-J. Keyte, 'Hon. Sec., Charlbury, Oxon.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-A meeting will be held at Feliham on Saturday, May inth. Ringing from 3 p.n. Arrangements as usual. All ringers welcome.-Wm, H. Hollier, 29, Duke Road, W. 4.

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. - A meeting will be held at Shelley on Saturday, May rith. Bells ready i p.m. Tlea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All ringers and friends invited.-C. D. Potter, Hon. Sec.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Ashford Dis-triet-A meeting wilt be held on Saturday, May inth, at Warehorne. Tower opens at 2.30 . Tea at 5 o'clock. Ruckinge tower opens 6 till 8 o'clock. All ringers wel-come.-A. C. Kay, Dis. Sec., 6, Sturges Road, Ashford.

DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD. - The monthly practice at Netherton, Saturday, May 1ith, 3.30.-Herbert Sheppard, Hon. Sec.

DEVONSHIRE GUILD.-Mid-Devon Branch.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Staverton on Saturday, May itth. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service $4 . \mathrm{t}_{5}$. All ringers welcome.-H. J. Hole, Hon. Sec., Tauntonia, Church Street, Paignton.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION. The pre- Whitsun meeting will be held at Whitley Bay or: Saturday, May inth. The bells of St. Paul's will be available after 2.30 p.m. Committee meeting at the Victoria Hotel at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. and tea ( $1 / 6$ per head) at $50^{\circ}$ clock. -Geo. S. Taylor, Sec., 1 29, St. Leonard Street, Sunderland.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Nottingham District. -The next meeting will be held at Beeston on Saturday, May itth. Bells (8) from 3-30 p.m. Members make own arrangements for tea.-F. W. Bailey, Local Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Wigan Branch, The next meeting will be held at Halsall on Saturday, May IIth. Bells ready at 2.30.-James Grounds, Hon. Sec., 8, School Lame, Standish.

FOR 'RINGING THE CHANGES' try Bushey, Saturday, May 1ith. Ringing from 3.30 till 8.30. Evensong 5. Tea (Institute) 5.30. Cheap tickets from all stations.-C. H. Horton, Bushey. Te1. : City 4270.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.- Witney and Woodstock Branch.-Spring meeting at Yarnton, to-morrow (Saturday), May ith.-W. Evetts, Hon. Sec., Hill Courr, Tackley,

ST. CLEMENT YOUTIIS (St. Clement Danes', Strand, W.C.),-The annual general meeting will be held on Wednesday, May isth, at 8.15 p.m. sharp. Practice 6.30 to 8 p.m. All nembers eamestiy requested to attend.- T. W. H. Sergison, Hon. Sec.
A JOINT MEETING of the Surrey Association (NorthWestern District) and the Guildford Diocesan Guild (Leatherhead District) will be held at Ewell on Saturday, May 18th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. Tea to follow in the Church Room. All ringers welcome. Will those requiring tea kindly notify Mr. C. E. Read, 1 , Grove Villas, High Street, Ewell, not later than Wednesday, May 15 th? -D. Cooper and A. R. Pink, Hon, Dis. Secs.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Southern Branch.The next quarterly meeting will be held at Hough-on-the-Hill (6) on Saturday, May 18th. Service in the church at $4-30$, followed by tea and business meeting. Those requiting tea please notify Mr. H. Haynes, Hough-on-the-Hill, Grantham, not later than Wednesday, May ${ }^{15}$ th.-C. T. H. Bradley, Hon. Sec., Folkingham.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Rossendale Branch.-Oir next meeting will be held at St. Thomas' Church, Helnshore, on Saturday, May 18 th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30 . A good attendance is earnestly requested.-John H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 8 , Oaklands Road, Edenfield.

OAFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - North Berkshire Branch.-Annual meeting at Appleton on Saturday, May 18th. Service 3.30 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m. Those intending to be present please notify me not later than Wednesday, $5^{\text {th. }}$. Albert E. Lock, 35, East St. Helen Street, Abingdon, Berks.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester Branch.-The next meeting will be held at Stand Church, Whitefield, on Saturday, May 18 th. Belis ready + o'clock. Meeting 7 p.m. A good attendance is re-quested.-J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Plating.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Western Divi-sion.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Petworth on Saturday, May i8th. Bells available from 2.3o. Tea at Mr. Kright's Restaurant, Lombard Street, 5 p.m. All those intending to be present kindly advise by Wednesday previous to the meeting. Half railway fares, is. 6 d. -A. W. Groves, Arnhirst, Dominion Road, Worthing.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.Swindon Branch. - The next meeting will be held at Blunsdon on Saturday, May 18th. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Tea and business meeting at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Those requiring tea please notify me by Wednesday, 15 th. - S. Hopper, Branch Sec., 79, Edinburgh Street, Gorse Hill, Swinclon, Wilts.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northern Dis-trict.-Next meeting, May 18th, at Whitechapel. Belis (8) available 4.30 p.m. to $9 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service. Tea (at kind invitation of the Rector) and meeting at 5 p.m. Also St. Botolph's, Aldgate (S), 3 to $4 \cdot 30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. ; St. Dunstan's (8), if required, 7 to $9 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Everyone welcome. - J. A. Waugh, 8, Fuller's Road, Woodford.

A JOINT MEETING of the Winchester Diocesan Guilkl (Andover Branch) and the Oxford Diocesan Guild (Newbury Branch) will be held at Highclere, Hants, on Saturday, May 18th. Beils (8) available at 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea, 5 p.m., at 15 . All ringers welcome. Intending visitors please notify Mr. F. J. Knapp, Highclere Farm, near Newbury, not later than Thursday, May 16th, for tea. Good bus service from Newbury (five miles).-H. W. Curtis and the Rev. Seers, Hon. Dis. Secs.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Sonning Deanery Branch.-Combined practice at Hurst ( 8 bells), Saturday, May 18th, from 6 till 9. All welcome.-W. J. Paice, Branch Sec.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Chesterfield District.-The next meeting of the above will be held at Ashover on Saturday, May 18th. Bells (8) open at 3 p.mा. Will all those requiring tea notify J. P. Tarlton not later than May i6th? All ringers will be welcome. Reports can be had.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District.-A meeting will be held at Potton on Saturday, May 18 th. Bells (6) available at 3 o'cloch. Tea at 5 . All ringers welcome. A good company is requested. C. J. Ball, 2, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckley District.-The next meeting will be held at Stoke Golding on Saturday, May 18 th. Bells available from 3.45 p.m. A good meeting is requested; all ringers being cordially velcome.-W. A. Cope, Smockington, Hinckley.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - St. Albans District.-A meeting is arranged to be held at Harpenden on Saturday, May 18th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Tea arrangements will be made. Business: To discuss a joint meeting with the Bedford Association.-W. Nast, Dis. Sec., North Mimms, Hatfield.

SUFFOLI GUILD.-A meeting will be held at Cotion on Saturday, May ISth. Bells (6) from 2 p.m. Mendlesham bells (6) also available. Tea 5 p.m. Those requiring tea please notify by May $16 t h .-B$. Cbilvers, Cotton, Stowmarket.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CLATION.-The annual meeting will be held at Chippenham, Whit Monday, May 2oth. St. Paul's (S) and St. Andrew's (8) available from io a.m. Other belis available by arrangement. Service 12 noon, St. Andrew's Church. Luncheon. I p.m., 2s. 6d. (cold). Book direct to Mr. Dunford, Bear Hotel, Chippenham, on or before May $15^{t h}$. General business meeting. 2.30 p.m., St. Catherine's Schoolroom. Important business. Motions proposed include deletions to Rules I. and III. and additions to Rule XIII. and III. of branch rules. Copies and proposers may be had upon application. Tea 1s. per head, Bear Hotel. Some principal officials retiring and do not seek re-election. Please notify me for tea on or before May 18 th.--Edgar Guise, Hon, Sec., 39, Tankard's Close, St. Michael's, Bristol.

NORFOLK GUILD.-General meeting will be held at Putham Market on Whit Monday, May 2oth. The ring of bells at Putham Market (8) and St. Mary, Pulham (8) will be available. Dinner at the King's Head, St, Mary, Pulliam (2s. 6d. per head), at 1.30 p.m., followed by business meeting. Members requiring dinner to notify the secretary not later than Thursday, May rbth, in order that the host will have the number specially to provide for. - Arthur L. Coleman, Sec., High Croft, North Walsham, Norfoll.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. - The annual general meeting will be heid at Kettering on Whit Monday, May 2oth. The Central Committee will meet at $10.45 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. in the Parish Hail (near the church). Service in the church of SS. Peter and Paul at is noon, when the preacher will be the Very Rev. the Dean of Peterborough. Lunch at the Royai Hotel at 1 p.m., followed by the business meeting. Applications for lunch tickets must be made not later than Monday, May $13^{\text {th }}$, to the general secretary, with remittance, 2 s . 6d. The bells available are Kettering (ro) throughout the day, and Burton Latimer (S), Rothwell (8), Desborough (8), Weekley (6), Isham (6) and Barton Seagrave (5) after the meet-ing.-R. G. Black, Gen. Sec., Stamford Road, Geddington, near Kettering

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - The annlal general meeting will be held at Brighton on Whit Monday, May 2oth. The towers of St. Peter's and St. Nicholas' will be open from 2 till 3.30 and after the meeting. The Good Shepherd, Dyke Road, 7.30 till 9 p.m. Special service in St. Peter's Cliurch, at 4 p.m. A meat tea will be provided in Parish Hall, adjoining church, 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Tea 2s. 6d. (rs. 3d. to members). Half rail fare (maximum 2s. 6d.) allowed to resident members. Those intending to be present should notify honorary general secretary not later than Tuesday, May $\mathrm{ith}^{\text {th. - A. D. Stone, Hon. Gen. Sec., }}$ r6, Belgrave Street, Brighton.

DFVON GUILD.-The annual meeting willi be held at Tiverton on Whit Monday. Service in St. Peter's Church at noon. Dinner at Clapp's Restaurant i p.m. Towers open: Tiverton, Bickleigh, Calverleigh and Washfield. All ringers welcome-T. Laver, Gen. Sec., 21. Cross Park, Heavitree, Exeter.

NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.-The amnual meeting will be held at Gresford on Whit Monday, May zoth. Bells (8) available 1 p.m. Service 3 p.m., to be followed by meeting. Tea 4.30 p.m.-W. Cathrall, 20, Ffordd Estyn, Garden Village, Wrexham.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Annual Festival at Hereford, Whit Monday, May 2oth. Service in Cathedral Ladye Chapel, $\mathbf{1 2} .15$. Dinner at Booth Hali Horel, 1 p.m., 2/6. Dinner tickets from Mr. A. W. Davis, roz, Rylands St. Business meeting after dinner. Towers available Cathedral (10) 10.30 to $11.30,6.30$ to 8.30; All Saints' (8), St. Nicholas' (6) 10.30 to 12,3 to 6. Other 8 and 6 -bell towers in neighbouring vitlages during afternoon. -H. S. T. Richardson, Hon. Sec., St. Nicholas' Rrctory, Hereford.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Marshiand Branch.-District meeting at Perrington St. Clement on Whit Monday. Ringing at 11 a.m. ( 8 bells). Service at 4 p.m., followed by tea at King William Hotel, is. 6 d . each. Numbers must be sent to me not later than Thursday, May 16 th.-W. G. Cross, Hon. Branch Sec., ı6, St. James' Road, King's Lymn.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION. (Founded 1879. Jubilee 1929.) -The joth annual meeting will be held at Chelmsford on Whit Monday, May zoth. II a.m, : Service at the Cathedral, with address by the Lord Bishop of Chelmsford. 12 noon : Meeting in Cathedral Hall. I. 15 p.m. : I.unch at Corn Exchange. Admission by ticket only, nembers is. 6d., non-members 2s. 6d. Applications, with remittance, to be sent to Mr. E. J. Butler, 3, Eustace Road, Chadwell Heath, not later than Wednesday, Nay ${ }^{1} 5^{1 h}$. Towers open for ringing during day: Cathedral (12), Writtle (B), Widford (8), Gatleywood (8), Great Baddow (8), Great Waltham (8), Boreham (8), Broomfield (6), Springfield (6). Private bus service will be provided between 3 p.in. and 8 p.m. to enable ringers to visit the various towers. No ringing permitted during service and meeting. Charles IH . Howard, Master; $\mathrm{F}^{*}$. J. Pitstow, Gen. See, and Treasurer, 45, High Street, sitfiron Walden.
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Nothern Branch. -(rimsby: District.-The next meeting will be held at Louth on Whit Monday, May 2oth. Bells (8) ready 2 p.m. Service in the church at 4.15 . Tea, 5 p.m., at Appleby's, Aswell Street, at is. 6c. Business meeting to follow. Those requiring tea kindly advise Mr . A. Drewell, 4 ra, James Street, Louth, not later than first post, Saturday, May 18th. The bells have been rehung, and a good attendance is hoped for. All ringers and friends weloome-H. 1. Mingay, Hon. Dis. Sec.,

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. -The anmual meeting will be held at Ripon on Whit Monday, Nay zoth. The bells of the Cathedral (10, tenor 2 I cwt .) are available for ringing from in to $2,3.30$ to 4.45 and 6 to 9 p.m. Services in the Cathedral at io a.m. and $4.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Lunch will be provided at the 13]ack Bull Hotel at 1 p.m. Members 2s., non-members 2s. 6d. Those intending to be at Junch please notify the secretary not later than Wednesday, May ${ }^{\text {r }} 5^{\text {th. }}$ Annual husiness meeting to follow, and it is hoped that nombers will turn up in good numbers and make this meeting the success it deserves.-T. Metcalfe, Hon. Sec., 26, High Street, North Ormesby, Mieldesbrough.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-A meeting of the Ely Arehdeaconry will be held at Sawston (8) on Satur-
day, May $25^{\text {th }}$. A good attendance is requested. Election of district ringing master, etc. Those requiring tea please notily by 22 nd. -F. Warrington, Dis. Sec., Longstanton, Cambs.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Western Division.A meeting will be held at Bentley on Saturday, May $25 t^{\text {th }}$. Bells (5) from 3 p.m. Scrvice $4 \cdot 30$. Tea 5.15. The Church of St. Paul, Bentley, is simated on the main Brentwood-Ongar Road, 3 miles from Brentwood, 4 from Ongar. Buses leave Brentwood (Yorkshire Grey) at 3, 3.30 and 4 p.m. - E. J. Butler, Dis. Sec., 3, Eustace Road, Chadwell Heath, Essex.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.-The next monthly meeting will be held at Clifton, near Rugby, on Saturday, May 25 th, instead of on the $18 t h$, as previously arranged. A plain tea will be provided at the Vicarage, by kind invitation of the Vicar, to all who notify me by Thursday, May zzrd.-Miss D. E. Lewis, Hon. Sec., Firholm, King Edward Road, Nuneaton.

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.-A ringing meeting will be held at Edenbridge on Saturday, May 25th. Tower open 2.45. Those requiring tea please let me know by Wednesday, May aznd. -George Lambert, Drummond Hay, East Grinstead.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Northern District.-A meeting will be toeld at Royston on Saturday, May 25 th. The bells (8) will be available at 3 p.m. Short service at 5 p.m., to be followed by tea and business meeting. As Mr. Cowper, 88, Melbourn Road, Royston, is arranging the tea will all members who require tea notify him? A good attendance is requested. All ringers and friends welcome. - Donald C. Mears, Hon. Dis. Sec., The School House, Ofley, Hitchin.

SUFFOLK GUILD.-A general meeting will be held at Stowmarket on May 25 th. Bells (8) available from 2 p.m.-H. Drake, I-Ion. Sec., Ufford, Woodhridge.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Guildford District. - District meeting at Chiddingfold on Saturday, May ${ }^{2} 5^{\text {th }}$. Ringing 3 p.m1. Service at 4.30 p.m., followed by tea (is.) and business meeting. Numbers for tea to me by Friday, May 17 th.-G. L. Grover, Hon. Sec., Merrow Cottage, East Clandon, Guildford.

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## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

PUDSEY.-On Sunday, April 28 ih , at the Chureh of St. Laurence for evening service, 224 Double Norwich Cout Bob Major, 384 Camhridge Surprise Major, 384 Superlative Surprise Major, ant 192 Loudon Surprise Major: P. Cordingley 1, S. Ward 2, J. C. Booth 3, R. Myers 4, W. Barton (conductor') 5, J. W. Baxendiale 6, J. E. Procter 7, J. Ambler 8. All members of the local company.
EOUNSLOW.-On Sunday, April 28th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 45 mins. $C$. Collins $1, ~ F . G$. Goddard 2, W. F. Ellingham 3, J. Kent 4, S. Stilwell 5, C. J. Tricker 6, F. E. Hawthome (concuctor) 7, H. Gash 8.

EXETER.-On Sunday, April 28th, for morning service, at the Churel of St. Thomas, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 clanges) in 45 mins.: W. Bailoy 1, J. Hoggood 2, W, Howe 3, H. G. Eowis 4, O. Routley 5, E. W. Biffin (conductov) B, A. Goad 7, W. A. Willis (first quarter-peal) 8. Arranged for che ringer of 4th, who hails from Hope, North Wales.

SOUTHGATW, At Clyist Church, on April Z8th, for matins, Thurstan's quarter-peal of Stedman in 47 mina: A. K. Glasscock 1 , J. Armstrong 2, J. E. Miller 3, D. Oving (on 4, W. Piekworth 5, H. Milger 6, S. Wade (conductor) 7, A. G. Crane 8. All innovation ocwurred at this service, so far as Southgate is coucerned, i.e., the colleation was for the belluingers of this church.

DUNSTABLE, BEDS.-On 4 pril 21st, for evengong, a quarter-peal af Kent Treble Bob Major (1,280 changes): B. F. Caleott 1, C. Rollings 2, G. F. Sentance 3, G. Heley 4, O. E. King 5, A. G. Mathows 6, A.J. Smith (Luton) 7, A. E. Sharman (conductor) 8.

CARISBROOKE, I.O.W.-On Sunday, April 21st, for ovcusong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1,260 changes, from Holt's Origial): F. Taylor (conductor) 1, W. Legge 2, A, Jorake 3, F. Priddle 4, C. Taylor 5, H. Barton 6, J. Beamett (London) 7, B. Sibbick 8 .

WEST CLANDON, SURRET.-On Sunday, April 21st, for evening service, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: A. Walker 1, F. Day 2, F. Bennett 3, J. Boacher 4 N. Farding 5, G. Grover (conductor) 6. Firsbextent of Surprise Minor by a local baud for the Guildford Diocesan Guila.
UCKFIEED, SUSSEX.-At the Church of the Holy Gross, on Fun duy, April 21st, for morning service, 504 Grandsire Triples: E. Avis 1, F. Tester 2, P. Marchant 3, B. Sauaders 4, A. Richardson 5, F'. Weller 6, J. A. Hart (conductor) 7, C. .j. Hart 8. First 50t by ringers of treble, $41 h$, 5 th, and 6 th .
HAYES, KENT.-On Sunday, April 14th, for evensong, 720 London Surprise Minor: T. R. Flint 1, F. Keech 2, J. Hack 3, O. Gilbey (conductor) 4 , H. Brown 5, J. Brown 6. Is bobs by C. Sovern.-Recently, 720 Stanford Surprise Minor: H. Reader 1, 「. R. Fliut 2, J. Hack 3, O. Gilbey (conductor) 4, F. Keech 5, J. Browb 6. Fitet of Stamford on the bells and by all the band.

SHEFFIELD.-For Sunday evening service, on April 14th, at Si. Marie's R.C. Clurch, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 49 mins.: 1. Tuke 1, R. Harrison, sen., 2, W. Burgar (conductor) 3, Cyril Herrisou (first quarter-poal in any method) 4, J. A. Dixon $5, ~ G$ Holmes 6, T. Lee 7, R. Harrison, jun., 8.
DEPTEORD.-At'St. John's Church, in 40 mins., on Sunday, April 7th, for evening scrvice, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,250 changes): E. Rivett 1, W. A. Martin 2, A. F. Petrie 3, P.C. Elliott 4, P.S. Steers 5, P.C. Davies 6, W. J. Jeffries (conductor) 7, R. A. Fosdike 8.

HImOHIN.-Oin Sunday, April 7th, for evening service, at St Mary'e Church, Hitchim, Herts, a quarter-peal of Superlative Sur prise Major was rung in 52 mins.: Rev, R. F. R. Routh 1, T. R Scott 2, A. Symonds 3, G. T. Croft (conduetor) 4, G. Wolfe 5, E. J Newell 6, C. V. Have Z, H. W. Day 8 .
DEVIZES, WILTS,-On Sunday, April 7th, for morning service, at St. May's Clurch, 720 Bob Minor in 26 mins.: J. Ottaway $1, \mathrm{~S}$. Hillier 2, E. G. Swift 3, W. A. Swift 4, R. Swift 5, F. Green (conductor) 6.

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## A HALF PEAL

On Saturday, April 13th, at St. David's Church, Exeter, a half-peal of Bob Major (2,576 changes): Capt. Linter 1, Mrs. E. S. Powell (conductor) 2, Miss Sylria Thursliekl 3, T. Laver 4, Wiliam Howe 5, Frank Davey 6, John M. Skimner (longest touch in the method) 7 , Rey. E. S. Powell 8. It had been arranged to attempt a peal, bui owing to the funeral of one of the churelwardens on that afternoon there was insufficient time, and the bells were rung half-mufled.


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## CHELMSFORD.

The interest of the Exercise will centre next week upon Chelmsford, where on Monday the Essex Association will celebrate its jubilee and on Tuesday the Central Council will assemble for its annual meeting. Each, in its own way, is an important gathering. The Essex County Association has for fifty years been among the most virile of the territorial organisations, guided by energetic and tactful leaders, with the result that it established and has continua'ly maintained a foremost place in the Exercise. The jubilee celebration will doubtless draw together a big gathering of members and friends, and it is largely as a compliment to the association that the Central Council fixed upon Chelmsford as the venue for this, year's meeting.

The Council seems likely to have quite a full day's sitting on Tuesday. In its agenda are jtems which may make the session a fairly long drawn out one, and one or two of the subjects will doubtless provide interesting debates. Not the least controversial is the Methods Committee's report round which we may expect to get the main arguments in regard to what shall in future be recognised as a peal of Doubles and Minor. If, however, that should fail in this purpose, then the motion in the name of Mr. Whittington should not fail to bring a clash of opposing views. The old standard of a peal on five and six bells has been challenged, and the Council will be asked in the report to recognise a new condition, and, in the motion, to reaffirm the existing standard. The Council, in brief, will be asked whether it will accept in a peal on five or six beils the single extent, or a mediey of extents as the unit of truth.

The whole Exercise is awaiting a decision on this point, and we have no hesitation in saying, despite the claim made by the Methods Committee that their proposal is ' in harmony with the traditions and usage of the Exercise,' and that 'tradition' wili be 'ample safeguard against any excess,' that no step that has ever been taken in regard to fixing the standard of a peal has been so retrogradein its principles as this proposal of the Methods Committee will be if carried. Instead of raising the standard, it will open the door to all sorts of jiggery-pokery by unprincipled conductors-and unprincipled conductors have been known in the Exercise. And for what is the Council asked to do this? To justify the inclusion in the Minor Collection of certain compositions of which, up to now, no one but the composers and the committee have had a good word to say? If in their construction these particular compositions have anything to recommend them, they have the vital disadvantage of introducing a (Continued on page 306.).

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principle which can lead, despite all the commitree's assurances, to the introduction of 'fantastic arrangements,' and even the committee could not tell us where the line could be drawn. It is for the Council to draw the line, and we shall be surprised if they do not do it emphatically by ruling out such compositions as the Law James London and Morris arrangement of Doubles.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL. <br> BRISTOL.

GLOUGESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOGIATION. On Saturday, May 17, 1929, in Fork Hours and Foik Minutes, At the Church of Si. Mary Redcliffe,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SJRPRISE HAXIMES, 5280 CHAMRES;
Tenor 50 cWt ? qr .2 I lb .
Henry Pring .... ...j reble Alfred E. Rerves ... ... 7
Albert W. Coebs ......$z^{2}$ James Bennett... Albert Walker .... .... 3 "Josbfh T. Dyke ... ... 9 "Frank W. Perrens ... ... 4 Jobn A. Burford ... .... io Ge=rge R. Pye... Charles T. Coles Jofnar. Burford ... .... Io William Pye ... ...

* First peal of Maximus. The visitors to Bristol desire to exples sincere thanks to Messts. W. A. Cave and E. Pring for arranging this peal, and regret that the former was unable to take part in it.


## TEN BELL PEALS.

LOUGEBOROUGF, LEICESTERSHTRE. THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. On Weducsday, May 8, 1929, in Three Houys and Sixteon Minutes,

Ax the Caurch of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF STEDHAN CATERS, 5000 CHANEES;

Tenor $30 \frac{1}{2}$ cwit.
Madrice Swinfield... ....Treble | tRichard C. Brlion... ... 6
John H. Swingield... .... 2 IEphraim W. Rands... ... 7
*Charles Allsof ... ... 3 Jamrs S. Hotchby .. ... 8
Josepe Bailey ... ... ... 4 E. Harry Stoneley ... 9
Charles Draper ... ... 5 James George ... ... ...Teror
Composed by A. Knighis. Conducted by M. Swinfirld.

* First peal of Stedman Caters. + First touch on ten bells. + First peal of Caters.

NORTHAMPTON.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, May 17, 1929, in Thret Hoursand Twenty-Two Minutes, At the Cherce of St. Gilla,
A PEAL OF 8TEDMAN CATERS, 6043 CHANGES; Tenor 25 cwt.
William Rogers ......Treble |† William Atterbory ... 6 Thomas Law $\quad . . \quad . .$.
 Eddie J. Hobrs... ... ... 4 †Horace Smith ... .... ... 9 "Ernest Sibley ... .... ... 5 Arthdr E. Sharman ...Temor Composed by Gabriel Lisdofr. Conducted by Wieliam Rogers

* First peal on ten bells. $\dagger$ First peal of Sted̉man Caters. Rung as a farewell to the ringer of the 5 th, whe is shortly leaving Norlhampton for Coventry.

KING'S NORTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DIBTRICTG ASSOCIATION. (Nortbern Branch.)
On Saturday. May JT, 1929, in Three How+s and Sikfeen Minutes, At the Chorca of St. Nicholas,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN OATERS, 6 Q17 CHANEES;

 Tenor 17 cwt .William Short ... ... ...Troble Thomas Hemming ... ... 6 Charles Webb ... ... ... 2 Hecior G. Bird... ... William C. Dowdikg ... 3 |Clifford Skidmore ... ... 8 James George ... ... ... 4 Robert Matthews ... ... 9
 Composed by Gabrirl Lindoff. Conducted by William Seort. This peal was specially erranged and rung as a wedding compli ment to Miss Josephine J. Addison and Mr. W. B. Cartwright, who is a member of the King's Norton band, with the hest wisling of the ringers. It was also the anniversary of the recard peal of London Surprise rung at the same church.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

LONG MELFORD, SUFFOLK. THE RUEFOLK GUILD.
On Sahirday, April 20, 1929, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,
At the Chorce of the Holy Trinity,

## A PEAL OF BOB HAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

## Tenor 16 星 cwt .

Harry S. Richold.
..Tyoble Samoel Evans




* First peal.


## OXFORD.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GULLD.
(Oxford and Districk Branch and Oxpord Society.)
On Thursday, April 25, 1929, in Two Howrs an dFifty-Fiue Minutes, At the City Cherch of St. Martin and All Sainis, A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tgitsians' Fodr-pary.
William Blake.
William H, B Wilkins
Samtel hodnslow ... ... 3 Richard Posi ... ... ... 4

Tenor $7 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cw}$. in A flat.
Francis E. Taylor Victar Bunnett... .... ... 5 William Simmonds ... ... 7 Gerorg Horwnod ... ....Tenor Conducted by Williar Simmonds.
First peal on the bells and firsi peal as, conductor. A birtbday compliment to Mr.'Williara Smith, 'Eather' of the Oxford Society, and to Mrs. Horwood, mother of the tenor ringer.

> FRAMSDEN, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Monday, April 29, 1929, in Three Howrs,
At the Cherch of St. Mary.

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRIBE MAJOR, bO5G CNANEES;

## Tenor 16 owt.

James Braneti.jun.
Wieliam C. Rumsey Grorge Pryme ..
 $\begin{array}{ll} \\ \cdots & 5 \\ \cdots & 6\end{array}$ James Bennett...... Composed by Artuer Knighis. Conducted by Wilifam C. Rumshy

* First peal in a Surprise method. This composition (author's number 66) is now rang for the first time. The conductor has now called a peal from each bell in the above tower. Arranged for the winger of the fourth.


## DERBY.

EAST DERBTSEIRE AND NOTTINGHAMSHIRE ABSOCLATION.
On Saturday, May 4, 1929, in T two Hours and Fifly-Six Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 8040 CHANGES;

Tenorimewt. iqr. $\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{l}}^{\mathrm{l}} \mathrm{b}$.


## ROFHWELL, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORESHIRE ASSOOLATION.
(Leeds and District Society.)
On Satwrday, May 4, 7929, in Three Hours and One Minutt. At the Cefree of the Holy Irinity,
a PEAL DF double morwich court bob major, boad chamees;

## Tenor 13 cwt .

 Thomas Wh. Strangrway 4 Grorgr Wh. Sterl.......Teno
Composed by Sira. P. Heywood. Coeducted by I. W. Strangzway First peal in the method by all the band, and on the bells. All are Sunday service ringers at the above church.

DUNSTABLE, BEDFORDSHIRE. THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Satwrday, May 4, 1929, in Three Hours and Seven Mintutes,
At the Priory Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF LITTLE BOE MAIOR, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor 24 cwt .
Frederick j. Tompains Alerbd King
...Trelic George W. Helby
A K V ......
Adgustin V. Good .... ... 3 Albbri G. Mazinews.. .7

Composed by W. Royle. Conducted by A. E. Sharman.
First peal in the method in the connty and for all except the ringer of the 3 rd. Rung as a welcome home to the Rev. Sawford Dye and Mr. Dye from their honeymoon, aud as a compliment to the ringer of the 5 th on completing 25 years' faithful serviee in this beif $r y$.

## HYTHE, KENT

THE KENT COUNTTY AESOCIATTON AND ROMNEY MARRE AND DISTRIGT GUILD.
On Saturiay, May 4, 1929, in Thres Hours ard Eight Minut/s,
At the Caurch of St. Leomard,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 3040 CHANGES;
Pistow's Variation.
Tenor 20 cwl .
W. Bidnell....
E. S. Ruck.
E. S. Rack ..
R. J. Birch ..
E. G. Beasden

| $\ldots .$. | .. | ...Treblı |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\cdots \cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 2 |
| $\cdots \cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 3 |

A. Kay... ... Conducted by E. G. Bursden.

* Firsf peal. First peal on the belle since rehanging by Mesera. Mears and Staimbank, the 'go' boing perfect. The band wigh to thank the Vicar for the use of the belle, and Mr. Freight for baving everything ready.


## ELVEDEN, SUFFOLK. <br> THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sahurday, May 4, 1929, in Three Hours and Twenty-Fowy Minutes,
Atter Memorial Tower of SS. Fatrice and Andrew,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBEE BOB MAIOR, 5024 CHAHGES; Tenorifewt. 2 qr. 20 lb.
Erngst F. Pappy... ... ...Treble Albert G. Harrigon... .... 5
William Stankard ....- .2 Rev. B. H. Tyrybiti Drake 6 Charlee Stannard .....$- \quad 3$ Anthony Prjce ... ... ... 7 Alparde J. Berry...$\quad$... 4 Willan C. Romsey ... .... Tehor

Composed by Aribor Knighes (Author's No. 356).
Conducted by Willam C Romsey
First peal in the method on the hells. The Rev. B. H. TyrwhittDruke was elected a life member of the ahove Guitid prior to ftaring for the peal.

## SHEFFIELD.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(Sebpfield District Society.)
On Saturday, May 4, 7920, it Thyee Hours and Five Minules.
At the Cherch of All Salnts,

## A PEAL OF GRAMDSIRE TRIPLES, EB40 CHANGES;

Cartra's Twelve-part. Tenor i5 chl.


Conducted by Albert Smithson.
*First peal of Grandsire Triples. + First peal. First peal he condiuctor, also first peal on the bells gince they were recast and rebusig by Messrs. Taylor and Ca. in May, 1928. Rung with the bells faty mufled as a token of respect to the late Mr. Tom Chowr (nn oid member of the local company), the late Mr. W. T. Chown (son of the ubove, who was a member of the local wompany several years agol, Rnd the late M.I.T. G. Jones, who was u sidesman at the above church for 40 years.

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A PEAL OF CAHBRIDEE SURPRISE MAJOR, 6056 CHANGE8: Johnson's Variation of Midileton's. Tenor fol cowt.
 Josiah J. Harris .... ... 2 Henry Jhnnings... .. ... 6
 Alpred T, Greenwood ... 4 Edwin j. Harding, sen. ...Temor Conducted by Frederick W. Rogers.
First peal of Cambridge in the Isle of Wight, also by Messrs. Barton and Jenviags.

BUXTED, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX GOUNTY ASSOGLATION.
On Saturday, May 4, 1929, in Two Howrs and Fifty-Nine Minutes, At the Ceorch of St. Margarzt,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5050 CHANGES; Midoleton's

Tenor 15 cwt .
Stafford II. Greeri... ...Truble Mrs. F. I. Halrs... ... ... 2 Jack M. Cripps
Alpred W. Groves

TERRINGTON ST. CLEMENT, NORFOLK THE NORFOLK GU'LD.
On Sunday, May 5, 1929. in Two Hours and Three Sinutes,
At the Ceorch of St. Ceement.
A PEAL OF BOB HAJOR, 505G CHANEES!
Tenor in cwt, $3 \mathrm{qr}, 4 \mathrm{lb}$, in F
Tony Price . ... ... ...Tyeble



Composed by J, R. Prischard. Conducted by T. Price.

* First peai on eight bells. Arranged for B. Gogle, and as birthday compliment to $\mathbf{E}$, Barker.

NORBTRX (HAZEL GROVE), CHESHIRE.
THE GHESTER DIOCESAN GULLD.
(Stockport \& Bowdon Branch.)
On Monday, May 6, 1929, in Two Howrs and Fifty-Fine Minutes, At the Chorcy of St. Thomac,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 6024 CHANGES Tenor $\mathrm{I}_{4} \mathrm{cwt}$. I qr, $2 z \mathrm{lb}$. in F
Ernest Bennett ... ...Tveble | Richard E. Jones ... ... 5
James Fernley, sen. ... 2 Lionel Clough ... ... $\quad \mathbf{6}$
James Fernley, jun.... ... 3 Tom Wilde ... .... .... 7

Composed by Samber. Wood. Conducted by Ernesi Beanett.

* First peal ir the method away from the treble. First pen! as conductor


## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOGIATION AND LONDON DIOCE®AN GUILD.
On Monday, May 6. 1929, in Two Howrs and Fifty-Seven Minutes,
At the Chorch of Sx. Botoepe, Bishopsgate,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE HAJOR, G05日 CHANGESi Teror 20 cmt .
Edwin F. Pike.
Herbert E. Day
...Trable | George R, Pye
Charles W Robert
George M Kiry $\quad . .3$
Composed by Arihur Knighis. Conducted by William Pye.

* First peal in the method. Mr. Day is of Hitchin, aud this pea was arranged on his behalf.

WHALLEY, LANCASEIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCTATION
On Tuesday, May 7, 1929. in Thre Howy and Ten Minwtes,
At the Parish Cuurch,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 DHANGES;

Rev. C. D. P. Davies' Five-pari
Harry Hargreaves... ...Trebie Willfam Progier ...
-Thomas Jackson .... ... 2 -Arthor Exion ... ... ... 6

- Jamee Smith $\ldots . . . . . . . . \quad 3 \quad$ Arthor Tomlinson .... .... 7
H. Bertram Potts ... ... 4 -Harold Biriwell ... ...temer

Conducted by A. Tomilinson.

* First peal. All are service ringers at the above cliurch with the exception of the conductor.

EARL SHILTON, LEICESTERSHRED.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCLATION
On Saturday, May 71, 7929, in Two How's ard Forty-Eigh Minutes,
At the Ceqraf of SS. Simon and Jude,
A PEAL OF SPLICED TBEBLE BOB MAJOR, 5280 CHANGES;

In ter Liversgdge Variation J. Henry Wright ... ...TVoble Grarge A. N . NEWTON ... +.4 5 - FREDCotion ... ... ... Edward R. Whitehead ... 3 Ernist Morris ... Percival A. Aldham... ... 4 Redvers E. Elimingion

Composed and Conducted by Ernest Morris.

## SIX BELL PEALS

GAYTON, NORTHANTS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GDILD.
On Salurday, May 4, 1929, in Thrae Hours and Six Minules,
At the Chorch of St. Mary.
A PEAL GF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES!
Cousisting of seven different 720's.
Prrcy Amos

Conducted by Tromas Wise.
BIGBY, LINCS.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUIED. (Northern Brasch.)
On Saturday, May 4, 7929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Fouy Minutes,
Ax the Cherch of All Sainis,
A PEAL DF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being two extents each of Orford and kent Treble Bob and three of Plaia Bob.
-Wieliam Gartry
RD...

## ...Trebie

Mes. J. Bray
Gerge Blanceard ... 2 .Frank Lord .... .... 5
Charles H. Bird ... ... 3 Jack Baay ... ... ... ... ... Tetr o Conducted by Jack Bray.

* First neal of Minor in three methods.

WOLLASTON, WORCESTERSETIRE
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOGIATION (Northern Branch.)
On Tucsday, May 7, 1929, in Turo Honys awd Thirty-Five Minutes At tee Ceurch of St. James,
A PEAL DF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANEES;
Soven extents.
Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Samorl Thompson

| ...Treble | Jo |
| :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots$. | 2 |
| II |  |

John Bass Sidney G. Thompso 3 Walter Cooper

Conducted by H. V. Cooper.

* Firat peal of Minor. + Fitsit peal oi Miuor inaide. lirst peal of Minor as conuuctor.


## GREAT DODDRGTON, NORIUANTS.

THE FETEREOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD
(Wellingbjrodgh Branch.)
On Saturday, May 11, 1929. in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
At the Chorgh of St Nicholas,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Geing 42 six-scores, with ten different callings.
t'eaor 6 cmf .

- Cyril Sharp

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { Conducted by H, Woodina. }
\end{aligned}
$$

* Firgi peal. + First peal on fire bells First peal as conductor, and first attempt. Rucg as a birthdar cump:iment to Mrs. H. Pottit and the conductor:


## :ROFT, LEICESTERSHIRE

THE MIDLAND GOUNTDES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 11, 1929, in Two Hows amd Thirty Minutes,
At the St. Church of Michael And All Angels,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, se40 CHANEEB।
Being 42 six-scores with different callings.
-J. Wileian Lomas
$\begin{array}{ccc}\text {... } & \text {...Trable } \\ \ldots & \ldots & 2 \\ \ldots & \ldots & 3\end{array}$
M Edward Watson -alfardi A. Wood ..
armick Temo Conducted by Tom Armins.
*First peal. First peal as conductor Rung to commemorate the firt anniversary of the dedication of the bells, which were augmented from three to eix by Messrs. Join Taylor and Co., and opened on May 12 th , 1928 . First peal on the bells by a local band.
(Other peal reports are unavoidably held over.)
NEWMARKET.-At St. Marg's Church, on Tuesday, May 7th, 720 Double Court: M. White 1, R. Heath 2, L. Warner 3, R. C. Sharpe 4, 8. Forwood 5, T. Price (conductor'I 6. Arranged for the tenor ringer, who hails from Shouldham, Norfolk,

SHOULD NONCONFORMISTS RING AT CHURCHES ? A SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUT,D DISCUSSION.
In delightful spring weather, the quarterly meeting oi the Dorchester Branch was held at that heauty spot, West, Lulworth, which, as usual, proved a great attraction. The worid-famous Lulworth Cove is close by this old country village, encompassed by hills, and the Cove is one of the most remarkable features of the coast. It is a fairly-like inland sea, almost shut out from the ocean proper, and guarded by two projecting epurs of rock which form the Pillars of Hercules of this miniature Meditorranean.
Two motor coaches brought the majority of the ringers, one starting from Bournemouth and picking up en route a total of thirty. Another bbarting from Weymonth did likewise, and arrived wia Berc Regis with a party of 32 . Botb coaches passed through most of the "Hardy country, and enabled the visitors to sce Lulworth Castle, with its circular towers at enclu augle; the front of the mansion, which is ornamented with heraldic shields and allegorical statues of music; and also Bindon Abbey, a Cistercian monastery founded in 1172.

The bells, a light ring of six, were nvailable from 2.30 p.m., and Grandsire and Stedman Doubles and Bob Minor and Kent Treble Bobs were rung. The service, which was fully choral, was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. G. D. Job), aud the Rev. H. L. Phillips (late chairman of the Wimborne Branch) gave a short and excalleat address. Golonel Robson (churchwarden) read the lesson.

Subsequently high tea was served in the Church Hall, where between 80 and 90 ringers and friends sat fiown as the guests of Col, Robson.
A shore business meeting followed. Tr the absence at the chairman (Mr. R. N. Dawes), the Vicar was voted to the chajr. Five new members, including two ladies, were elected.
The Secretary reported he had been in communication with the authorities at Milton Abbey for their summer meeting, and he was pleased to say they could hold it there in June. This anmouncement was reccived with applause, and carried unanimously, no meeting laring been held at Milton for a number of years. The Secretary also called attention to the anwual festival to be held at Bridport on May Ilth, and to further meetings which wroud be leld during the summer at Wyke Regis, Abboisbury and Frampton, with an occrsional practice.
The Rev. C. A. Phillips (hen secrelary, Wimborme Branch) proposed a comprelensive voto of thauks to the Vicar, to Col. Robson (who had provided such a sumptanous fcast), and to the organish and choir. He reminded them that the late Rev. W. P. Schaster, who was Vicar of West Lulworth, was formerly the general secrelary, and had done such good work for the whole Guild. He would have loved to see such a meeting as that.-Mr. Dance secontled, and Mr. Hewlett, endorsing what lad been said, paid a special compliment to Mrs. Ironmonger and her party of ladies who had done so well for such a large gathering.-Both the Vicar aud Col. Rohson replied.
The business being ended, the Vicar calied on Col. Robson to gi
Lalk on the subject of Nonconformists taking part in ringing, under the heading of "Unity of the Churches and Ringing.' Col Robson made an eloquent speech, and was listened to with the deepast interest. He took at rery broad view of his subject. He is churchwarden at his ehurch, and a practical riager. Fe said we hat heard a lot of talk of our empty churches and the falling-off of our hellringers, and parishes not able to get ringers to ring the bells. Even at lis own chureh they could only ring three bells. It was - Ding, dong, bell, a shame on the village. Unforiunately, tho doctor had ordeved the Vicar not to ring again. Why should thero not be unity of the churches, and why not have Nonconformists come und ring the bells? The churches belonged to the people Lf clergy could preach in other cinurehes and chapels, why should not ringers fron other denominations ring the bells in the church? Whel recently in Scotland, where ihere was no Cburch of England, he found he could say his prayers in the other clutrcla as well as in his own. In conelusion, he asked, 'Why are we sliort of ringerg?' He knew one thing mas apathy, ant he wrs pleased ihat two of the number who had joined the Guild that day were going to be riggors it his own church.
The Vicar, who followed, said the quostion was a deep one. They must ring the people to church, and they nust make bellringers ont of their churchaen.
Mr. Burton, who agreed with Col. Robson's broatminded view, gaid tliey wanted more of it in the dlurch. He knew one church where Nonconformists lang for the service aud then went to their own chapel to worship. He was a mamber of the choir, as well as a ringer at his ehureh, and sometimes the choir went to the churches of other denominations to assist in the music. Why, therefore, should not ringers of other denominations ring the bells of the church? They rang for God, and not for the claurchpeople only.

Mus. Ironmonger (who was formerly a ringer) said a lacy who used to ring with them was a Nonconformisi, and she eventually got confirned and came to the church und proved an excellent member.

The Rey. H. L. Phillips, Mr. Dance and the secretary (Mr. C. B. Jenningsy took part in the debate, winich proved very interesting. Col. Robson was tiauked fer his talk, and the Vicar. for conducting the metting-

## NEW BELLS AT WOKING

TRJ肚T, DEDICATED BY TRE BISHOP OF GUILDFORD. Siace the veat 1684 the Parish Church of St. Peter, Woking Sur rey, has hau a biag of six bells. They were ariginally east by Wil liam Filritinge in the neighthouring town of Chertsey, where for a bong priod there was a flourishing ofshool of the fourdry first estabished at Wokingham. Tlie fourth was recast in 1766, and the Eemor in 1887, and to these six bells two trebles have been added. The aupmantation has been carried out as the result of the efforts of the Toent ringers, who Inmelned the scheme and collemed all the money, The are fortunate in having among their number Adniral 'I'. I'. Walker, D.S.O., wha is also churchwarden, and he has dene a great rogal towards the successful outcome of the scheme. The now trebles, which hafe been tuned to blend with the old bells, ave hang in the pits and fittirgs of the tormer trobles, which have been hoisted into a new iron frame built over the old. A perfect splice' has bean effected, and an admirable circle ohtained for the ropes in the ringing room. Messix. Mears and Stainbank are to be congratuIntan upon an excelleat job. Fiach bell is inscribed, 'Gloria in Expelsis Deo," and whth the names of the Vicar and churchwardms. The work done up to the present has cost about f200, but ib is hopert to raise a furthor sum to enmble the relanging of the rest of the: pral lo lye carried otul.

The dedication was purtomed on Saturday by the Bishop of Guitdford. The clureft was full alruost to capacity, a considerable portion of the congregation being ringers from every part of the dionege, The oht six let were rung prove to the service, at which the Bishop wus uecormpaniet by the Rev. J. G. Brice, Rector of Worplesion, who woled as JBishop's Chaplain, Lhe other elergy present being Canon (i. Askwitlı (Vienr of Woking), Arehdeacon R. Irwin, and tie Rev. T. Bradsian (curate of St. Peter's, Woking). The Guildford Diocosau Guild sapecial form of sorvice was used, with the introduction of autable dedicatory prayers. It opened with the singing of Jenim 150, followed the a sholl lesson road by Arehiceacon Irwin, and the Magnifiunt. The congregration stond during the dedication of the bells whieh followed. The Woking Parish Churelt bellingers, followed by the Rev. P. Bralshaw, Adminal T. P. Walker and Mr. F. C. T". Alan (elurchwardeus), Archdencon Inwin, the Bishop of Guildford unt ibe Rev. J. G. Bruec, proceeded to the ringing chamber, where the ropes of the wo now bells were presented to the Bishop by the charchwardens, Aflem the words of rectication andi a pruye What the bells might conlimually eall together faithful people to praise and worship. the ropes were handed to the conductor, and while the Sishop and clergy were returning to the chancel, the bellingers rang " few romuds ou the bells. After the hym, Unchanging God Who livest, the Bishop gave an address, and during the closing bymu, We love the place, 0 God, an oltertory for the bell fund was taken, and amounted to elt 6 s. At the conclusion of the service a Diocesan Guild hand rang 504 Stedman Triples.

## THE JUSIIFICATION FOR BELLS

 in the wilderness, prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight a lighws for one God.' He suid a church building itself and ali its adjuncls, however great their beauty might be, were only means to ath enes. Thes were to help us to realise the glory of worghip, the benuty of the Divine presence, and the great compelling thought that our very best was all too parr for the worship of the majesty of God. To give less than our very best to His serviee was not only unshould reftere that greal truth. Fet how easy it was withont any morans of grace to forget thaf imd to miss our thances, ant how of ten we dial miss then. We were utways aissing out chances, and lo theught this was particularly buw of our elateh bells. They ought never to be sounded without prayer. He belicved he was speaking Lo many bellengers, ami he would say to them, Don't miss your clanete. Don't ring your bells without praying as yout riag. They may be is voice crying in lise wildemess to those who beat thenthat most wonderful ery, which could fall on human ears, so searchiug nan sa full of appeal: ' Prepare ye the way of the Lord: make straiglu a heghway for our God.' Otherwise, what justification was thwre the thells of the ehurel? It was not the mere music; they mennt something spirituai. Thue bells wier a cali to the hamanara and all who heard to prepare the way of the Lord, and as we liskenta we blould pray that the nessage might go home into life after life nnd soul ufler sont. Never was there a time when the Habit of nublig worship had decayed, sud flecayed very sadly indeed, We shoulal not have so unth to deprecate and deplore, or he anxions over if all of trs, when we heard the bells, prayed, to accompany thert. It was a solemm Lhing, the Rishop arlded. ty come to a service like that. It involved an issue of deeper spirituality and move real moligiun. and it comld not leave them nomfenten, mmored and unchathred.

## BIG TEA PARTY

Sulasoquently, the Chureh Hall was filled for a hig tea party, which humberat atwot 220, and inoluded subscribers to the bell fand and The riugers. Admiral Walker presided, and be was supported hy the 13ishop of Cuildiford and Mrs. Greig, Arcldeacan Irwin, Mr. W. Harrisun 1 viru-presideat of the thildford Diocesan Guilit). Major I. H, 13. Husts (Master), Mr. F. C. 7. Manm (churchwarlen), Mr. G.

Milner Walker, J. ま., Mir. Walter C. Ryds, K.C., Mr. Price Willama (chairman of the Urban District Council), Mr. E. A. Young (secretary of the Centrai Council), Mri. A. I. Ryde, Mr. A. A. Hughes (of Messrs. Mears and Stainbanki, Mi. J. S. Goldsmith (secretary of the Guildford Gaild), etc.

After ten, Admiral Walker referred with pleasure to the fact thag the Vicar, Canon Askwith, had got on so splendidly following his illness that ho had actually been able to take part in the dedication service (ajpplause). The Chairman also expressed deep appreciation of the fact that the Bishop had come amongst them to dedicate the bells in the church. They thanked him also far his inspiring address. They now had, he said, a good ring of bells. It was not quite complete, but a ring of eiglit was inliniteiy better than a ring of sis. Referrivg to wisilors that day, Admiral Walker said they had one with them whose father was Bishop Titcomb, who was Vicar of Woking fifty years ago. They also had Mr. Ryde, K.C., who was captain of their old bellringere 30 or 40 years Bgo. Admiral Walker added that Sir Jolm Siman, who formerly resided in the parish, was prevented from attending owing to the general clection. This showed what old associations a parish with heils lad. Sir Joln Simon wae there for about six montlis, and remembered the place mainly on account of the bells.

## A CHEERFUL CROWD

The Bishop of Guildfort said a company of bellringers seemed as cheerful a crowd as one could find oneselit with. He had had some vory interesting and chery meetings since he had been Bishop of Guildford, and one that stood out was the great meeting of bellringers at Croydon last year, when ringers from every part of Great Britain galhered in their thousands. More and move he felt that one of the revivals of church life which was mosi welcome and likely to he most powerful, was that among the bellingers. He felt they had a great source of strengtis and a great ministry as important as anty. Therefore, when lue was asked to come to a gathering of that kind he dirl not come with the idea that he was payiug them a compliment of doing them a favour; he came with the utmost possible pleasure and a sense of privilege to slare in the comradeship and fellowship with men who were working together for the sance purpose that he was working, to increase the Kingdom of God. The Bishop added thai he and his wife would go away with a feeling that they had spent a profitable and delightful afternoon and evening in their company (rpplause).

PRESENTATION ' ${ }^{\prime} 0$ ADMIRAL WALKER.
Mr. W. H. Edwards, the secretary of the Woking Parish Church ringers, paid a tribute to Amirgl Walker's work in connection with the new bells. He felt sure they would never have got the new bells without Admiral Walker, and the local band of ringers very much appreciated what he had done (applause)
At the request of Mr. Edwards, the Bishop presented Admiral Walker witls a gold badge in the sorm of a bell as a token of the local ringers' appreciation. The Bishop said the badge was given by the ringers in a spirit of real affection to one who had won respect and regard by the whole-hearted way in which be threw himself into the life of the parish and especially the bellringing (applause) Admiral Walker suitably acknowledged the ringers' kindncss, which, Je said, had taken him 'Hat aback
The Rev. P. Bradshaw woiced the thanks of the assembly to the churelwardens and their wives and the other ladies who had helped in the provision of the tea. He also thanked the local band of ringers for arranging the decorations, especially mentioniog tha miniatme beis langitg over the tables.
Mr. J. S. Goldsmith remiuded the company that the addition of the two treble beils was not the gnd of the schame to restore the Woking bells. It was desired to lape the ather six rehung, and it Admiral Walker was as enthusiastic in this as he had been already this would soon be aceormplished. Admiral Walker wanted more money for the rehauging of the old bells, and among the things he had done to augment the bell fund was to have replica models of the two new bells cast. The beils were suspended over the dables sud they were for sale.

Aflerwards touches were rung on handtalls, much to the interest of those who had seen nothing of the kind before.

The Woking Parish Church bund who rang aturing the dedication
 Edwards and D. Munday were spare ringers.
Touches on the bells were rung throughout the evening. There were 'rounds" for those who could do nothing more, and the methods ranged up to London Surprise Major.

## THE LATE MISS NELLIE JOHNSON

The death of Mis3 Nellio Fohnson makes one think of Frenry Kirke White. Her short life was full of poetry. One rogrets that was not her priwilege aud delight to trave takell part in a peal Stedman in hama. What a happy home circle is broken? loved ber in life; let ng not forget her in death.

If worth, if gelius, to the world are dear
To Nelly's shade devote no common tear.
Her worth on no precarious temure hung;
From genuise piety her sirtues sprung.
C. F. $W$

## DEATH OF MR. GEORGE ALLDER. OF BURNHAM.

A BEOKS PIONEER.
One of the oid South Bucks ringers, who began ringing on the original peal of tive bells in the 'seventies, passed away on Sunday, April 28th, in his 71st year, after a few weeks' confinement to bis house-George Allder, of Rurnham.

The ftoteral took place at St. Mary"s Church on May Day, his childen and friends in attendance, and the service being conducted by the Vicar. There was a iarge display of floral emblems, one in the shape of a bell, with carnations aud laurel leaves, sent by the Rurnham ringers inscribed: "In kindly and grateful remembrance from some of his old friends and fellow-ringers.'
George was ever an outspoken man, in busivess, sport or bellringing. On the foothall field for years his shril], clear voice earned fim the nickname of 'Piper', whin dung to him to the last. He was a clever builder, and never Lesitatied to take on any difficult job below ground or upon a roof, and he would climb about a high roaf without fear like a cat.
For nearly 50 years he has acted as steeplekeeper at St. Peter's fower, and he frequently took out a bad-going bell. He spent many hours ilocroring up the hearings and fittings, thus saving the churchwardens some expense.

He was a member of the College Yauths, the Middlesex Association, and the Oxford Guild, and hat rung peals in most of the standard and Surprise mathods on eight bells. He was also one of the earliest, members of the Berks and Bucks Association of ringers formed in 1878, and took a hand with the writer in the practices at Boysu Hill and Fernham Royal held from 1878 to 1882.

Of a geaterous, impalsive good nature, his death breaks the chain of helf a eentary-round ringing to method, the old school and the new-and his willing and obliging disposition regarding the tower and bells ('his' tower he always callea it) at all times wind bo sadly missed by those who cnjoyed the combined practices there for the past 20 years, when the Surprise metbods were tackled by so many ringers in the Burnlaurs district with suceess.
In the evoning, after the funeral, the local ringing oumpany, with Mr. W. H. Fussell's help, rang two touches with mufled clappers, comucted by the Rev. Percy Nott. Half-pull could not be attempted, but well-struck changes in the same old way that George began his ring with, 'Stoney,' marked his end. It is hoped later to ring a mufled peal for him as a farewell from hig fellow-churchтел.
W. H. F.

## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the Central Division was held at Burgess Eisl on Saturday, April 27 th, about forty being present. Einging commenced at 2.45, and continued until 4.30 .

At the service, the Vicar (the Rev. G. F. Beddard) first said that he hoped those present would kindly consider themselves as his guests Fe went on to deliver an eloquent adaress ou the history and ases of bells from the earliest times, tracing their developmenal from the rude wooden instrument which was used in their gtead at the beginaing, and mentioning particularly four principal uses to which the bells of the churcla bave been put for many ages-the stering and pessing bells, the Angelus and the curfew.
A collection on behalf of the Benevolent Fund amounted to 10 .
At the Parish Hall, a capital tea, kindly provided by the Vicar, was greatly appreciated and enjayed. This was followed by the business meeting, the Vicar presiding, aupported by tie Master, Mr. J. Thornton Riekman.

Mr. S. B. Vince, of Lower Becding, and Mr. A. E. Andrews, of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Brighton, were clected new menbers. All the officers of the division were re-elected, viz. : Hon. secretary, A. D. Stone; Committee of Advice, K. Hart, F. Bennett and C. Tyler.

A discussion then arose as to the adivability of arranging combined practices of the whole division. This, the meeting considered, would not be practicable, supporting the view that the grouping together among themselves of adjoining towers for practice would be found more successful.
The halding of divisional meetinga on Wednesdays instead of Saturdays was then discussen, it being decided that one meeting this year should be held on a Wedzesday, as a trial, Mr. Keith Hart kindly ofering to act for the hon. secretary at this meeting.

At the close of the meeting Mr. Rickman proposed a bearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, for the serwice and most instruetive address, and for his generaus hospitality, coupling with this the name of the organist. This was entausiastically received, and the Ficar, in his reply, again referred to the great pleasure it had given him to welcame those present.

Ringing was again resumed and continacd until close on vine o'clock, the methods auring the afternoon and evening ranging from Grandsire and Stedman Triples to Superlative Cambridge and Londoa Surprise. The following towers were represonted: Brighton (St. Peter's, St. Nicholas' and the Good Shepherd), Bolney, Burgess Hill, Crawley, Cuckfield, East Grinstead, Koymer, Lindield, Lower Beeding, Seafard, Shoreham and Sauthover (Lewes).

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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

The peal of Stedman Caters at Kings Norton on Saturday was rung on the 26th anmipersary of the record peal of London Surprise at the same church. Mr. Harry Withers, who on the former occasion took down the figures of the peal as rung, on Saturday again appeared from somewhere and presented the band with figures of the composition they bad just completed. On this ocassion he had taken down the sixes of the turning course!
Mr. George Willians asks us to Ehank. his many friends who have sent inim birthduy congratulations and goot wishes.
To-morrow is the anniversary of the 16,608 of Kent Treble Bob Major rung by the Ashton-under-Lyne Soeiety at Mothram-in-Longdandale, Cheshire, on May 18th, 1883. The peal occupied nine hours and forby-eight minutes, and was condueted by Mr. Sam Wood. It is interesting at this date to recall the names of the men who set up the recort of that day, for, in the words of the foatnote to the peal, This is the longest peal ever rung in any method by one set of men. ${ }^{2}$ The vingers were Thomas Moss, James Adams, James Wood, jus., Samuel Wood, Benjamin Broadbent, Joseph Mellor, Gearge Loggden and John Thorp.
Thurstans' famous four-part, still recognised is a 'masterpiece,' was rung for the first time on May 18 th, 1846.
On May 19 th, 1777 , a peal of 11,080 Trebie Bob Royal was rung at Shoreditch by the Colliege Youths.
The South-West tower of York Mingter and its ring of ten bells was destroyed by fire on May 20 th, 1840.
The celebrated 13,054 Stedman Caters at Cheltenham, was rung in 8 luss 16 mims. on May $218 t_{\text {, }}$ 1888. It was conducted by Mr. W. T' Pates, and among those who took part were Rev. C. D. P. Davies and Canon G. F. Caleridge. The late Mr. C. H. Hattersley was also in the peal, and used to say it was the fuest struck peal he ever took part ins.
Next Tuesday is also the anniversury of that wonderful achievement, the 12,675 Stedman Cinques at Southwark, runy by the College Youths in 1923.
Thity years ago next Wednesday was rang the 17,024 Double Norwich Major at Kidlinglon, and the stme day is he anniversary of a peal of Stedman Triples at St. Giles-in-the-Ficlds, London, exactly a hundred years earlier. This was the first peal of Stedman Triples outsido Norwich.
A corrcspondent who has been much interosted in the recent achievenents of Mr. Tames George, would like to ascertain something of the doinga of ringers at line other end of the scale. Who has been the youngest ringer to ring a peal of Grandsire Triplos, Stedman Triples, Plain Bob, Double Norwich, Treble Bob, or Surprise Major? To publish the names and ages of these youthful ringers might bo an incentive to the juveniles to conquer such tings at a still earlicr age.

## JOHN MURRAY HAYES.

RECOLLECTIONS OF A GIANT OF THE EXERCISE
Mr. F. E. Dawe writes: I can quite appreciate and fully conroborate Mr. C. F. Winney's remarks about the peal of Treble Twelve In at St. Saviour's, Southwark, on April 29th, $1884-45$ yoars ago. Mr. Winncy and I botly took part in it, and it was as be describes, a very different proposition in those days, for when a bant was made up it was always agreed to moet at the church ' on the off-chance of the tenor going well'! This was usually expected in dirty weather, when cold, damp, fog and rain prevailed-especially tho two latter.
I have known bands meet there and then not go up, in articipation of a 'rough time.
During the progress of the neal in question (which was a good one), and which Hayes called, there were many anxious looks. All frequently serminised Hayes, and the same thonght must have pervaded the mind of oach of us, 'Can humen being last the time?' He did, and I well remember being the first to spenk to him immediately on aetting the fenor, and his reply was, 'Yes, Frank, I had to Kaep the furnace going at full blast, and very little water in the bailer!'
I think most of our older friende will agree with me in saying thut John Murray Hayes a stonemason by trade, was certainly one of the three or four strongest men in the ringing Exercise during the last 70 years.
I remember him being accosted by some men with a weight-lifting machine by 'Try your strengtin, sir,' and Hayes replied, 'Well, I've been doing that all day.' Whereupon he bad a pull, and the indjcatar went right round the clock face as far as it could go!
Amongst many ather notable performanceg, Muray Hayes rang the tenor to the famous $\mathbf{1 5 , 8 4 0}$ Treble Bob at Bethnal Green 61 yearg ago.

At an necasional convivial gathering it was a rare treat to get him to sing 'Tom Pearce's Old Mare', with a vollicking chorus concerning. "Uncle Tom Cobley and all," which coutd be relied upon to 'bring down the house.'
Yes, 'Jack' Hayes was a good, honest, open-hearted creature, always ready to do a good turn for all, and never cherisking evil thoughts of anyone. I wish more of his calibre existed now. I rang fully 50 peals with him.

## SALTSBURY DIOCESAN GUKLD.

GORE MONEY WANTED FOR WAR MEMORIAL
The amual festival of the Salishury Diocesan Guild was held at Bridport (which was revisited after a lapse of 18 years) on Saturday, and was largely attended. A service was held at St. Mary's Parish Church, conducted by the Rev. S. H. Viggars (Rector). The Jessons were read by the Rev. F. Llewellyn Edwards, Kington Magna, Gillingham, hon. sceretary and treasurer of the Guild, and a sermon approprinte to the occasion was preached by the Archdeacon of Sherborne (Bishop Joscelyne), one of the vicc-presidents. Chuvch bells, he said, were as sermons in wrought iron; they summoned the people to higher thoughts and issued a general call to useful siervioe.
A luncheon, attended hy about 160 members and frionds, was served at the Greyhound Hotel. The chair was taken by the Rev. R. Hugh Gumdry, of shroton Rectory, Blandford, Master of the Guild, who was supported by Bishop Joscelyne, the Rev. S. H. Viggars, the Rev. F: Ll. Edwards, Canon Hutehings (Beaminstier), the Rev. C. Carrw Cox, president, West Dorset Branch (Lyme Regis), Messrs. W. S. B. Northover (Bridport), Frank Bugler (Beaminsler), Martin Stewart (Ferndown), and Mr. T. Hervey Beams, hon secretary of the West Dorset Branch. Others present included the Rev. J. C. Phillips (Boumemeuth, the Rev. E. F. H. Lec (Whitechurch Canonicorum), and the Rev. A. B. Hution (Loders)
Luncheon over, the toast of 'The King' was duly honoured.
At the business meeting a statemert of accounts was submitted by the Rev. F. LI، Edwards. It was shown that the balance in hand amounted to ubout $£ 0$. This was reported to be the highest credit balance on record, but the Secretary reminded his hearers that he foresaw heary expenditure in the near fature, and that this money would be all required. Fifty pounds was on deposit, and so earning a small amount by way of interest.-The report was adopied on the praposition of the Rev. C. C. Cox, secouded by Mr. J. B. Benger (Dorehes ter).
On the proposition of Mr. Stewart, the officers were ro-slected en bloc, as under, and thanked for their past services: Master, Rev. R. H. Gundry; hon. secretary and treasurer, Rev. F. Ll. Edwards; hon. assistant secretary, Mr. T. H. Beams; hon. auditors, Rev. A. D H. Allan, Wimbornc, and Mr H. R. Hopkins, Kington Magna.

The Master, returning thanks for his re-election, said He was proud to hold the office he did. He lad been a ringer for ahout 50 years, and ringing was one of the keenest joys of his life. He would gladly continue to do all in his power for the good and welfare of the Guild and its members. He again repeated a previously made appeal to branch secretaries that they should adrise him of their meetings in order that, whenever possible, he might be present. He particularly asked that sueh notice should be given him of the proposed dedication of bells after rehanging or the addition of now hells.
The General Committee was elected as follows: The appointed officers of the Guild and of branches; the Rev. C. Wood, the Rev. A. E. P. Gorringe and Messrs. J. R. Jerram and E. B. Barter

Mr. T. Fervey Beams, presenting a statement of ancounts yelating to the War Memorial Fund, sarif the amount paid in to the hon. treasurer was $£ 120$. In addition they had $£ 3$ 178. in the bank and about $£ 2$ 14s. in hand (the amount laken up in a collection at that dey's service). The expenses incurred - mainly for printingamounterl to $£ 317 \mathrm{~s}$. They were still a long way short of the amount requived, and, although they had till their jubilee year, 1932, in which to raise the balance, it was his fervent hope that every member would do his best to linve the fund completed and done with at the earlics: possible moment. He would not be satisfed until the moncy was raised.
Mr. W. S. B. Northover also deprecated the slow way in which the money was cominy in. It was a debt they owed, not to the Guild, but to the memory of their fellow-members who went down in the war, and he thought it was incumbent upon them to see to it that the money was raised with the least delay. The amount due was about $£ 80$, and he proposed that $£ 30$ of the balance they had in hand as a Guild be voted to the Memorial Fund.

The Master agreed that the money should be raiged as soon as possible, but he queried whether their Guild funds, raised for an aliogether different purpose, could be put to that use. He did not Think it was right or fair to make the memorial a charge upon their funds; that memorial was originally intended to he a personal contritution from the members.
Messra. Edwards and Cox agreed, the latter expressing the hope that the susceptibilities of those members who had not contributed would be touched as a result of the comments made that day. The matter was then allowed to drop.
The proceedings concluded with a vote of thanks to Bishop Joscelyne for his attendance and words of encouragement, to the Rector of Bridport for taking the services for them that day and the use of his church and bells; to Mr. Beems and his local committee for the excellence of their arrangements; to the incumbents of surrounding churches for the use of their bells, and to Mr. Walter Tump, who had so suecessfully maintained his high veputation as a caterer.
Ringing took place during the day at Bridport, Beaminster, Bradpole, Whitechureh, Burton Bradstock, Litton Cheney, Loders, NetherWury, and Symondsbury, where the beils were rung.

## TRUAO DIOCESAN CUILD

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A well-attended meeting of the Truro Branch of tho Diocesan Guitd was held at Perranzabuloe on Saturday, May 11th, when there were about 50 present from Si. Mahe, St. Gluvias, Gwemap, St. Agues, Illogan, Truro Cathedral, and the local band. The hells, nice ring of six, tenor $9 \frac{1}{3} \mathrm{cwt}$, hung last June by Messis. Gillett and Joluston, were raised at 2.30 p.m. nnd kept going until uine o'clock, except during the interval for service and tea.
The service was conducted and the address given by the Rev. Father Boyd (Vicar), the lessons being read by tha Rer: Father shrine (enrate). The Viear took an unusual text, for lie hased his romarks on the words which one ofter sees on a brass plate outside the front door of a house, namely, 'Please do not rilig unless an answer is required.' He said that ringing was an outwnid ceremony for a form of worship, which reguired the combined efforts of a band who should not turn their ringing into a mere paztime.
After tee it was decided to hold the next mecting at St. Gluvias, an invitation having heen received from Mr. Nicholls, who saind his Vicar very mucly wished the next meeting to be held at that place. The last Saturdsy in September was decided upon as the date. It is, however, possible, that an earlier mecting will be arranged during July at $\mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{t}}$. Mabe, to create local interest in the rehaging and augmentation of the present ring of five, which are hung anti-clockwise. The Vicar is quite keen on this project, and the local rimgers are confident that the money would be forthcoming if a start were made. It is thought, therefore, that this would be a good way of supporting the local band in their hope and desire.

## NEWBURY BELLS RESTORED <br> \section*{REDEDICATION SERVICE.}

The rededication of the bells of Newbury Parish Church was perFormed by the Righr Rev. Bishop Shaw on Sunday afternoon, April 28th, when about 700 people artended, including the Mayor and Cor poration of Newbury. The Church Lads' Brigade led the eivic proesession from the Municipal Buildings to the church. The seryice was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. L. R. Majendie). Bishop Shaw gave an interesting address on the use of the bells, remarking that Newbury bells weye recast 125 years ago at the local foundry, Aldbourne, Wilts. The hells have now been recuned aud lung on ball bearings in a steel frame by Messrs. Mears and Stainluank, af Loudon, to whom great credil was due.
About 95 ringers were present from all parts, and were aflerwards entertained to tea in the Parish Room.
The Bishop offered his congratulations to the parisis on aceomplishing its puypose so thoroughly-The Master of the Guild (tho Rer. ©. W. O. Jenkyn) expressed his great sntisfaction at what lad been donc. It was a special feature of this scheme that allhougla the bells had been retued and reliung, their character lat not been destroyed, and they were the same old Newhury bellis-Mr. R. T. Hibbert, secresary of the Guild, spoke of his boylhood ac quantance with Newhury bells, and it was a great delight to hear therm ringing again, and to kuow that they are now safe.
Mr. H. W. Curtis (capiain of the tower) thanked the Rector and the committee for their efforts in raising the fund for cestoration. The collection on belalf of the hells fund amounted to 512 10s. 9 d . The Rector said the collection would now clear the devi of restoration, and thanked Mr. A. A. Hughes for the splendid work his firm had doue.-Mr. Hughes suitahly responded. The bolls were kept going in the evening until nine o'clock.

## CENTRAL COUNCIL

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS
The following is the Council's stalement of accounts for the jear ending May 21su, 1929:-

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E. ALEX. YOUNG,

## WHAT SHALL CONSTITUTE A PEAL.

## To the Editor

Di-al Sirs, I have read wilh much interest the Methods Commitr Lu's Repurt and your leadiniz antiele and the other cor'espondence whith hat followed it. With a great deal of the report and of Mr. Trrollope's letter in your jastue of May 3rd, I agree, but there are otne or two points on whinh my views differ very considerably from thoae of the Mefhods Commiltec, aud as I know that I am by no tiotirie alone in my opinions, $\bar{E}$ would like to try and express some of thom liere, in ordor that the Ekercise, and particularly those memJovs of the Central Council who have to clecide what is to be donc atront it on Whit Tueadny, muy have both sides of tho question hefare them.
Pringt of ell, let me say that I do not want to take up an extreme viow and refuce to listen to any arguments that do not agree with I readily admit that the whole husiness is a most compliested prowlem, had that many ronsornble argumenns can be, and bave beron, pat forward on both sides. But it must also be said that a lot of aureasomable arguments lave also appearad, and that there, has twen (as someone has ahready said) "nuch mudeled thinking' on the subject. It has been my sim and object in expressing my viows to fade the facts and to follow them out to thoir logical and reasomable conelusioni.
I have said in these columus that 1 value and respect the opinions of Mr. Law Tames, and I shy the seme of lis two colleagues on the Hrelhods Committee, bul I camnot remain blind to the fact that their collceted wiews (as expreesed in the, report and in their individund lottenss would bear much more weight with the Exercise
aun the Central Conncil if they showed a little more sigu of conaund the Central Comeil if they showed a bittle more sigu of con-
sistency. In the issuto of May Jod there nue laid out before us four definte examples of occasions on which niembers of the Methods Coramittee buve flatly contradicted each other, aud in some cases thurmelves as well. This is not by any means a complete list of their contradietory statements, and I would like to mention just one or two more. The Report silys: Thus elaith has been made that this arangement (i.e., Mr. Bankes James Canbridge Minor') does really consist of soven true and complete extents on the grounds that if We count rounds at the start there are 780 true rows, then another 720, etc. We cannot necept this as sound aldement. ${ }^{3}$ Nor can I! Hun who war it that made this claima? Was it not the Rev. H. Law Jrmes limself, who half a ooluma lown down signs the report that cuntains this statement? If anyone doubts this, I ask hims to look at the issue for January $18 t h$, pago 41 , and read the second para-
 of the seven is true and complete. Mo. Law James can hardly deny thal he has heen the chief advocate of counting rounds (in certain consesy ns tha first row of a tow or peal and not the last. When I wsked hims to reconcile this poliey with the Central Council's rule Hhal. 'a penl must start from and end with rounds,' he replied (at Ulu: second dime of askingi that it was a natural law which cannot
bre altered, And mow the Roport sells us that it is contrary to the brealtered." And now the Roport eells us that "it is contrary to the Lrutition and usage of the Exercise, and contrary to the nature of change finging, to count founds at the start as a change.

I have said that I agrec with it great deal of the Report. I cerlainly ague with its producers in hoping that the Council will accopl the Bankes James arrangement of Cambridge as a true perfortanace. A lot has been writtesn about 'juggling with truth, and Ithe meaning of true and complete, ele. Surely, a great dent of 1his is invelevant to the main issua. The point the Exercise is trying to redide is not whether nuy indiwidual 720 (or sequence of 780 's) is Ine and complete or noti but what it is going bo acecpt as a true [miformanoe, so that then if can hriug its rules into line with this. I haink hat we must all agree with the Methods Committec in rigarding the Bankes Janes artangement as made up of two round blocks of 2,160 changes and one ardnary 720. If if is going to stand, It is in their next point that $j$ difer so entirely from the wiew exmrosed in the repot, which says the do not consider it of any parLicular importance that this block appears so nearly to consist of Lthem true and completo extents." That is where I, and I believe a greal many others with me, disagree entirely. The leadiug article on April 26th suggested that the committee wanted the Central Canncil to admit as a peal of Minor any composition in which each wi the 720 rows appears seven times, to matter in what ardm, and this desire was denied by Mr. Trollope in the next jssue. Now J do but wish to read into the Report anything that is not there, but I the honostly think that the writer of the leading article was to a certuin extent justitied. It certainly uppears that the committee advoeate allowing a certain amount of scope ith the arranging of the
hlork of 2,160 changes, provided that each of the 720 rows appears thow timns. They partictlarly say thut they consiner the fact that in Mir. Hankes James arrangement the 2,160 is so mearly three successive true 720's of no importance. This is whore I think the nojority 1) the Exercise will [ind it so laral to agree with the commitfee. Now ] have advocated letting in this compositiou as an exception, whith cmbndies this. I am aware thet this is an original aud per finps hold, policy to put forward, lnat them is really a great deal to he shit for it, and $I$ do urgo the Exertise tor consider it. After all,
it is an exceptional case. Time, practice, and experience have proved Lhis. The awangecnent is habitually rung to Cambridge Minor, but not (to my knowledge) to Kent or Plain Bob. Why? Surely be cause there is a nead for it in Cambridge, and not in the other cases. I ask those who think decply about this matter to consider very seriously this quetion, and I want to lay, great emphasis on it: Is it a reasonable thing to alter the whole basis of five and six beli peals for the sake of one (or, if you like to include Mr. Mortis ${ }^{1}$ Doubles, two) compositions? Some people may say that there are other compositions at stake as well, hat I would remind thern that practically evcryone who lias expressed his views ou this subject, not excluding the members of the Methods Committee, have, when it has come to arguing in detail, gone straight to Mr. Bankes James' peal of Cambridge Minor
In the policy which I put forward in my last letter I would, how ever, like to make a slight modification, and that is, substitute for suggested resolution (iv.), 'That in the case of Treble . Bob methods in which not more than one (or 4, or 7 ; I leave this important point for the consideration of others) essentially different 720's are obtainable, a round block of 2,160 changes may be substituted for any thee successive 720 's, provided that this blook consists of three hlocks of 719 true changes joined together by the three mombers of tho missing $Q$ set.'

I subruit that this is a reasonable and logical litic of action to take und that it satisfies the desive of tha majority of the rank and file of the Exercise, which is to admit the Bankes James arrangement of Cambridge Minor and exactly similar compositions without opening the door to all kinds of peals of Minor in whicln we may substitute for three 720 's a block of 2,160 contanining all sorls of repetitions, provided that each row only appears three times. Whether this latter is really what the Methods Commiltee want the Exercise to allow or not, I do not know, but in spite of Mr. Trollope's contradiction of this in his last letter, jt is certainly what they appear to advocate in the Report.
I nm aware that this letter contains a certain amount of adverso criticism of the members of the Methods Committee. May I repeat, in couclusion, that 1 respect all that they have written, and agree with a great deal of it, and thai what I have written has becn no unfriendly spirit, but becruse I feel very strongly that that part of the policy which they appenr to adrocate, which I have dealt with ahove, is not in the best interests of the Exercise. - Yours, ete.

## STEPHEN H. WOOD

## ROUNDS " FIRST OR LAST?

Dear Sir,-Wilh refermee to Mr. Savern's letter in your issue April 26th, I am sorry to note that he seems deliberatoly to liave misquated me. I think that my letter of April 12th could nat have been plainer, on two points at least

First, that a peal .. shall COMMENCE and ent with rounds OF majorify ' in that rounds shall be the as hough I hawe jointed hi majority' in that rounds shall be the 'JAST ROW OR CHANGE
You will excuse the capitals; they would appear to be necessary.
Secondly that I did not wish to quofe a majory Secondly, that I did not wish to quote a 'majority." I have no
right to speak for anybody bat myself in letters which appear over my name; the views of the Leytonstone company would be ex prossed over the siguature of its hon. secretary, and not through one of its members. And, unless the opinions of a very goodly number of ringers have personally been canvassed by Mr. Severn, ho, too has no right to talk of 'majorities.' My letter of April 12th sain this iu a gentler way
I wrote therein of 501 opinions. I will go further, and say that is doubtful if Mr. Severn could name five men who have given him a perfectly logical reason as to why the Bankes James fivo thousand of Cambridge Minor should be considored false. A num ber object to it because the extents do not run round; others becatise it does not conform to the existing rule that a peal shall com menco FROM ROUNDS. Mr. Severt says this 'from' is immaterial to him. Quite! It is the basis of his objection to the pesl.
We all have our different opinions, and none of us is more con rect than another in a case of this description. We (in the form the Central Council-bless ems have got to agree as to which shall be considered correct, and no talk of falsity on a split straw will help to decide the question. The peal has come, and, I hope, to stay, but if the Central Council decide otherwise, sensible men will abide by its decision. Personnljy, I hope it will decide for the Cam bridge and any others similarly constructed, and against the London allhough I must admit the truth of Mr. Drake's past arguments on the question of 'splicing' as applied to the latter. 1 am not going to endeavour to justify my inconsistency in supporting extents in spliced methods, while I am against peals in spliced extents. I can not!

I ani obliged by Mr. Severn's kindly advice on enducting Lon don, out of his experience of forty years. This I shall carefully note. He has, however, missed my point with regard to the settin out of his ligures; but, as I said, it was merely a pifling oxamplo of following tradition, and it is not worth further explanation.
Writing of Loudon, I wonder if Mr. Severn would object to my ringitg this method with 164235 as a plain lead-end, with second's-
place boks-would the 730 be 'legitimate'? Or would his doughty champion (Mr. W. Willson) describe it as an abortion, a monstrosity, or a what not? In miy meagre exjuerience of [our-TEEN تinort rearb [ have rung the extent many times-legitimately!

I object to Mr. Drake's dofinite statement that a method must be varied hy two kinds of call only. The 22-Surprise-method peal rung at Chigwell (which, Mr. Severn may recall, I had the honour to couduct) contained calls that were neither bobs nor singles; but 1 do not think Mr. Drale means us to take him too literally in this respect. Yours faithfully,

81, Salisbury Avenue, Barking, Essex.

## May 4th, 1929.

## A DERINTHE IINE.

Dear Siv,-In their report, the committee seem to bave made out their case and put it clearly before us so that we can vote on it, yes or no, quite easily.
With regard to your article on it, when you say there should be no juggling with truth,' this does not seem a very happy use of words: whereas when you say iu the same sentence that wo have ta lecide whether to "insist upon line extent of a mathod as being the anit of trublh; you seem to have cxpressed the matter very happily. To me they seem to the an unpleasant way and a pleasant way of saying the same thing-not, as you put it, opposite things. At any rate, to ring move than a single six-scorc, or a single 720 , is to repeat lows, and if we call such lenetlis in peal, we are juggling with iruth-most entafnly-although it is not a nice way of putting it.
At the same time, I do not like the constant repefition of the appeal to the tradfion and usage of the Exercise. Our forefathera, it would seem, deliberately refused to have amything to do with splicing. lit two methods were to be rung together they made thern into a combination or 'Union,' and rang them as a new method from begiming to end. The practice of splicing has grown up in The last iwenty yedrs, and is a new thing, and we med not pretend that it las anything to do with the taditions and usage of the Eizercise. It is beiter to face the fact that it has not, and that heing a new thing it requires new regulations.
Theoretically I wauld support those who object to "juggling with Irutly and those who would "scrap the lot.' But in practice I am nfraid $I$ have not the courage of my opinions, and dare not lay such a proposition before the Council. I will challenge those who speak so boldy on this matter to table such a proposition, and I will stuport it. But it must be muderstoon that "no jaggling with ruth monas that no pers of Doubles must excced 120 changes, and nowe of Minor shall exeed 720. Also that serap the lot" makes all splicing illogal. For if we ate to favaur one kind only, the splicing of extents must come before the splicing of methods.
The conclusion of the whole matter is this. The Methods Conmittee bave drawn a defnite line and given their reasons for it we may not agree with that line, but at any rate their opponents have irawn no delinite line. They are not yet agreed where the fine should he drawn, and they lave given no rensons for their objections. All fhey say is that one does not like this, and another does not like that. This will not do. Either we must liave a definite line drawn somewhere, and reasons given that we call all work on, or we mast tate one of the two axtremes, of absolute truth, or absolute variety.

HERBERT DRAKE.

## THE FINAL JUDGES.

Dear Sir,-t have
ead with interest the report of the Methods Committee that is to be sulbmitted for debate at the coming meeting of the Gentral Council. In the meantime, however, I would like to and a few personal commenta in the shape of a brief summary
 have oedurred, as "the trend of opimion" has forced the leading eritice to repudiate thair original contentions and subordinate to the irreconcilable truths revealed in reasoned argument.
Most of your readers are aware that primarily an attack was made upon my arragenent of Grandare Doubles. This, the crition sought in discomatenance, but at the same time still continue to recognised the Rer. E. B. James arrangement of Cambridge S. Minor 1 replied in the issue of 'The Ringing World, oan Decemher 14 in last, pointing out the inrationality of such arginment, quoting the ruling of the Central Council which requires tiat on all nambera of balls a trite peal shall in all cases start from and ead with rounds.
The crities, then tealising the futility of their argument, continued by edmitting thet even Mr. James' Cambridge Minar was threatened' with expunction. I contend that, if the rule guoted thove he adlered to, not only Mr. Aames' Cambridge, but most decidedly all arrangements in this category must be dealt with alike. Incidentally, the uriticisn comes from exponents of the art whosp activities are not limited to the marrow margin of exploration open to the five-bell ringer, and under these eireumstances a large numbet of the Exercise (particularly the five-bell ringers), will echo Mr. J. T. Dyke'a sound query, 'If you mast destroy, what are you going to subetitute?
As the committee aptly remark in their report, it is the five and six hell ringers who must be finm judges in this matter, and, ix (Continued in next columin.)

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION
A monthly meeting was held at Shelley on Saturday, May Ilth. Ringing commenced at 3 p.m., and the local men were prenent int force to welcome one and all. Members atiendert from Wath, Felkirk, Royston, Penislone, Huddersfield and Elland. Tea was enjoyed at the local inn. Mr. A. Nash (president) presided at the business meeting.
The coming Contral Council meeting failed to attract a delegate. A summer "rally: was voted out for this year, and the Hoylandswaine Cup contest, to he held on June $15 t h$, will do away with a monthly meeting and allow full and free endeavour at that annmal cvent.

The Secretary (Mr. C. D. Potter) sprang a surprise on the meeting by stating that Dr. Horne, Old Hall, Shelley, having been tala of the high position leed by shelley ringers in the association in winning the shield twice in succession, and oiluerwise standing hirh in the estimation of the association and charchpeople, he desired to entertain them to a dimer. This was accepted with delight, and the secretary was requested to write to Dr. Horne, thanking him for the honour.
A vote of thanks was umanimously passed to ilhe Vicar, churchwardens and local ringers for the splendid arrangements made for the meeting. Further ringing followed at Shelley and Kirkburton, and completed a bappy meeting.

## DEVON GUILD.

## MOD-DEVON BRANCH MEETING

Staserton is a pretty village on the banks of the River Dark, a few miles from Totnes. Its church is a fine cdifice, and its wellbuilt tower contains a fine-toned ring of six rehning by Stokes and Son, of Woodhury, in 1927. At the kind invitation of the Vicar (Rev. E. D. Drake-Brockman) the Mid-Devos Branch of the Deron Guild leld their quarterly meeting liere on Saturday, May Ilth, mul ragers attended from Brixham, Paignton, Collaton, Cockington, Torquay, Buckfastleigh, Exeter, Crediton, Kenn, Clyst St. George. Talaton, Swindon, etc., as well as some of the local ringers.
The bells were kept going to Grandsire Doubles during the aficrnoon, and a gervice followed, conducted by the Yicar, who gave an excellent address.
Tea was served in the Parish Hall by Mr. A. F. Searle, and at the subsequent business meeting Mr. F. J. Luxton, of Torquay (chnimman of the Branch) presided.
Kingsteinton was chosen for the next meeting to to held on Saturday, October 12 th . One life member and one tuatached performing member was elected.
The Cliairman expressed regret at the impencling departure of Rev. L. W. Browne, of Collaton, a nember of the branch, but expressed plensure at his now appointment. The reverend gentlemm suitably replied.
The Chairman alsn expressed a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for so kindly inviting them to Siaverton, for conducting tho serwice, and for his excellent addtress, also to the organist. The vole was acknowledged by the Vicar.
The company afterwards returned to the cower, where touches af Grandsire and Stedman Doubles were rung. The tit-bit of the evelaing was a well-struck totach of Kent Trehie Bob Minor, which was favaurably commented upon, and which delighted the Vicar. Some of the visitors also wended their way to Dartington on their retura home, and rang Girandsire and Stedman Dubbles.

## WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. PORTSMOUTH DISTRICT

A guarterly meeting of the Portsmauth District of the Diocesant Guid was held at Havant on Satirday, April 27 th, and over 40 members gere present from Alverstoke, Bramthotit, Havant, Hamblydon, Petersfield, Portsmouth (St. Thomas" andi St. Mary's), Shenfield, Swanmore, and Titeblield, with visitors from King's Somborne, Rogate, and Ryfe.
By permission of the Rectot (the Fen. H. N. Rodgers), the hells were available during the afternoon and erening. The Guild's service was held in the chareh, it which the Rector officiated ant preached. A toa which he kindly provided was partaken of in the Parish Hall, after which the husiness meeling was held, the Archdeacon being unanimously vated to the chair. It was decided, suhject to consent, to hold tive next meeting at Bramshott on Satirdiay, July 27th.
At the close of the meeting a rote of tlanks was accorded to the Rector for the use of the hells and for providing the tea, and to the lady who had presided at the organ during the service

After the meeting the members paid a further wisit to the town until $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. During the afternoon and evening the methods rung included Grandsire Doubles and Triples, Stedman Tríples, Plain Boh, Double Norsich, and Cambridgo Surprise Major, also Grandsire Caters, and Stedman Triples on handbells.
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conclusion, I appeal to such as may concern to give the matter more than passing atteution.

LESLIE W. G. MORRIS. Leeds, Yorkshire.

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established $16_{37}$ ).-Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on May z3rd, ${ }^{*}$ St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 28 th, St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 3 oth; all at 7.30 p.rn. *Business meeting afterwards. - William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

A JOINT MEETING of the Surrey Association (NorthWestern District) and the Guildford Diocesan Guild (Leatherhead District) will be held at Ewell on Saturday, May 18th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. Tea to follow in the Church Room. All ringers wel-come-D. Cooper and A. R. Pink, Hon. Dis. Secs.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Southern BranchThe next quarterly meeting will be held at Hough-on-the-Hill (6) on Saturday, May 18th. Service in the church at $4 \cdot 30$, followed by tea and business meeting. -C. T. H. Bradley, Hon. Sec., Folkingham.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Kossendale Branch.--Our next meeting will be held at St. Thomas' Church, Helmshore, on Saturday, May 18th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30 . A good attendance is earnestly requested.-John H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 8 , Oaklands Road, Edenfield.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - North Berkshire Branch.-Annual meeting at Appleton on Saturday, May ${ }_{18 \text { th. Service }} 3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea 4.30 p.m. - Albert E. Lock, 35. East St. Helen Street, Abingdon, Berks.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. ... Manchester Branch...-The next meeting will be held at Stand Church, Whitefield, on Saturday, May 18th. Bells ready 4 o'clock. Meeting 7 p.m. A good attendance is re-quested.-J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Western Divi-sion.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Petworth on Saturday, May 18th. Bells available from 2.30. Tea at Mr. Knight's Restaurant, Lombard Street, 5 p.m. Half railway fares, is. 6d.-A. W. Groves, Ambirst, Dominion Road, Worthing.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District.-A meeting will be held at Potton on Saturday, May I8th. Bells (6) available at 3 o'ciock. Tea at 5 . All ringers welcome. A good company is requested.C. J. Ball, 2, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

SUFFOLK GUILD.-A meeting will be held at Cotton on Saturday. May 18 th. Bells (6) from 2 p.m. Menclesham bells (6) also available. Tea 5 p.m.-B. Chilvers, Cotton, Stowmarket.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckley District. - The next meeting will be held at Stoke Golding on Saturday, May 18th. Beils available from 3.45 p.m. A good meeting is requested; all ringers being cordially welcome-W. A. Cope, Smockington, Hinckley.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northern Dis-trict.-Next meeting, May 18th, at Whitechapel. Beils (8) available 4.30 p.m. to 9 p.m. Service. Tea (at kind invitation of the Rector) and meeting at 5 p.m. Also St. Botolph's, Aldgate (8), 3 to $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. ; St. Dunstan's (8), if required, 7 to 9 p.m. Everyone welcome. - J. A. Waugh, 8, Fuller's Road, Woodford.

A JOINT MEETING of the Winchester Diocesan Guild (Andover Branch) and the Oxford Diocesan Guild (Newbury Branch) will be held at Highclere, Hants, on Saturday, May 18th. Beils (8) available at 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea, 5 p.m., is. Good bus service from Newbury (five miles).-H. W. Curtis and the Rev. Seers, Hon. Dis. Secs.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - St. Albans District.-A meeting is arranged to be held at Harpenden on Saturday, May 18th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Tea arrangements will be made. Business: To discuss a joint meeting with the Bedford Association.W. Nash, Dis. Sec., North Mimms, Hatfield.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-The annual meeting will be held at Chippenliam, Whit Monday, May 2oth. St. Paul's (\$) and St. Andrew's (8) available from 10 a.m. Other beils available by arrangement. Service 12 noon, St. Andrew's Church. Luncheon I p.m., 2s. 6d. (cold). General business meeting 2.30 p.m., St. Catberine's Schoolroom. Important business. Motions proposed include deletions to Rules [. and III, and additions to Rule XIII. and III. of branch rules. Copies and proposers may be had upon application. Tea is. per head, Bear Hotel. Some principal officials retiring and do not seek re-election. Train leaves Bristol, Temple Meads, $9.35 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Cheap return fare 3 s . id. Edgar Guise, Hon. Sec., 39, Tankard's Close, St. Michael's, Bristol.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northern Branch. -Grimsby District.-The next meeting will be held at Louth on Whit Monday, May 2oth. Beils (8) ready 2 p.m. Service in the church at 4.15 . Tea, 5 p.m., at Appleby's, Aswell Street, at is. 6d.- Business meeting to follow. The bells have been rehung, and a good attendance is hoped for. All ringers and friends wel-come-H. I. Mingay, Hon. Dis. Sec.
NORFOLK GUILD.-General meeting will be held at Pulham Market on Whit Monday, May 2oth. The ring of bells at Pulham Market (8) and St. Mary, Puifham (8) will be available. Dinner at the King's Head, St. Mary, Pulham (2s. 6d. per head), at 1.30 p.m., followed by business meeting.-Arthur L. Coleman, Sec., High Croft, North Walsham, Norfolk.
DEVON GUILD.-The annual meeting will be held at Tiverton on Whit Monday. Service in St. Peter's Church at noon. Dinner at Clapp's Restaurant i p.m. Towers open: Tiverton, Bickleigh, Calverleigh and Washfield. All ringers welcome.-T. Laver, Gen. Sec. 21, Cross Park, Heavitree ${ }^{2}$ Exeter.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Marshland Branch.-District meeting at Terrington St. Clement on Whit Monday. Ringing at 11 a.m. ( 8 bells). Service at 4 p.m., followed by tea at King William Hotel, $1 s$. 6d. each. - W. G. Cross, Hon. Branch Sec., 16, St. James' Road, King's Lynn.

NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.-The annual meeting will be held at Gresford on Whit Monday, May 2oth. Bells (8) available I p.m. Service 3 p.m., to be followed by meeting. Tea 4.30 p.m.-W. Cathrall, 20, Ffordd Estyn, Garden Village, Wrexham.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Annual Festival at Hereford, Whit Monday, May 2oth. Service in Cathedral Ladye Chapel, i2.I5. Dinner at Bootb Hali Hotel, I p.m., 2/6. Dinner tickets from Mr. A, W. Davis, 102, Rylands St. Business meeting after dinner. A revision of the Guild Rules will be submitted for adoption. Towers available Cathedral (ro) zo. 30 to $11.30,6.30$ to 8.30 ; All Saints' (8), St. Nicholas' (6) 10.30 to 12, 3 to 6 . Other 8 and 6 -bell towers in neighbouring villages during afternoon. -H.S.T. Richardson, Hon. Sec., St. Nicholas' Rectory, Hereford.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - The annual general meeting will be held at Brighton on Whit Monday, May 2oth. The towers of St. Peter's and St. Nicholas' will be open from 2 till 3.30 and after the meeting. The Good Shepherd, Dyke Road, $7 \cdot 30$ till 9 p.m. Special service in St. Peter's Church, at 4 p.m. A meat tea will be provided in Parish Hall, adjoining church, 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Tea 2 s .6 d . (is. 3d. to members). Half rail fare (maximum 25. 6d.) allowed to resident members.-A. D. Stone, Hon, Gen. Sec., 16, Belgrave Street, Brighton.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSO-CIATION.-The annual meeting will be held at Ripon on Whit Monday, May 2oth. The belis of the Cathedral (ro, tenor 21 cwt .) are available for ringing from in to $2,3.30$ to 4.45 and 6 to 9 p.m. Services in the Cathedral at ro a.m. and $4.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Lunch will be provided at the Black Bull Hotel at 1 p.m. Members 2s., non-members 25.6d. Annual business meeting 10 follow, and it is hoped that members will turn up in good numbers and make this meeting the success it deserves.-T. Metcalfe, Hon. Sec., 26, High Street, North Ormesby, Middlesbrough.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. - The annual general meeting will be held at Kettering on Whit Monday, May 2oth. The Central Committee will meet at 10.45 a.m. in the Parish Hall (near the church). Sertice in the church of SS. Peter and Paul at 12 noon, when the preacher will be the Very Rev, the Dean of Peterborough. Lunch at the Royal Hotel at I p.m., followed by the business meeting. The bells available are Kettering ( 10 ) throughout the day, and Burton Latimer (8), Rothwell (8), Desborough ( 8 ), Weekley (6), Isham (6) and Batton Seagrave ( 5 ) after the meeting.-R. G. Black, Cien. Sec., Stamford Road, Geddington, near Kettering,

ESSEX ASSOCIATION. (Founded 1879. Jubilee 1929.)-The 50 th annual meeting will be held at Chelmsford on Whit Monday, May 2oth. in a.m. : Service at the Cathedral, with address by the Lord Bishop of Chelnisford. 12 noon : Meeting in Cathedral Hall. I.I5 p.m. : Lunch at Corn Exchange. Towers upen for ringing during day: Cathedral (I2), Writtle (8), Widford (8), Galleywood (S), Great Baddow (8), Great Waltham (8), Boreham (8), Broomfield (6), Springfield (6). Private bus service will be provided between 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. to enable ringers to visit the various towers. No ringing permitted during serice and meeting. - Charles H . Howard, Master; F. J. Pitstow, Gen. Sec. and Treasurer, 45, High Street, Safron Walden.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-A meeting of the Ely Archdeaconry will be held at Sawston (8) on Saturday, May 25 th. A good attendance is requested. Election of district ringing master, etc. Those requiring tea please notify by $22 n d .-F$. Warrington, Dis. Sec., Longstanton, Cambs.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Western Division.A meeting will be held at Bentley on Saturday, May 25 th. Bells (5) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5.15. The Church of St. Paul, Bentley, is situated on the main Brentwood-Ongar Road, 3 miles from Brentwood, 4 from Ongar. Buses leave Brentwood (Yorkshire Grey) at 3 , 3.30 and 4 p.m. - E. J. Butler, Dis. Sec., 3, Eustace Road, Chadwell Heath, Essex.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.-The next monthly meeting will be held at Clifton, near Rugby, on Saturday, May 25 th, instead of on the 18 th , as previously arranged. A plain tea will be provided at the Vicarage, by kind invitation of the Vicar, to all who notify me by Thursday, May $z^{3}$ rd.-Miss D. E. Lewis, Hon. Sec., Firholm, King Edward Road, Nuneaton.

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.-A ringing meeting will be held at Edenbridge on Saturday, May 25th. Tower open 2.45. Those requiring tea please let me know by Wednesday, May 22nd.-George Lambert, Drummond Hay, East Grinstead.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Northern District. - A meeting will be held at Royston on Saturday, May 25 th. The bells (8) will be available at 3 p.m. Short service at 5 p.m., to be followed by tea and business meeting. As Mr. Cowper, 88, Melbourn Road, Royston, is arranging the tea will all members who require tea notify him? A good attendance is requested. All ringers and friends welcome. - Donald C. Mears, Hon. Dis. Sec., The School House, Offley, Hitchin.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Guildford District. - District meeting at Chiddingfold on Saturday, May ${ }^{25}$ th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m., followed by tea (is.) and business meeting. Numbers for tea to me by Friday, May 17 th. -G. L. Grover, Hon. Sec., Merrow Cottage, East Clandon, Guildford.
BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Luton Districr. -A meeting will be held at Woburn on Saturday, May 25th. The bells ( 8 ) will be available at 3 p.m.-A. E. Sharman, Hon. Sec., 199, High Street N., Dunstable.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Maidstone Dis-trict.-A bye-meeting will be held at Bearsted on Saturday, May ${ }^{2}$ sth. Tower open at 3. Service at 4.30 . Tea, by kind invitation, after service. All ringers welcome. Kindly notify me not later than Tuesday, 2 Ist.C. H. Sone, Hon. Dis. Sec., Burgalow, Linton, Maidstone.

ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD. -- The monthly meeting of the above Guild will be held at AIclington (by kind invitation of the Rev. G. S. and Mrs. Long) on May 25 th. Mrs. Slingsby's $92 n d$ birthday party. Bells avallable 2.30 p.m. It is hoped as many members as possible will attend. - A. J. Battin, Hon. Sec., Heronden Hall Gardens, Tenterden.

GLOLCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION. Bristol Branch. - The next meeting will be heid on Saturday, May 25 th, at Winterbourne. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service (probably) 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Will all members make an effort to attend, advising me not later than May zoth.-G. Way, 1a, Seymour Road, Bishopston, Bristol.

MDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION, - Loughborough District.-The next meeting will be held at Whitwick on Saturday, May 25th. Bells (8) ready 3.30 p.m. All ringers and friends welcome.-D. S. Collins, Hon. Dis. Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-V.W.H. Branch.The annual meeting at Faringdon, Saturday, May 25 th. Tower open 2, Service $3 \cdot 30$. Those requiring tea must notify E. A. Webley, Faringdon, early in the week.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. -Northern Branch. -The anmual meeting will be held at Gainsborough on Saturday, May 25 th. Service 4 p.m. Preacher: Dean of Lincoln. Tea, 4.45 , in the Parish Church Institute, for those who notify me by the Wednesday previous. Members free. Non-members is. gd. Bells (8) available 2 to 9. All welcome.-F. S. W. Butler, Hon. Sec., 43, Etherington Street, Gainsborough.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at Guiseley on Saturday, May 25th. Bells available from $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Usual arrangements.-H. Lofthouse, Hon. Sec., 8, Wortley Road, Armley.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Derby District. - The next monthly meeting will be held at Ripley on Saturday, May $25^{\text {th. }}$. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. Business meeting in belfry $4.3^{\circ}$ p.m. Tea can be had at Hutchison Café, Market Place. All ringers welcome.-Geo. Freebrey, Local Sec., 8i, Roe St., Derby.

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at Thorne on Saturday, May 25ti. Belis (8) ready early. Will ali ringers please make own arrangements for tea? A good attendance is requested. - P. Gledstone, Hon. Sec., 34, Silverwood View, Conisborough.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Peak Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held at Great Longstone, near Bakewell, on Saturday, May 25 th. Church of St. Giles' (6 bells, tenor iz cwt.). Available afternoon and evening. Tea and meeting at The Crispin at 5 p.m., is. 6d. tach. Please send names in. Reports available. Subscriptions due. Members from other districts cordially invited.-]. E. Lewis Cockey, Hon. Dis. Sec., Leamwood, Dore.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northern Branch. - A neeting of the Sleaford District will be held at Heckington on Saturday, June ist. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.im. Those requiring tea must inform me on or before Wednesday, May zgth.-Reginald Scott, Westlea House, Sleaforcl.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch. The next meeting will be held at Leigh on Saturday, June Ist. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.-Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., 203, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-North and East District.Next meeting at Pinner, Saturday, June ist. Bells from 3 p.m. Service at 5 , tea (usual terms) and meeting to Collow. Please advise me of tea requirements not later than May 2gtil. A nice summer outing, lovely bells and pretty country !-C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 2 r, Vincent Rusad, E. 4.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOLTH DIOCESAN GUlLD.-Annual general meeting will be held at Portsmouth on Saturday, June ist. Meeting at 2.30 p.m. in Si. Mary's Parish Institute. Service at 4 p.m. at St. Nary's, Portsea. Tea at 5 p.m. in Institute. Towers upen for ringing : Cathedral $(8), 12$ to 2 p.m. and during
the evening, St. Mary's (8), during afternoon (if meeting finishes early) and evening. Numbers for tea by May 29th to Mr. F. W. Rogers, $5^{2}$, Samuel Road, Portsmouth. All ringers and friends welcome.-G. Pullirger, Sec.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis-trict.-A bye-meeting will be held at Petham (6) on Saturday, June 8th. Bells available from 3 p.m. So that arrangements may be made for tea, will those intending being present kindly notify me on or before Thursday, June 6th? - Percy W. Smith, Hon. Sec., Fair View, Litilebourne, Canterbury.

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. Hoylandswaine Cup Contest. - Open to all towers in above associacion. Will be held on Saturday, June $15^{\text {th }}$. it is hoped all will join at once. The last practice day is June ist. Draw 2.45. First band to compete at 3 . 15 . All ringers and friends are invited. Tea will be provided in Parochial Church Room, is. 6d. each. It is essential for number to be sent to Mr. L. Wilkinson, ]ackson Terrace, Hoylandswaine, near Penistone, before June iath. The village is purely agricultural, and no other accommodation for tea exists.-C. D. Potter, Hon. Sec.

OXhORD DIOCESAN GUJLD. - E. Berks and $S$. Bucks Brancin.-The next ringing practice has been arranged at Amersham on Saturday, June $25^{\text {th }}$, at $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea, at is. per head, for those who notify me not later than June 22nd.-A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough.

SUFFOLK GUILD.-The meeting at Stowmarket is cancelled.-.H. Drake, Hon. Sec., Ufiord, Woodbridge.

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## ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

ANOTFER TOWER GAINED IN NORTHERN DIVISION A very successful meeting of the Northern Division was feld at Great Enston on May 4 th, about 50 members and friends attending from Braintree, Eurls Colne, Greenstead Green, Dunmow, Stehbing, Maldon, Stapleford, Royston, Barley, Mrebourne, Trumpington, Chelmsford, Springlield, Bardfield and Writtle. Methods ranging from Bob Minor to London Surprise swore rung. The service was conducted by tile Rector (the Rev. P. F. 'T. Widrington), Mr'. C. H. Howard (Master of the essocfation) reading the lesson. Aftorwards the ringers sat down in the Parish Hall to an excellent tea kindly prowided by the Rector and Mrs. Widrington, Mr. H. S. Woodconk and the lacal ringers and tieir wives.

At the business meeting which followed, the District Master (Mr. A. A. Saunders) was in tie chair, supported by the district secretary (Mr. W. Armold), the Fhector, Mr. C. H. Howird and Mr. H. S. Woodstock,- Three honorary members, one life member, and 13 ringing members were elected.
Mr. Howard gave a short account of the work of the association since it was formed, for the benefit of the new members from Great Easton.

It was decided to hold the next meeting at Colne Engaine on July 6 th.
The business concluded with a vole of thanks to the Rector, Mr. Woodcock, and the local band for the hearky welcome they hat given the association on their first visit to Great Easton. To this Ule \#ector responded, saying it bad been a pleasure to him, and that all ringers would always be sure of a good welcome when they visited his parislı. Some then found their way baek to the tower, while others rang courses of Graudsive Caters and Bob Major on the handbells. The association has thus gained another new tower with its twelve new members, who are making good progress with the help of Mr. F. W. Smith and other friends from Dianmow.

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES

MSTLEY, ESSEX.-On Sumday, May $12 t h$, for morning service, at St. Mary's Church, 720 Kent 'Treble Bob Minor: J. Souter 1, S. Moss 2, H. Meadows 3, W. Stiff 4, G. F. Honeywood 5, Charles Honeywood (conductor) 6.
HOUNSLOW.-On Sunday, May I2th, for morning service at St. 1 paul's Church, 1,260 Grandsire Triples in 44 mins. : C. Collins 1, F. G. Goddgrd 2, J. Kent 3, W. F. Fllingham 4, C. J. Tricker 5, Gunr. R. Martin, R.G.A., 6, F. E. Hawthorne (conductor) 7, C. Gasin 8.

WINGHAM, KENT.-On Suuday, May 12th, for morning service, at St. Mary's Ohurch, a quarter-peal of Grandsine Triples ( 1,260 cianges) in 45 mins.: C. Butcher (first quarter) 1, J. Shay 2 2, P. Branford (first quarter inside) 3, J. Eagles 4, G. R. Millway (conductor) 5, W. Whitehead 6, L. Honess 7, H. Gardner 8.
ARKSEY, YORKS.-At All Saints' Chureh, on Sunday, May 5th, for ovensong, in 44 mins., a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) : F. Garmer 1, J. McClaskey 2, E. Glarke 3, C. Otter 4, H. Arrand 5, E. Cooper (condactor) 6, T. Revilk 7, T. Bysouth 8.
PULBOROUGB, SUSSEX. On Sunday, Say Sth, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: C. Smart, sen., 1, T. A, Doick 2, C. S. Greenfield $3, A$. Halden 4 , H. C. Groenfield 5, $S$. Picton 6, A. C. Greenfield (conductor) 7, H. J. Doick 8. Arranged for Mr. T. A. Doick, who was on a visit to Pulborough.
WITHYHAM, SUSSEX.-Tor morning service, on Sunday, Apri] 28th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: W. J. Ladd 1, H. D. Whyte 2, G. F. Tizzard 3, N. Kingswood 4, F. N. Gurr 5, E. J Oliver 6, J. Wren (conductor) 7, E. J. Ladd 8.
STAINES.-At St. Peter's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1,260 changes) in 45 mins. : W. Brant 1, J. Pliflips 2, H. Worsfold 3 , W. Siorter 4, G. Walmaley 5, F. Goddard 5 , W. C. Parker (conductor) 7, F. W. Smith B.

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Founded on Whit-Monday, 1879, the Essex County Association celebrated its jubilee this week, and the large and enthusiastic gathering which assembled at Chelmsford on Monday was a striking testimony to the continued vitality of the organisation after an existence of fifty years. The association was established at a time when belfry standards were at a low ebb-change ringing was practised at comparatively few churches, the conditions in many towers were little short of a disgrace and the status of ringers generally was about on a par with the neglected state of the belfries. It was in the seventies that the spirit of reform began to reveal itself-a spirit which, once it became manifest, spread rapidly in the course of a couple of decades. Led by a few earnest clergy and ringers who realised the responsibilities and the possibilities of their office, the movement quickly gripped the imagination of thinking men in the Exercise and the outcome was the modern county and diocesan associations which we have to-day.
It was uphill work, however, in those early years, and it was not all ringers, nor all clergy, who welcomed the reforming zeal of the new organisations. That such a movement was necessary is plain from a statement of the objects of the Essex Association set out in Church Bells, in referring to the first anniversary meeting. 'The object of the association,' it said, "is not only to cultivate and improve ringing and to rescue our belfries from the state of neglect into which they have very generally fallen, but to make ringers feel that we look upon them as heipers in Church work and, by associating with them in these friendly meetings, raise their tone of self respect and thus promote order, moral tone and reverence in belfries and in the service of the bells.' We have gone a very long way since those days and, speaking generally, we can say that the objects for which these associations set out fifty years ago have been very largely accomplished. The practice of change ringing has been put upon a vastly wider basis; neglect has been swept away from the majority of our towers-if unhappy examples can still be pointed to they are the more striking because of the vast improvement which has been generally effectedwhile most complete of all has been the uplift in the moral tone in the belfries, the reverent observance of the belfry as part of the Church and the recognition of the ringers' office as a department of church work.

The reforms which have been accomplished were not, however, the work of a day or a year. They have required steady and persistent effort, and some honoured (Continued on page 322.)

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names stand out among those who have helped the Essex Association to achieve what has been done in that county. The Rev. J. B. Seaman, the actual founder and first secretary, is perhaps not so well recollected, although he was the pioneer, but the Rev. H. A. Cockey, who succeeded him, the Rev. T. L. Papilion, who followed Mr . Cockey, and the Rev. H. T. W. Eyre, who was fourth in the line of secretaries, are all remembered for their labours and their cntlusiasm. None of these have been spared to share in the celebration of the jubilee of the association, but there is still in office one who for twenty years has, with unselfish devotion, laboured in the interests of the organisation. Mr. Charles H. Howard sticceeded Canon Papilion as Master in 1909, and the energy and enthusiasm he has displayed in promoting the welfare of the association is immeasurable. He has won the admiration and esteem of its members, and smail wonder is it, therefore, that on Monday they marked their appreciation of his long and faithful service with a tangible expression of their thanks. The officers of the Essex Association to-day are carrying on with complete success the work begun by their predecessors, and while the association can command the services of such men the objects for which it exists are never likely to suffer.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

LONDON.
THE MIDDLESEX COTTNTY ASSOGIATION AND LONDON DIOGESAN GUHLD.
On Friday, May 17, 7929, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
At the Chorge of St. Margaret, Westminster,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANEES;
Tenor $26 \frac{1}{x}$ cwt.
Horace Belcher ... ...Treble James E. Davis ... ... ... 6 Joen T. Kentish $\quad . .$. Albert W. Coles ... $\cdot . . \quad 3$ Thomas Groombridger. sen. 8 William H. Hewett ... 4 Cgarles W. Roberts ... 9 Edwin F. Pike ... ... ... 5 Rutben Sandeas... .... ...Temay Composed by Frane Benneit. Conducted by Wicliam H. Heweyt CARDTFF, GLIM.
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, May 18, 1929, in Thvee Hours and Twenty-Three Mirutes,
At the Cedrce of St. Jonn-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF STEDHAN CATERS, SOOS CHANGES; Tenor 27 cwt. in D.
Joseph Laveti ... ... ...Treble John Phillifs ... ... ... 6

| William Heath ... | ... | .. | 2 | Alfred Parenell | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Wilfred Williams | .. | .. | 3 | William Paiee | ... |


| Wilfred Williams | ... | $\ldots$ | 3 | William Pare | ... | ... | .. | 8 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Grorge Pornell | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 4 | Fred Chamberlain | ... | ... | 9 |  | Harry Page... ... ... ... 5 Seymojr Rr. Barker ... ...T Tmor Composed by N J. Pirstow. Conducted by Fred Cbamberlas

First peal of Stedman Caters by all the band, also first peal for the sssociation by resident members. The ringers of the lst, 5th and 8 th hail from Pentre, 3 rd mud 4 th from Bedwellty, the othera are loal men. Rung as a birthday peal to the conductor. HASLEMERF, SURREY.
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, May 78, 7929, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,
At the Cgorch of St. Bartbocomyw,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 6043 CHANGES: Tenor 13 cwt .
Richard Hayzs... ... ...Treble | $\ddagger$ Raynard Overy .... ... 6 |
Wirlifm J. Robinson .... 2 Alfred T. Greenwood ... 7
Charles N. Berdock .. 3 John F. B. Hessa ... ...
-C. Ernest Smita ... ... 4 Pater Crook ... ... ... 9 Frederick W. Rogrbs ... 5 Aefred H. Polling ...Tenty Composed by F. A. Holden. Conducfed by Alfred H. Poleimg

* First peal of Cators. First peal of Stedman Gaters. Rung na a compliment to the Rev. 0 . 5. Walford on bis 81st birthday. Mr. Grook was elected a member of the Guild prior to the commencement Crook was el
of the peal.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

SANDHURST, GLOUGESTERSHRRE.
GLOUOESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASEOGLATION.
(Cherteneam Branch.)
Om Tussday, May 7, T929, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
At the Chorch of St, Lawrence,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Groves' Transposition of Parker's Twelve-part. Tenor 14 cwt .

John Aostin... ... $. . . \quad . .-\quad 3$ John F. Baelinger ... ... 7 Charles Martin ... ... 4 George L. Walters... ...Tenor Conducted by Jorn ADstin
Rung with the hells half-muffed as a last token of respect to the late Mr. Arthur Holford, for many years a ringer at tho above church, who was interred there that day.

TROWBRIDGE, WILTs.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Waduesday, May 8, 1929, in Thre Howrs ard One Minute
At tee Chorch of St. James,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;renor 24 Cwt .${ }^{\circ}$ Charles Butcher
† James Bilby William Lodd... †Charles Raison Composed by H. W. Wilde

$\begin{array}{llll}\text { Sampel J. Hector } & . . & . . . & 5 \\ \text { William Baxter } & \ldots & . . & 6\end{array}$ | William Baxter ... $\ldots .6$ |
| :--- |
| 4Nerman V. Andrriws |

* First peal. + First peal of Major inside. First peal of Major on the bells by entirely local band. All the above are regular Sunday service ringers. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. J. Andrews. CEURCH, LANCS.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCLATION.
On Suthrday, May 1.7, 1929, in Three Howrs and Thirteen Minutes.
At the Chorch of St. James.


## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenot riticwt.

 Composed by B. Annable. Conducted by J. Woods,
First peal as conducter. First peal for ringers of 3 rd and 4th, who are only 15 years of age.

DORE, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND GOUNTIES ASSOCIATION. (Pesk District.) <br> On Sathrday, May 11. 1929, in Three Hours,

 At Cerist Chorch,
## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANEES;

Taylor's Six-part. Norman W. Westlare Miss Norl CAwthorne J. E. Lewis Cockry ... Alfred G. Wallace ...

Tenor intewt. in $G$
...Treble

| 2 |
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| .$\quad 3$ |
| . |

$\cdot 3$
Conducted by

Walier Bingham William Biggin
*Artatr Paserfy … $\quad . .6$ Rev. W. P. Wriget .... Tenor

* First peal in the method. First peal for the ringer of the treble (age 15). He is ibe first choirbay at Dore to tako part in a peal, and is entitled to great credit for the way in which he havdled bis bell. First peal in the method as conductor. First peal for the aew Peali District of the M.C.A. Rung with clappers half-muffled bs a tribute af respect to the late Mr. Herbert Barber, master cutler of Sheffield 1909-10, warden at Dore 1912-14, interred at Ecclesall May 8th, 1929, tho peal being conducted by ono of his successors in the affice of waden. Also in memory of the late Alderman $R$. $B$, Chambers, B.A.S J.P., president of the Midland Counties Association, and a great friend to ringers. Inierred at Littlecot, Derby, the provious werk.


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THE PETERSOROUGF DIOCESAN GUILD. (Wellingborodgh Brance.)
On Satiarday, May 11, 1929, in Three Honrsand Teventr-Three Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL DF DOUBLE MARWICH GOURT BOB MAJDR, 5184 GNANPER, Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 23 tb .
Thomas Abbett ... ...Treble John R. Main ... ... ... 5
Cearles Ricgardson ... 2 Jobn King .... ...
†Albert W. Boddington... 3 Thomas R. Hensher... ... 7
George Eite ... ... ... 4 Grorge Baspord... ... ...Tenor
Composed by J. W. Parker. Conducted by Grorge Basford.

* First peal in the melhod. $\dagger$ First peal in the method away from the treble. Rung by an entirely local band.

ERDINGTON, BIRMINGHAM.
THE ST. MARTIN'S GUTLD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Saturday, May 17, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes, At the R.C. Abbey Chorch of SS. Thomas and Edmond,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, B040 CHAMEES;
Groves' Transposition or Parkhr's Twelve-part. Tenor 15 Cwt.
Charles Cotirbll ... ...Trible Wileiam Davies
Josefh W. Pemberton ... 2 William G. Anken ......
Frederick W. Rishworth 3 George F. Swann ... ... 7
Wigliam C. Rhodes... ... 4 Jacoe Szaborng.... ... ... Tekor
Conducted by George F. Swann.
Rang with the bells half-muffled to the memory of the Rev, Dinniel Henry Haigh, founder of the above church, who died May 10tli, 1878.

## CROWLE, WORCESTERSEIRE.

THE WOROESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCTATION.
(Western Branch.)
On Satreday, May 17, 1929, in Two Hows and Fafty-Three Minuter.
At the Chorch of St. Jofn-the-Baptisi,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5008 DHANEES; Tenor 10 cwt .
Robbrt G. Knowles ...Tyeble †Dennis R. Morris
*Thomas W. Lewis ... ... 2 Cyril Tansele...
$\ldots 3$
Frank Lawrence.. .4
Composed by George Lewis. Conducted by Sidney T. Holt

* First peal of Major. + First peal of Bob Majer 200th peal for the association by Messrs. R. G. Knowles and W. Ranford, and R. G. Kuowles looth peal on eight bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. Holt, mother of the conductor.


## TURVEY, BEDE.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

## On Saturday, May 11, 7929, in Thres Fiaurs and Fiften Minutes,

At the Chorer of All Sainis,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans' Fodr-part.
Tenor 19 cwt .

Jorn J. Mawby ... ... ... 2 Whlter PrReins ... ... 6
Henry W. Gayton ... ... 3 Anderson Y. Tyler... ... 7
Cearles W. Clarke... ... 4 "William Stock... ... ...Tehay Conducted by Anderson Y. Tyler.

* First peal of Stedman. J. J. Mawhy was ciected a memher previous to starting for the peal.

TIPTON, STAFFS
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFTORD.
On Saturday, May 11, 1929, in Two Hours and Fify-Five Ninates,
At tere Cherch of St. Martin

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;

Thurstans' Fodr-part.


T3UNGAX，SUFTOLE．
THE NORFOLK GULD
On Saturday，May 11，1920，in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes，
At the Charch of St．Mary，
A PEAL OF KEHT TREBLE BOB MAJOR， 5024 GHANGES； Tenor 16 cwt ．I qr． 4 lb ．ic F ．

| Frederick Borreti ．．． | ．．．Treble | Jam\＆Spalding ．．． |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Georgr Curson | 2 | Charees Sayer ．．． |
|  |  |  | Edwin Goatz ．．．．．．．．． 3 Rossele Riches．．．．．．．．． 7 George Howlett ．．．．．． 4 Walter Barrett ．．．．．．Temer Composed by A．J．Pitman．

Conducted by E．Borretr．

COSELEY，BTATFS
THE SOCIETY FOR TEHE ARUHDEAOONRY OF STAFFORD． On Suturday，May 11．1929，in Two Hours and Fifty Mimates，

## At Christ Caurcr

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES，5040 GHANGES；

Thurstans＇Four－part．
Tenor II cwt．


－john Perry Conducted by C．Wallater．
＊150th peal．Rung on the eve of the day and Sunday School sarmans．

BEOKINGTON，SOMERSET THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD．
On Sunday，May 12，1929，in Two Flours and Filly Mintues．
At tee Chorch of St．Gregory，
A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE TRIPLE8，EO4D GHANEES；

Holi＇s Original．
Charles Butcher Jesise Francis James Bilby．．． Edward G．Coward

Tenor 17 cwt ．

Shmerl J．Hector ．．．．．． 5 William R．Baxier ．．．．．．． 6 Charles F，Andrews 7 Norman V．Andrews．．．．．．Teroy C．F．Andrews．

STOURBRIDGE，WORCEGTERSHLRE．
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS AgSOOIATION． （Northern Branch．）
Un Monday，May 13，1929，in Three Hours and Six Minutes．
At the Churge of St．Thomas，
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES， 5040 GHANGES； Groves＇Trassposition of Parker＇s Twelve－part． Tenor 19 cwt．
Alpred Reynolds ．．．．．．Treble Alabra L．Donn John Bass
－••• $\cdot \cdots$ ．．

| ．．．．． | 2 | Wileiam J．Smicy |
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| $\cdots \cdots$ | 3 | Walibr Farley |
| $\cdots .$. | 4 | Horace Lawton |


| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 5 |
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| $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | 7 |
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| ... |  |  |

Conducted by Walter Farley．
＊Firse peal．The conductou＊s 150 th peal．Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr，G．H．］？agett，who has been a choristor at St Thomas Chureh for 62 yeass，and a ringer 52 yeats．Also for Mr．A． Tumu，whoge birtuday was on the above date． LIVERPOOL．
HHE CHEFTER DTOGESAN GUILD AND THE LANGASHIRE ASSOCIATION．
On Monday，May 73．7929，in Threa Howrs atd Ten Minutes．
At the Cebrge of St．Nicholas，
A PEAL DF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR， $\operatorname{GDE}$ G CHANGES， Tenor 15 cwt．i qr． 23 lb ，in $G$ ．


BIKHOP＇S STORTLORD，HERTS．－On Sunday，April 2lst，et get． Michaol＇s Church，for morning service，a quarter－peal of Grandsire Triples（ 1,260 changes）in 47 mins．：H．Wacey 1，O．Beeston 2，F． Springham 3，H．A．Wacey 4， $\mathbf{N}$ ．Bird（conductor）5，W．W．Tucker 6．W．＇T．Prior 7，E．Ansell 8．Firsb quarter－peal by the ringers of the trebie and tenor．Also rung in honour of Rrincess Etizabeth＇s birthday．

NORTH STONEHAM，HAMPSHIRE
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOOESAN GUIED． On Monday，May 73，1929，in Two Hours and Fifig－Two Minntes， At tee Cgorch of St．Nicolas，
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWIOH COURT 日OB HAJQR， 5040 GHANEEBE Tenorgcwt． 26 lb.
 Frederick G．Cole ．．．．．．． 4 William T．Tucker ．．．．．．Temop
Composed by Sir A．P．Heywoon．Conducted by Grorge Willams Arranged for Mr．G．R．Newton，of Liverpool．

QUEENSBURY，BRADFORD．
THE YORKSEIRE ASSOCIATION
On Monday，Nay 13，1929，in Two Howy and Fifty－Nine Minutes． At the Chorch of the Holy Trinity．
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR， 5024 CHANGE8；
Tenor 14t cwt．

Rowland Kendall ．．．．．．Tyeble Harry Wilde ．．．．．．．．． Arthor Skelton | ．．．Tyeble | Harry Wilde |  |
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| $\ldots .$. | 2 | Sam Longeottom | Ceifford Eillison Acbert Pickles．．．

Composed by C．H．Marine．Conducted by William Ambler． THTTENHALL，STAFLS．
THE SOGIETY FOR THE AROHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD． Da 析eduesday，May 75，1929，in Thyee Hows，
At tee Collegiate Cefrce of St．Miceael and Ale Amgeis，
A PEAL OF GRAND8IRE TRIPLES， 5040 CHANGES； Groves＇Transposition of Parker＇s Twelve－pari，

Tenor 15 cwt．
Harry Boswell ．．．．．．Tyeble Hergert T．Piphr
－Kennete C．Taylor ．．． 2 Francis Brothraton ．．． 6
$\dagger$ Flerberi E．Pickering ．．． 3 Robert Pickering ．．．．．． 7
Jack W．Taylor ．．．．．． 4 Thomas E．Taylor ．．．．．．．．．Tomor Concucted by Robrrt Pickering．
First peal of Triples．H First peel＇inside．＇ NORTHOWRAM，HALEAX． THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION．
On Wednesday，May 15，1929，in Two Hours and Filly－Nine Minstes At the Ceorgez of St．Matthew，
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR， 6056 CHANGES； Tenor $5 \frac{3}{4}$ cwt．
Gborge Bottomley ．．．．．．Trobla｜＇Albert Hancock ．．．．．． 5
Walter Botiomley ．．．．．． 2 Harry Cbew ．．．．．．．．． 6
Reggie Noble ．．．．．．．．． 3 Jor Greenwond...
 Composed by J．A．Trollope．Condacted by Joe Greenwood．
＊First peal． OVERSEAL，DERBYSHIRE． THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCLATION．
On Wednesday，May 15，1929，in Cwo How＇s and Forly－Sevon Minuter， At the Cgorch of Sz．Matthew．
A PEAL DF STEDMAN TRIPLES， 5040 CHANGES；
Rev．HI．Earle Bulwer＇s Five－part．
Tenor rocwt．
Jogn H．Swantield ．．．．．．Tyeble｜Cgarees Draper．．．．．．．．． 5
Matrice Swintueld ．．．．．．．． 2 ．．．Josepe Batley...
 Conducted by M．Swingield． CRAWLEY，SUSSEX．
THE SUSEEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION．
On Friday，May 17，1929，in Two Hours and Fifly Minutes， At the Cebrch of St．John－ter－Bapist，

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR， 5058 CHANGES；

## Middleion＇s．

Tenor 13娄 cwt．
－Georgy Olliver
－Kenneth Snelling．
解
－Nelson Elliotit ．．．．．． 3 © Cecil Nice．．．．．．．．．．．．． 6
 Conducted by O．Sippetts．
＊First poal in the method．

HADLOW，KENT．
THEE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION． On Saturday，May 18，1929，in Threc Hours， At rhe Ceurch of St．Mary，

## 偂 FEAL OF SPLICED BOE AND CANTEREURY PLEASURE MAJOR， 5184 CHAHCES；

Tenor 55 cwt．in A flat．


## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION． <br> On Satwraay，May 78，1929，in Three Hours and Eleven Minhtes，

 At tee Chorce of Sx．Peter．A PEAL OF EOB MAJOR， 5008 CHANGES； Tenor 23 cwt ．
foun Malyan ．．．．．．．．．Treble Fredbrick J．Spicer ．．．．．． 5 W．H．L．Buckingaam ．．． 2 Horace E．C．Goodenodgh 6
 Sydney R．Gardner ．．．．．． 4 Francis A．Shite ．．．．．．Temor Composed and Conducted by W．H．L．Bockingham．
Rung after the dedication of a lych gate，erected by Mr．W．C．B． Gidding，Viear＇s warden，in memory of his son．

## LEISTON，SUFFOLK．

THE SUFFOLK GUILD．
On Saturday，May 18，1929，in Two Howrs and Fifty－Eight Minutes， Ay ter Choreg of St．Margaket，
A PEAL OF ROGHESTER SURPRISE MAJOR， 5056 GHANGES； Tenor zol cwt．

| Reginald C．Kersey．．． | 右 | Alfatd Kebisle ．．． |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Frbderick J．Sm |  | Ernest S．Bailey |  |  |
| Leonard P．Bail |  | Jamre G．Rumsey |  |  |
| mes M．Bailry |  | Cearles F．Balley |  |  | James M．Bailey ．．．．．． 4 Cearles F．Balley ．．．．．．Tenor Composed by Gabriel Lindoff．Conducted by Charles F，Bailey The conduetor＇s 200th peal on the bells．

## BRISTOL．

GLOUQESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCTATION． （Guild of St．Anbrose Ringers．）
On Salurday，May 18，1929，in Two Hours and Fifiy－Seven Minctes，
At the Cherch of St．Ambrose，
A PEAL OF GRANOSIRE TRIPLES，s040 CHANEES； Grove＇s Transposition of Parker＇s Twelve－part． Tenor 11t cwt．

Conducted by Edwin J．Brows．
＊First peal．＊First in the method．First peal on the bells．
LISCARD，CHESHIRE．
THE CEESTER DIOCESAN GULLD
（Wirrai Branch．）
Ou Saturday，May 18，1929，in Three Hawrs und Seuem Minutes，
At the Parish Church of St．Mary，
A PEAL OF LOUGHBOROUGH BOB MAJOR， 5056 GHANCES；
Tenor $\overline{6} \mathrm{cwt} 2 \mathrm{qr} .2 \mathrm{lb}$ ．in F ．
David Hegres ．

| ．．． | ．．．Treble | E |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ．．． | 2 | I． |

Eric H．Lloyd ．．．
Lester L．Gray ．．．．．．．．． 2 John Cookre．．．．．．．．．．．． 6
John Brzese ．．．．．．．．． 3 Гhomas Regers ．．．．．．．．． 7
G．Ronald EdwandS．．．．．． 4 James C．E．Simpson ．．．．．．Temor
Composed by J．W．Parker．Conducted by J．C．E．Simpson．
This is the first peal rung in the method，and first touch in the method by all the hand．The method is No．34，and the composition No．16，of the Central Council＇s Collection．

## SIX BELL PEALS

STAPLEFORD，CAMBS．
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOGIATION
On Saturday，May 71，1929．in Two Hours and Twentw－Thyee Minntes， At the Charch of St．Andrew．
A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR， 5040 CHANEES； Being 700 each of London，Welk，York，Duriaan，Cambridge，Bever－ ley and Surfleet． Tenar 7 cwt．in A flat．
Robert Howard．．
．．．．
．．Treble
$\cdots$
$\cdots$
Franik Harper
John W．Ward ．．．．．．．．．． 3 Edward H．Finch $\boldsymbol{H}^{\text {．．．}}$ ．．． 5
John W．Ward ．．．Conducted by Robert Howard．
Quickest peal on the bells．
TODMORDEN，YORKSHIRE．
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION． On Saturday，May 11．1929，in Three Houys， At the Cedrce of Si．Pajl，Cross Stong，
A PEAL OF MINOR， 5040 CHANEE日；
Being four extents of Kent Treble Bob amal three of Piain Bob． Tenor 10 cht．
－Stephen Parry．．．．．．．．．Tydole Herbert Davenpori ．．． 4


Conducted by Wileiam Horan．
＊First peal．First peal of Minor．First peal of Minor as con－ ductor．Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer ef the 3 rd． Invg after meeting short for Major

COMBE FLOREY，SOMERSET
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCTATION．
（Tadnyon Deanery．）
On Saturday，May 11，1929，in Two Hoursand Fijty－Seven Minutes，
At she Chorch of SS．Pejer and Pade．，
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR，504O CHANGE日：
Seven different 720＇s．
－B．T：Jeans ．．．．．．．．．Treble Artider H．Rezd
＊Edwin Branchflower ．．． 2 ＊William G．Gigg
－Henry Szaly ．．．．．． Conducted by W．H．Leoyn．
n First peal of Minor－Ringers of trobie，2ad，and Frd from hah Prior，remainder from Taunton．

## HANDBELL PEALS．

FELERING，ESSEX
THE FSSEX ASSOCIATMON．
On Satarday，May 11，1929，in $T$ two Hows ard Twenty－Five Minutas， At Rya Mill Farm，

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR， 5056 GHANEE8；

Frank Claydan． r－z Williab Keeble

Composed by Cornelios Charge．Conducted by William Keerle Witness：Aleert Wiffen． MANCHESTER．
THE LANGASHRRE ASSOCTATION．
On Monday，May 13，1929，in Ter Hours and Foriy－Seven Minutes， At x6．Lime Grove，
A PEAL DF STEDMAH CATERS，5065 CHANGES； Temer size 20 in E．
Fradrrick Page ．．．．．．．．．1－2｜Allen F．Bailey．．
Harold Iackson ．．．．．．．．．．．． 3 3－4 Ablibed Barnes
Peter Laflin
Composed by G．Lindoff．
Conducted by A．F．Balley．
STOCTEORT．
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUHLD．
On Thursday，May 16，1929，in Two Hours amd Forty－Three Minutes， Az $8_{\mathrm{I}}$ ，Bereb Road，
A PEAL OF STEDHAN CATERS， 6067 CHANRES；
Tener size 17 in $B$ ．
Frederack Page．．．．．．．．． $1-2 \mid$ Allan F．Bailey...$\quad$ ．．．5－6
Harold Jackson ．．．．．．．．．． 3 －4 Alyred Barnes ．．．．．．．
＊William Jackson ．．．．．．．9－10
Composed by G．Lindoff．Conducted by A．F，Bailiz．
Referee：Morris J．Morais（Birmingham）．
＊First peal of Stedman in hand．First peal of Stedman Caters on haudbells in the county and by the raidd．

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

PROPOSAL TO PRIN'I A COMPREHENSIVE REPORT
The \&naual meeting at Jincoln on "Fair Saturday" was the most succefsful one held since ringing at the Cathedral tower was stopped some yearz ago awing to the dangerous state of the fabric. Happily this slate of things exists no longer, and the full peal of twelve bells was opennd hy the Guild on December 15th last. With such an attraction, a larger attendance was assured, and visitors from as far afteld at Sheffeld and Birminglam were in evidence. By Kind permission of He Dean and Chapter the hells were ayailable earlier fihan in former years, and from 1.45 until 3.30 the ringing chamber was crowded. Many also took the opportunity of climbing the tower to inspect and admire the unigue intemal arrangements. Nothing has been omitled to render these as perfect as possible. The lower parts of the lourres have been blocked up, and the only exit for the sound of the bells is wear the top of tite tower. An ample opening in the roof itself has also been provided. The tower might well be an oulstanding example for arelitects, and, indeed, for any person or body of persons who have anything to do with the installation of a peal of hells. The sound of this heautiful peal can be heard at long distances in the cily and the surrounding country, and yet in the immediale vicinity is so pleasantly soft and melodious that residents who formerly suffered greatly from the clanging and vibration now say that they actually look forward with pleasure to the ringing of the bells.
Al the close of the afternoon's ringing a well-attended service was hell in the morning chapel, when the address was given by the Very Rev. the Dean of Lincoln. A large company sat down to tea at the Co-pperative Hall, and the business meeting immediately fol lowerl, the Dear of Lincoln taking the chair
The officers were all unanimously re-clected, namely: President, the Jean of Lincoln: Master, Rev. H. Law James; hon. gecretary, Mr F. W. Stokes; hon. treasurer, Mr. F. F. Linley.

In hanking the meeting for their re-election, the Rev. H. Law rames and Mr. Linley both referred to their long connection with the Guild, ever since its formation 30 years ago. They congratulated dite Gaih on the great progress that has been made during that time, and emphasised the fact that whereas in 1899 there wero only two or three cantres where change ringing was practised, now the art hind gpread practically to all parts of the diocese. The Master especially referred to the great achievement of the past pear, namely, the accomplishment of the peal of London Surprise Major at Washinghorougli in December last, the first for the Guild, and the first peal in the method lyy all the band.
The most imporiand matier before the meeting was the consideration of tho proposal to print a large report for next year, to include lists of menlwers' names under the respective towers, and other matber which whs deleted after the war on account of the great expense of printing. Aiter somo discussion a resolution was passed autiolising a committee (formed of representative members from cuch branch to meet and investigate the whole matter, with power to docide the form in which the next Report slall be issued.

Aftor the mepting, the towers of the Cathedral and the two six-bell towers (St: Fatolph's and St. Peter-at-Gowt's) were again visited. Naturally the Cathetial was again the centre of attraction, and a Farioby of mellanda were rung on the twelve, as well as a fine course of Cambridge Royal on the ten ane a well-struck touch of London Surprige on the maguificent back eigh

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION

Thar quarterd mpeting of the South-Eastern District of the Essex Association was held at Great Waltham on May IItlı, flore being 23 memhers pregent from Grent Badkiow, Braintree, Chelmsford, Bromfield, Springficld, Malcian, Writile, Dunmow and Greenstead Green Service was condupted and an address given by the Viear, who spoke aboul the hells of his own church. The Gith hell is 600 years old. The lesson was read by Mr. C. H. Hownod (Master of the AssociaLion). Ten at the Six Befls Tun was followed by the meeting, over which Mr. Georga Green (District Master) presided, supported by the Master and Mr. A. Saunders (North-Eastern District) and DrSpencer Phillips - One new hon. member nud one ringing member were olected, and it was proposed to hold the next meeting on July 13th at Sration, which is a Lliree miles' bus ride from Chelmsford.Mr. C. H. Howard propesed a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for giving the assuciation the use of the bolls, and for his splendid address; also to the organist and to ML. Davis for having every thing in rondiness. The members ngain pisited the tower, where Grandsire Triples, Bot, Major and Double Norwich to Cambridge Suprisc were rung duriag the aftempan and evening.

## THE BUST OF MR. W. T. COCKERILL.

"The Buider" newspeper has had a revine of some of the Rogal Aeademy exhihits, and its critic, Mr. T. I? Bemmet F.R.T.B.A. writes of the inss of the lon. secretary of the Colloge Youths as follows:- Conkeritl, Tsa. A hust bJ Miss Muriel B. G. Hiley is a ery clever piece of modelting by a rery good artist. This essay in portrature would appear to prve the way to real sucoess in the near

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. <br> NORTH BRADLEY CHURCF AND BEELS

The mouthly meeting of the Derizes Branch was held at St. Nicholas' Churct, North Bradley, on Saturday, May 4th. Ringing commenced about $2,30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., and sarvico was afterpards hedd, conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. D. F. O. Poulter). The lesson was read by the chairman of the branch (Mr. C. D. Heginbothana), and Mr. Wheeler was organist. Tea followed, after which a short business meeting was held, Mr. C. D. Heginbothom presiding. The Chairman extended a welcome to Mr. Coward, of Mere, Wilts, Mr. Woodroffe, of Stratton, and Mr. Knapp, of Swindon, and congratulated Mr. S. J. Hector on his first peal of Superlative. He also referred to the death of Mr. J. D. Roberts, the respected organist of Seend Parish Ghurch, who was a great friend of the ringers, and was alyays pleased to welcome the brancl to Seend.-Those present stood in silence as a token of respect.
In proposing a vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells and conducting the service, he referred to the Vicar's leaving, and on behalf of the branch wished him 'God-speed.' The Chairman also thanked the organist, and those who prepared the tea. -The Vicar suitably replied.
The annual Report of the Guild was handed to those present. Ringers, including those mentioned, were present from North Bradley, Bratton, Dewizes, St. Joln's and St. Mery's, Holt, Trowbridge and Rowde, and touches of Grandsire and Stedman Doubles and Plain Bob were rung during the afternoon and evening. Canbridge Minor was also attempted.
The church at North Bradley was formerly attached to the Monastic Church at Edington. It consiats of clerestoried nave and aisles and two chapels. In the filteenth century the church was lymodelled, the clerestory added to the nave, the north chapel erected, and the chancel aisles, porch and tower rebuilt. Both north and south chepels retain their ancient roofs. The octagonal font is a Fery fine one, of Perpendicular date, having the symbols of the four Evangelists, and the instruments of tho Passion carved upon it. The tower, too, is worthy of Somerset. One wonders if John Stafiord, Arclibishop of Canterbury, whose family lived at Southwick Court, and who was, before his translation, Bishop of Bath and Wells (temp. Heary Vi.) haring anything to do with the rebuilding. He certainly built the north chapel, because it contains the tomb of his mother, Emma (d. 1;46).
There are six bells. The tenor, approximately 14 owt. (cast by Tohn Wallis), has the inscripion, 'Praysed be Thy Name, o Lord. I. W. 1591.' The front five bells were cast by Thomas Bitbic, of Ohew Stoke, Somerget, in 1748 , the fifth having the fnscription, "Mr. Iames Werratt and Mr. Thomas Pepler, Clurchwardens, 1748. T. Bilhie Fecit.'
A brass plate in the ringing chamber records that they were reLondon, in 1895, it the cost of $£ 160$.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

The spring meeting of the Tonbridge Distriat was held at Cranbrook on Salurday, May 11th, and was attended by uearly 50 members. The heavy gaing of the bells was not conducive to good striking, but good practice was obtained in methods ranging from Grandsire Triples to Cambridre Major. The young band that Mr. F. White has formed siso had good practice in rounds, and received valuable hints from nembers as to managing their bells.
The usual service was condacted by the Yicar (Rer. H. T. C. Swingler), who is an hon. member, assisted by the eutate (who is learning to ring'. Mr. W. E. Pibman, of Canterbury, presided at Lhe organ, and the Yiear gave an exccllent address. Capt. E. R. W. Lewis (one of the churchwardens) was also present at the service. Tea was partaken of in the Parisin Room, followed by the business meeting, the Vicar presiding, supported by Capt. Lewis, Mr. F. White, etc.-Over a dazen new practising nienbers were elected, including the newly-formed local band, and Gapt. Lew is was slected an hon. micmber.
The District Secretamy announced that the next meeting would be held towards the end of July at Westorham
Totes of thanks were accorded to the Vicar for the use of the bells, for conducting the service, and presiding fit the meeting, toMr. Pitman for his services at the organ, fand to Mr. T. White for making the arrangements, and to Capt. Euwis for his attendadee. and replied to, and the menbers adjommed to the tower.

## BISHOP WITNESSES RINGING

The Lord Bishop of Sherborne preached at evensong at Brattou, Wilts, on Sunday, May 5th, aud after the service visited the ringing chamber, where he shook hands with all the ringers, saying it was a grent pleasure to wisit the chuth at which his old school friend wat Vicar. His lordship lemained while the ringers rang 120 of Stedman Doubles, after which, at the request of the Ficar (the Rer. S. Collett), le gave his blessing.

## WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

A mecting of the Andover District was held at Amport on Saturday, May 4 th, when 18 members were present from Andover, Eighclere, King's Somborne, St. Mary Bourne, North Stoneham, Woolton Fill and Winchester, with a very welcome visitor from Swindon. During the aftemoon and evening good use was made of the ring of six bells, touches of Grandsire, Bob and Stedman Doubles, Bob athd Kont Treble Bob Minov being rung.
A splendid ter was enjoyed in the Church Hut, and the business meating followed. The Vicar of Amport, who was voted to the chair, metended a hearty welcome to the Guild. Ee said that lie was sorry that his own ringers were not present, but in the near future he hoped that they would take their place in the fellowship of the Guild.
It was recided to hold meetings at Laverstoke on June 29th and Andover on October 5 th , also a combined practite at Andover on Juce 12th.

During the evening a party went over to Thruxton and ramg various touches of Doubles on the old ring of five bells, which bady need the attention of a bell lianger.
A very successiul meeting of the Alton District was held at Frogle an Saturday, May 1Ith, when 28 merchers were present from Binsted, Blackmoor, Selborne, Froyla, Fareham, North Stancham and Winchester. Duving the afternoon and evening good practice was had in various methods on the ring of six bells.

After the service, the party were very kindly entertained to tea by Sir Huberw Miller at the Shrubbery Housc. At tha business meeting which fallowed, Rev, E. Eyres presided, supported hy Rev. B. C. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. G. Williams, Mr. Anclrews, Mr. Bayley, Mr. Read and others. Sir Hubert Milier, Bart., was alected a life member, and four members of the Troyle band wrere elected members of the Guik. -It was decided to hold meetings at Prisitt on September 21 st and Selborne on November 23rd.
Votes of thanks were passed to Sir Hubert Milier and the Vicar of Froyle.

HESTON.-On Bunday, April 13th, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsice Triples ( 1,260 changes) in 43 mivs.: C. Gash (first quarter of Triples away from tenor) 1, F. G. Goddard 2, W. F. Ericker 6, J. Kent (conductor) 7, S. Stilwell 8. A birthe ay complit thicker $6_{r}$ J. Kent (conductor) 7, S. Stilwell 8. A birtheay compli-
ment to Mr. F. E. Hawthorne and to Mr. L. Manneriog, who is iu India.

## A. JOINT MEETING IN SURREY

A joint meeting of the North-West Brancin of tho Surrey Association and the Leatheriead District of the Guildford Diocesan Guild was held at Ewell on Saturday, but the attendance proved disappointing, only twenty-one ringers being present. The following towers were represented: Craydon (St. John's), Ewell, Woking, LeatherLead, Ealing (Chist Church), St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, St. Margaret's, Westminster, Guildford (Cailedual), Dorking, Banstead, Mitcham (Parish Church), 'Balham-in-l'beFields,' 'Beddington Cathedral,' 'House of Commons Cluwech," and "Chelsea Abbey.' The Leatherliead District secretary would be glad to know something regarding the situation of the four iast-mamed, ba he has only a hazy notion as to their whereabouts. The almost tatal absence of ringers from the locality was commented upon, no members being present from either of the Epsom towers. Riuging commenced on the nice peal of eight at St. Mary's Church at 4 p.ra., and was continued after the tea.

The service was ceuducted by the Vicar of Ewell, the Rev. E. C. Usherwood, who, after welcoming the members to his church, proceeded to give an interesting addrees on the uses of church bells, and reminded his hearers that they were primarily a call to prayer.
A bountiful tea was partaken of in the Charch Room, the Vica: presiding. The tea was so hountiful in fact, that in spite of the presence of cerlain members who have notorfously large appetites, plenty remsined after all hank been safisfich
This being a friendly meeting, in business was transacted, but the Leatherhead District Sccrotary (Mr. A. R. Pink) called for a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for his interesting address and for his presence amongst them that evening, to the organist who kindly stepped into the breach at the last minute, to all those who had waited upon them at the table, and to Mr. C. E. Read, of Ewell, for making all the necessary arrangements. This was carrict with acciamation, and the Vicar said how pleased he was to be present, and hoped to listen afterwards to their firther efforts on the bells.
With regard to the ringing done during the day, although numbers were few, the standard was high. The neeting opened with a course of London Surprise, which augured well for that which was to come. Other methods rung were Grandsire Triples, Stedman Triples, Kent Treble Bob, Double Norwieh, Superlative Cambridge and Bristol, Much attention was devoted to "splicing,' and touches of 'spliced" ineluded Grandsire und Stedman, London and Cambridge, Superlative and Cambridge, several members ringiug their first touches of 'spliced, methods. Ringing was kept up till 9 p.m., when the members departed to their other 'duties, linving voted the meating is success, despite the small attendance.

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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

The Oxford Diocesan Guild has now over two lunded towers affliated, and over two thousand members.
The opening of the belis at St. Andrew's Cathedral, Sydney, Australia, took place on May 27th, 1862.
It was on May 28th, 1787, that the first peal of Stedman Caters was rung. This was hy the College Youtts at Horsley Down, London, and last year the same camposition was rung by the society.
Next Tuesday is also the anniversary of the Bristol Surprise record $(15,264)$ rung in 9 hrs. 49 mins, at Hornchurch, Esecx, in 1912.
The same date is the annivergary of the first Surprise peal rung out of England-Superlative Surprise Major at Bray, Irelaud.
The first Surprise peal in Wales was ruas the next day (New Carsbridge at Bangor), after the ringing of the only peal ever rung on the sea (Stedman Caters), which was accomplished during tho orossing between Dublin and Holyhead. It is not ofien that three peals of such historic interest are rung in two days. Therc are four men ringing to-day who took part in all three of these peals, which were rung in the year 1901.
His many ringing friends will join in congratulating Br. Fred Chamberlain, of Cardiff, on conducting his first peal since his serious accident three years ago last February. As Mr. Chamberlain lad to stani throughout practically on one leg, his pluck will be greatly admired. It is a triumph over severe disability. Incidentaily it may be meationed that the peal was the first of Stecman Gaters by all the band and by resident ringers of the Llandadi and Monmouth Association.

## SHOULD NONCONFORMISTS RING AT CHURCHES.

To the Editor.
Dear Sir, I havo read with unch interest that point in your eurrent number. Though I am the son of a colonel, who was a great churchman, I entirely agree with Colonel Robson in admititing Nonconformists to take a rope. This is a day of much trlk ahout reurtion of Christimus. Why not take this small step towards it? Some say that Nonconformists separated from the Church; if so, there are faults on both sides. Is it not our place to hold out a friendly hand? Lot any readers who love their Binles read, for instance, Paul's Gust epistle to the Corinthians. They meed go no further than the first chapter, especially the thind verse, to see the trooadness of Paul's mind. Let us take a hint from that.- Fours tively,
W. F. PITMAN.

Centerbury.

## GIFTS TO MARSDEN BELFRY,

To the Elitor.
Dear Sir, As captain of the Marsden Parish Churef belludugers I have just received four certificates of membership, two framed, one of which is an ergraving by Bartaloani (the College Youths' certificato) and several works on bellringing and numerous copies of peals. These were articles that our late friend, Mr. Joseph Edwin Sykes, of Ainsley House, Marsden, well Known fo many ringers, lad desired should be handed over to the custady of the belfry of St. Bartholonew's, Marsdeu. I was pleased to receive these useful gifts on behalf of tho lingers from Mr. J. E. Syke's brother, Majoz livederick Sykes, of Maradelr.-Yours faithfully,
F. SHATF.

## FALSE COMPOSITIONS OF ROB MAJOR

Mr. H. W. Gayton wites iliat a peal of Bob Major ( 5,056 chnnges) in the Beds Association Report for 1927, and a peal of 5,120 Bob Major in the "Beds Association and the Peterborough Diocesan Reports respectively for 1928, are bolll false, the trouble in each case being identical, viz., a lead in ench half repeating at the ls leads. Mr. Gayton has brought this to the notice of the hon. secretaries concerned, so that the peals may be withdrawn from the wecords.
Mr. A. Craven's composition published in 'The Ringing World' of April 5th is also false as it stands.

## IN CORNWALL.

Notice of a peal atteropt, which was suecessfu! and has aluady been recorded, was included in the usual Sunday notices by the Vicar of Perranarworthal, Cornwall. Unfortunately, however, he instructed his congregation that this would take place exactly a week earlier than the actual date.
Notices of this kind cerfainly give those who dislike prolonged ringing a chance to 'go out' for the evening, but on this occasion, if any left, they went prematurely

Mfr. A. R. Pink, of Dorking, who cordueted this peal had the misfortunc of standing in attempts that fajled for Grandsire Triples at St. Kea, Bob Minor at St. Erme, and Grandsire Triples at Phillack, on the previous Thursdey, Friday and Saturday respectively.

This 'minor' tour in humble methods concluded with a splendid peai at Truro, Tathedral on the 3rd jnst.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

## TEESDAY'S MEETING AT CHELMSFORD,

The thirty-seventh anmual meeting of the Central Council was hed in the Cathedral Hall, Chelmstord, on 'luesday, and was at tended by 78 members. Canon ( 7 . F. Caleridge (president) presided, and a welcome was extended to the members by Canon Morrow the Sub-Dean) and by the Mayor of Chelmsford.
The stafement of accounts was adopted. It showed receipts amounting to $£ 21 \mathrm{gs}$. $6 \mathbb{d}$. , and expenses emounting to $£ 165 \mathrm{~s}, 6 \mathrm{~d}$.

II'se receipts from the sale of publications was 265 s . 3 d ., but there was a loss of 2395 . on this accaunt.
The librarian's report was adopted, and it was resolved that the pamplilet on the "Preservation of Bells," which was out of print, should he revised and reprinted.

Rev. E. W. Carpenter, Mr. James George and Mr. H. W. Wilde were re-clected hon. members, and Mr. W. A. Cave was elected an hon. member.

After new members had been presented to the president, the Hon. Secretary (Mr. E. A. Young) reported the lose by death during the year of three members, Mr. J. D. Drewett, Alderman R. B. Chambers and Mr. R. Finlloway, and the members stood in silence as a mark of respect. He also reported that the Standiag Committee fad considered the guestion of general ringing on the day of national thanksgiving for the King's recovery, and it, was agreed that a letter of congratulation be sent to His Majesty with a record of the peals that are rung in comnection with the event.
The Roll of Fonour had been completed by the addition of six mares, and Mr. Carter's ringing machine was having a meu motor put to it. It was hoped this machine would be availatle for demonstration by Noversber.
The Peal Collection Committee"s report was brief, Mrs. Fletcher stating that the Rev. F. G. T. Richardson was now prowing the peals of Treble Boh with the tenors parted.
The Rer. F'Ll. Hedwards presenfed the Literatare and Press Commitfee's report, which commenters upon the generally satisfactory nature of press references to bells and belloinging, and anded a word oif waming that eareful watel should to kept on any legislation promoted to deal with noises, in order that mothing shonld creep in which would be detrimental to the ringing of clureh holls. Tho report asked that the members of the legal profession on the Council be asked to keep an eye on legislative measures af this nature and be prepared to take such action in conjunction with the Standing Committee as emergency might demand.
a sub-committee which has been revising the 'Rules for a Local ompany had, it was reported by Mr. E. W. Elwell, practically concluded fits labours, and a new edition woula shortly be printed.
As was expected, the report of the Methods Committee fpublished in 'The Ringing World of April 26th) aroused great controversy. Its acceptance was moved by the Rev. H. Law James, and seconded by Mr. J. A. Trollope in reasoned speeches.
Mr. W. Willson moved to refer it back for the feletion of the Morris and Pitman arrangemend of Grandsite Datbles, the Bankes James Cambridge Surprise Minor, and the Law James London Surprise Minot, on the ground that they were 'hopelessly false. "- Mr. James George seconded.

The debate was interrupted by the luncheon interval, and furing the aftornoon a number of members took part, and on a division the amendment was carried by 30 votes to 29 on a second count.
On heing put as a suhstanlive motion, however, Mr. Willsen"s esolution was defeated, and a deadlock was thus arrived at. At the suggestion of Mr. Trollope it. was eventually decided tu print ihese compositions in an appendix with a note that their puthlication did not commit anyone to the opinion that they were suratable to be used in a peal.

## This suggestion was adopted by 44 troteg to three.

The Peals Analyses Commitiee's roport, already publisbed, was adopted, on the motion of Mrs. Flecher, seconded by Mr. G. Williams.
Mr. J. Wy. Parker and the Rer. A. 'T'. Becsoti having resigned from the eomatitec, Mr. James George and Mr. G. $R$. Pye were adied to it, and the committee were thanked for their waluahle work.
The Towers and Belfifes Committec's roport (also already published 11 these columas) was adopted on the motion of the Ruv. C. W. $O$. Ienkyn, and the committee wore entrusted with the preparation of a revised edition of the book on the preservation of bells, which will include tho committee report on acoustics of towers.
The Records Committee's report, presented hy Mr. T. स. Beams, was adopted, as was also an imporiant and valuable report presented by Mr. F. A. Milne for the Legal Commitiee on "The Law Afecting Chureh Bells.

The Rev. E. S. Powell suggesten that the motion should read The Council then anme to the motions on the agenda, and anothet important discussion centred round that moved by Mr. R. Elyittington and seconded by Mr. A. H. Palling: "That this Coumeil will not recognise as a peal of Minor or Doubles any composition in which The bells do not strike in 720 or 120 different orders respectively

The Rev. E. C. Powel] suggested that the motion should read: - That the Conneil will not recognise as a peal of thor any compusitign in which each 720 is not true and complete, and wheh does nut start from and end with romds. -Mr . F. W. Pervens seconded.
Eventually the proposer and secouder withdrew then motion in favour of the amendment, but an amendment moved by the Rev. $\mathrm{r}^{\prime}$. Ll. Edwards, and seconded by Mr. C. I. Coles, wrs put, that furilier consideration of the matter be deferred until a futura meeting.-I'he amendment was declared corried by 34 or 35 votes to 24 , and was then adopted as the substantive metion.
In the absence of Mr. Elwell, who had had to leave early, the IRer. G. W. O. Jenkyn proposed: (a) That honorary members pay an affiliation fee of 5 s . each per anmum'; (b) 'That associations in futhre pay a fee of 5s. per representative per anmum.'-Rev. C. A. Clements seconded.-The first part (a) of the motion wes defeated, and 1 he second portion (b) was carried.
The following inotion, proposed by Rev. F. Drake and seconsled by Mr. C. J. Sedgley, was also approved: (a) "The Council asts each association to appoint anconstant to the Adrtsery Committee or Committees in its area'; (b) The Council asks eacla nssocration to malse every effort to get as many ringers an possible elected to Parochial Church Councits, to Diocesan Conferences and to the Charch Assembly.
On the proposition of Mr. J. S. Guldsmith, seconded hy Mr. ©. T. Coles, and supported by the hon. secretary, it was resolved that the rules of the Comneil be amended in order to provide that the notice and agenda of eacli annual meeting of the Council be published at least elight weeks, instcad of twelve weeks, prior to such meeting.
On belalf of Mr. Walter Ayre (who was unable to he present owing to illness), Mr. E. A. Young moved: That a committee be appomed to consider the best methen of dealing with eases of extroordinitry sickness amongst members of our affilated change ringeng absorlations, with power to report to the next anmual meetmo - Mr. A. George secollded.-The motion was negatived, tlie opinton of the mueting being that this was a matiter hest left in the hands of the asconiations themselves.

Next year's meeting falls to be held in London, and, amid applause, the Cauncil learned that tlie hon. secretary had been able to secure (subject to no unforeseen circumstances arising) the use of a room at Lambeth Palace for the meeting.
Mr. James George made a suggestion that the Council shond undertake the publication of a complete Airectary of ringtrs, and was informed by the president that a mater. of this kind eould only he discusser upon a formal resahtion, which he told Mr. George mist appear on the agenda.
A vate of congratulation to the president on his recoserg from his illness, and of thanks to him for the admirnble way in which he had presided over what was at times a difficult meeting, was passed on the motion of the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, seconded by Mr. IT Faulkner, and the meeting concluded at 5 p.m. with a vole of thanks to the Mayor, the Sub-Dern, Mr. Huward and the members of the Estex Association for the arrangements made for tho enmbrt of the members.

Afterwards the members and their friends were enterained to tea at the County Hotel by the Estex Association, and in tha evening, after ringing at the Cathedral, there was th social gathering at the hotel.
A full report of the proceedings will appear in subsequent issues
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## YOUNG RINGER'S DEATH

The S. Nicolas tower, Guildford, has lest a ralued rimger by the death of Sidncy Stedman Rafford at the early age af 1 合 years. The funeral took place ons Monday. May. 20th; and was attended by a number of ringers, a toweh af Grandsire Triples beng rung at
the graveside, and afterwards a quarter-peal of Stedman Truples the graveside, and afterwards a quarter-peal of Stedman Trupes
half-muffled on the S. Nicolas tover hells. The deepest sympathy is extended to Mr. Septimus Radiond, his father, who has been steeplekeeper for 35 years at this tower.

## BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION

A rery successinul meeting of the Bedford District was held at cided to hold this meeting at fhurleigh, but this arrangement laad to be altered at the last minuie owing to a death in the parish. Over 30 members, however, were present at Milton Earnest from the fotlowing towers: Bedtord, Cardinglum, Thurleigh, Kheysor, Riseley,
Farrold, Turvey, Clapham, Bromham, Kempston, Wilden, Roxton, Milton Ernest, Sundy, Higgleswade and Oflep, Herts, and methods ranging from Grandsire to London Minor were rung during the afternoou and evening.
pleasant feature of the meeting was the election of eight nuw mombers, and another was the number of young ringers present, It was agrear to holf the next meeting at Cople on Juthe lat.

KNIGHTON, RADNORSHIRE.-At St. Edward's Church, on April 10th, in 4 mins. a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes): W. Watkins $1, A . E$, Jones 2, J. J. Price (first quarter as conduetor) $3_{1}$ T. F. Preece 4, W. J. Beniams 5 , ( $\ddagger$. C. Abley 6 .

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION'S JUBILEE.

## MONDAY'S OELEBRATFON AT CHELMSFORD. FIFTY YEATA OE PROGRESS.

The jubileo celebration of the Essex Assuciation at Chelmsford on Whit Morday brought together a laree turaber of roembers from all parts of the coanlfy and representatives of many other associations attendel to show thoir inderest ins the proceedings and to extend their vongratulations to the association upon the interesting cwnt. The association was founded on Whit Monday, 1879, at Writtle, by the Rev. J. is. Seamn, who was then priest-in-charge of that parish. THe preliminary raceting held at Writule Vicarage on May 9th, 1879, was attendel by representatives from six neighbouring parishes. At this meeting a set of vules was drawn up, and it was ciecided to circularise every incumbent, elhurchwarden and bend uf ringers altached to lowers of live bells and upwards in the county invising then to Whittle on the following Whit Mondry. The inangural meting was attended lyy clergy, churchwardens and fortyseven ringers from fiffon parishes, and the association was duly latanched. Of those present at that first meeting only six are known to be alive to-day, wiz. Messrs. W. Hawkes (Springfield), W. Benrman (Bocking), F. Rudkin, T. Edwards and T. Watgon (Braintree), and 13, Keble (Romford). Messrs. Rudkia and Hawkes are stilj members of the association. The Rev. J. B. Scaman, who eonvened Ilu preliminary meeting, was appointed the firsi hon, secretary. He held oflice for forr years, and zesigned on going to Manitoba to join his son there. He was suceeeded ly the Rev. F. A. Cockey, who Jold tha prailion mutil 1886, whas the Rev. T. L. Papillon whs electen!. [huring jis term of ofliec, the association made great strides, and by 1901 the membersing hati inereased to 532 . The country was h hon divided into four divisions, each with its own Distriet Master and Secretary.
At the same time another new office was created in the appointment of a Mastor for tite whole associstion. To this position the Rey. T. L. Papillon was elected, and held office until 1909, whon he left the county. The Rev. H. T. W. Eyre, who had acted as nssistent secretary since 1890, was appointed to succeed Canon Prpillon an hon. secretary and trensurer. He remained in office until 1921, when the presout estemorl secretary and treasurer, Mr. F., J. Pitatow, wats elected. During the time the Rev. H. T. W. Tyre held office the association increased in urnibers and usefubsess under bis able guidance. Upon the resignation of Chnon Papillon Mr. C. H. Howard was appointerl Mnster, and has leeld office up to tho present time.
flo-day here are in the connty 3 rings of twelve bells, 3 nf ten, 45 of eiglat, 63 of six, and 60 of fire, making a total of 174 rings of five bells nud upwatels. Of these, 93 ate in union with the :association.
A vevival in the restamation of hells las taken place in the county duriag the last twenty yenth, in no small measure due to the advocacy ai the Mastor, ank a great many augmentations and rehanginge abe due to the association's efforl's and infuence. Among them is the ring of 12 for the Cathedral to which the association gave the treble beil, being the firsl association of vingers in the country to make sueln $n$ gift. At this times, when the association is celebrating its juhiler, $t$ be memherghip is the highest ret attained, It exceeds the remod nf last yoar by 24, fad is made up as follows. Hon. memhers 89, resident vinging menbms 760 , mon-resident ringing nemlers 215, тmiking a tatal of $1,064$.

## A WORK OF 'IRFMENDOUS IMPORTANCD.

Montay s gatlacting was holh harge and successful. Menbers were presenl frone at disiciets ann most of the afliliated towors. In actdition there were many mombers of the Central Council from rislant payts of Ergand who hat arrived lon the proccedings on Tuesday, ant samething apponthing 300 riugers must have wisited Chemsford Io share in the celchation, which officially began with serveb is the Gnthental. The building was woll Ghed, and the singing was led hy the organ. The nssociation's eustomary form was used, und ilie sermon was preacled by the wewly-enthroned Bishop of Chelmsfori, who, ns presinent of the association, thet the members for the first time Ho expressed lis pleasure at meeting so many of them, and in taking a prominent parbiti thab service, which was a kind of anunal consecration and rededication of the work in which they were nugaged. They wera, he said, a people who pratised and preserved ant mut intimately mssociater with the romantie, sentimental and profenmell roliglous moments in the lives of the eommunity, and a prople who wore doing on work of tremendons importance in our mational life to-dry. They worn living, be said, in days when every institution and overy sachely was being elallenged with the questina, 'What is the good of it?' Tha test of value in these days was generrlly the tesli of cmade raim. They could say quite tuly that hellringers were not essential to life; that they did not increase the national inome, or make nuy wombribution to the incrense of exports nr imporis. They could not pass any financial tests, and in the spirit which prevailed in many directions today they might say there was mu place for tho hellringer-lof hian go. lBut that, lie thought, was
a mislake of the most serious kind. There were certain cmbellish ments and adornments in life which were absolutely essential. Who could deny that life to-day would be infuitely poorer if it were sbom of the multitude of things that lad no value in $£ \mathrm{~s}$. X .? He looked ifpon beliringing as one of those adornments and cmbellishments of life, one of the things which beatigid worship, and he said without hesitation that if an arl of that kind were banished from among them, their moral and spiritual life would be so much the poorer. The work in which the ringers were engaged was a boattifirl and gracious contribution to life to-lay, and he hoped the day would never come when worship would be robbed of the art of the change ringer. In giving the ringers a message, the Bishop quoted an inseription to be foum? on a bell at Colchester: ' Different in size, in note, and weight, both small and great we harmonjse." That was a thought whicis lie would ask them to carry away with them. They were all different in size, in note mul in weight diffecent in maral and plysical and inteliectual weight-but could it be said of tham that, small and great, they harmonised Were they cach making their contribution towards the common stock, which was essential if there was to be harmony among them? They had eacla a contribuLion to make to the common stock; a coniribution for the common well-toing; but if it were made by them all, then, 'different in size


MR. C. H. HOWARD
Twenty years Master of the Essex Association.
and note, both small and great, we harmonise.' If the bells Lhey lung taugit them that priceless lesson, their lises would be enuiched and blessed by the dignified work in which they were engaged.

## THE BUSINEGS MEETING.

After the service, at which a collection was taken for the association's bell restoration fund, the members adjonned to the Cathedral Hall, where the Bishop presided over the annual business meeting, and was supported on the platiform by Canon Morrow, the new Rector and Sub-Dean of Chelmsford, the Mastor (Mr. C. H. Howned), the hon. secretary (Mr. F. J. Pitstow), and four of the original members of the sociaty, Massis. W. Hawkes, W. Bearman, F. Rudkin and T. Bdwards.

The Master extended a weleome to Lhe Bishop and the Sub-Dean, and, laving expressed therassocialion's deep regret at the deetla of Canon Lake, the compriny stood in silence as a mark of respect.

The Bishop thanked the menhers for the honour they bad done him in electing hiru as president. He said the could not but feel, as
lie looked ronud that gathering, what a fice body of people they were. To find so many ready to turn up at the annual meeting was a most impressive thing. It was particularly pleasing to see so many yuung men anozg them, apparently determined to carry on the fine iradition associated with bellcinging. In carrying on this work, these young men were doing something of great value, and he congratulated them and the association as weli (applause).
The business of the meeting was then proceeded tith, and under the able guidance of the Bishop was disposed of with commendable dispateh.

The report and balance shect were first adopted.

## STILI 4 HCOPE FOR EXPANSION.

In his annual report the Master remarked that even with the present record membership of 1,064 there is ample scope for increase, A considerable number of towers, especially in the outlying villages, are not yet affilated, and change ringing is not yet praclised. He appealed to those mare fortunate members in the parishes where the art is firmly established to pay visits during the summer montlis to some of those towers, a word of encouragement, and, where possible, to offer their services as instructors, and so give their less fortunately placed fellow-ringers an opportuaty to acquire the art.
The Master also commented upon the number of belfy improvements that had taken place during the year, and remarked that the tifty peals rung, althongin rather less than the previons year, made
very creditathe list. The peal of Superlative Maxinus at the Cathedral, and New Cambridge and Kent Surprise Major at Harlow Common wore each tho first in the method by the association. The peat of Spliced Surprise Minor in twenty-two methods at Chigwell Row by the Leytonstone hand was a very remarkable performance requiring great concentration of mind, and deserved special mention. The association was again indebted to W. Kceble for his indefatigable surviecs as conductor in 19 peals in nine diferent towers. Quite a number of young menbetz had been piloted by him through their first peal, or first peal in a Surprise method, during the year. The finmacial statement was quite satisfactory. Including the balance in hand from last year, the total income from all sources in the general secretary's account amounted to 270 . 15 s . 5 . $£ 3517 \mathrm{~s}$. 8d., leaving a balance in hand of $£ 2417 \mathrm{~s}$. 9d. The balance of the Bell Restoration Fund was gradually inereasing. Grants of £2 2s. to Firndon, $£ 3$ 3s to Great Bardield, aud $£ 2$ 2s. to Safirou Walden had beon made, feaving a balance in hand of a2l $15 s .10 d$. The reserve find had increased from $£ 178$ I4s. 3 d . to $£ 1866 \mathrm{~s}$. 7 d .
A large measure of the association's success was due to the exeelleat services rendered by the officers, and for the ready co-operafion given by the clergy, without whose assistance it would be almost impossible to continue, and the association tender to them their grateful thanks. Encouraged with such a past recora, the Master appealed in the members to go forward wilh renewed effort, sireagthened by the spirit of holberhoor and fellowship, determined to mecomplish even better results it the future, ever remembering the responsibilities of their office of summoning the people to public worship

## MASTER'S 2Ist ELEGTION.

The Master was unanimously elected for the twenty-first time with qpplause, on the motion of Mrr. T. Faulkner, seconded by Mr. Butler. Mr. Pitstow was re-olented hon. seeretary, and heartily thanked for his past eervices, the Master mentioning tho long coninction which the Pitstow family liad Lad with the associstion, and the work which they lad done for it.

The five memhers, to act with the officers on the committee, were re-clectod, viz., Dr, Spencer Phillips, Messrs. W. Keeble, W. Lincaln, T. Faulkner and F. Dench. A vacancy on the peal committee, caused by the death of Mr. F. Pitstow, was filled by the election f Mr. Fi. L. Joyee, the other members (Messers. T. Faulkner, G. R. Preand W. Keeble) beirg re-elected, as were also the association's reptesentatives on the Oontral Comencil, Messrs. C. H. Howard, G. R.
Pye, W. J. Nevard and E. J. Butler, for ilie triennial term commencing in 1930.

The anditors, Messis. W. F. Theobald and G. W. Faulkner, were e-elecied, same amusement being caused by the suggestion that their salary should be doubled. Evpitually they were elected at the same salary as heretofore, but, as the Bishop pointed out, this did ot matter one way or the other; the amount was the samenothing.

> A number of new members were elected, including Canon Mor- row, the Rey. H. V. Rinss (Viear of Harwich), as hon. members, amb Messrs. C. H. Jennings (Weymouth), W. H. Sluker (Manches(es'), rad J. Funt (Taunton as life nembers.
Mr. T. Edwards, one of the foundation members, expressen his plrasure at baing present at tre jubilee meeting, and recalled the formation of the association and some of his experiences in ringing those early days in the Braintree district.
Mr. Faulkner invited the association to hold a meeting at Barking in September in connection with the trankegiving which was then to he held to colcbrate the completion of the restoration of the church.

At the suggestion of Mr. L. Wiffelz the Master undertook that the committee should consider the question of making a contribution to the Canon Lake memorial.
Canon G. F. Coleridge (president of the Central Council), who had arrived durfug the meeting, extended congrafulations to the asseciation upon celebrating ifs jubilee. He cousd, he said, go back to the time wheu the association was founded. One of the prime movers was a dear ald friend of his, the Rev. H. A. Cockey. They were undergraduates together af Oxford, and both learned to ring there. Mr: Cookey began by lielping to form a county association. and if ha had been alive he would have been a leadigg spirit there that day, and would have been overjoyed at that large assembly of ringers, properly taken notice of by their Bishop. Fe wished them all success in the future, and hoped by the time they kept their second jubilee their numbers would not only be doubled but, rather, trebled or quadrupled (applanse).

The Master proposed a vote of thanks to the Bishop for preaching Lo them, to Canon Morrow for the use of the Catherlral and the bells, and to the other iacumbents of neiglbouring churches who hari placed bells at their disposal.

Canon Morrow replied, and promised that anything he could do to further the interesis of the association in tho tower of the Cathedral or in any other way lie would be plensed to do for them.
Tuncheon was afterwards served in the Corr Exchange, when oren 250 sat down. The chair was taken by the Bishop, who was supported hy the Mayor and Mayoress of Chelmsford, Canor Morrow Mr. C. H. Howard, Rev. Camon Coleridge, Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn (Master of the Oxford Guild), Mr. E. A. Young (hon. secretary of the Central Councily, Mr. W. Pye Master of the Middlesex Asstrciation), Mr. F. J. Pistow, Mr. T. Faulkner, Mr. W. J. Nevard Mr. E. J. E3utler, Mr. Black, etc.

## MAYORAL THEORY OF THE FLRST BELL.

The Bishop proposed the toast of 'The King,' ant the gayor sul)mitted 'The Church,' in which be was hath grave and gay. He of ten had wondered, he said, who invented the bell, and he had come to the conolusion that a Mayor must have had something to do with it. As they had recognised, Mayors were pretty good people ins turning up at feasts (laughter). In primitive times Mayors and councillors, when thay assembled to dine, ofton prepared their meals in a pot over a camp fire, and in that he saw the discovery of the bel (laghter). He could imagine same Mayor laving had a good dinner round the camp fre, and, at the conclusion of the meal, taking up his mace and timkling the pot which had contained lais dinner, with the mace. He thus discovered the solaist quality of a hemispherical measure (laughter). Having grt their bells, they got campanologists, and lience mayors aud bellriugers' luncheons seemed baund up fagether (laughter). The Major went on to voice appreciation, on behalf of the public, of the manner in which the ringers devoted themselres to their work in the cause of lhe Church. Bells, he said, were the woice of the Church: they louchod and searched the hearts of young and old, and their speech and meaning was manifold.
The Bishop replica to the toast, and Canon Morrow proposer 'The Essex Association,' referring to its magnificent growth, which he attributed largely to the untiring efforts of Mr. Howird (applave). Canon Morrow proved that he mas no shanger to abelfry, and caused amusement by relafing an exporicnce in West Han belfry many yerrs ago, when he and a frieud, who rose to a high position in the Navy, were both swung up by the tevor hell, anm had their heads knocked together in the process.

Mr. Howard, replying to the toast, disclaimed the credit given him for the success of the association, and said it was due to the excellent officers which the association had had during its whole history. Mr. Howard briefly reviewed the progress of the association and referted to the fact that a great many belis in Essex liad been restored through the efforts of the association. They had suceeeded fro stopping the pernicious practice of 'clocking,' which had cracked so many ancient belis, and added that much greater care was taken
of bells than used to be the case. Wherever there was a band of change ringers they would find that the bells were properly cared for, which proved that the assooiation was fulfilling a valuable duty The association had of many occasims been the means of getting belts rehung where they would not otherwise lave been touched. At such towors they usualif held a mbeting and put hefore the authorities the need for improvement, and they usually foum that they were well supported. The Master went on to refor to the iuterest and entlusiasm which many of their members maintained, and spoke of the fact that Essex had produced some of the finesl ringers nad composers known to the Fxercise. Thes wore particulayly fortunate in having lad among them the $\mathbf{P}_{y}$ family, who hegan their ring. ing at a live-bell tower, and had become the most remarkatile family of ringers in the country (applause). The spirit. of brotherhood which existed among ringers was, said Mr. Howard, largely responsible for the success of all their associations. There was no stwonger brotherlhood existing in any branch of the Church morethan existed among the ringors of to-day (applause).
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## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

## JHCEETER BRANCH'S RECORD MEETING

The annual meetiug of the Bicester Branch was held at Ambrosden On Saturday, May 4 th, 43 being present, including Rev. W. O'Rieley (chairman), Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn (Guild Master), Mr. A. J. Wripht (treasurer), Mr. F. T. Hibbert (secretary), Rev. C. E. Edwards (Piddington), Rev. Oake (Ambrosden), and representatives of Bicester, Islip, Middleton, Stoney, Launton, Caversfield, WiddingIon Lowers, und visitors from Tring, Burford, Oxford, Abingdon and Heyfori. Several excellent tauches in various methots were rung in the afternoon, after which the Guild service was condueted by Rev. Oake, a parlicuiarly interesting sermon beiug preached by Rev, Dr. Bualier (Rector of Charlton-on-Otmover), from the 122 nd Fselm words, 'I was glati wien they said unto me, we will go into the House of the Lord,'
After the service, the party alljourned to the Vicarage, where an excellent repast wus waiting. Ai the meeting which followed, the branch chairman (Rev. W. O'Rieley) extended a welcome, and said how pleased he was to sce so many present. It was easily the largest number at a branch mecting.
The hon. secretary gave his zeport, which was considered lighly gatisfactory. The balance sheet whs next presented, and was adopited.
Rev. Orke next apoke of the work that had been carricd out at Ambrosden, the ring of six bells laving been augmented to cight by the addition of two new trebles, and said how very much he had to thank Mr. F. Sharpe, of Launton, for his invaluable services during the carrying out of the seleme. The branch also accorded to hima their appreciation of all the time and energy he had spent to make the alterations in success.
ftev. O'Ricley was umanmously re-elected chairman of the hraweh will acelemation. The Jon. secretary and treasurer, Mr. E. A. Clifton, was re-olected, andi the representatives on the Guild Committes (Mr. F. Sharpe and Mr. F. Neale) were also re-elected.

Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, Mr. IR. I. Hibbert and Mr. Wright each gave an interesting address. Thwo new members were elected (one honorary and one ringing membory.

Yotes of thanks were passed to Rev. Dr. Busher for his address, Mrs. Oake for her gervices at the organ, and Rev. Oake for all his trauble in arranging the meeting and tea, and making the whole proceedings a great success. Later there was some excellent vinging on the bells.

The Yisitors (Cantilued from previous page.
Rov. C. W. O. proposed ly Mr. Black, was jesponded to by the

## Master's services recognised.

An intercsting presentation to the Master was then made by Mr. IT. Faulkner, who, on behalf of the members, handed to Mr. Howard a handsome silver toa and coffee service. It had been said in 'Tle Ringing World 'last week that the Essex Association was a virile association, and that the oflicers were tactful and energetic. Not the least tactful and not the least energetic, proceeded Mr. Faulkner, had been their Master, and they desired to give him some siight recognition of the taet and energy which he had shown in the work of the associntion for many years. 'That gift was a tangible tokeu of their affection and regard. That day he entered upou his 21st year as Master. He (Mr. Faulkner) proposed lim on whe first occasion, and ho was thankful to have been there to propose him on the 21st (applause). Mr. Howard had been one of the most kindly and complacent Masters of any association in any part of the country. He had made them feel that ho was not their Master but their brether (appleuse). Whoever had suggested the form of the present must have had a thought for Mrs. Howard and the saerifices she must have male in sparing ber husband to do so much for the association. Hu hoped Mr. and Mrs. Howard would use this service, and every time they used it would remember that it was a present from the ringars of Essex in appreciation of what they had done for the Essex Association. The teayot was inscribed, 'Presented to Charles $H$. Alownrd by the Pssex: Assuciation in appreciation of hia services as Muwnrd by the
Mister, $1909-1929$.

Tho gift was Inanded to Mr. Howard nmid cheers, followed by the siaging of 'For he's a jolly good fellow.' The Master had to acknowledge that fie had been taken complately by surprise. He expressed his gratitude for the gift, nand satd that as long as the association required his serrices it would be his eadeavour to serve them as faithfully as he had dons in the past.
'llus concluded tho specch waking, and the members dispersed to the many towers in the district, where they enjoyed ringing throughout the rest of the day. The twelve bells at the Cathedral were the centre of attiraction, but private cars ant specialiy chartered buses took vieitors to Writule, Widford, Galleywood, Gruat Baddow, Great Waltham and Borelam, whicla all have peals of eight, and Broomfielld end Springlield, which have rings of six.
The day wns one of the most successful and enjayable in the long history of the rasociation.

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637)-Meetings for practice will be held at *St. Michael's, Cornbill, on the 28th and St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 30 th; bath at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-A meeting of the Ely Archdeaconry will be held at Sawston (8) on Saturday, May ${ }^{5} 5$ th. A good attendance is requested. Election of district ringing master, etc.-F. Warrington, Dis. Sec., Longstanton, Cambs.
ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Western Division.-A meeting will be held at Bentey on Saturday, May $25^{\text {th. }}$. Bells (5) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5.15. The Church of St. Paul, Bentley, is situated on the main Brentwood-Ongar Road, 3 miles from Brentwood, 4 from Ongar. Buses leave Brentwood (Yorkshire Grey) at 3, 3.30 and 4 p.m. - E. J. Butler, Dis. Sec., 3, Eustace Road, Chadwell Heath, Essex.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.-The next monthly meeting will be held at Clifton, near Rugby, on Saturday, May ${ }^{2} 5^{\text {th, }}$, instead of on the 1 Sth, as previously arranged. A plain tea will be provided at the Vicarage, by Kind invitation of the Vicar.-Miss D. E. Lewis, Hon. Sec., Firholm, King Edward Road, Nuneaton.

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.-A ringing meeting will be held at Edenbridge on Saturday, May ${ }^{25}$ th. Tower open 2.45.-George Lambert, Drummond Hay, Fast Grinstead.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Northern District.-A meeting will be held at Royston on Satu!day, May 25 th. The bells (8) will be available at 3 p.m. Short service at 5 p.m., to be followed by tea and business meeting. As Mr. Cowper, 88, Melbourn Road, Royston, is arranging the tea will all members who require tea notify him? A good attendance is requester. All ringers and friends welcome. - Donald C. Mears, Hon. Dis. Sec., The School House, Offley, Hitchin.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Guildford District. - District meeting at Chiddingfold on Saturday, May ${ }^{25}$ th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., followed by tea (is.) and business meeting.-G. L. Grover Hon. Sec., Merrow Cottage, East Clandon, Guildford.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Lougrlhborough District.-The next meeting will be held Whitwick on Saturday, May ${ }^{25}$ th. Bells (8) ready 3.30 p.m. All ringers and friends weicome.-D. S. Collins, Hon. Dis. Sec.

ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD. - The monthly meeting of the above Guild wiil be held at Ald ington (by kind invitation of the Rev, G. S. and Mrs. Long) on May 25 th. Mr. Slingsby's 92 nd birthday party. Bells available $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. It is hoped as many members as possible will attend. - A. J. Battin, Hon. Sec., Heronden Hall Gardens, Tenterden.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Maidstone Dis-rict-A bye-meeting will be held at Bearsted on Saturday, May 25th. Tower open at 3- Service at 4.30. Tea, by kind invitation, after service. All ringers wel-come.-C. H. Sone, Hon, Dis. Sec., Bungalow, Linton, Maidstone.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Luton District. -A meeting will be held at Woburn on Saturday, May. 25th. The bells (8) will be available at 3 p.m.-A. E. Sharman, Hon. Sec., 199, High Street N., Dunstable.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION. Bristol Branch. - The next meeting will be held on Saturday, May ${ }^{2} 5$ th, at Winterbourne. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service (probably) 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Will all members make an effort to attend.-G. Way, ra, Seymour Road, Bishopston, Bristol.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-V.W.H. Brancls.The annual meeting at Faringdon, Saturday, May $25^{\text {th }}$. Tower open 3 . Service 3.30 .

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northern Branch. The annual meeting will be held at Gainsborough on Saturday, May $25^{\text {th. }}$. Service 4 p.m. Preacher: Dean of Lincoln. Tea, $4 \cdot 45$, in the Parish Church Institute. Bells (8) available 2 to 9. All welcome. -F. S. W. Butler; Hon. Sec., 43, Etherington Street, Gainsborougl.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at Guiseley on Saturday, May 25 th. Bells available from $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Usual arrangements.-H. Lofthouse, Hon. Sec., 8, Wortley Road, Armley.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Derby District. - The next monthly meeting will be held at Ripley on Saturday, May ${ }^{2} 5$ th. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. Business neeting in belfry 4.30 p.m. Tea can be had at Hutchison Café, Market Place. All ringers weicome.-Geo. Freebrey,Local Sec., 8ı, Roe St., Derby.

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at Thorne on Saturday, May ${ }^{2} 5^{\text {th. }}$. Bells (8) ready early. Will all ringers please make own arrangements for tea? A good attendance is requested. - P. Gledstone, Hon. Sec., 34, Silverwood View, Conisborough.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Peak Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held at Great Longstone, near Bakewell, on Saturday, May 25th. Church of St. Giles' ( 6 bells, tenor 12 cwt ). Available afternoon and evening. Tea and meeting at The Crispin at 5 p.m., is. 6 d . each. Please send names in. Reports available. Subscriptions due. Members from other districts cordially invited.-J. E. Lewis Cockey, Hon. Dis. Sec., Leamwood, Dore.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch. -The next ringing practice has been arranged at Amersham on Saturday, May 25 thl, at 3.30 p.m. Tea, at is. per head, for those who notify me not later than May zand. - A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. - Northerm Branch. -The annual meeting will be lreld at Gainsborough on Saturday, May 25 th. Service 4 p.m. Preacher: Dean of Lincoln. Tea, $4+45$, in the Parish Chutrch Institute. Members free, non-members is. gd. Bells (8) available 2 to g. All welcome.-F. S. W. Butler, Hon. Sec., 43, Etherington Street, Gainsborough.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northern Branch. -A meeting of the Sleaford District will be held at Heck-ington on Saturday, June rst. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. Those requiring tea must inform me on or before Wednesday, May 2gth.—Reginald Scott, Westlea House, Sleaford.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch. The next meeting will be held at Leigh on Saturday, June ist. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.-Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., 203, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-North and East District.Next meeting at Pinner, Saturday, June ist. Bells fromy 3 p.m. Service at 5 , tea (usual terms) and meeting tofollow. Please advise me of tea requirements not later than May 2gth. A nice summer outing, lovely bells and. pretty country! Cheap trains from Baker Street, and other Metropolitan Stations.-C. T. Coles, Hon, Sec., 21, Vincent Road, E.4.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Annual general meeting will be held at Portsmouth on Saturday, June ist. Meeting at 2.30 p.m. in St. Mary's Parish Institute. Service at 4 p.m. at St. Mary's, Portsea. Tea at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. in Institute. Towers oper for ringing : Cathedral (8), 12 to 2 p.m. and during the evening, St. Mary's (8), during afternoon (if meeting finishes early) and evening. Numbers for tea by May 29th to Mr. F. W. Rogers, 52, Samuel Road, Portsmouth. All ringers and friends welcome.-G. Pullinger, Sec.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-The next meetitig of the Bedford District will be held at Willington (6) on Saturday, June ist. Belis available 2.30 p.m. Tea at 5 . Cople bells are not available for this meeting.J. T. Newington, Hon. Dis. Sec., $3^{2}$, Grafton Road, Bedford.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.-The annual. general meeting will be held at East Retford on Saturday, June ist. Bells of East Retford (ro), West Retford and Ordsall (6) will be at disposal of ringers early. Meat tea will be provided at Cooke's Café at 5 p.m. Divine. service 4.15 p.m. to 4.50 p.m. Preacher : Rev. H. R. Peel, Vicar of Cuckney. Please notify Mr. D. A. Piercy, 60, Wharton Street, Retford, number for tea. Members from kindred associations will be heartily welcomed.-H. Haigi and H. Revill, Hon. Secretaries.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Farnham District. -The next district meeting will be held at Bagshot on June ist. Bells (8) 3- Service $4-45$. Tea, in Parisly Hall, 5.30 p.m. A good attendance is requested at this meeting. Numbers for tea must be sent to Mr. F. Nye, Lynhurst, Bagshot, before May zoth. - B. H. Clark, Hon. Dis. Sec.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Bromyard Dis-trict.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Whitbourne on Saturday, June ist. Bells (6) available 3 o'clock. Service $4 \cdot 30$. Tea provided for those only notifying meby Wednesday, May $29 t h .1$ A. Tomkins, Dis. Sec., Post Office, Bredenbury.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Burton District. - The nest district meeting will be held at Measham on Saturday, June ist. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. Ten (gd. per head) only to those notifying me by May 2gth. Reports (Gd.) may be obtained. A good attendance requested.-Joln Leach, Hon. Dis. Sec.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUiLD.-Devizes Branch. The monthly meeting will be held at Bromham on Saturday, June 1 st. Bells (6) ready 3 p.m. Service 4.40 . Tea 5. Rowde bells (6) also available afternoon and evening. Bus service from Devizes to Rowde ( 2 miles), Bromham ( 4 miles).-F. Green, Hon. Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes.

NORTH STAFFS AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. -A meeting will be held at Broughton ( 8 bellis) on Saturday, June ist. Tea will be provided for all who notify the Rev. J. B. Frith, The Rectory, Swynnerton, near Stone, Staffs, before May 2gth.—C. S. Ryles, Hon. Sec.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. - Next meeting will be held at Bolsover, June ist. Bells will be oper early. Tea, at 5 , to all who let Mr. J. Flint, 45, Oxcroft Lane, Bolsover, know before the 3oth. Entries will le received for ringing contest to be held at Ecclesfeld in July.-R. Harrison, Hon. Sec., 41, Baltic Road, Sheflield.

DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Smethwick on Saturday, June ist. Beils available 3 o'clock. Service in church 4.30. Tea and business meeting afterwards. - Herbert Sheppard, Hon, Sec., in 3 , Himley Road, Dudley.

PEIERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northampton Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at Dallington, Northampton, on Saturday, June ist. Bells (6) 2.30 , service 4.15 , tea at 5 o'clock. Business important. Will all who require tea please notify me not later than Tuesday, May 28th ?-T. Tebbutt, West Street, Moulton, Northampton

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.- Wimborne Branch.-A quarterly meeting is to be held at Kingston, near Corfe Castle, on Saturday, June ist. Ringing from 3, service 4.30 , tea 5.55.-C. A. Phillips, Hon. Branch Sec.

NOTTINGHAM SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS (Established 1672). - A meeting of the above will be held at Bottesford on Saturday, June ist. Tower open 3 p.m. All ringers welcomed.-F. Blood, Hon. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch. -A meeting will be held at East Crompton on Saturday, June ist. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting at 6.30 p.m.-William Horan, Branch Sec., 2, Greenhirst Hey, Todmorden.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis-trict.-A bye-meeting will be held at Petham (6) on Saturday, June Sth. Bells available from 3 p.m. So that arrangements may be made for tea, will those intending being present kindly notify me on or before Thursday, Iume 6th? - Percy W. Smith, Hon. Sec., Fair View, Littlebourne, Canterbury

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Fylde Branch.-A mecting will be held at St. Cuthbert's Church, Lytham (S bells) on Saturday, June 8th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Meeting 6 p.m.-C. Sharples, 0 , Warbreck Road, Blackpool.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Liverpool Branch. - A meeting will be held at Sefton on Saturday, June Sth. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea by kind invitation of the Rector) and meeting to follow. Archdeacon Howson will be present. Members are asked to make a special effort to attend this meeting and notify
me before Tuesday, Juna 4 th, of their intention of doing so.-Claude I. Davies, Branch Sec., Caerleon, Dunbabin Road, Wavertree.

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. Hoylandswaine Cup Contest. - Open to all towers in above association. Will be held on Saturday, June isth. It is hoped all will join at once. The last practice day is June 1st. Draw 2.45. First band to compete at 3.15 . All ringers and friends are invited. Tea will be provided in Parochial Church Room, is. 6d. each. It is essential for number to be sent to Mr. L. Wilkinson, Jackson Terrace, Hoylandswaine, near Penistone, before June 12th. The village is purely agricultural, and no other accommodation for tea exists.-C. D. Potter, Hon. Sec.

ST. CLEMENT YOUTHS.-St. Clement Danes, Strand. - Practice, Wednesday nights, from 7 to 8.30 p.m. Annual outing on Saturday, June 22nd, to Strat-ford-on-Avon, in conjunction with the parish outing. Train leaves Paddington Station at in. 28 a.m. Fare 5 . Will all members desiring to attend please advise secretary at once? -W. Pennington Bickford, M.A., Rector; F. W. H. Sergison, Hon. Sec.

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GOSPEL OAK.-At St. Martin's Church, on Whit Sunclay evening, 720 changes of Bob Minor: A. Harwin 1, R. Newman 2, F. Bonfield 3, E. Young 4, E. Bonfield (condueior)' 5, A. Bonfield 6. Rung to commenorato the dedication of the new Vestry Fall by the Bislop of Willesden. All are regular Sunday service ringers.
KNIGHTON, RADS. On Whit Sunday, May 19th, at St. Edwards Church, for morning service, \& quarher-peni of Bob Minor ( 1,260 changes) in 44 mins.: E. W. Watkins 1, R. H. Jones 2; A. E. Jones 3 , TT. F. Preece 4, W. JT. Gouglı S, S. Evans (conductor) 6, G. C. Abhey 7.

FAIRFORD, GLOS.-On Sunday, Nay 5th, for morning serviee, a quarter-peal of Bob Minor ( 1,260 clannes) in 45 mins : G. Law 1 , B. Guy 2, G. J. Winter 3, J. Hope (conkuctor) 4, H. Acook 5, J. Smith (first quarter-peal in the method) 6.
HOLBORN.-Dn Sundar, May 5th, for evening service. a quarterpal of Kent Trebse Bob Major: J. Bulfock 1, W. Ide 2, W. J. Norton 3, C. J. Chooet 4, F. Dighy 5, J. S. Hawkins 6, A. C. Darnell 7. E. Brett (conductor) 8. This was arranged for Mr. W. Idle, of Dewsbury, Yorkshire.
DUNSTABLE-On May 51 h , for matins, 672 Cambridge Surprise Major: E. B. Ghappell 1, Q. Rollings 2, G. H. Sentance (longest leugth of Siurprise) 3, A. V. Good 4, C. Ei. King 5, G. Heley 6, A. G. Mathews 7, A. E. Sharman 8.

LFISTON, SCFFOLK.-On Sunday afterveon, April 28 th, for the inclustrial service, 1,056 Superlative Surprise Major: R. C. Kersey 1, Tony Price (longegt length) 2, O. F. Bailey (conductor) 3, A. Keeble 4, F. J. Smith 5, E. S. Bailey 6, C. Sampson 7, J. G. Rumsey 8. REIGATE-On Sunday, April 14th, for evening service, a quar-ter-peal of Grandsire Caters (I, 259 changes) : G. Stemp 1, Miss J. M. Melville 2. C. Kippen 3, M. Northover 4, A. Bashiord 5, J. Foster 6, G. F. Hoad (conductor) 7, H. Hooper 8, W. Claydon 9, A. Cbeasley 10.

HORNSEY.-At St. Mary's Cburch, on Sunday, April 14 th, for morming service, 720 Bob Minor ( 42 Singles) in 28 mins.: G. W. Blee 1, E. G. Hibble 2, F. G. Symonds 3, F. Fensom 4, M. Fengom 5, J. G. Nash (conductor) 6.

LYMINGE.-On April I4th, for evening service, a guarter-peal of Grandsire firiples ( 1,260 changes) in 46 mins. : G. Sheppard 1 , A. Webb 2, E. Hobden 3 , $G$. Webb (first cuarter-peal as conductor) 4 , A. Tanton 5, J. Sken 6, J. Reeves 7, R. Webb 8.

FEESTED.-On Sunday, April 7th, at the Church of the Holy Cross, for matios, 720 Kent Treble Bob: W. R. Haslen 1, F. Jacob 2, A. F. Farrow 3, H. Ebert 4, W. T. Farrow 5, J. Wood (conductor) 6. Firge in the method and by the local band, and first as conductor. GORTON, MANCHESTER-An Sunday, April 7h, at Brookfeld Church, for service, 504 Stediman Tripies: F. Knott 1, A. Barnes 2, E. Seduon 3, E. Mawhy 4, J. Fearnhead 5, H. Gaskill 6, C. Ollier (conductor) 7, G. Eaton 8. All except the riuger of the 2ad are service ringers at the abowe church. Longest length in the method for the treble, $2 n d$ and 4 th ringers.

ROTHWELL, YORKS.-At Holy Trinity Charch, on Sunday, Aprif 7th, for eung Mnss, 720 Norbury Treble Bob Minor in 26 mins. : H. Ward 1, A. G. Wood 2, F. Massam 3, A. Wormeld 4, G. W. Steel 5, T. W. Strangeway (conductor) 6 . First 720 in the method by all the band.
FRYERNING, ESSEN.-On Sunday, April 7th, before matins, 720 London Surprise, 720 Norwich Surprisc. Before evennong, 720 Wells Surprise, 720 Southweli Surprise: L. Camp, G. Camp, F. Wright, H. Wright, C. Harrington, E. Sitch, A. Bradley (conductor). BROMLET, KENT-At SS. Peter and Paul's, on Sunday, April 7th, for morning service, 1,264 of Bob Major: F. W. Thernton 1, A. James 2, G. James 3, T. I. Knight 4, P. J. Spice 5, G. Huxley 6, I. Emery (conductor) 7 , E. Mounter 8. It was intended to ring this quarter by the local society, the Bromley Fouthe, but Mr. F. W. Thornton, of Greeawich, paid an unexpected visit, and one of the Bromiey Society kindly staod out to allow him to ring.

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## THE SECESSION OF GLOUCESIER AND BRISTOL

Quité as important as anything that happened inside the Central Council last Tuesday, was the step taken by the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association on Monday, when it was decided no longer to be affiliated to the Council. The main ground on which this drastic action was taken was, if we have comprehended the position correctly, that the Council does not recognise the tight of any association to instruct its representatives how to vote on any question; in other words, that representatives go to the meetings of the Council as free agents unfettered by any wishes which may have been expressed by those who send them and who, in many cases, pay their expenses. The difference of opinion which has led to this secession has, in the case of the Gloucester and Bristol Association, been somewhat aggravated by other grievances, but we say without hesitation that it is a matter for great regret that such an important organisation should have withdrawn upon any pretext without having first made an effort to remedy what was thought to be wrong.

A vital principle is involved in this matter. There are many who hold that it is useless for a member to go to a meeting with his hands tied, to vote as directed, without having first heard all sides of the question. They argue, and it must be adnitted not without reason, that it is waste of timet and money for a man to attend a meeting to vote, when the way in which he shall use that vote has already been decided for him and that it is a slight upon his intelligence not to allow him to use his discretion. On the other hand, there are those who hold just as strongly that the Council cannot retain a commanding position in the Exercise unless it is the interpreter of the wishes of its constituent bodies and, for this to be effective, it must accept the principle that ' those who pay the piper shall be allowed to call the tune,' at any rate in all important matters. Among those who take this latter view is the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association, as represented by a majority at the annual meeting

The action of the association in withdrawing from the Council must, we think, bring this question to a head. Obviously it cannot be allowed to remain where it is, for the retirement of the association may have a damaging effect. It is not a question of apathy, or loss of interest which has caused the Gloucester and Bristol organisation to drop away from the central authority; it is a direct challenge to a policy which has been pursued since the Council was inaugurated, and it cannot be ignored. It is a pity, as we have already said, that the association renounced its connection with the Council, before taking (Continued on page 338.)

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steps to test the opinion of the Exercise, as might very opportunely have been done through a resolution passed by the Council last week, to bring the subject before all the associations during the coming year, when the triennial election of members takes place. But the Gloucester and Bristol Association has now taken action and has thus forced a position which calls for immediate consideration by those who value the Central Council for the work it has done and can do, and for the welding force which it exerts throughout the Exercise.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

LONDON.
THE ANCLENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHE.
On Satwrda, May 25, 1929, in Three Hours and Thiry Three Mintes, Ay the Cathedral Chorge op St. Sayiodr, Soothwark,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 6007 CHANGES;

## Tenor 50 cwt .

William H. Hefett
...Trebis
Challis F. Winney ..
Challis F. Winney ... ... 2 John T. Kentish ... -barles H. Kippan ... ... 3 Ebngst Brett ... ... ... Edward P. Diffirld $\quad . .-4$ | Thomas Groombridge, sen, io Horace Belcber ... ... 5 Rugeen Sanders ... ... 1 in Edwin F. Pisr ... ... ... 6 James Bul.tock ... ... ...Tenor Gomposed by G. Lindoff. Conducted by Willtam H. Hewett.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

WALTHAMSTOW, ESSEX.
THE MIDDLESEX GOTNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, May 18, 1929, in Threo Hoays and Eleven Minutes, At the Charch of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF CAHBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 50AD CHANGES; Tenor $19{ }^{3} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Charles T. Coles $\ldots$...Tyeble Thomas T. Gofion ... ... 6
Georgi M. Kilgy .... ... 2 Jades Benaeti ... ... .... 7
George R. Pye ... ... ... 3 Harold W. Ceabk ... ... 8
Wilelan H. Barber ... .** 4 . Ropert Richardson ... ... 9 Albert W. Coles ... ... 5 William Pye ... ... ...Tenor Composed and Conducted by Wicliam Pye. TROWBRIDGE, WILTG.
THE SALISBURY DIOGESAN GDILD.
Un Whit Monday, May 20, 1929, in Thoee Hows and Six Minutes,
At the Cherch of St. James.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANEES;
Tenor 24 cwt.


Composed by G. Holifield, sen. Conducted by C. F. Anderws.

* First peal of Gaters. $\dagger$ First peal of Caters inside. Messrs. G Poppell and W. Williams hail from Betwelty, Mon, and were eleden memberz before starting.


## WORCESTER

THE FORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICIS ASSOCLATION. (Western Brance.)
On Monday, May 20, 7929, in Three Hours and Thirten Minutes,
At the Cadref of All Saints,
A PEAL DF KENT TREBLE EDB ROYAL, 5000 OHANGES; Tenor 20 cwt .
-Drnais R. Morris ... ....Treble | †Cyril Tansell... ... ... 6 †William Niblett $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2$ Willibi Ranford ... $\quad . .$. Sidney T. Holt ......$\quad 3$ Witliam Lewis 3 ... $\dagger$ Frank Lawrence ... ... 4 Gordon W. Checeetis ... 9 Robert G.Knowles ... 5 Charles Cakh ... ... ...Teno Composed by Arthorknigats. Condacted by Sinney T. Holt. * First peal on ten belfs. t Firgt peal of Royal. First peal ol̉ Ropal as conductor.

## APPLETON, BERKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sahuday, May 25, 1929, in Two Houts and Fiffy-Siz Minutes, At the Churce of St. Lawrence,
A PEAL OF STEDHAN GATERS, 5009 CHANGES ;

Alaert E. Lock
..Treble
Wilziam Simmonds Mes. A. E. Lock ... Hogr J. Balcomee George mant $\quad . . \quad . . .4$ ... 5
Composed by N. J. Pirsrow. Conducted by Albert E, Lock.
Arranged for Mr. George Dent, of Harlow Common, Essex, and in Honour of Empire Day.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

## NEW ROMINEY, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.
On Wednesiay, May 15, 1929, ix Three Hours and Six Minutes, At ing Cgurca of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, G040 CHANGES:
Pitstow's Variation of Thurstans'. Tenor ig ciwt.
Walter Fright... ... ...Tyeble | Harry Bater ... ... ... 5
Archibald C. Kay ... ... 2 Charles W. Franklin ... 6
Mrs. H. Baker ... ... ... 3 Harry Parkes ... ... ... 7
William Bidnell ... ... 4 Higewood S. Hdomphrey ...Temot
"Conducted by Harry Parkes.
Rung as a farewell to the Vicar, who is leaving the fown. The conductor has now rung a peal on every ring of eight in the district. PGDSEY, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHTRE ASSOCLATION.
On Thursday, May 16, 1929, in Thyee Hours,
At the Chorce of St. Ladrence,
f PEAL ©F BOUBLE MORWICH COURT BOE MAJOR, 5056 GMAHCES: Tenor 16 cwt.

-Sampel Ward ... ... ... 2 Grorge Ambler
-J. Chcil Booth... ... ... 3 J. Josrph E. Watrrboose ....

- J. Ernest Proctrr... ... 4 John Ambler ... ... ... Tenor Composed by Artaor Craven. Conducted by William Barton.
* First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells. Rung with the bella deeply muffled as a tribute of respect to the memory of the late Vicar of the parish, Canon W. T. Forster, M.A., who died on May lith.

NETHERTON, WORCESTERSFIRE.
THE WORCESTERSEIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Satwrday, May 18, 1929, in Two Howrs und Fify-Three Minntes, At the Church of St. Andrew.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, SD40 CHANGES;
Grove's Transposition of Parker's Tivelve-fart. Tenor izit cut.
Harry Hobball... ... ...
Harry Hill.......
..Tyeble
Harry Hill.... ... ... ... 2
Samoel J. Hoghes ... ... 3
Wileliam Grern
Sidney Cariwntght $\quad$.... 5
Thomas A. Townsend ... 4 ALberi Prestidgri..... Condtreted by John Goodman.

* 50th peal. The conductor's $125 t h$ peal. Rung as a compliment to the leader of the Netherton company, Mr. Albert Prestidge, and Mrs. Prestidge, on the 22 nd anniversary of their wedding.

HARMSTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCEBAN GUILD.
On Solurday, May 18, 1929 , is Three Hours and Thirecen, Minutes,

## At the Parish Cherch.

## h PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRIGE MAJOR, BOFA CHANGEgI

 Johnson's Variation of Mipdleton's.Tenor 12 cwt .
 - First peal of Cambridge Major. First peal in the method on the belle. A thankgiving peal for the recovery of His Majesty the King, also rung for the whitsun festival.

DRAYTON, BEFKSHTRE.
THE OXFORD DIOGESAN GULD.
On Thursiay, May 76, 1929, in Two Howrs and Fifty-Five Miraies At the Cherch of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Broohs' Variation.
Hazold Homfrey ... ...Treble Grorge R, Newton... ... 5
Mrs. A. E. Lock ..... .12 Albert E. Lock 2 ...
Jack Honey ... ... ... ... 3 Gordon Cadodwell ... ... 7

Conducted by Albert E. Lock.

* First peal of Tripies.

SEDGLEY, STAFFORDSHKRE.
THE TORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCTATYON. (Northern Branch)
On Siluralay, May 12, 1939, in Threc Hours and Three Minties,
At the Ceorch of All Saints,
 Tenor 16 cwt.

| Josbrh H. Cox | $\ldots$ | ... | ...$T y e b l e$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| William Short | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |

Wifra
Robert Mattrewt ... ... 2 Clifford Skidmore ... ... 6

Composed by J. Carier. Conducted by R. Matterws. ROLVENDEN, KENT.
THE KENT COUFYY ASSOCIATION AND ROMNEY MABSH AND DISTRICI GUILD.
On Saturday, May 18, 1929, in Thtee Howes and Two Minutes. At the Cherch of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF GRANOSIRE TRIPLES, $\operatorname{bo40}$ CHANEES;
Parker's Six-fart.
Tenor 16 cwi .
A. Batin ... ... ... ...Treble | W. P. Tickner ... ... ... 5



* 200 th peal.

Conducted by K, Pattenden.
First peal as conductor.
PRESTION.
TEE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Preston Branch.)
On Suturday, May 78, 1929, in Three Hotes and Thirty Minutes,
At the Parish Church.
a PEAL DF DOUBLE MORFICN COURT BOB MAJDR, 51B2 GNANEET, Tenor 257 cut.


 Composed by Artura Kntghts (64). Conducted byE.R. Martin
Rung as a weuding compliment to Mr. Alec Wartin, a hichly respected member of the local company, who was married ar Bamber Bridge earlier in the day to Miss Eva Honghton.

KEIGHLEY, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHERE ASSOCIATION.
Ow Soturday. May 18, 7929, in 7 hree How's and Eight Minutes,
At tee Chorch of St. Andrew
A PEAL OF KENT TREELE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor $16 \frac{3}{4}$ cwt.
Robert W. Jennisoli, sen. Troble Willie Procter
John Winder
Robrrit W. Jinni
Edward Green ... ... ... 3 Fred W. Rishworte, jon.
Verney Ba!rsiaw
Composed by Artara Craven. Conducted by Wm. Ambler.
Arranged for the ringer of 7 th , who hails from Birmingham.
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CALNE, WILTS.
THE SALIBBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, May 18, 1929, in Three Hotrs and Fifteen Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;

Holt's Tes-part.
-Ralpa Horton ... ... ...Tveble
Fiarold Flewelcing
John Trodr

Tenor 25 cwt in D flat.
 Conducted by Sydney Wilashire.

* First peal and first attempt. † First peal. Firat psal on the beils sinte thay were rebung, and first peal in the tower since 1907. Mr. J. Trout was elected a member of the Guild previous to starting. EANDSWORTH, SHEPFIELD.
THE YORKEHIRE ASSOCIATION
(Sheffield and District Society.)
On Saturday. May 18, 1929, in Two Howrs and Fifty-Eight Minutas, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES; Tencr $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~cm}$.
Miss Norl Cowthorne Tyeble John Thorpr ... ... ... 5 William A. Wooler..... $.2^{2}$ Artbur Pashley ${ }^{\ldots}$... A. Percival Knigets ... 3 Wiclias Biggin... ... ... 7 Arthor Kngelis ... ... 4 Sidney F. Palmer ... ...Temoy Composed and Conducted by Arthor Kngehts.
This peal was artanged to commemorate the 50th amiversary of tue conductor's first peal, which was rung on May 19th, 1879 , at St. Mnry's, Disa, Norfoll, it being the first peal of Kent Treble Bob Majow rang by the Norwich Diocesan Absocintion.

BROUGHTON-TN-FURNESS, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANGASEIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Forness and Lake District Branch.)
On Saturday, May 18, 1929, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutts, At zee Parish Chercy of St. Mary Magdalene, A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

## *John P. Barker

- Nicholas Menevin Newby 2
-Witprebobolon ... ... 3
Arthor Stedman .... Edmin jennings $. . . \quad . . . \quad 4 \quad$ Thomas Metcalf... Composed by Ernasi Morris. Conducted by Edwin Jennings. * First peal of Major. First peal in the method on the bells. FELMLNGHAM, SUFFOIK. THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Sathyday, May 78, 1929, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 505E EHAHGES, Tenor 193 ewt.
James Bennett. jun.
George Whiting ...Treble
George Pryke
Wilelam Wighyman
Composed by C. Minderton. MONF'S KRRP, WARWICKSHTRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTEES ASEOOLATION.
Om Saturduy, May 18. 1929, in Three Hours and Twenty-Eight MMinutes, At the Chtrch of St. Edifh.
- PEAL of double NORWICM COURT BOB MAJDR, 5056 GhamGES; Tenor $24 \frac{3}{2} \mathrm{cw}$. in D.

Composed by F. H. Dexter. Conducted by Redvers F. Elxington *First peal in the method. + Elected a life member of the M.C.A. previnus to the peal. The ringer of the treble hails from Croft, 2 nd and ELh from Rugby, Jed from Coventry, 4th from Burbage, 5th Stomey Stanton, 71 h Anstey, tenor Leicester.
COLCHESTER-For morning service, on Whit Sunday, at St. I'eter's Church, 720 Double Court: G. Dent 1, H. T. Pye 2, G. Willinme 3 , G. Rasharook 4, W. J. Schofidd 5, E. P. Duffela (conduclor) 6 .

WORLINGWORTH, SUFFOLE.
THE RDFFOLK GUILD.
On Suday, May 19, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minates,
Ai the Churcy of St. Mary,
A PEAL of guperlative gurphise masor, gegs chamees:
Tenor 12 cwt 9 lb .

Composed by N. J. Pirsiow. Conducted by Wm. J. Groom.

* Firse Suryrise peal.


## KENNINGHALL NORFOLE

 THE NORFOLK GULLD.On Monday. May 30, 1929, in Thee Fours and Five Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Mary,
a peal of bouble morwich court boi mador, bora emanele; Tenor $16 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
David Whiting
. ... ...Treble
Albert G. Harrison ... 2
Alphezus J. Berry ... ... 3 Wililam C. Rumsey ...
Ernest F Popay … $\cdot . .3$ Wilciam Stbggall ... $\quad .$. Composed by Geo. H.Czoss. Conducted by William C. Remsey

* Firat peal of Double Norwich. Believed to be the first peal ir the method on the bells.


## MAIDENHEAD, BERKS <br> THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD <br> On Monday, May 20. 1929, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes, <br> At tee Church of All Sainis. Boyse Fifll,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 508 CHANGES!

*Thomas J. Fewler ...
+William E Taylor... Tenor $77 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
-James Marr ... ...
..Tyeble Jesse Elddidge ...

Composed by Arthdr Knigets. Cogducted by George Martin,

* First peal of Treble Bob. $f$ Firgt in the method awny from treble. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mra. W. E. Taylor, and also as a wedding compliment to Mr. Fred Gilbert (brother of Geo. Gilbert).

DENHOLME, FORESHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCEATION.
On Ronday, May 20, 1929. in Three Fours and One Minute.
At the Church of St. Padl,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor $\mathrm{r} 4 \frac{3}{5} \mathrm{cwt}$.



Composed by J. Thorp. Conducted by V. Barstow.
Arranged for F. W. Rishworth, of Perry Barr: Birmingbam

## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOOIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, May 25, 1929, in Three Hours and Three Minutes.
At the Ceurch of St. Genrge-the-Martyr, Sodthwark. A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES Mideleton's,

Tenor 16 cwt .
Sergt. Albert Lawrgnce, Herts Constabulary
Det. Const. H. J. Foole, Leicester City Police
*P.C. Walter Claydan, Reigate Borough Police
P.C. Cyril Pease, Metropolitan Police
-P.C. Frbderack Digby, Metropolitan Police

| -* | ...Trebla |
| :---: | :---: |
| ... | ... 2 |
| $\cdots$ | ... 3 |
| ... | ... 4 |
| $\cdots$ | $\cdots{ }^{-1 .} 5$ |
| ... | ... 7 | Inspa. William Botirile, Metropolitan Police P.C. William T. Rebson, Surrey Constabulary

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Conducted by Det.-Const. H. J. Poole,
First peal in the method. Rung on the occasion of the centeus celebrations of the Metropolitan Police Force. It was the first pcit in any Surprise method rang by a band of police officers.

## SIX BELL PEALS．

## HINTLESHAM

THE SUFFOLE GUILD．
On Saturday，May J才，1929．in Tre Hours and Thirty－Five Mitutes， At the Chorch of St．Nicholas，

## A PEAL OF MINOR， 5040 CHANGES；

Being 720 of Douhle Court，Plain Bob，Cambridge Surprise，and two 720＇s of Oxford Treble Bob and two of Kent Treble Bob． ＂「eaor 10 cwt ．
Harry J．Mee ．．．．．．．．．Tyeble｜George Bennet．．．．．．．．． 4
Caarles E．Meb ．．．．．． 2 Edgar Rivers ．．．．．．．．． 5
 Conducted by Edgar Rivers．
G．Pryke and G．Bennet from Otley，Suffolk，the rest are members of the Sproughton company

## WALSOKEN，NORTOLK．

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION．
（Marshland Banch．）
Or Sunday，May 12． 1929 ，in Three Hours and Seven Minutes， At ihe Chorch of All Saints．

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR， 5040 CHANGES；

Being seven different 720＇s．Tenor 15 cwt ．
Harry Dow ．．．．．．．．．．Treblf George Mason ．．．．．．．．． 4 Artatir Wigmore ．．．．．．． 2 Norman Geary ．．．．．．．．． 5 jeprery Geary ．．．．．．．．．．j Fred Wigmore ．．．．．．．．．Tenor Conducted by Fred Wigmore
＊First peal and first attempt．Great credit is due to all the band for ringing such a well－struck peal，as the bells are in a bad condi－ tion．

HORISONDEN，KENT．
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION．
On Sunday，May 12，1929，in Thyee Hours and Thyee Minutes，
At ihe Cherch of St．Margaret，
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR，5040 CHAÃEEI Seven different 720＇s．

Tenor 198 cwt ．
－Edwin Bromiey
．．．．Tyeble
Jozs Wheadon．．．
．．．－．．T +
Frederick J．Lambert，sen． 3
Reginald E．Lambert

Conducted by ROBERT
＊First peal of Curprise．

> THORNDON, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD．
On Fiday，Ifay 7\％，1929，in Three Hours，
At the Chorch of All Shints，

## A PEAL OF MINOR，50¢0 CHANGES：

Feing 1 wo 720 s each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and three $720^{\prime} \mathrm{s}$ of［ ${ }^{3}$ lain Bali．
ab and three
Tenor 13 ewt．


MLphyos J．Berry ．．．．．． 3 Garnham A．Blaxcell ．．．Tero－ Conducted by Whliam C．Rumsey．
＊First peal of Minos． WENHASTON，SUFFOLK．
THE NORFOLK GUILD．
On Wednesday，May 22，1929，in Two Howrs and Forty－Two Minutes， Ay the Cherch of St．Peter，

## h PEAL OF MINDR，GOHO CHANGER－

Being 720 Double Court， 720 Kent，two 720 s of Oxford Treble Bob， and three 720＇s of Plain Bob，each called differently．Tenor 14 owt． Walter Frabison ．．．．．．Trebla Tony Price ．．．

Edgar Bailey ．．．．．．．．． 3 Francis W．Nadnton ．．．Temof Condacted by Francis W．Naunton．
Arranged for Mr．Touy Price．

GREAT EASTON，ESSEX．
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION．
On Saturday，May 18．1929，in Two Hours and Forly－Fite Minwtes， At ing Ceqrey of St．John，
A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR， 5040 CHANGES；
Being 720 each of London，Wells，York，Durhan，Cambridge，Bever－ ley and Surfleet． Tenor $11 \frac{1}{6}$ cwt．in $G$ ．
Robert Howard
Trate
Frank Harper 4 Miss Kitty Wilebrs...$z^{2}$ Albert E．Abstin Joan W．Ward ．．．$. . . \quad . . . \quad 3$ Edward H．Fince ．．．．．．tenoy Conducted by Robert Howard．
The ringers of the $2 a d$ and $4 t h$ were elceted nembers of the Esser Asseciation previous to starting for the peal，ringers from Dunmow and Great Easton kindly attending to support the election．At the conclusion of the peal，tea was generously provided by tye Fiev，and and Mrs．Widdrington．

Four peals rung during Whitsun week－cnd by mersters of
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION． LiMTNGE，KENT．
On Saturday，May 18．1929，in Thwee Hours．
At the Chorch of SS．Mary and Edeorge，
A PEAL EF BDUBLE NOHWIGH GOURT BOB MAJOR， 5056 GNAMEEE， Tenor I8 cwt．in E．
Arceltald Kay ．．．．．．．．．Treble；Robert J．Dawb．．．．．．．．． 5
Frank Benkett ．．．．．．．．．． 2 Charles W．Franklin ．．．
John H．Chersman ．－．．． 3 Harry Parkes ．．．．．．．．． 7
Wiliiam H．Fussell ．．． 4 Herarrt E，Audsley ．．．．Tenor Composed and Conducted by Franx Beninezt．
Believed to the the first peal of Double Norwich on the belle． CANTERBURY，KENT．
On Saturday，May 18，1929，in Two Hours and Fifty－Five Minutes，
At rhe Church of St．Stephen，Hackington．

## A FEAL EF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR，5056 CHANEE：

 Tenor 11 cwt．＊Cbarles W．Franklin
Tredie Frank Bennett ．．．
－Frederick R，Weller ．．． 2 Whetiam H．Fusseli ．．．．．．
John H．Chrebman．．．．．． 3 Herbert E．Addsley ．．． 7
Robert J．Dawz ．．．．．． 4 Harry Parkes ．．．．．．．．Tenoy
Composed by C．H．Hattersley．Conducted by John H．Cebesman
＊First peai of Surprise．

## APPLEDORE，KEN＇1＂

G年 Monday，May 20，1929，in Two Howy and Fifty－Threa Minutes， At the Chorgh of SS．Pater and Padl，
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR，505G CHANGES； Mideleton＇s．

Tenor 12 $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$ ．
Robbrt J．Dawe
Reginald E，Lambert
William H．Fossell
Treble Frank Bennett Robert T．Labbert 5
．．． 2 Harry Parkeg
Jonn H．Cheesman ．．．．．． 4 －Herbert E．Audsley ．．．．．．．．．．． 7 Tenor Conducted by Frane Bennety．
First peal of Surprise on the bells．

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## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

## ANNUAL MEETING

Preaching at the service prior to the annual meeting of the Sussex Association at Brighton on Whit Mondat, the Rev. W. J. R. Allen (Vicaz of the Church of the Good Sheplerd) said the ringers were doing the highest service to the Church when they rang the bells.
'they were, ho said, helping the Chareh to carty oll in the task of seeing that the world did not forget Jesus Chtist. 'All the time they hear the bells they must think, he added.
The gervice, which took place at Brighton Parish Church of St, Peter, was proceded by the ringing of a number of touches at the towers of 8t. Peter's and St. Nicholas'. Ringing continued at these towers after the meeting, and later in the evening tho bclls of the Clurch of the Good Shepherd in Dyke Road were avaitable.
A meat ten, served by Morleys, Brighton, followed the service, after which the general meeting was held.

The Master, Mr. d. Thornton Ricknan, who presided, referred to the fact that since the last meeting the association had lost through death three of its principal officers. Betore proceeding to the business lie suggested kiney should pay a tribute to the memory of their president, the Bishop of Chichesier, one of the vice-presidents, the Bishop of Leves, and their highly respected hon. treasurer, Mr. Ellman Brown.

The Hon. Gen. Sec., Mr. A. D. Stone, associating bimself with the Master's remarks, observed that it was exactly il years ago that Hay when Mr. Ellman Brown became hon. treasurer of the associaflon. "The association has lost an officer, and the hon. secretary has lost a friend,' concluded Mr. Stane.
The meeting stood for a few moments as a mark of sympathetic respect.

## FINANCES

The finaucial posilion, it was stated, was gooc. Notwithstanding an increased expenditure on rail fares, a useful balauce of nearly fit was shown on the year's work. At the same time members wore receiving the maximum benefts compatible with sound finance. The Benevolent Eiund continued to be of assistance to members, and hope was expressed that hy collections at meetings-the fund's sole source of income-the balance would steadily increase until a total of $£ 100$ invested capital was reached. Several new towers had become affiliated, nud tho co-operation of every member was urged in this direction. "We make no apology,' concluded the report, 'for reminding members once more than our first duty is to maintain the level of serwice ringing in our iudividual towers at the highest possible standard and to spare no pains to attain this end by punetua? and regular attendance
The general account slowed a balance of E116 8s. 4d from receipts of 5179 6s. 612d, and the balance from general account and reserve aud benevolent funds totalled $\mathrm{f} 237 \mathrm{l0s} 11 d.$.
The report and acconnts were adopted.
The Bishop of Chichester was re-elected president, and the vicepresidents were reappointorl with the addition of the Bishop of Lowes. Mr. J. T. Rickman wes re-elected Master, and he also agreed to fill the office of hon, treasurer, Mr. A. D. Stone, who was again electert hon. secmefary, expressed satistaction at the financial position of the assaciation. Mr, Bennelt wns re-elected as hon. peais secretary, and the han. anditors, Messrs. W. C. Hart and R.J. Dawe, were re-electer.
Mr. J. T. Rickman was appointed representatire to the Central Council.

It was decided to ngain hold the aunual meeting at Brighton next year.

## RAIL FAPES.

Some discussion resulted from Mr. G. F. Norris' proposition that rail fares be incrensed from lalf-fare, maximum Is. $6 \mathbb{A} .$, to half-fare, maximum 5 s . He contended that Is. 6d. was not sufficient to help in journeys to outlying districts, and suggested that an increase might bring ofler towers into the association.
The Hon. Secretary asked where the money was coming from. He did not think it would bring of her towers in. Fractically all those with bands were affiliaterl.

A representative of the Kenl Association said they only paid halffures to a masimum of 2s. once a year for distriet meetings. He did not think, for a nembership fee of 2 s ., they should stand a chance of getting linek 8 s .
An allowance up to ls. 6rt. per member is made for 12 divisional meetings, while for tha aumal mesting the allowance is up to 2 s . Bd., with 16. 3d, for tea.
After the Chrirman lind read a letter from Mr. F. B. Tompkins, one of the vice-presidents, expressing the opinion that it would be a mistake to alter the preseni satisfactory position, Mr. Norris withditew.
The question of making a grant to Holy Trinity, Rudgwick, whase bitls were stated to be cracked and uniringable, was raised. The Hon. Sacretarg pointed out that the association bad no fund from which such a grant could be drawn.
Mr. Rodgers was thanked Eor linving instructed the Rogate band.
The following towers were represented: Aldrington, Aagmering, Patite. Brighton St. Peter's, St. Nicholas and the Gond Shepherd, Burress Hill, Billingshurgt, Chicliester, Crawlew, Cuokfeld, East-

## IRISH ASSOCIATION

## CERTIFIC\&TE OF PROGRESS TO BE ISSUED

The annual meeting of the Trish Association was leld at Drogheda on Whit Monday in glorious weather. About seventy members at tended from Bangor, Holywood, Arklow, Bray, Dublin (four towers) and the local tower. By 10 a.m. the bells of St. Peter's were sei swinging, and were kept going till late in the evening, except for the usual intervals, Plain Bob, Grandsive and Stedman being the methods ring. Several of the Northern memberg got theiv first touch of Triples (Grandsire), in which they acquitted themselves very creditably.

Luncheon was partaken of at the Central Hotel, followed by the business meeting in the Church Hall, kindly lent for the purpose. The president, Mr. R. S. F. Murphy, P.G., occupied the chair.
The report showed that most of the members had been 'putting their backs into it' during the past year, and although no peal had been recorded, several branehes could now ring Bol Minor who only about a year ago were ringing call changes.
The following officers were electer for the cnsning year: President Rev. W. B. Allman, A.M.; secretary, Mr. G. Lindoff; treasurer, Mr. D. Gibson.

Arklow was selected for the next annual meeting, and Mr. Murply was elected to attend the Central Council meeting in London mext year, with an invitation for that body to visit Dublin in the near future.
It was also decided that the association rent a space in 'The Ringers' Directary.'

Regarding a proposal for a second trophy for progress in change ringing, in addition to the slield presented to the society gaining the highest percentage of bells rung for Sunday services, it wes decided to issuo framed certificates to any society ith umon which showed
progress under the following leads: First 120 Doubles by society; first 720 Minor by society: first 720 Minor by society, in a new method; first 1,260 Triples, etc., by the society; first 5,000 by the society; and subsequert peals in a new method; for record length by associanion if over 6,000 , such diplomas to have room for a number of subsequent additions.
The challenge shield, in making its first visit to Duhlin, was presented to Christ Church Cathedral Society, who ohtained 100 per cent., Bray and Arklow being very close on their heels. Mr. P. Lynch, who received the shield for his society, returned thanks.

A stibstantinl tea was provided by the Droglieda ringers, after which Mr. Murply proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Rer. W. B. Ailman for the use of the bells and the Church Hall, to the Drogheda ringers for so kindly providing the tea, and to the ladies who assisted,-Rev. W, B. Allman suitably responded.

Then, while some of the members visited the various places of in terest in the neiglabourhood, others kept the bells going fill motor and train time brought a very successful gathering to a close.

## DEVON GUILD

## GUGGESTED FOUNDERS' COMMEMORATION DINNER

The annual general meeting of the Guild of Defonshire Ringers was beld at Tiverton on Whit Monday, and attracted an exceptionally large attendance of 226 members and friends. The glorious beils of St. Peter'g Cliturch started their music at 10.15 , and at noon a service was beld, conducted by the Rector (Rev. A. E. Chapman), who gave an inspiring address of welcome, exhortation and thanks. The large party wero well catered for at Clapp's Cafe for dinner, after which the business meeting was proceeded with, the Rev. E. S. Powell, chairman, presiding.
Sympathe was expressed with the family of the laie Mfr. E. Murday, whose sudden death a day or two previously deprived the Tiverton band of one of their oldest members.
The annual report and financial statement for 1928, as published was adopted, and the ofticers were re-elected as before.
A vote of thanks to the Rector, the organist, and Miss Hanson brandi secretary, for the excellent arrangements made, was duly acknowledged.
A proposal to hold an annual founders' commemoration dinner was referred to a committee consisting of the branch secretaries and officers of the Guild to ascertain the views of the bauds severally on the subject.

Exmouth was selected as the place for holding the mext annual meeting.
Two life members and nine performing members wero elected. Subsequently parties were made up to wisit Bickieigh and ather neighbouring towns, and Tiverton bells were kept in operation up to 7 р.m.
(Continued from previous column.)
boume St. Saviour's, East Grinstead, Heathlield, Henfiela, Hastings Christ Church, Blacklands, St. Clement's, Hartield, Lindfeld, Pul borough, Ringmer, Seaford, and Worthing also non-resident members.
A collection taken at the service for the Benevolent Fund amounteri to El 1s. 6n.

The Inon. secretary greatly regrets tea could not he provided for all. About 45 were expected according to replies, but 76 were pre gent, and 62 of these were provided for.

## NORFOLK GUILD.

THE REORGANISATION.
A genemal meeting of the Norfolk Guild was held at Pultam, St. Mary-tha-Virgia, on Whit Monday, when, by the kind permission af the Rectors of St. Mary-the-Virgin and St. Mary Magdalene, the two rings of efght bells were placed at the disposal of the members. Luncleon was serwed at the King s Hent, Pulham St. Mary, Mr. G. P. Burton presiding in the absence of the president. He was supported ly Messrs. C. E. Borrett, A. L. Coleman (hon. secretary!, ind a swall number of representatires from Norfolk and Suffolk.
The toast of 'The King' was proposed by the chairman and duly honoured.
The secretary brought before the meeting Mr. Cbarles S. Tuthills notice with respert to the appointment of an adviser to the Guild on matters pertaining to olaurch bells and belfries. After a short discussion, it was resolved that the secretary should endeavour to olftain an interview with the Auchdeacon of Norwich on the subject and of the possibilities of a representative on the Church Fabries Advisory Committee for the Diacese.
The Secretary read notice of an amendment to Guild Finle In, handed in at tho annual general meetiag on April 1st last, viz, That Rule I. as regads the title of the Guild be altered in accordnnce with the referendum." A short delate followed, whether the Ford 'Association' or 'Guild ' be nsed in the amended title of the Guild. Mr. C. E. Borrett proposed, and Mr. W. L. Duflield secondea, "That the notice of the result of the referendum as vegards the change of the title of the Guild be ratified, subjeot to the reconmendation that the word "Guild" be substituted for the word "Association" in the amended fitle, and the matter to come up at a sulbsequent general meeting of the Guild for ratification. '- The motion was carried nem con.
A sub-committee was appointed to make recommendations for the grouping of. the eleven existing districts into three divisions, and it was resolved that a repart of the sub-committee be sent to the district secretaries. The following members were appointed to serve: Messrs. C. E. Borret, F. R. Borrett, G. P. Burton, A. L. Coleman, with the president ex-oflicio.
The Secretary moved the election of five new members and the reelection of one member and the transfer of three members to life members (not-resident), and these were all duly elected.
A vote of thanks was passed to the Rev. E. W. Field and to the Rev. R. Stacey for the nise of their beils, and also to Mr, and Mrs. G. T. P. Brice fol their genial Irospitality and hearty weicome, which more than compensated for the small attevdance of members.

## HISTORIC PEAL RECAST AND REHUNG

REDEDICAIION OF BIDFFORD BELIS.
The 3ishop of Exeter on Friday aftarmoon, May 27th, dedicated at St. Mary's Church, Bideford, the peal of eight hells which hare jusi been recast by Messis. John Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, extra melal having been added to make a heavier ring.
The imseriptions which were on the old bells liave been copied, and the anowocement added that the bells were recast in 1929 . The fifth bell has been recast and rehung at the cost of the Nonconformists of the town, though the initiation of the Mayor, Mr. F. W. Fulford, and the hell is inseribed to that effect.
The inscription on the tenor bell, which weighs 17 ewt.e records the fact that it was recast and rehung by public subseription in 1929, and bears the Isame of the Rector, Rev. W. E. Manning, and the churchwardens, Messus. W. Ascott, P. R. Robertson and I. Street. The total cost of the restoration is approximately $£ 1,000$, and the whole of this azount was raised by the day of the dedimation.
During the recasting, the church was loancl ann ancient bell by the Bidefori Corporation, taken from the localimuseum.
The official ceremony was attended by the Mayor and Corporation in State, and the Lord Bishop, in his address, congratulated the pecple on their gift, and mare especially as it had nat come from one section of the populace. His lordship recalled that at Bideford the balls were not mevely used for calling them to worship, but were used in alden times to waru the town in the time of piraies.. At one time, he thought, Lundy was the rendearous of such pirates. He supposed one of the occasions when those bells were used was on the historic might of the invasion of the Armada. Then those bells had elashed with joy when the news came that the Armada had been absolutely destroyed, and that England was safe from the Inquisition.
Following the serrice there was a public tea and a dance, aud the hells were rung by eight visiting bauds of ringers, all of whom were loud in their praises as to the fone and 'go' of the peal.
A special feature of the restaration is the treatment of the tower" roof to the designs af the bell founders, Messrs. Taylor and Co. A most wonderful effect has been produced, resulting in the bells being hoard over a very farge area, and reports came in fake on the might of the dedication day that the bells were distinctly andible at villages five miles away, which had never before beard any sound of Bideford bells.

FUGFENTEN, BUCKS.-Gn May 19th, for moming service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: F. D. Borelami I, J. Kimber 2, R. M. Kimber 3, F. Straiford 4, F. G. Biggs 5, Jolin Etans 6, R.
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St. Cfement's Youths, attaclied to the famous Cliturch of Bil. Clement Danes, in the Strand, have just joined the Central Conncil. The report of a peal at Creswell, Derbyshire, has been seat without the date.
I'wenty years ago ta-day a peal of 11,040 Douhle Norwich Mnjor was rung at Leiston.
To-morrow is the amiversary of the 14,031 Stedman Caters ruug on handbells at Guildford in 1912. The time occupied was 7 hris. 3 mins. The previous longest leugth un handbells was 13,440 lhol Major rung at Pudsey on June Sth, 1911.
The fins twelve-bell peni in Birmingham was 5,324 Grandsire Cinques at St. Martin's on June 3rd, 1773.
Bow bells were rung for the first time as a peal of ten on June 4th, 1762.
The 16,608 of Oxford Treble Bob was rung at Debenham in 10 hrs. 32 mins. on June 6th, 1892.

## THE BELLS OF EDENHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE

Some few years ago the bells of this very fine old church ware tuned and rehung and a now treble added, making a good pea! of six. Not long afterwards lopes ran high for the completion of the octave, as the Vicar of the garish at that time promised to give the bells. But alas! death called him away from Edenham. It wat found later that he had bequeathed a sum of money to provido the bells, but once again hopes vanisherl, for owing to some difficulty arising word came that the moncy for the bells would not be forthceming.
The parish is now tackling the job, and with this abject in viow s bazanr, ete, was held lasi Whit Honday, and a sum of 250 was realised. There is a band of ten Sunday service ringers who will he grateful if any kiad friends, who are interested in their effort to improve the peal, will help then to raise the next es50 pr fico ly sending donations to Arthur I. Halmes, hon. treasurer of the Bell Fund, Edenham, Bourne, Lincs. All contributions, large or smalt, will be gratefuly acknowledged.

## FIRST PEAL IN YORKSHIRE.

To the Eajtor.
Sir,-The rule books of the Ancient Society of College Fuuths (1912, page 13 ; 1928, page 14) state that in 1787 the society visited York and lang a peal of Grandsire Caters, and two days previuusiy rang Troble Bob at Falifax, and these are recorded as the lirst poals in the county. There is a peaj board at Sleffield, dated March 8th. 1785, recording a peal of 5,120 Union Treble Bob (eiglat in), and the band who rang this also rang on November $30 \mathrm{H}_{1}, 1787,6,018$ ' Cambridge Surprise.'
Can any of your readerg tell me if the 1785 peal is the earliest complete S,000 in Yortshire?-Yours faithfully,

24, Cowentry Strcet, Leicester.
ERNESI' MORRIS.

## WARWICKSHIRE GUILD

A successful monthly meeting of the Guild was held at Cliftont, near Rugby, on Saturday, May 25th. About twenty members aud friends journeyed there in delightiul weather, the following towers being represented: Allesiey, Chilvers Coton, Nuneaton, Rugby, Shilton, Willoughby and the local band. Tea was provided by the Vicar (Rev. E. P. Hindley) and Mrs. Hindley, and was much appreciated. It was partaken of in the Vicarage garden.
the five bells of the church were kept going during the afterioon and evening ta touches of Grandsire, Plain Boh and Sterman, some of the local band being shepherded through their first 120 .

## F. G. NEWMAN FUND.

Previously acknowledged El8 18s., Mr. W. H. FusseJ] 3s., Messrs. Jolin Taylor and Co. 21, Mr. Geo. Thompson 2s., Mr. Rohert Green 2s. 6d., A zonymous $10 \mathrm{~s} ., \mathrm{Mr}$. Jas. George 2s. 6d., Mr. A. B. Peck 2s. 6d., Mr. W. Willson 5 s ; total, $£ 215 \mathrm{~s}$. 6d. Contributions should be sent to the hon, secretary, Mr. W. T. Cockerill, Frodinghan, 32, Edgeley Boad, Clapham S.W.4.

## ODDFELLOWS' DATE TOUCH

At St. Mary's Church, Fceleston, Lancashire, on Sundny, May $26 t h$, a date louch of 1,929 changes, comprising 489 Plain Boh and two 720's of Kent Treble-Bob Miner, was rung in 1 hr. 5 mins.: Bro. T. Batker 1, Bro. H. Nelson 2, Bro. H. Lucas 3, Bro. F. Righy (conductor) 4, Bro. H. France, P.P.G.M., 5, Bro. G. Bradley, P.P.G.M., 6. This touch was rung before afternoon service in connection with the centenary celebrabions of the "Loyal Orphaus Protection, Lodge, of the Manchester T'nity of Odafellows.

## THE KING'S RETURN TO WINDSOR.

At the Parish Church, Windsor, on May 15th, for the homeconing of His Majesty the King, 223 Grandsire Triples hefore arrival, 504 Grandsire Triples after arrival: T. Smith, R. Gale, W. Phipps, F. Knight, A. Bateman G. Barkus, L. Stilwell (conductor), G. Adsock.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

## 凹HE ATPENDANCE AT CHELMSFORD.

The thind session of the thinteenth Couned ( 37 th anmual meeting) ats held in the Cathedral Fall, Chelmsford, on Whilsun Tuesday The following representatives were present:-
Ancient Society of College Youths: Messis. W. 'J. Cockerill, A. A Hughes and T. Faulkner.
Batb aud wells Association: Mr. J. Hunt.
Bedfordshire Association: Mr. A. E. Sharman.
Cambridge Uuiversity Guik : Mr. E. M. Atkins.
Chester Diocesan Guild: Rev. C. A. Clements, Messys. E. T. Elwell, $\mathbf{F}$. D. Landford and R . Sperring.
Devonshire Guikl: Rev. E. S. Powell and Mr. F. J. Davey.
Dudley and District Guild: Mr. S. J. Hughes.
Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association: Messrs. T. T. Gofton mul W. H. Barber.
E]y Diocesan Association: Rev. H. H. Tyrwhitt Drake and Mr. I'. R. Dennis.

Essex County Association: Messrs. C. H. Howark, G. R. Pye, W. J. Nevard, and E. J. Butler.
Guildford Diocesan Guild: Messrs. A. H. Pulling, W. Shepherd and R. Whittington.

Hertford County Association: Mr. F. W. Elliott.
 bridge, sen.
Ladies Guidd: Mis. E. K. Fletcher.
Iancashire Association: Messrs. H. Chapman, WT. B. ShuFer and P. Crook.

Eincoln Diocesan Guild: Revs. F. Law James and H. T. Parry, Messrs. R. Richardsarn and J. T. Brown.
Jlandnff and Monmouth Diocesan Association: Messrs. J. W. Jones and W. Bolton.
London Cannty Association: Mr. A. D. Barker.
Middlesex County Assaciation and London Diocesen Guikd: Messrs. F. A. Milne, O. T. Coles and W. H. Hollier.

Midland Counties Association: Messrs. W. Willson and J. H. Swinfield.
Novfolk Guide : Messrs. A. J. Coleman and G. P. Burton.
Oxford Diocesan Guild: Rev. Canon Coleridge, Rev. ©. W. 0. Peterborough Diocesan Guild: Messrs. F. W. Milford, R. G. Black, F. Hopper and 'T. Teblutt.

Salisbery Diocesau Guild: Rev. F. Ll. Edwards, Messus. T. H. Beans and S. Hillier.
Society of Royal Cumberland Youths: Mr. J. Eavkev
Suffolk Guild: Rev. H. Drake, Messrs. C. Mee, G. J. Sedgley and S. F. Symonds.

Surrey Association: Mr. C. Dean.
Swansea and Brecon Guild: Mr. A. J. Pitman
Truro Diocesan Guild: Mr. W. H. Southeard.
Warwiekshire Guild : Messrs. H. Argyle and F. W. Perrens.
Winchester and Portsmouth Diocessn Guild: Mr. G, Williams.
Worcestershire and Districts Association: Mr. J. Saller
Hon. members: MLessrs. J. A. Trollope, J. Guiffin, C. F. Jolnston, H. W. Wilde, J. H. B. Hesse, C. F. Johnston. J. George, J. S. Goldsmith, W. A. Cave and E. Alex. Young (hou. sectotary and treasurer).
The chair was takel by Camon Coleridge (prosident) who opened he proceedings with prayer. At the ontset, Canon Morrow, SubDena and Rector of Chemsford, and the Mayor of Chelmsford were present to welcome the Council, and the President, referring to this gact, said they had hoped to have the Bishop with them, but unforrunately be was prevented by otlier engagements. Had it not been for these, nothing would have given hime greater pleasure than to Welcome the Council to the diocese.
Canou Morrow, who extended a welcome to the members on bebalf of the Church, said that during the past twenty or thitty years the Hiole personael of the ringers lad practically changed. The whole idea of ringing liad been placed on a much higher level, and this was due to the habours of the organisations which that Council represented. fnything they could do in Chelmaford to make their visit happy oae they would be pleased to do (applause).
The Mayor gave a hearty welcome to the members on behalf of ile city to what he described as one of the most heautiful of Emgish counties and one of the "hubs of the universe," of which they were rery proad. As the members of the Council would lave seen for themslwes on the previous day, the arb which they parbicularly reppesented was flouribhing in that county with the rest of things. He hoped the Conncil's session would be as happy and successfut as sood welcome could make it.
The Council then turned to the business of the day and after onfining the minutes of the meeting at Herefori, received apologies for absence from the following nembers: Fevs. (. 1). 13. Davies, A. T. Beeston, H. S. T. Richardson, F. J. O. Helmore, Canous Elsee, E. Carpenter, Messrs. W. W. Parker, J. Golterill and the other epresentatives of the Yorkshire Association, J . S . Pritehett, A. Paddon Smith, H. Knight, E. H. Lewis, H. Faigh, W. Bartor, W. Ayp, J. Clark, J. D. Matthews, T. H. Tarfender annl H. G. Fretwell. The fresjdent said the reason why some of these members could aot be present was on accant of illness. He did net like ios single
out one beyond another, but if there was one whose absence causud them especial regret it was the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, who was their secretary for eighteen seass, and who was the life and soul of tho Council while he beld office.

## FHNANCE.

The statement of acounis, audited by Messrs. J. Grifin and A. A. Hughes, was then presented by the hon. secretary and tweasures. The balance in tha bank at the beginning of the year was 226 15s. 6d. The receipts jucluded 5555 . for the broadcast lecture win bells, eis 28. 6d. in affliailou tees from tha associations, and e5 iuterest on investments. The expendiume showed a loss on sale of pulilications of 539 s ., secretary's expenses 5210 g . $9 \mathrm{~d} .$, Petals Collection Committec's expenses 85 2s. Gal, expenses in connection with $I_{\text {a }}$ broadeast lecture e6 19s. 6ul., printing and advertising 82 Is. Mrl., leaving a balance m the bank of $£ 31$ 19s. 6d.
Mr. Young added that subscriptions to the Conncil were due at Janury 1st, and notice of this fact appeared in 'Tle Ringime World within two or three months of ihis date, calling attention to the fact. Unfortumately, a great number of the subseriptions din not come in until the last minute, and it was therefore difficult for bind to get his balance sheet out. He hoped that secretaries in future would send him the affiliation fees as soon after the tirst of Jamury as possible, or at any rate not after Easter. foy would do so it would be a great help. Mr. Young thee explained the expenses incurred in connection with the broadcast lecture, which actually cost the Council about 35s. The subscriplions eame from the same number of associations, one association, the Gloucester and ?ristol, having gone out, one Guild, the Oxford University Guilal. luaving come in.

The accounts were adopled on the motion of Mr. Grifinn, seconder by Mr. Hughes.
The Hou. Librarian (Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn) presented his repart as follows: There is not mach to be said regarding the sale of pultlications during the past year. The amonnt realised is $865 s .3 x 1$. that is one pound in excess of the previous year, and this is owing to belter business being done by the 'on sale or return ' agente. There is arr adverse balance of e3 93. I had hoped to have two trevised books for sale, mamely, "Rules for a Company" and 'Minow Methods,' but it was not to be. "On the Preservation of Bells, ete., issued in 1892, may now be said to be out of print, as only a tom copies are left. A new issue of this may well be considered. It
might be worth while also haring sovie move cards printed of Cunt might be worth while also haring soule mone cards printed of Oat-
lines of Change Ringing, but that is only a small affair. Rogarding the library, I lavo received the last instalment of the Trehle Boli Pats Collection, a stapendous work in iype, of which the Libuary possesses three copies and the Peal Collection Committee one. Mrs. Fletcher is again to be heartily thanked for her work and dongratulated ou its result (applause). The Heywood MSS. are still with Mr . Trollope, awaiting a report fron bim, when be cen spare time ion make one amid his many labours for the Exercise.

The Librarian added that it was rabher remarkable that there had been a demand especially for their publications which had to do with the care of bells and so forth. Mr. Jenkyn also commented inn the fact that he receiver numerous applications for things whinh were out of print. He wished members of the Exercise generally would watch the advertisembuts more carefully, and he would then be saved a good deal of writing and pastage.

## THE HEYWOOD MSS.

The Hon. Secretary said he had been in consullation with Mr. Trollope witla regard to the Beywood MSS., and it was very difficali to say what should be destroyed and what kept. What they destroyed to-day might be valuable in 25 years' time, and they therefore ame to the conclusion tlat the liest thing would be to lave the papers sorted out, put into covers, docketed, and put away so thai they might be roviewed at some inme in the future when, purhaps. they would he of move service than thes were to day.
Mr. J. A. Trollope sadd the MSS. consisted Targely of letters which Sir Arthur Heywaon received wher he was corresponding with various people while writimg the articles which appenved is "Beht News " rad afterwarde in books like the book on "Stedman Triples." They consisied chielly of letters from Mr. Thompson, Rev. Earle Bulwer and one or two other people. A large proportion of the lettess wore unintelligible unless one took a great deal of frouble, because they only had one side of the correspondenee They had the letters from Thompson, for example, but they had not got Heywood's Jeiterss to Thompson. At that time Thompson was workjng out the applicetion of the theory of $Q$ sets to methods like Boli Major and alsu Cnmbridge Surprise. He (Mr. Trollope) was rather interestent to thought were not found out until much later. Thompson had nuticipated a geat Real of what Sir Arthur Heywood wrote it Rell News, iliat proved that there was trat morn than one true poal of Cambridge Majov with tenors together. Those papers, thereforw, were not such as could be read like one would read a novel, hul they miglat be of vase to sonse selected person who might turn up in the next twenty or fifty years. H. would not advocate their being destroyed. 'fhere were manuseripts in Bulwer's writing, on lis anticles on Stedrasa Triples, and a faitly complete manuseript in tho writing of Haley, and lots of ofds and onds of methods ant lotin's
preserving, and he (Mr. Trollope) did not think should be destroyed. At tho suggestion of the President, the Council decided that the bouk on the Preservation of Bolls should the revised and brouglt up Io thate before being republished.

NEW HONORARY MEMBER.
I'se President said four hows. mpmbers retireal by rotalion-Mrs. Wilwards, Rev. E. W. Carpenter, Mr. James George, and Mr. F. W. Wilde. The Standing Committee had taken this matter inlo careful consideration and lad come to the conclusion that as Mrs. Edwatrds lad not netended nny meeting of the Council it would not h. adwisable to re-elect one who was not an active member. In plate of Mrs. Edwards, the Slanding Committee were anxious to put forward for nomination a well-known memher of the Exercise, one whe liad done a tremendous amount of work for the Council in many ways, and who lad now ceased to be a representative member, owing to the Gloucester and Bristol Association having withrlywn. He was invalunble to the Couneil, and the Standing Committee thouglat he ought to be on the Council in some way or other -he refersed to Mr. W. A. Cave, of Bristol (applause).
M1. A. Hunt said it was with great regret he heard of the withdruwal of the Giourester and Bristol Association, and he congratuland the Sitanding Comnittee on luwiug suggested the retention on blac Council of Mr. Cave, wlo was an able aud capable man. He muposed that lise Standing Committee'= recommendation be adopted. -Several members rose to second, and the Rer. E. S. Powell was acerples as seconder.
The motion was carricd, and the President, in the name of the Conneil, congratulated Mr. Cave. He said it would be a thousand pilies if that grent district covered by the Gloucester and Bristol Assueiation was not represented in some way or other.

Mr. Cave brictly tlanked the Clouncil for electing him.
The Rev. E. W. Carpenter, Mr. J. George and Mr. H. W. Wilde wre re-clected.
Alter prescintation of 'new' mombers to the Council (Rev. B. H. Tyrwhitt Drake, now representing the Ely Diocesan instead of the Fiertfort County Associstion; Mr. F. W. Elliott, Eertford County; and Mr. W. Shepherd, Guildford Diocesan Guild?, the Hon. Secre(ary mentioned the loss by doath of Mr. J. D. Drewett (Surrey Association), Mr. R. R. Clumbers (Midland Countios Association), and Mr, R. Followay (Middlesex Countr Association), and the Council stoud in silence as a murk of respect.
Ont behalf of the Standing Committee, the Hon. Secretary reported that as only alout 30 applications were received from members for cheap yailway tickets for that meeting, and as the minimum number wns a hundred, no request was made to the railway companies for the issire of vouclers, but lie lioped, when they met in Londan next year, thore would be a sufficient demand to enable them avail themselves of the facilities.

RINGERS AND THANKSGFVING DAY.
With regary to the King's recovery, there would shortly be a thanksgiving day, aud the Standing Committee proposed that, in conhertion will that ereni, they should send to the King a letter of congralulation, and giving particulars of the peals rung iu celerationt of the oceasion.
The Council's 'Roll of Honour ' of Ringers who fell in the war had been hrouglit up to date. It was rather wonderful that Mr. Jonkyn wns able to get if as complete ns it had proved to be. Atter four or fire years they had ouly had to add six more names. Those had now been andded. Their roll was olle of the finest pieces of workmanahip of its kind lihat had been produced, and the writer had ralleal attention to the fact that it land been rather badly treated by those who had inspected it. Ho asked theru all to use the book as tenderly as possithe, uud purticularly to be careful not to fingermark the pages or to damage the leaves in turning them. With regnrl to Carter"s ringing machine, which was now in the custody of The Council, noll was in the muserma, a new motor had been put to ii, and a form of resistance hat been put in whereby a defect in the manchine-ir one could spisak of a diefect in such a marvellous machine-liad heen remedied. In the past the machine had been sipt to he a tride too fast in striking, copecially in Cinques, hut this lind now been adjustod, so that if necessary it could he struck as if
in were a muffed peal. The machine laal heen overlsauted and he it were a maffled peal. The machine lad heen overlasuled, and he thaned it might be exhibited, if not hefore, at any rate in November. The President said the Standing Gommittee thought they should turt senil in letter expressing thankfulness at the King s recovery to His Majesty at the prosemi time, but that, after the dry of thanksgiving, and when peals, possibly, hat been rung all over the country it would he move fitting dhat they should colleet these peals, tino ringer- of Etrgiand had done in the way of practicsal thanksgivitg. They would let him know how many peals of 5,000 had bent
fung, where lhey were rung, and how long each peal liad tuken. Flug, where they were rung and how long each peal had tuken. He
thought that would opon the eyes of those in gathority very consitierthly to the loyalty of the ringers (applause).
It was siated that the date fixed was June 16 th , and at a later shage of the meeting, replying to Mr. James George, the President siill they lioped to melude in the list to he sent io His Majesty all the peafis rung as a thanksgiving, whether they were rung on the 1 ith me i, inture ar affer. Denbuless many would be rung in the folhuwing werls ar after. Denbiless many would be ruyg in the fol-

## POLICE GUILD'S FIRST SURPRISE PEAL

## CELEBRATION OF THE METROPOLITAN POLICE OENTENARY.

Last Saturday was the one hundredth anniversary of the passing of the Metropolitan Police Improvements Bill by the House of Commons, and tho event was celebrated by a parade of some 18,000 menbers of the Metropolitan Force. II. R.H. the Prince of Wales inspected the parade in Hyde Park, and afterwards took the salute in front of Buckingham Palace.
The Metropolitan Police Guild of Riugers were officially detriled to ring for the occasion, and appeared an the official programme and in the orders of the day.
Twelve officers and men of the Melropolitan Police, assisted by Sergt. H. Jenney, and Det.-Constable H. J. Poole, Leicester City Police, Sergt. W. Dowding, Birmingham City, Scrgt. A. Lawrence, Ferts Constabulary, P.O. W. T. Beeson, Surrey Constabulary, and P.G. Walter Clayden, Reigate Borough Police, took part in the day's ringing.
Prior to the parade a representalive band rang on the bells of St . George the Martyr, Southwark, a heal of Gamhridge Surpise Major, conducted by Det.-Constable II. J. Poole. This is the first peal of Surpriso ever rung by a band of police officers, and it was most appropriate that the oceasion should he so marked in the amals of ringing, and especially in the annals of the Police Guile.
During the parade and march past the Guild rang on the bells of t. Margaret's, Westminster, by kind permission of Camon Carnegie, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,259 elanges) in 50 unins., the band being: Sergt. G. Schleuter, Metropolitan, 1 Inspr. W. Betitrill, Metropolitar, 2, P.C. Elliott, Melropoliter, 3, PC. Brown, MetropoliLan, 4, Sergt. Shipp, Metropolitan, 5, Det.-Sergt. W. Dowding, Birmingham, 6, P.C. O. Peasc, Metropolitan, 7, Sergt. T. Walters, Metropolitan, 8, P.C. T. Bannister, Metropolitan (conductor), 9, and P.C. Taylor, Metropolitan, 10. On the bells of St. Martin-in-thepieqds, by kind permission of Canon MeCormick, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters ( 1,261 changes) in 55 mins., was rung by: Insp. Bottrill 1, Det-Constable H. T. Poole, Leicester City (conductor) 2 , Scret. W. Dowding, Birmingham Cily, 3, P.O. C. Pease 4, P.C. F. Dighy, Metropolitan, 5, Sorgt. T. Walters 6, Sergt. A. Lawrence, Heris Constaluulary, 7, B.C. T. Banuister, 8, P.C. W. T. Beeson, Surrey Constabulary 9, P.C. Wilmington, Metropolitan, 10

The Metropolitan Poliee Guild wish to thauk Mr. W. Hewitt, St. Margaret's, Westminster, nud Mr. J. D. Mathews, St. Marlin's-in-Uhe-Fields, for the excelleut arrangements made at chose towers, and Rev. W. Neep, Rector of SE. George-the-Martyr, Southwark, for the
use of the bells, and Mr. R. Spink, towerkeeper, for having the bells in readiness.

## GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

A meeting of the Guildford District of the Guildford Diocesan Guild was held at Chiddingfold on Saturday. About thirty members and visitors from S. Nicolas and the Cathedral Church, Guild-
ford, Godalming, Haslomere, Old Woking, the local company, Crawley, Seale, Pulborough, Aldershot, and Sirdford were present. The bells were available from three o'clock. The Guild's form of service was conducted by the Vicar. Tea was provided in the Village Hall, and the business meeting followed. The Vicar (Rev. E. P. Pelloo) Fas unable to stop to the meeting, but before he left a rote of thank to him and to the organist was carried with applause. He was also elected an hon. member of the Guild.
The Surrey Association North Western District, having suggested holding a joint meeting with this district at Guildford, it was resolved, sulject to obtaining the bells, to agree to this. The loss by death of two members, namely, Mt. William Moorey, of Godnlming, and Mr. Sidney Radford, of 'S. Nicolas', Guildford, was reported, and the members stood in silenec for a few moments.
Three new ringing members and one compounding member wore elected.
Mr. A. Pulling gave an intercsting report of the procedings at the Central Council meeting at Cholmsford.
Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain and Treble Bob Major, and a plain course of Cambridge Surprise Major were rung during the day.

## A 'LONG' 240.

To mark the anniversary of the induction of the Rector (tlise Rer. the Hod. S. G. W. Maitlani, M.A.), after meeting short for a peal, with the assistance of the captain of the local ringers, Mr. Wright, visitors to Ingestre, Stafiord, on Whit Saturday rang several touches of Grandsire and Boh Daubleg. The church, on the estate of the Earl of Shrewsbury, is full of interesting features, not the least being Errl of Shrewsbury, is full of interesting features, not the least being
the bells, which, with one exception, No. 5, were cast in Rome in the
1692.
On the wall of the ringing chamber it is recorded that a peal consisting of 240 changes was rung (for a wodding) in one hour mad five minutes!
The visitors, Mressrs. C. Srith and R. G. Lewis (Uttoxeter), A. W. Hall (Cheadle R.C.), W. H. Curson (Overseal), and R. H. Dove (St. Peter's, Croydon), take this opportunity of thanking the Fector for his excellent hospitality afterwards.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCLATION.

## WITHDRAWAL FROM THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

The annual meeting of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association was held at Chippenham, Wilts, on Whit Mondey. Proceed ings commenced with ringing at the towers of St. Andrew's aud St. Paul's Churches, both wery vice peals of eight bells.
At noon a riagors' service was held in St. Andrew's Church, conducted by the Vicar, Rev. W. F. Wood.
Luncheon was partaken of at the Bear Hotel, where the Mayov of Chippenlam weloomed the association to the town and wished them every future prosperity.
The business mecting was afterwards held, by kind permission of the Ficar, in the grounds of the Fiearage. In delightful weather, the beantiful setting of ine gatdens was enhanced by tha steady waters of the River Avon, tpon which some very fine swans noved gracefully.
A tree was used as a 'dais, and the meeting opened with the Lian. seoretary readiag a letter from the Master (Rev. C. D. P. Drwies), stating that infirmity prevented his attendanco that day, aud, furthermore, asked for liss release from aflice upon that account. The Han. Secretary asked the meeting to elect a ohairman, and this position was eutrusted co Rev. E. S. Salchy, an hon. member.
Arising from the minutes, the Secretary stated that Hessis. Leaker, Hale and Shepherd had beet appointed advisers on behalf of the Association.
Apologies for absence were rearl from the Revs. Davies, Phillips, Pennington, Stephens, Goti, and Chambers, aud from Sir Audley Neeld, Messrs. Howell and Spurvier.
The Fon. Treasurer (Mr. Wh. Lansdown) mesented a statement of accoants, slowing a balance in hand of 880 in the general fuvd, f 35 in the belfy repair fund, aud 20 12s. in ble peal book fund, making a grand total of about $£ 120$.
Mr. Yeend (Cheltenhami thought that the members were neglecting the beffry repair fund. -The balance sheet was adopted as read. ifr. E. Guse (the hon. secretary) moved that the association cease to affiliate to the Gentral Council of Church Bellringers. His points in favour of this step were tlat ringers throughout the country really thouglit that they sent "delegates." Ouly a few weeks aro 'I'he Riuging World" had reconded the meeting of the Midilud Counties Association, and the committee of that body had used these wards: "That they agreed the expeoses of their "delegates" to the Central Coutcil should be paid, and bater in their report What the 'delegates' be instructed to rote in fawotry of an iten upon the Coutral Council ageada. The whole difficuIty had arisen by the Council referring an item from their agenda to the associations, ret, at the following meeting, upon a member stating that he bad been instructed to vote in favour, although lie was personally against, the rulnif giver was that he was there as a member of the Council and not as a delegate from his association. Another point was that the associations were not considered. The Glouester and Bristol Dioccian Association liad placed an item upon the Central Coumeil agenda ir 1926, and although it was accepted by the Central Counci officials severa! weeks before their mesting, with the proposer and secouder given, it was left to the day of the meeting and fhen not allowed to be put, the ruling heing, "I will not allow it to he putas it is the pious opinion of one assaciation. Furthermore, not only was the association so treated, but the oficials had, during the last few weeks, beem treated somewhat discourteously in the following way: On March 19th, 1929, the hom. secretary of the Contrai Council had been informed that ilue aftiliation fees could not be paid pending a rlecision on the motion upon the ageuda of the Gloucester and Bristal Association, and to this he had replied acknowledging the information. It was, clearily pointed out that these fees, in the event of the motion being nefrated, would he pleced in the Iands of the Central Council's hon. secretary at $9 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. On Whit Tuesciay, so that the representatives would be qualified to vote. On or abotit April 23 rd the hon. secretary of the Central Coumeil netually accepled auonymously affliation fees for the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association, and without ascertaining its validity forwarded an official receipt. Tpon being pressed for furtler information, he replied unless the donor relieved him of his anonymity he could not give his name, also that he failed to see how he had becu discourfieous to the duly appointed officials of the Gloteester aud Bristol Association. Mr. Guise asked, Couln the meeting conceive that such gn action was possible on the part of the hon. secretary of the Central Council?
The Chairman thonght that the definition of the word 'representalive was not clearly made out, mud suggested a motion. Mr. Austin farouren this, but 3n. Yeend thought it too mild, aud supported the motion as put.
Mr. deffiries, in the absence of Mr. Gould (through illness), secouded the motion.
Mr. Cave, speakiny against the motion, asked what would the assaciation have clone without the publications of the Central Coutrcil? Passages wore quoted from the late Sir Arthur P. Heywood's specel at the inauguration of the Council. Mr. Cave mentioned that the Council were trying to place practical ringers as advisers upon the Dincesan Advisory Hoards. There was, he urged, a good deal la thank the Council for.

Mr. Bishop, in a brief speech supporting Mr. Cate, said that in lis opinion the Council had not only tome their work, but had done it extremely well.
Mr. Prescott, expressing an opinion upan the motion, said it was in the interests of the representatives fo regard their associations Fiews, and he felt certain that if a represchative did not do that, he would soon find himself left out in the subsequent elcetions.
Mr. Braven, waving a frame, said, "Look what the Central Coulsdoes for the young ringers.' (Since the meeting it has been ascertained that the frame contained a letter from the hon. secretary $\mathrm{p}^{2}$ the Central Conncil commending him upou his work in teaching the young riagers at St. Luke's, Bristol, and further congratulating him upan the ringing of 100 peals on the tenar behiud, to Triples, Caters and Cinques.)
No one else wished to speak against the motion, and the Chaiman asked Mr. Guise to speak, and then the motion would be put.
Mr. Guise, repiring first to Mr. Prescott, said that it was impossible, according to the rules of the Council, to be other than a mernber of that body, and he would ask what wns the ralue of two nembers who, as was quite possible, each voked for opposite views. Better to have spared the expense incurred and only semd one. Replying to Mr. Cave, he said that there were books that could be obtained for a sinall sum, aud, after all, the Council had been inexistence for mearly 40 years, and as this meant a sum of $£ 4,000$ provided by riugers and associatious, they would expect some results. He mentioned the sum of $£ 4,000$ as an approximate sum, of course, but the members wrould realise what ihis sum of money was worth. It had been suggested that he (Mr. Guise) should place the matter before tise Councti, bit his reply was that the Conncil cauld not be approached from within, and a good deat of talking would be done by other associations when they realised chat a large association like theirs decided to withderw. Upon all matlers of importance to the Exercise, the associations should be considered an authority, and they alone should have the right to decide which wat their representatives voted. Upon scientific matters the representatives could be entrusted to use their discretion, but the Council was a Council of "church beliringers' according to their own terms, and the question of scientific matters was of secondary imporfance. Another point, Mr. Guise said, was that the five and six bell ringers hat han their enthusiasm damped by the continued bartering of what they could ting, and what they nust not, and tize effect of that upon the Gloucester and Bristol Association was a drop of from 14 to 8 peals upon five and six bells during the last year.
He then moved, "That the words "and shali be affliated to the Central Council of Church Belloingers" be deleted from the rules.

Upon being put to the meeting, the motion was carried by 35 votes to 25 votes against.
It was decided that the recently created office of Riuging Mnster shouid be abolished.
A new rule was agreed to in which prize ringing would not be allowed.

A mecessary adjustment was made to a branch rule.
The viet-presiderts wete te-elected with the addition of Ret: C. D. P. Davies.

Rev. E. S. Salcby was elected Master, Mr: P. C. Williams was elected hon. treasurer, and Mr. Guise was reeelected horr. secretary. Mr. A. Wright was re-clected bor. peal secvetary.

Rev. E. d. Phillips rud Mr. C. H. Gordon were reappointed han. auditors, Messis. Perreus, Coles, Dulield and Bmuett wero elected life members, and the popilar Mayot of Chippenham was elected an hon. member.
Lydney was chosen as the next place of meeting in 1930 on May
Fotes of thanks to Rer. E. S. Saleby as chairman, to the Ticar, orranist of St Andrew"s, and the Mayor of Chippenham, were actheir work. This brought the meetiug to a close.

## BELLS ON BALL BEARINGS.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir, -l lias been brought to our notice that a pamphlet reeently issued from Croydoti contains a statemeni lo the effect that the first peal of bells to be fitted throughout with batl bearings was at St. Stephen's, Clapham Park, in 1919.
May we, though the medium of your columing, draw the attention of those interested to the fact that in the early part of 1914 we fitteri ball bearings to the eight bells of the rew peal from out foundry whith we lang at Fensingham Church, Cumberimend.
We may add that in 1913 we had luag on hall bearings six of the eight bells at Chester-le-Street, and iu tliat same year, 1913, we hiad hung very maty bells on ball bearines, iucluding the tenors of such well-known peals as Linoolı Gathedral, Loughborotigl Parish Church, Chewtou Maudip, Sancrset, Rambam, Kent, Newport, St. Woolos' (now Cathedral) St. Ghan's, Shvewshure. Also, in 1914, the tenor at Waltham Abbey, and at Longum, Glos, the full peal of elght bells.-Yaurs faithfully.

JOHN TAYLOR AND CO.

## WINCHESTER AND OXFORD GUILDS JOIN HANDS.

A wory successful joint meeting of the Nowhury Branclt of the Oxtord Guid and the Andover District of the Winchester and Portgn nouth Didecsan Guild was held at Highelere, Hants, on Saturday, May 18th, over to members and frients being present. The following towers were represented: Binfeld, Brightwalton, Bucklebury, Ease Ilsley, Newhury and Thatcham from the Oxford side, and Higheleme, North Stonelam, Si. Mary Hourne, Winchester, Wgotom St. L, awdenee, and Woolton Hill from the Winchester area. Ringing; erricti uil in various methods up to Cambridge Surprise Major, commenced upon the musical ring of eight at 3 pm., and continued, with a break for service and iea, up to 9 acolock, a foature of the ringjug being the handling and stuiking of the band of hadies from Bucklebury.
Tho serviee was conducted by the Vicar of Highelere, the Rev. G. G. D. Dunlop, M.A., who, after welcoming the members 10 Eighclerc, gave a very interesting and helpful address upon "Fellowship," which the Clurch and the ringing Guilds, as part of the Church, stoad for.

A splendid tea was enjoyed in the school, the Vicar of Highelere very generously paying hali the cost. The Rev. It. R. Majondie (Rector of Newbury) presided, and was supported by Rev. Ni. C. Spar, Fer, G. G. Durlop, Mr. W. Andrews, etc.
Tho Rev. L. E. Majendie said that all present would be gory to hear of the illuess of Mr. H. W. Curtis (Newbury Jranch secretary), who was thus prevented from being present. Mr. Curtis had looked for'wrd to this meeting, and was koenly disappointed.-Mr. Andsews, in reply, voiced the regret of all present at the absence of Mr. Curtig, und the Chairaman promised to convey to him the best wishes of the members.
The Chairman said that it was hoped to arrange a return meeting at. Newhury on Augusi 10th.

A NEW PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES.


This is the firsi peal of Grandmire Triples having only three bells calied Before. There are 118 bobs and 2 singles.

## EMPIRE DAY

A1 Farmam, Surter, on Fridey, May 24th, in celebration of Empite Day, a guarier-peal of Bob Major ( 1,264 clasagesi in 50 mins. : C. Edwards 1, J. Read 2, G. Upshall 3, S. Meatows 4, C. Wells 5, F. Kump 6, R. Hasted (conductor') 7, T. Tpshall 8.

## NOTICES.

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LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northern Branch. -A meeting of the Sleaford District will be held at Heckington on Saturday, June ist. Belis (8) available 2.30 p.m. - Reginald Scott, Westlea House, Sleaford.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Leigh on Saturday, June ist. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.-Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., 203, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-North and East District.Next meeting at Pinner, Saturday, June ist. Bells from 3 p.m. Service at 5 , tea (usual terms) and meeting to follow. A nice summer outing, lovely bells and pretty country! Cheap trains from Baker Street, and other Metropolitan Stations.-C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 2 I, Vincent Road, E.4.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Annual general meeting will be held at Portsmouth on Saturday, June 1st. Meeting at $2.3^{\circ}$ p. n. in St. Mary's Parish Institute. Service at 4 p.m. at St. Mary's, Portsea. Tea at 5 p.m. in Institute. Towers open for ringing: Cathedral (8), 12 to 2 p.m. and during the evening, St. Mary's (8), during afternoon (if meeting finishes early) and evening. All ringers and friends wel-cone-G. Pullinger, Sec.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-The next meeting of the Bedford District will be held at Willington (6) on Saturday, June ist. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Tea at 5 - Cople bells are not available for this meeting.J. T. Newington, Hon. Dis. Sec., $3^{2}$, Grafton Road, Bedford.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.-The annal general meeting will be held at East Retford on Saturday, June Ist. Bells of East Retfore (io), West Retford and Ordsall (6) will be at disposal of ringers early. Meat tea will be provided at Cooke's Cafe at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Divine service 4 -I 5 p.m. to 4.50 p.m. Preacher: Rev. H. R. Peel. Vicar of Cuckney. Please notify Mr. D. A. Piercy, 60 , Wharton Street, Retford, number for tea. Members from kindred associations will be heartily welcomed.- H . Haigh and H. Revill, Hon. Secretaries.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Farnham Dis-trict- -The next district meeting will be held at Bagshot on June ist. Bells (8) 3. Service 4.45 . Tea, in Parish Hall, 5.30 p.m. A good attendance is requested at this meeting.-B. H. Clark, Hon. Dis. Sec.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Bromyard Dis-trict.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Whitbourne on Saturday, June ist. Bells (6) available 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. - A. Tomkins, Dis. Sec., Post Office, Bredenbury.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. - A branch meeting will be held at Rishton on Saturday, June ist. Bells available at 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.m. -F. Hindle, Hon. Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Burton District. - The next district meeting will be held at Measham on Saturday, June ist. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. Reports (6d.) may be obtained. A good attendance requested. -John Leach, Hon. Dis. Sec.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Devizes Branch. - The monthly meeting will be held at Bromham on Saturday, June rst. Bells (6) ready 3 p.m. Service 4.40 . Tea 5. Rowde bells (6) also available afternoon and evening. Bus service from Devizes to Rowde (a miles), Bromham (4 miles).-F. Green, Hon. Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. - Next meeting will be held at Bolsover, June ist. Bells will be open early. Tea at 5 . Entries will be received for ringing contest to be held at Esclesfield in July.- R. Harrison, Hon. Sec., 4r, Baltic Road, Slieffield.

DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Smethwick on Saturday, June ist. Bells available 3 o'clock. Service in church 4.30 . Tea and business meeting afterwards. - Herbert Sheppard, Hon. Sec., 1 I3, Himley Road, Dudley.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northampton Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at Dallington, Northampton, on Saturday, June Ist. Bells (6) 2.30 , service 4 .I5, tea at 5 o'clock. Business impor-tant.-T. Tebbutt, West Street, Moulton, Northampton.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. - Wimborne Branch.-A quarterly meeting is to be held at Kingston, near Corfe Casile, on Saturday, June ist. Ringing from 3, service 4.30 , tea 5.15.-C. A. Phillips, Hon. Branch sec.

NOTTINGHAM SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS (Established 1672).-A meeting of the above will be held at Bottesford on Saturday, June ist. Tower open 3 p.m. All ringers welcomed.-F. Blood, Hon. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch. -A meeting will be held at East Crompton on Saturday, June ist. Bells available from 3 p.m. Neeting at 6.30 p.m.-William Horan, Branch Sec., 2, Greenhirst Hey, Todmorden.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Furness and Lake District Branch. - The next meeting for ringing only will take place at Lancaster Parish Church on Saturday, June ist. Bells (8) available at a p.m.-W. T. Clark, Branch Sec., Broughton-in-Furness.
SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. - Wimborne Brancli.-A quarterly meeting is to be held at Kingston, near Corfe Castle, on Saturday, June ist. Ringing from 3. Service at 4.30. Address by Vicar (Rev. B. D. Beeley). Tea at 5.15 , by tis kind invitation, in the Vicarage grounds (if wet, in the Reading Roon). Corfe Cratle bells (6) are also available.-C. A. Plitlips, Hon. Branch Sec
LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD. - Meetings for June: St. Clement Danes', Sunday, 2nd, at io a.m. ; Monday, $3^{\text {rd }}$ and $\boldsymbol{y}_{7}$ th, at 7.30 p.m.-S. C. Moye, Gen. Sec.
ST. CLEMENT'S YOUTHS.-St. Clement Danes, Strand, W.C.-Practice, Wednesday evenings, 7 to 8.30 p.m. Ringing, Sundays, and and $16 \mathrm{th}_{1}$ June, at 5.30 p.m. Visitors welcome. Annual outing Saturday, June 22nd, to Stratford-on-Avon. Twin leaves Padelington

Station at 11.28 a.m. Fare 5 s. Will all members desiring to attend advise hon. sec.?-Rev. W. PenningtonBiciford, M.A., Rector; F. W. Sergison, Hon. Sec.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).-Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on June 6th and 2oth, "St. Paul's Cathedral on the inth, Southwark Cathedral on the 13th, Foffee Pot: on the 25 th, St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 27 th; all at $7.3^{\circ}$ p.m. *Business meeting afterwards.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodinghan, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.--Canterbury District. - A bye-meeting will be held at Petham (6) on Saturday, June Sth. Bells available from 3 p.m. So that arrangements may be made for tea, will those intending being present kindly notify me on or before Thursday, June 6th? - Percy. W. Smith, Hon. Sec., Fair View, Littlebourne, Canterbury.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Fylde Branch.-A meeting will be held at St. Cuthbert's Church, Lytham ( 8 bells) on Saturday, June 8 ih. Bells ready 3 p.m. Meeting 6 p.m.-C. Sharples, 10 , Warbreck Road, Blackpool.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Liverpool Branch. -A meeting will be held at Sefton on Saturday, June 8tio. Bells (6) avallable 3 p.m. Service 5.30 p.m. Tea (by kind invitation of the Rector) and meeting to follow. Archdeacon Howson will be present. Members are asked to make a special effort to attend this meeting and notify me before Tuesday, Juna 4 th, of their intention of doing so.--Claude I. Davies, Branch Sec., Caerjeon, Dunbabin Road, Wavertree.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN CUILD.-Christchurch District. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Fordingbridge on Saturday, June 8 th . Bells (8) available from 3 p.m.-G. Preston, Dis. Sec., 3 r. Waterloo Place, Christchurch.

HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Eastern Dis-trict.-The spring meeting will be hele at Benington on June Stla, when the bells will be open during the afternoon and evening. The Rev. W. E. Mits is providiny tea free. All ringing friends will be welcome.-W. H. Lawrence, Little Munden, Herts.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Nottingham District. -The next monthly meeting will be held at Mansfield on Saturday, June Sth. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Members make own arrangements for tea. -F. M. Bailey, Local Sec., 42, Rupert Street, Nottingham.

HERTS COUNTY ASSOCLATION.-Western Dis-trict.-A meeting is to be held at Tring on Saturday June 8th. Beils available from 3 p.m. Short service alt 5 p.m. Tea and meeting 5.30 p. 171 . All welcome. Cheap fares by train and bus. Numbers for tea would help.W. Ayre, Leverstock Green.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Daventry Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at Daventry (8) on Saturday, June 8th. Will members kindly reserve: this clate? -W. C. Moore, Braunston Road, Daventry.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCLATION.-Preston Brancin. The branch meeting. which should have been held at Tarleton on Saturday, June 8 th, is postponed to a later date, notice of which will be given in 'The Ringins World. - Fred Rigby, Hon. Sec., 8, Carrington Road, Chorley.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckley District.-The next meeting will be held jointly at Kirkby Mallory and leckleton on Saturday, June 8th. Kirkby bells available from 3.30 p.m. to 5 p.m., with Peckleton to follow. Tea at Kirkby Mallory, A good meeting is hoped for.-W. A. Cope, Smockington, Hinckley.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Central Bucks Branch.-June Sth, the annual meeting, at Steeple Claydon. Tower open at 2 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Preacher: The Rev. C. Bass, the Vicar. This service will be the thanksgiving for the relanging of the bells; it is 30 years since they were rung. Tea, 5 p.mi., is, each. Please send numbers to the hon. sec. On Monday, June 3rd.The Rev. J. F. Amies, Edgcote Rectory, Aylesbury.

SUFFOLK GLiLLD.-Debenham District. - Meeting at Framsden on Saturday, June 8th. Bells available 2.30 p.m., also the restored ring at Helmingham, it being proposed to meet there first at the above hour. Tea in Mission Foom, Framsden, 5 p.m., is, each, to be followed by short business meeting. Please notify for tea by Thursday, Jure 6th.-W. C. Rumsey, Debenham, Stowmarket.
YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Northern Division. - The annual meeting is to be held on June 8th at Middleham in Wensleydale, Yorks, where the peal of 8 leells, by kind permission of the Vicar, will be available for ringing. All members are requested to make this meeting a success, and ringing friends will be cordially welcomed. Tea will be served at the Commercial. Hotel, Middleham, at-2s. per head, and notice should be sent to Mr. H. Parrish, Castle Hill, Middleham, by Thursday, May $30 t h$, who will make the necessary arrangements. J. W. Acldison, Hon. Sec.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION. Swindon Branch.-The half-yearly meeting will be held at Bishopstone on Saturday, June 8th. Bells (S) available at 3 p.m. Those requiring tea please notify me by Wednesday, Jume 5 th.-S. Hopper, Hon. Sec., 79, Edinburgh Street, Gorse Hill, Swindon.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Northern District.-A meeting will be heldat Offley on Saturday, June 8:h. Bells (6) will be avthable at 3 p.m. A short scrvice and dedication of a peal board at $4-30$. Tea at 5 p.m. Bus service from Hitchin and Luton every halfhour. A good attendance is requested. Please notify me if you require tea.-Donald C. Mears, Hon. Dis. Sec, Offley, Hitchin.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-A meeting of the Wednesday Guild will be held in Sunderland on June isth. Meet at St. Michael's, Bishopwearmouth, at 2.30. Tea at North of England Cafe, Fawcett Street, at 5. Ringing at St. Ignatius' Church after tea. Those intending to be present please advise Mr. G. Siddle, Sec., 16 , Poplar Street, Chester-leSireet, not later than June roth.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-North and East District. -Nid-week practice meeting at St. Mark's, Dalston, on Thursday, June isth. Bells from 7 to 9 p.m. All ringers welcome.-C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec.

WORCESTIRSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Northern Branch. - A meeting of the above branch will be held at Bewdley on Saturday, June I 5 th. hedls axailable at 3 p.m. Service in church at 4.30 . All those requiring tea must notify me not later than June i14.-A. J. Skelding, -, Cecil Street, Stourbriclge.

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS. - N.E. Branch. - The next quarterly meeting will be held at Rackenford on Saturday, June 15 th. Tower open 2.30 . Service 4.45. Tea 5.15, Is. each.

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.
Hoylandswaine Cup Contest. - Open to all towers in above association. Will be held on Saturday, June 15 th. It is hoped all will join at once. The last practice day is June ist. Draw 2.45. First band to compete at 3.15. All ringers and friends are invited. Tea will be provided in Parochial Church Room, 15. 6d. each. It is essential for number to be sent to Mr. L. Wilkinson, Jackson Terrace, Hoylandswaine, near Penistone, before June iath. The village is purely agricultural, and no other accommodation for tea exists.-C. D. Potter, Hon. Sec.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Western Division.The quarterly meeting will be held at Marsden on Saturday, June 15 th. Bells available from I. $3 \circ$ p.m. Tea, at is. $6 d$. per head, to all those who send in their names to Mr. S. Whitehead, Throstle Nest, Marsden, near Huddersfield, not later than Friday, June I4th. - F. Hutchinson, Dis. Sec.

LADIES' GUILD. - Western District.-The annual meeting will be held at Portishead on Saturday, June $15^{\text {th. }}$. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30 . Tea and meeting to follow at White Cot Dairy. Wijl those desiring tea kindly let me know by June i2th? N. G. Williams, Hon. Sec., Weston Holise, Weston, Bath.

LADIES' GUILD.-Southern District.-Annual meet-ing.-GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Guildiord District.-Ringing meeting.-Both at Worplesdon, June 15th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Tea, by kind invitation of Mrs. Bruce, to all who send in their mames by June roth. Ladies' Guild members please notify Miss H. F. Mills, Caimeytiill, Bridgefield, Farnham. Guildford Diocesan Guild members please notify G. L. Grover, Merrow Cottage, East CIandon, near Guildford.

SURREY ASSOCIATION. - Norh-Western Dis-trict.-Next meeting will be held at Ranmore Commort on Saturday, June $5^{\text {thin }}$. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m., tea following. Those requiring tea kindly let me know before Wednesday, June izth.-D. Cooper, Hon. Dis. Sec., 5, Harrison's Rise, Croydon.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GLILD.-Leatherhead District.-A district meeting will be held at Newdigate on June 22nd. Belis (6) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea, at the Six Bells Inn, 5 p.m., followed by short business meeting. Will those reguiring tea please notify Mr. R. Brett, New House Farm, Newdigate, not later than Wednesday, June rgth? A special appeal is issued to friends in neighbouring associations ro join us in making good use of this pretty peals of bells.-Alan R. Pink, Hon. Dis. Sec.

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CHICRESTER, -On Sunday, May 26th, for morning service, at the Gathedral, a quarter-peal of Grendsire Triples ( 1,260 elanges) : T A. Doick 1, W. Falconer 2, W. Scott, sen., 3, F. B. T'ompkins 4, G. Marslail, sen., 5, H. J. Tucker (conductor) 6, J. R. Blake 7, W. E. 'Ticelurst 8. It was also rung in honour of Her Majesty's 62nd birtliday. Mr. W. Scott was or a visit from the Isle of Wight.
WORCESTER.-On May 26 th, at St. Helen's, for evening service, 1,260 Stedmau Tripies: J. J. Jefferics 1, C. G. Bowkett 2, G. Checketts 3, T. Lewis 4, G. Hinten, jun., 5, W. Lewis 6, W. Page 7, F. Giles 8. Conducted by W. Page. First quarter-peal of Stedman wy Messrs. T. Lewis and F. Giles.
FEERJNG.-For carly service, on Whit Sunday, 720 Oxford Treble Bob: W. Eeoble (conduetor) 1, T. Groombridge, sen., 2, 3. C. Newman 3, C. J. Rogers 4, G. Hayward 5, F. Fludder G. For 11 o'clock servico, $n$ giarter-peal of Bob Major ( 1,264 changes): W. Kechle (conductor) 1, J. C. Newman 2, C. J, Rogers 3, T. Groombridge, sen. 4 , F. C. Nowman 5, F. Fudder 6, G. Hayward 7, J. Hunt 8. For evening service, 720 Bob Major: J. Huut 4, T. Groombridge, sen. 5 , W. H. Sluker 8 , the rest as before.
KELVEDON.-On Whit Sunday, after evenirg service, 720 Kent Trehle Bob: W. Kecble (conductor) 1, W. Elljett 2, W. H. Sluker 3, J. Ellitt 4, J. Hunt 5, T. Groombiridge, sen. 6.

WEST GRINSTEAD.-On Whit Sunday, May $19 t h_{\text {, }}$ for morning serviee, 720 Oxtord Treble Dob: F. Turrell 1, G. Warnett 2, R. Warnett $3, R$. Stredwick 4, H. Turell 5 , W. Denman (conductor) 6. For evening service, 240 Cambridge Surprisc, 240 Norwich Surprise, 240 Oxford Treble Bob. First touch of Cambridge by R. Warneth, who latils from Hillingdon.
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Although, in the opinion of some of the members, the Central Council meeting at Chelmsford was to a large extent 'negative' in its results, it was certainly one of the most interesting of recent years. A number of minor topics came under consideration, but there were two outstanding features. One was the really excellent discussion on the Methods Committee's report, which invoived an important principle as to what the Council should include among the compositions in its forthcoming new edition of Five and Six-bell Methods; and the other was the report presented by the Legal Committee, about which there was no debate, but which laid before the Council, in clear and concise form, the various aspects of the law relating to church bells and bellringers. It was one of the most important, informative and useful reports ever presented to the Council.
The Methods Committee's report and the motion defining what the Council should recognise as a peal of Minor and as a peal of Doubles, although distinct, were to some extent interlocking, and there were some representatives who would have liked to discuss the motion before coming to a decision on the report. They thought, if the Council defined anew its views as to what should constitute a peal, they could more readily settle what should and what should not be included in one of their publications, to which ringers will in future turn for the purpose of obtaining peal compositions. The president, however, held the members to the agenda, and in this the ruling was obviously the strictly correct one. Even had he acceded to the request to reverse the procedure, it is doubtful if time would have been saved.
Altogether something like three hours were spent over the subject, and in the end no one got exactly what they wanted. The decision on the Methods Committee's report became a compromise ; the motion was postponed to a future meeting. On both these matters we hope to have something to say when the report of the discussions have appeared in our columns, but it was this indecision, coupled with the rejection of a proposal to set up a committee to consider the best method of dealing with cases of extraordinary sickness among members of the Exercise, that probably led to the view in some quarters that the day had been largely one of "negative" results, for the other business transacted, if we except the Legal Committee's report, was not of far-reaching importance. Yet it was by no means a wasted day. It is often in the small things that the most effective work is done. Here are some of the things which resulted from the mecting: The new Coilection of Minor Methods wilf (Continued on page 354.)

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| James Hunt... |
| .... |
| .... | Compased by Aetegr Knigets, Conducted by William Keerle

Mr. J. Hunt was elected a life momber previous to starting for the peal. Rung to celebrate the jubilee of the association, amd on the 50 th birthday of the daughter of Mr. W. J. Nevard. GRTMSBY.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sunday, May 79, 1929, in Three Hours and Four Minute,
At ihe Chtrch of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR 505G CHANEES; Tenor $15 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.

| Frederick H. Dexter | $\ldots$. Tyeble | Frederick Oyerton ... | ... | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| George F. Wilciams | $\ldots$. | 2 | Charles W. Taylor ... | ... |

 Joen Chamgerlain ... ... 4 Herbert I. Mingay ... Composed by Henry Johnson. Conducted by George F. Williams Mr. F. H. Deater's 250 th peal.

LKESTON, DERBYSH REE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASBOCIATION.
On Tuesday, May 21, 1929, in Thee Hours and Three Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BPLIGED TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 6024 CHANGES;
Tenor 17 cwt 9 lb . in E .
 James S. Hotchby .... .... 4 | Edward C. Gobey .... .....Trmor

Composed and Conducted by Enwaris C. Gobey.

* First peal of Spliced Treble Bob.

[^37]KINGSWINFORD, STAFFS.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Tuesday. May 27, 1929, in Thrae Hows and Eight Minules,

At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Thorstans' Fodr-part.
Francis Brotherton
Treble A
Christorbr wali...... Roberi Pigkering ... ... 3 Herbert Knight ... ... 7
3ohn Perry... ... ... ... 4 Harry Boswell... ... ...temor
Conducted by Herbert Knight.
Rung for the Whitsun festival.
BRISTOT:.
GEOLCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Wednesday, May 22, 1929, in Cwo Hours and Fifly-Seven Minates, At the Chorch of St. Strphen-the-Martyf,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Heywood's Transposition of Thorstans' Fodr-part.
Tenor 2 I cwt. in $E$.
Agbert Siowelc
Joen A. Borford
Thomas F. King ..
...Treble
Hererri Knight
Con ... ...
$\begin{array}{ccc}\text { William Kinight } & \ldots . & \ldots \\ \text {-Harry Bennett } & \ldots & \ldots \\ \text { Alfred E. ReEves } & \ldots & \ldots \\ \text { Uriah Braven ... } & \ldots & . . .\end{array}$ 5
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Conducted by Alfred E. Regves.

* First peal of Stedman Triples away from the tenor. CONISBOROUGH, YORKSHIRE. TEE YORESHIRE ASSOCTATION. (Doncaster \& Districi Society.)
On Triday, May 24, 1929, in Three Hours and Three Mirutes, At the Chdrch of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BDE MANOR,5248CHANGES; Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 20 lb .

1. Edward Cawser

Olivrr Grbathead
...Treble Milion C. Fowler
$\begin{array}{ll}\text {... } & 3 \\ \ldots & 4\end{array}$ Arthor Adams... Arnold Hici 5 Milion Co, Fowakr Edgar C. Stagey Percy Gledstonz (No. IIG) James McCluskey ... ...Tenoy Composed by A. Knights (No. IrG). Conducted by J. E. Livesse

* First peal in the method and first attempt. Rung in bonour of Empire Day.

ABERGAYENNY, MONMOUTHSEREE.
THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GULLD.
On Friday, May 24, 1929, in Three Hours and Tqueloe Minutes. At tee Church of Si. Mary.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5OGO CHANGES; Grove's Transposition of Parker's Twelve-part. Tenor 20 cFt .
William H. Satiders ...Treble $\mid$ George R. Jones ... ... 5 Sydery T. Racrham... ... 2 Arthur W. Davis ..... .6 William H. Fussell...$\quad 3 \quad$ Charlzs Edwards $\quad . .$. Groffry W. Taysom... .... 4 William Horsington ...Tenor Conducted by C. Edvards.
The ringers of 4 th, 6 th and 7 th were elected members of the Guild hefore comrancing the peal. Rung in honour of Empire Day. The Vicar ascended the tower after the peal, and congratulated the band upon the striking, and the ringers take this opportuaity of thanking hin for the use of the bells, and aIso for entertaining them after the peal.

## CHRISTLETON, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GULLD.
(Chester Branch.)
On Sulurday, May 25, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,
At the Parise Churce of St. James,

## A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANRE8;

## J J. Parker's Twelve-part,

Gzorge R.jones Tenor $12 \frac{8}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$ in $F$ sharp.

Edward Harrison Robert Sprrring Gengy W. Wicde

Geffory Milion ... ... 5 Walter Thomas... ... ... 6 james Morgan ... ... ... 7 Samorl Jonts, jun. . ... Tenoy Conducted by Robert Sperring.
First peal on the bells. These bells were recast and rebung in hall bearings by Messrs. J. Taylor and Co., and were dedicated by the Lord Bishop of Chester on Sunday, February 12hh, 1928 . Rang as a birthday compliment to J. Harrison, and on the 40 th anniversary of FI W. Wilde's tirst peal.

LOUGFBOROUGB, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTLES ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, May 22, 1929, in Two Hows and Twenty-Nine Minutes, At tae Brll Foundry Campanile,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

## Washbrook's.

Lronard H. Whitehead Treble Jane
Whitehead Treble hiteeead
CRARLESR BRLTON .................. James Pagrit....... Conducted by Wacrer $F$. Whiteagad.
The band are greatly indebted to Mr. Siubbs for making the band up af a second's notice.

READING, BERKS.
THE OXEORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Weanesday, Muy 22, 1929, in Thred Hours and Ten Minutes, At the Cegrgh of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Holt's Ten-part.

Harry Tucker
Dr. L. Joyce
Miss Stelia Davis ...
...Treble
$\begin{array}{ll}\ldots & 2 \\ \ldots & 3\end{array}$ Conducted by R T

BRAINTREF, ESSEX.
THE EGSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Tharsday, May 23, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes, At the Cetrch of St. Michagl-the-Arceangel.
A PEAL OF CAMERIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor IId cwt. in G.
Henry E. Hammond ... ...Tyeble Frederick Ridguell $^{\text {... }} 5$
Wur 5
6
Lewis W. WIFFEN
Herbert C. Reason ... ... 4
Composed by Chas. Midderton. Artidd Satnders

Rung to celebrate the jubilee of the association.

## CHICHESTER, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Sathrday, May 25, 1929, in Threa Hours and Ten Minutes,
At the Cathedral Campanile,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE MORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANEESI
Tenor 21量 cwt.
Josiar D. Harris ... ...Trebie|Alfred W. Groves
 Alfred T. Greenwood $\cdot .$. Henry J. Tucker ... ... 4 Keith Hart... ... ... ...Temry Composed by SirA. P. Heywood. Conducted by Grorge Williams
First peal of Double Norwich on the bells. Rung on the 102 nd lirthday of Mr. Thomas Fenner, of Chichoster, whose son, Mr. T. J. Fenner, aged 76 years, is custodian of the Cathedral tower.

## WRITTLE, ESSEX.

## THE ESSEX ASEOGIATION.

On Saturday. May 25, 1929, in Thre Hours and Fourteen Mintes,
At the Church of Ale Salnts,

- FEAL OF DDULLE MORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, $500 B$ CMANCES,

Tenor $18 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. in F.
Percy Grebn ... ... ... Trebie Wielian Kegrle
William Lincoln ... ... 2 Dr. Spencer Paillips
Wileiam J. Nevard ... ... 3 Grorgr Green
Thomas Lincoln...... Composed by James Hont. Conducted by Wicliam Keeble.
Rung lo celebrate the jubilee of the association. Also as a birlhday compliment to G. Green.

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## THRAPSTON, NORTHANTS.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GEDD.
On Salurday, May 25, 1929, in Thre Hours and Three Mintes,
At the Chorgh of St. James,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANEES;
Teorstans' Foor.part. Tenor I4cwt. 7!b.
Jobn J. Mawby ... ... ...Tyble Anderson Y. Tyler ...
Jome R. Male George Basford

6
James Ward...
Haray Cuamuers Waltitr Perking...
... 7
James M. Niemerson... ...Temoy
Conducted by Walter Perkins.
Rang to celebrate Empire Day.
ERITH, KENT.

- THE MDDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, May 25, 1929, in Two Hours and Fi/ty-Two Minutes,
As the Cedrer of Sz. Jogn-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor I5 cwt, in $G$
Harold J. Poole

William Boytrill Percy Harbison... Shirley Burton... | ..Tydie | Fredericr J. Collom, jon, | 5 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots$. | 2 | Jambs F. Clarre, jon. | $\ldots$ | 6 |
| $\ldots$ | 3 | E. Harry Stonaley $\ldots$. | $\ldots$ | 7 | ... .... 4 Ernest Morris ... ... ...Temor

Composed by James S. Wilde. Conducted by Ernesi Morris.
All oxcople the ringers of 2 ad and 5 th bail from Leicester and digtrict. Rung in honour of the E2nd birthday of Her Majeaty Queen Mary.

> HARLOW COMMON, ESSEX.
> THE ESSEX ABSOCIATION.
> On THesday, May 28,1929, in Three Hours,

At the Chdrce of Si. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR; E184 CHANGES; Tenor 12 comt.
Harry Smale ..Treble
$\qquad$

$\qquad$ | .Treble |
| :---: |

Grorge Dent. 5 Stanley Clarl .... William Whemefr ... ... Lewis Cordate.... William Morris...*
Composed by Artanor Knights.
Crarles Bution ... ... 7 *Henry F. Cooper ... ....Tenar

Conducted by G. DENT

* 100th peal. H. Smale has now rung each bell in the tower to a peul. Arranged for C. Button, of Wramlingham, Suffolk, who was piected a mernber bofore stirting. Also rung to celebrate the birthday of 1 . F. Cooper and his grandalagbter, born on his birthday, March 11th.

LISCARD, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUHD.
(Wirral Braneh.)
On Tucsiay, May 28, 1929, in Thyee Hours and T wenty Minutes,
At the Parise Chirch of St. Mary,
A PEAL DF KENT TREELE BOB MAJOR, 502! CHANEES; Tenor 16 cwt , 2 qr. 2 b , in F .
 DAvid Hpgers $\ldots . . . . .$. Composed by G. Lindorf. Conducted by J. C. E. Simpson.
This penl wes rung with half-muttled clappers as a token of doep regret to the memories of Isaac F. Winstantey and William Hughes, two members of the local band, who both recently passed away. Mr. Winstaniey retired from ringing some years ago, but Mr. Hughes was able to ring until a fow months before his death, and had been a ringer at the church for forty ycars.

CHIPPENEAM, WHTS.
GLOUOESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOOIATION.
On Welnesday, May 29, 1929, in Two Hours all Fifty-Three Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Andrew,

- PRAL of mouble monwich count gov major, 5040 chamere, Tenor 21 cwt .

 Composed and Conducted by Wizliam A. Cave.
This peal was arranged to giva the conductor an opportanity to enll a peal in the tower where he cailed his first touch ever, in Novernber, 1895. It was intended to ring Cambridge Surprise, but in the regretted absence of Mr. Fred Lambeth, owing to a family bereaverumat, the above was aubstitutee.


## BEBINGTON, CRESHIRE. <br> THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. <br> (Wirafl Branch.)

On Saturatay, May 25, 1920, in Three Hours and Seien Mintes,
At the Church or St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 gr. 15 lb . in A flat.

| *Miss Doris Lexatham | ...Trebie | Walter J. Batila |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Walter Baitle | ... 2 | G. Ronald Edwards... |
| - Lester L. Gray |  | Joun Brerse |
| Tzomas | 4 | James C. |
| Com |  | onducted by J. C. E. Simpson. |

Composed by G. H. Cross. Conducted by J. C. E. Simpson.

* First peal and frst attempt.

CRESWELL, DERBYSHIRE
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
(Sheffiald District Society.)
On Saturday, May 25, 1929, in Twa Hows and Fifty-Nine Minutes, At the Cadrch of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL DF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor 121 cwt .
John Flint ... .... ... ...Treble Jesse J. Moss ... ... ... 5
Grorge Hardwick ... ... 2 Grorge L. Chambras ... 5
Thomas Brtition ... ... 3 John T. Brotewhli. ... ... 7
Lesile W. Bacon ... ... 4 Edward Robbins ... ...Temoy
Composed by A. Crayen Conducted by J. Flint. DUFFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASEOCLATION.
On Wodnesday, May 29, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minwtes,
At the Church of St. Alkmond,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGEB:
J. J. Parker's Companion to Five-part. No. 8. Tenor if cwt. Madrice Swingield ... ...Tyebie | John H. Swineield ... ... 5 Joseph Balley ... ... ... 2 Sameel Pinder ... ... ... 6 Miss Elizabeth Fodle ... 3 James George ... ... joun P. Tarlton ... ... 4 Charles Draper ... ...temoy Condueted by Matrice Swinfield. BROMEEY, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. (The Society of Bromley Youths.)
Un Wednesday, May 29, 1929, in Two Hows and Fiffy Minutes,
At the Caurce of SS. Prier and Padl,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Walder's Transposition of Parker's Twelye-part.

- Enmest James ... ... ...Tyebla Pbrcy I. Spice ... ... ... 5

Isabc Emery

William Grace

> Conducted by Isabc Emery.

* First peal. This peal was rugg on the 156th anniversary of the dediention of the bells.


## SPALDING, LINOOLNSHIRE. <br> TEES LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(Ellor Draneribs Branch.)
On Wednesday, May 29, 1929, in Three Hours and One Mintfe,
At tee Church of SS. Mary and Nicholas,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Parkra’s Six-part.
Tenor $\mathbf{r} 6 \mathrm{cwt}$. Grorge W. Simpson... . ...Treble Arthit J. Farr $\begin{array}{cccc}. . . & . . . & 2 \\ \cdots . . & \cdots . & 3\end{array}$
 Conducted by Joan G. Ames.

* First peal of Triples. Rung as a compliment to Mr. Georg: Jurvig, churchwarden, on his 93 rd birthday.


## GRANDSIRE TRIPLES.

## To the Editor.

Sir,-Though the one-part peal of mine which you zindly publish is this weol's issuo is quite original, and is mine in every senso of the word, I must withdraw all claim to its being the first to be composed with only three bells called Before. Only two days ago, in searching through some old numbers of 'Bell News,' I found that Mr . Moorhouse of Wakefield, had forestalled me as long ago an 1907. See 'Beli News,' wol. xxxi., p. 244, iscue of August 10th, 1907. Charles D. P. DAvies.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

HANLEY CASTLE, WORGESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICIP ABSOCIATION. (Whstern Branch.)
On Sadmpay, May 18, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-One Minutes,
At the Chergh of St. Gabrirl.

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Beverley, York, London and Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kenl Treble Bob, and Double Oxford. Tenor $10 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. Robert G. Knowles... ...Tyeble
 Cyral Eansell.... .... .... 3 Charles Camm ... .... .... ... 5 tenor Conducted by Sidnay T. Holt.
Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. E. P. Thomas. MEARS ASHBY, NORTHANTS.
THE PETERBOROUGF DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, May 18, 1929, in Thre Howrs and One Minute. At the Parish Chonch.

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 earb of Londan and Oambrigye Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

## Frank Kirk ..

$\begin{array}{cccc}\ldots & \ldots . & \text {... Trable } \\ & \ldots . & . . & 2 \\ \ldots & \ldots- & 3\end{array}$ Henry W. Gayion ....- .4 Waltar Perkins ... ... 2 Amos Smart... ... ... ... 5 -Grorge Baspord ... ... 3 William Stock ... ... .... Tenor Conducted by Henry W. Gayton.
WTSTBURY-SUB-MENDIP, SOMERSFT.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 18, 7929, in Two Hours and Forly-Six Minwtes, At the Chorch of St. Lawrence.

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

## 42 six-scores, ten different callings.

HRR日俍 COLLUS
William Bailey... ... ... 2 Paybonick J. Talbot ... 4
 Conducted by F. D. Rickards.
First peal on the bells.
WOUGHTON, BUCKS.
THE OXFORD DIOGESAN GUILD.
(North Bucks Brancr.)
On Monday, May 20, 1929, in Tue Hours and Fifty-Three Minules, At the Parise Chorch,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES। Ten callings.
*Edmond J. Hobes ... ...Treble George Amor .... ... .... 4



* First peal of Grandsire Doubles. * First peal of Doubles. First Deal of Doablea on the bells. First peal by G. Amor, a member of the local company and for whom the peal was arranged.

TRULL, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCEGAN ASSOCIATION. (Tadnton Dranery.)
On Wedesday, May 22, 1929, in Two Hours and Fonty-Eight Minutes,
At the Church of All Shints.

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 OHANGEE;

Eeing twelve six-scores of Stedman, with six different callings, and thirty six-scares of Crandsire with five diferent callings.

## Tenor 18 ewt.

Wicliam G. Gigg
......Tratif Harry Chorchile
 Arthor H. Reed ... .... 3 John Chorceill ... ...T $\mathrm{man}^{2}$. Conducted by A. H. Reed.

* First peal, + First peal of Doubles. First peal as conductor. A birthday peal for A. J. Wyatt.

ALDENHAM, HERTS.-On Weanesdry, May 15th, at St, John-the-Brptist's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 48 mins.: G. Gorlman 1, S. Jones 2, W. Inwood 3, C. Erans 4, C. H. Horton (conduetor') 5, W. Gilks 6, F. Southey 7, J. Marsh 8. Rung as a compliment on the occasion of the wedding of Miss Wilma Mairi Viekers to John Duncan Vauglan Campbell, Earl of Gewdor.

RINGSTEAD, NORTEANTG.
THE PETERBOROUGE DIOCESAN GUI.D.
On Thursday, May 23, 1929, it Three Hours and Three Minntes,
At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of London, Wells, and Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Keal Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cw . 1 gr .3 Ib .
Arthor Brleamy
. Tredie Fpancis Bacl

- Alerert L. Ball

James Ward
Conducted by Walter Permins.

* First peal in seven methods. The first 720 of Wells rang to a peal for the Guild.

MISTLEY, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, May 23, 1929, in Two Honys and Fifiy-Eight Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREELE BOB MINOR, 6040 CHANGES, Seven different 720 's.

Tenor 12t ewt.
Stanley G Moss
-... ...Tyabla
"James Sottrr ... .... ... 2 Charlis Honeywood
Grorge F. Honevwood ... 3 Genrgh W. Moss ... ... Temor Conducted by George W. Moss.

- First peal of Treble Boh Minor. Rang to celebrate the jubileo of the Essex Association, awd the 21 st election of Mr. C. H. Hownrd us Master.

MORTON, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MDLAND COUNTIES ASSOOIATTON.
On Saturday, May 25, 1929, in Thyee Hours and Ten Minutes,
At the Church of tee Holy Cross,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5760 CHANGES; Being eight complete 720 s .

- Arthur Smituson .... Treble |"Bernard Baliey ... .... 4 Ernest E. Mallender ... 2 Bernard Whbrler ... ... 5 Ernest A. Wicson ... ... 3 Frederick W. Knowles ...Tenor Conducted by F. W. Knowers.
* First zeal for the association. Longest length on the bells and by all the band.

TJNDRING, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOOIATION.
On Saturday, May 25, 1929, in Two Hours and Farty-Five Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Edmond
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANEES;
Being two 720's of Kent Treble Bok, two of Oxford Treble Bob, one of Double Court Bob, and two of Plain Bob.
Pricy Aimond
D ... ... .
...Trabla
OSEPP BOWELL ... ... ... 2 Grorge A. Andrews... ... 5 Charces A. Andrews ... 3 Waltrr Honeywood... ...teray Conducted by George A. Anmrews.
Ringer of the freble fram Great Bentley, 2nd from Great Bromley, 3ud and 5th from Sherington, 4th from Thorpe-le-Soken, and tenor from Miatley. Rung in honour of the weddicg of Mr. G. Marnen, church clerk, and one of the local ringers, who afterwerde entertained the band to tea.

WEARE, SOMERSETi.
THE BATE AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION.
On Salurday, May 25, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Gregory,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE GOUBLES, EOAO CHANEES;

42 six-scores, ten callings.
George Shalejsh ... ...Treble | Richnond Roberts William Balce ... ... .... 2 Harold E. Blacker ... 4 Sidney Ceark ... ... ... 3 John Shaleish ... ... ... Teror Conducted by H. E. Blacker.

* First peal peal tway from tenor. Ringrors of treble and teror arg from Churchill, 2nd and 3rd from Chew Stoke, 4th from Wingcombe, 5th from Clutiton. The last peal rung on these bellis was in 1911. After the peal the ringers were kindly entertained to supper by Mr. and Mrs. Heary Banwell.

NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE),-On Monday, April 15tb, for practice, a quarter-peal of Bristol Surprise Major (1,248 changes in 45 ming. : J. Feraley, sen., 1, E. Wennett (age 15) 2, J. Feraley, jun., 3, H. Langley 4, W. Fernley 5, W. W. Wolstoneroft 5, T. Wilde (fire in the method as conductor) 7 , J. W. Hartley B. First in the method by all the band except the condnctor.

RICKINGHALL SUPERIOR, SUFFOLK.
THE RDFFOLK GUILD.
On Saturday, May 25, 7929, in Two Hours and Thivty Tro Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHAHGES;

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

Tenor $10 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
W. Steggall ... ... ...Treble David Whiting ... ... ... 4 Arthor Cook. ... ... ... 2 Albert G. Harrison... ... 5 Aepyenos J. Brrry ... ... 3 |Garnham A. Biaxcell ...Temon

Conducted by W. Strggall.
THRANDESTON, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Monday, May 27, 1929, in Two Hows and Thivty-Scum Minktes,
At the Chorch of St. Margaret of Anyioch,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 504 CHANGES;

Compribing seven different extents, two each of Keat and Oxford Treble Bol ante Liree of Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt. in $G$. Nolan Golden ... ... ...Treble Albert G. Harrison David Whiting ...... Alphequ J. Berry ... ... 3 William Stbggall ... ...Tomay

## Conducted by Nolan Golden.

This peal was specially arranged for the conductor, who was on a flying visit' to Diss. It was rung also in honour of the Queen's birthdry.

## CHRISHALL, ESSEX.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wodnesday, May 29, 7929, in Two Houys and Forty-Tao Miantes, At the Chorch of the Holy Tainity.
A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of London, Wells, York, Durbam, Cambriage, Beverley and Surfeet.
Bertram Pilgrim
...Trebie
Miss Kitty Willers...
Aligrt E. Aostin ...
Frank Harprr
2 Edward H. Finch
... ...
Conducted by Robrrt Howard.

## HANDBELL PEAL.

WALTHAMSTOW, ESSEX.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wedmesday, May 22, 1929, in Two Hours und Twenty-Seven Minules,
Af 2i Vincrnt Road, Highams Park,
A PEAL OF StEDMAN TRIPLES, 50to ChaHges; Tgdrstang' Four-part.
Grorgr R. Pye $\qquad$ f-z $\begin{aligned} & \text { Rupert Richardson }\end{aligned}$
.1. 5-6
William Pys
$\begin{array}{ccc}\text { … } . . . & 3-4 & \text { Charles T. C } \\ \text { Conducted by Willasi Pye. }\end{array}$
Witnesses: Mrs. R. Richardson and C. T. W. Coless

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES

RISHOP'S STORTFORD, HERTS.-On Sunday, June 2nd, far murning service ut St. Michael's Church, 1,036 Grandsire Triples (from Hol's Ten-Part): H. Wacey 1, V. Matthews 2, F. Springham 3, F. M. White 4, F. Bird (conductor) 5 , W. W. Tucker 6, W. T. $\mathbf{P}^{\prime}$ rime 7, E. Ansoll 8.
WATNHAM, SUSSEX.-On Sunday, June 2nd, at St. Margaret's Churelh, for evensong, 1,260 Grandsire Triples in 44 mins: : C. Denyer 1, J. Stanford 2, J. Cook (conductor) 3. P. Charman 4, W. Hooker 5, i. Hanch 6, Wai. Charman 7, Alf. Charman 8.
LONDON-At St. Augustine's, Kilburn, on むuue 2na, for evengong sme in celelrution of the feast of Corpus Christi, a quarter-peal of Bob Tryples ( 1,260 changes) : *J. Hicks 1, Mrs. F. A. Atkins 2, E. M. Atkils (condaclor) 3, C. ConwRy 4, R. Gilbert 5, G. Moon 6, A. Gaviner 7. 18. Pacey 8. * Firsh quarter-peal with a working bell. $\dagger$ First guarter-peal. Frixst on the bells by on ontirely local band.
HOUNSLOW.-On Sunday, Jung 2nd, at St. Paul's Church, for ovensong, a quarter-penl of Stednan Tripics in 42 mins.: $\mathbf{R}$. Worthy 1, F. (i. Goddard 2, C. F. Winney 3, W. F. Ellingham 4, H. Dzas 5, 1. E. Hawthorne 6, ©. J. Tricker 7, J. Kent 8.

GORTON, MANCHESTER.-On Sunday, May 27th, for evening Hervice at Brooktield Church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples in 45 mins.: E. Mawby 1, A. Harnes 2, F. Knott 3, E. Scddon 4, A. F. Bailey (couductor) 5, H. Gaskill 6, C. Ollier 7, J. Fearnhead \&. Longest lingth in the method by the treble, 3ud aud 4 tha ringers.

## DEATH OF COL. E. F. STRANGE,

A FIRST MEMBER OF THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.
The death has recently taken place of Colonel Edward F. Strange, well known among ringers of a generation ago. Col. Strange was late keeper of the Department of Engraving, Illustration and Design, at the Victoria and Albert Museum, London, und was an expert upon, among other things Japancse colour prints, on which he had publisked several books. He was an honorary fellow of the Royal Society of Painter-etchers, an honorary member of tho Art Workers' Guild, and the Society of Graver Printers, and a member of the Council of the Jspanese Society.
Col. Strange hegan his ringing in the Kidderminster district, but migrated to London something like 45 years ago, when he became a member of the Coliege Youths, and later joined the various ather societies oporating in and around the Metropolis, including the St. James ${ }^{*}$ Society, the Waterloo Society, the Essex, Middlesex aud Surrey Associations, with most of which he rang peals. Ho was one of the first memivers of the Central Council, on which he represented the Surrey Association, and his uame was proposed as first secretary but on a vote be was defeated by Mr. F. E. Dawe, whe was elected to the office.
Col. Strange was always deeply interested in the Volunteer movement, in which he rese to C.O. rank. He was interred at Mortlake Cemetcry.

## THE PEAL AT HASLEMERE <br> To the Editor.

Dear Sir,-Re peal of Stedman Caters at St. Bartholomew' ${ }^{2}$, Haslemere, on Saturday, May 18th, in 3 hrs. 25 mins. (tenor 13 cwt .), taking into consideration the ability of the tenor man and the weight of the tenor (recently rehung), myself and friends wondered if the number of changes had been correctly quoted, or periaps they rang Stedman Royal. Perhaps they rang the last quarter twice, or did they put the 'rallantandoes' in at backstroke? Hoping you will be able to relieve our anxiety, Yours etc., TINTINNABULATOR
London.

## DEATH OF MR. DAVID J. NICHOLS <br> FORMER NORTHANTS SEORETARY.

The Kettering band and the Peterborough Guild hava sustained another loss by the lamented death of Mr. D. J. Nichols which took place at his home. 3, York Road, Kettering, on Friday, May 24ta, at the early ege of 48 years. Mr. Nichols was one of the best-known and most accomplished ringers and conductors among the Guild members. In 1899 he joined the Kettering band, of which ho was leader for some years, until unable to carry on owing to ill-health. He was a man of fine character, and a splendid disposition, whose place will be hard to fill. The work of the Peterborough Guild was vary dear to him. He was specially gifted in teaching young ringers, and many in his locality owe what they know of the art and of conducting to Mr. Nichols' able tuition.
When ill-health kept him from climbing the belfyy stairs, be always made welcome at his bome any ringers, young or old, who called to see lim, and several (the writer included) have, duriug that time, learnce many things of beneft to them on ringing matters.
Mr. Nichols served on the Central Council of Church Beliringens from 1912 to 1926, ant was clected general hon. secretary of the Central Northants Association in 1920, which position he held up to the formation of the Peterborougla Diocesan Guid in 1924. He look an active part in the reorganisation, and was elected the first general secretary of the Guild, which position, however, be had toc resign early in 1926 owing to ill-health.

He served in the R.F.A. on the Western Front during the wat and his war services had ill effects on his bealtid. He was practically an invalid for the last five or more years.
All his pals, 124 in number, wero rung for the Central Northants Association, of which he conducted 80 . Mr. Nichols was writing hislory of the bells and ringers of Kettering, and the peals whimb have been rung there, but this is unfinished.
The funeral Look place at Kettering Cemetery on Monday, Ma 27th the first portion of the serwiee being conducted by the Rev. © M. Morris, assisted by Mr. F. Wilford (Master of the Guild), who read the lesson, in the Church of SS. Peter and Paul. As the cortege approached the church, the bells were chimed by his fellosriugers. In addition to the family mourners, a large number of ringers roet to pay a last tribute of t'espect to a departed friend, and amongst these were Rev. R. C. Thursfield, J.P., president, Kettering Branch, Rev. L. I. Lethbridge, Rev. E. J. Atkins, Mr. F Wilford (Guild Master), Mrs. Wilford, Miss Thursfietd and Miss Hepburn (Ladics' Guild), Messrs. W. T. Wilson (treasurcr), R. G. Black (general secretary), F. Barber and H. Baxter (branch secretariesi, A. E. York, W. Perkins, T. R. Hensher, A. Tompkins, S. J. Lawrence, W. Lawrence, A. Beilamy, A. Smart, C. Moore, B. Morris, anã the Kettering ringers.
After the comenittal sentences a course of Grandsire Triples wasrung over the grave by Messrs. A. V. Inns 1-2, R. G. Black 3-4, E. Chapman 5-6, A. Henuyan 7.8.

Ilie bells of the Church of SS. Peter and Paul were rung halfmuffled in tho afternoon and evening to touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples and the "whole pall and stand" 48 times by Messrs. W. Perkins, A. Henman, A. E. Payae, R. F. Turner, C. W. Bird, R. G. Black, T. R. Hensher, and A. V. Inmb.

On Monday evening at St. Giles', Northampton, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters ( 1,259 changes) was rang in 53 mins., as a last token of respect by: Mcssrs. H. Key 1, W. Rogers 2, J. J. Taylor 3, S. J. Lawrence 4, T. Tebbutt 5, T. Law 6, J. 'R. Hensman 7, F. Wilford (conductor) 8 , G. Flavell 9 , and W. Gammage 10.
The peals rung by the late Mr. D. J. Nichols were as follow:-
Rung. Conducted


## MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. THE NEW PEAK DISTRICT.

A successful meeting of the Peak District was held at Great Long* stone, near Bakewell, on Saturday week. About 20 members werc present from Baslow, Bekewell, Castleton, Derby, Dore, Eyam and Great Longstonc. The bells, a ring of six in a tower little more than eight feet square, were kept going in Grandsire, Bob Minor, St. Clement's, Kent and Oxford thli about 8 p.m., some fair striking being accomplished in spite of the rather dificult "go" of the bells.
A substantial tea was provided at the Crispin, followed by a short business mecting, presided over by the Rev. W. D. Wright (Eyam), supported by Mr. W. Wallace (Derby), treasurer of the M.C.A., and Mr. J. E. Lewis Cockey (Dore), Lon. district secretary.

Mr. Wright weleomed those present, and appealed to them to urgo their fellow-members to aitend the meetings of the aew diatrict to make it not only a success from a ringing point of wiew but to mako the meetiags of a happy social nature, and to give every possible facility for those learning the art. The delightful nature of the vitlages in the distriet was emphasised, ideal places for a summer outing, and the hope was expressed that members from othar diatricis would pay occasional visits to some of the little-known towers at which it was hoped to hold meetings.
A full quarterly meeting of the M.C.A. Having been arranged for Bakewell on the last Saturday in June, it was decided to defer the next monthly meeting till July 13th, and if possible to hold it at Castleton and Hope. It was suggested that, in order to encourage an advance in the art, memhers might like to select a particular method for special practice at cach monthly meeting, and for the July meeting it was decided to recommend Gambridge (Major and Minor) for special attention, this, however, not to interfere with the opportunities of those less advanced

A hearty voto of thanks to the wardens for the use of the bells (the incumboncy being vacant), and to the lacal company for the arrangements made, concluded the proceedings.

## MR. H. F. COOPER'S 100 PEALS.

Minor in Lhree methods 2, Minu in seven metlods 2, Cambridge Surprise Minor 1, Bob Major 5 (condueted 1), Kent Treble Bobr Major 26, Oxford Trehle Bob Major 3, Double Norwich Major 7, Superlative Surprise Major I, Oxfard Bob Triples 1, Grandsire Triples 37 (conducted 9), Grandsime Caters 3, *Grandsira Cinques 1 (conducted 1), Stedman Triples 9, Stedman Caters 2, Stedmen Ginques 1; total 100 (conducted 11). First peal on twelve bells ever rung in the county of Esgex. Rung in 32 towers and 6 counties.


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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Looker-on, who posted a letter to us from Burton-on-Trent, is not a very couragcous corresponicne, otherwise he would have added his own name and address. Eilher 'Looker-on' is not a regular reador of 'The Ringing World' or his memory is defective, and we would refer him espectally to our jsstice of August 271h, 1926, and December 21st, 1928. He might also be interested in our issue of November 30th, 1928.
Is there any oldar practising riuger than Mr. C. Slingsby, of Aldington, Kent? He was 92 on May 26th, and still 'going strong.
The Middleser County Association's practice meeting, which was to have been held at St. Mark's, Dalston, on June 13th, has been postponed.

The postponed meeting of the Suffalk Guild at Stowmarket will be held on Jume 15th.
Yesterday was the anniversary of the 16,608 Oxford Troble Bob Major at Debenlam, in 1892; to-day is the anniversary of the performance of the mext longesu length of Treble Bob, 16,800, rung in the Kent variation at Matram in 1906.
The first peal on the bells at Ashbourne, Derbysbire, was rung on Jume 13ih, 1821, by Nottingham men, who walked the distanec, 27 miles, each way and had a from light in the churchyard with the ashbourne ringers after tho peal!
It was on June $9 \mathrm{th}, 1850$, that the first peal was rung in Anericta. Some English ringers, houring the States with landbolls, got together a party in Philadelphia, and rang Holt's Ten-Pay peal of Grandsire Triples at Clarist Chureh. Henry Haley was the couductor, and for the first $2 \frac{1}{4}$ hours of the peal the tenor was rung by 12 . Dodd, a one-legged iman.
It was originally intended to cambine the jubilee festivel of the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild, and the summer festival of the Guildford Diocesan Guild, the places tentatively chosen having been Petersfield and Haslemere. The difficalties in combining with success at places so far apart and so much on the extremity of the big area of the Winchester and Portsmouth Hioceses lave, however, led to an abandonment of the project. Winclester Guild is to meet at Winclester, and the Guildford Guild will go an with its arrangements at Haslemere. Unfortunately, both meetings are to be beld the seme day.

## THANKSGIVING DAY.

## To the Editor.

Gir, When the date of the Thanksgiving for His Majesty's restoratign to health is officially announced, there are two ways in which ringers may distinguish the day from an ordinary Sunday. One is by ringing in the eariy morning, wherever it is practicable; the other by ringing at the conclusion of the Thanksgiving Services as well as befors them. There may even be an opening in the special form for ringing a few rounds at a central point in the service itself. It is also to be loped that many endeavourg will be made to provide for the ringing of bells seldom otherwise used, whether for lack of ringers or any other reason.-Yours faithfully,
F. LL. EDWARDS.

Kington Magna.

## THE BEGINNING OF THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

The jubilee of the Easex Association brings us, from Mr. C. F. Winney, the following extract from 'Church Belis,' 1879:-
' Change ringing at Writcle, Essex. On Eagter Monday, the following members of the Ancient Sactaty of College Fouths paid a visit to Chelmsford with the intention of ringing a peal at the Parish Church, but finding the bells wore not in peaj ringing order they went on to Writtie, where, by the kind permission of the Row. John B. Seamnn, M.A., they rang a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major ( 5,024 clanges) in 3 hrs. 15 mins. : F. Bright (70th year) 1, W. Cecil 2, G. Mash 3, S. Reeves 4, E. Carter 5, F. Bate 6, E. Horrex 7, J. M. Hayes (conductor') 8. Composed by H. Hubbard, sen. Tenor, 18 cwt . When the ringing was over, the Rev. Seaman enterad the belfry and invited the party to the Vicarage to partake of refreshments, and kindly promised a tablet.
Mr. Winney adds that the Rev. J. B. Seaman greased the bells for the peal, and it was be who at the following Whitsuntide started the Essex Association. J. Murray Hayes was a native of Bocking, and, suys Mr. Winney, alwnys counted himself a pioneer of the association. All the band of this peal of fifty years ago are now deat.

## THE • BEER FETCHER.

At Steeple Claydon, Hucks, on Whit Monday, 720 Grandsire Doubles were rung by: C. Everitt 1, F. Case 2, H. Stopp 3, H. Jones 4, J. Stopp (conductor) 5 . This is believed to be the first time the balls have been rung to ehanges for 36 years. In this village is an old memher af the local company, who recalls the 'days gone past." He qualified as a inember, not by his ringing abilities, but as "beer fetcher,' his duty being to carry two gallons of ale to the belfry whenever the belis were rung.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

## (Contimued from page 346. )

Mrs. Fleteher, representing the Peal Goilection Committee, reported that the Rev. H. S. T. Richardson was proving the peals of Treble Bob with the tenors parted, and the work was still in hand.

## WATCHFUL FYE NEEDED.

The Rev. F. Ll. Edwards presented the following report of the Literature and Press Committes:-

Nothing has occurved during the past year to call for concerted action on the part of the committee. We are glad to be able to give a satisfactory repart on the press generally in relation to bells and belltinging. The publication of the book, "Bells through the Ages, constitutes a distinct landmark in the literature of our art, and we understand that e further work on the history of bellringing is in course of preparation
Referentes to ringing in the newspapers have as a rule been aceltrate and appreciative. The jubilee of St. Paul"s Cathedral bells and the Cellege rouths' anuiversary, as also the commemoration of John Briant, the Fertford bell founder, were the occasion of interegtinf and well-informed paragraphs in the daily press. A request received from the cotitor of a musical publication for an article on church bells is mot without its significance. The statement made by a ciergyman of Derby, that he plaged church bella, bagpipes and cats at night in the game musical category, naturally provided good capy for joumalists, but the reverend gentieman's views were evidently treated as a humorous eontribution to popular literature.

In a recent number of the "Church Times" a writer of eminent literary ability indited an admirable article on "The Music of Bells.' It is true that he described the two bells used for the daily services at Westminster Abbey os 'two mean and sour hells, ${ }^{3}$, but there is little eause for ringers to quarrel with that description, for what hell eould sound anything but mean, when it is subjected to the lifeless thud of a chiming hammer? Indeed, the anthor shows a wety enlightened attitude on this point. 'Sometimes,' he writes, 'musical experts have sought to tame the bells. They have hindered the freecom of their swinging by mechanical contraptions. And what is the resuit? The charm has gone. . . .' One further sentence is well worth quoting: ' We in England,' says the writer, 'should be proud of our bells, far our fatherg before us, alone among Cluristian men, devised the plan we call clange ringing.
The campaign conducted in some joumals against street noises has inevitably elieited an oceasional letter from misguided persons disliking the sound of church bella, but these objections have not been followed up with any enthusiasm. At the same time, it might casily be in this direction that danger lics. There seems to be considerable likelihood of legislation being promoted to deal with noises, and a proposal from some M.P. with an obscssion against bells to include them in the purview of a Bill might be passed by a bare majority of a thin Honse and a clause to that effect inserted without attracting any notice. Any such provision would be especially dangerous, if it took the insidious form of giving general powers to the Minister of Health to make orders under such Aet, or to local authorities to frame by-lews. We suggest that nembers of the legal profession on the Council be asked to keep a watchful eye on legislative measures of this nature, and to be prepared to take such action in conjunction with the Standing Committee as emergency may demand.
The President: It is a most admirable report of great interest and great usefulness.
Rev. E. S. Powell said a son of Troyte was a member of the last Parliament, and if he was a member of the next Parliament he the speaker) dife not think anything affecting bells would go through without notice or without comment, for Mr. Troyte was himself a change ringer (applause). He would no doubt watch the interests of ringing in that respect.

Mr. E. W. Elwell, reporting for the sub-commitee entrusted with tie revision and reprinting of the 'Rules for a Local Company,' said the revision had been completed, and the committee were now negotiatieg with 'l'le Ringing World' with regard to the price for printing the work. He thought it would be possibie not to exceed the $x 5$ which the Council hat already authorised, and lo publigh the rules at 6d. The report was adiopted.
'PHE METHODS COMMITTEE'S REPORT
The next report to be dealt with was that of the Methods Committee, whicl appeared in 'The Ringing World' on April 26th, and which related to the inclusiou of certain trpes of compositions in the new edition of the "Collection of Minor Methods.
The adoption of the report wha moved by the Rev. H. Law James. Last year at Hereford, he baid, the committee was muthorised to puhlish a new edition of the Minor Mcthods. Mi. Jenkyu that day had said he wins sorry the book had not come to hand, and he (Mr. James) must tell them why it had not done so. The committee wished to give the Minor ringers a perfect book containtrg the whole af the information that they bid anthered together with regard to Minor methods and their composition. As the Council wes aware, a controversy broke out in "The Ringing World" some months ago on the question of peals of Minor and Doubles, and the conmittee felt if they published the book complete with al] the infarmation they han got, the members of the Council and the Ezer-
cise at large might think they were trying to force upon the Exercise a fresh definition of peals of Doables and peals of Minor, and it would have been very difficult indeed, after publishing the book, to prove that they had no stich intention. Tlaey liad no such intontion. They wanted to publish a complete book, but they did mol want to define a peal of Doubles or a peal of Minor-that was not their business. They wanted to give the Frercise all the infornution they possessed. The Exercise posssessed an excellent hook, Hriften by Snowdon and edited by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies. IL sontained ' incomplete" peals of Grandsine Triples. What were they put there for? They were of no use, but they were put there in order that the book might the complele, and, secoudy, in otder that some time in the future people should not waste their time in producing things that were useless. The Methods Committee had gathered a lot of information, and hey wanied to publish all the information they had got in Dableles and Minor. In dealing witl the matter he would confine his attention to seven-lundreds of Tueble Bol, Minor. A 720 being a complete round block, there were exactly five compositions of Treble Bob Minor and only five, and those live were very old. Yet there appeared in "The "Ringing World" two 720 s of London Minor supposed to be new, and nat only so, but someone wrote and congratulated the author of these two 720 on having produced them. The man simply wasted his time-the thinge were in existence long before any of the ringers of to-tay were born. How did the mistake come about? Simply and solely becaure there was 110 complete collection of T'reble Roh 720's in existence 'I'hey found one here and another there; one in 'Bell News 'in 1887, and another in 'line Ringing World, and so on. When the commit tee published this book it woukd contain all these 700's, wail in future no one would be tempteri to waste his time in trying to produce new anes. In addition to that, there had appeared an the scene, within the time of his own experience, fresh compositiuns of Trehle Bob Minar which were not in keeping with the tradition of the Exercise. A good many things had appeared in course of history which were not in kecping with the tradition of the Exereise, some of them had vanished, others held the field. Take for instance Holt's peals, Folt's Original and Holt's ten-part. Sameone wrote fram Norwich to Dr. Mason of Trinity College. Carulariclge, to say that the ringers at Norwiels would not subseribe to the broadsheet because Mr. Beajamin Annable wauld liave nothing to do witli it. The tradition of the Exercise at that time was that Grandsire Triples must he a complete peal with bolos only, but the tradition of the Exercise hat changed, and rightily changed. A sianlat thing bappened with regard to Troble Bob. The firsp peal wing happecied to be true, but the great majority of the next peals rung were found out to be false, gand the tradition of the Excucise land to change; and that sort of thing was likely to liappen again in the future. The tradition of the Fxercise was very valuable; they nust not go against it if they could avoid it, but it was quite likely ilat something or other would coma to light which would cause them to cliange tradition.
The committee wanted to put juto this hook at] tais fresh informal tion that had come to light, but the did not wisls to force any fresh definition of a peal of Minor or Doutales on the Exercise. They could have published this book montlis ago, and nohody could have said they were not eniftled to do so, but they came to flae Council and said: ' Please accept this report. We want to put in wertaing compositions, but that does not mean that they arme eithat whluabie

 not, there would be noborly in fifty pears time prodncist these things as new compositions in the way the getateman he harl referred to lad publisined two 720's of London Surprise Minot. If' the Council accepted the report they would have a perfect houk, containing every mortal thing the commitice knew up to date, If they rejected it, they would have a baok out of date hefare it was printed. The question of what constituted a peal of Doablos or a freal of Minor was a question which had got to be settled on seientifie grounds; it was the only way in which it cound be setiled. How did
they settle any guestion which arose in nataral science? They settled it hy experiment. If they put atf these things in the book, it did not mear that people were woing to use them for peals of these things before them, and ringers cotald ge into the fower and test for themselves whether they were my good or not. Flley would then samo day be in a position to define peals of Minow and Doubles. At the puesent moment, if they asked him to do so, he would lell them he was quite ineapalje of doing anything of the kincl.
MR. TROLLOPE AND "THE RTNGNG WORLD.

Mr. I. A. Trollope secouded, and reminded the Council that thak was the thirtietls amiversary of the first appointment of the Methods Committee. Out of the original meabers, John Carter, Henry Dains and Farle Rulwer were dead; iwo otlue members, Arthur Cuaven
and Bankes Jancs had retired, and the only two remaining were Mr. Lew James and himself (applanse). The whole of thedr egnnection with tho Council was practically bound up with the Methachs Committec, and, speaking for himself, he thought he shots fee
strange if he woke ap one morning mad foudd himgelf no lorager a member of the Methods Comaittee. The one thing tie canmittee
did which lard the mosk direct influence on ringing was the publiention of the book contaiming the "Collection of Six-Bell Methods." It was fair to say that book lad revolutionised Minor ringing and given to the six-bell ringer hundreds of good methods where before they harl ouly a handful. It had done more than that, it had made spliced ringing passible. Mr. Trollope went on to refor to the lindernces whieh hed occurved in the publication of the new edition of the book, and remarked, with regard to the discussion on the naming of the methods, that when the committea got the matter into their own hands they seftled it to the satisfaction of everyone. 'They thought they would then be abie to go straight forward, but isefore the yeav was out the edilor of 'The Ringing World' threw his bombstiall. He said he was not going to print as a peal of Doubles anything which contained a certain composition (hear, hear). $i$ ann not going to criticise the way he carries on his paper, said Mr. Trollope; inal is his own matter. I believe he is sincerely desirous of carrying on that paper to give expression to the wishes of the Council andi to the opinions of the Exercise (applause). As $a$ matter of fact, his particular opinions on that particular thing are not ours. We had to take up the challenge. When we first started to make this new book, the ideal we get hefore us was to have a romplete book. I was very mach impressed by something Mr. Hunt shint at oue meoting. Ho said, 'When you are getting this book mut, don't ussume we know too much. There are lots of things which yoll may take for granted, which the ordinary five and six ball ringer does not know.' We took that largely as a motto, and we were going to give everything in that book that the ordinary man in the five or six bell tower might want. We felt, tharefore, that we should give the whole of the compositions, within limits, for five and siz bells. Whe found in use two compositions, one af Doubles and ono of Minor, and botll had this in common, that both broke away from tho traditional idea that in ringing you were confined to A complete 120 or 720. Let 128 be clear about one thing. A 720 sharts fom rounds and ends with rounds, and there is nothing else hs a 720 but that (hemr, heary. Wo have got Bankes James' Cambridge and Morris' Doubies; they were being rung, and I personally have reason to belicve that the use of those Doubles was of great help to young conductors. Then the question arose, Aro wo going to fut these things into the hook? In the first place, are these compusitions of value or likely to be of walne to the Exercise now or in The fulure, and, in the second place, is there anything in them which itn any way contradicts any fundamental law or rule of ringing? ("Yea.". When I say 'contradicts any fundamental law or Mile of ringing, $I$ do not mean auy written law; I mean is there any-
Ahimg in ft, from the point of vies of the five-bell ringer, which would compel us to eny they mast not ring it? "The Ringing World' throw out its ultimatum, 'If you ring Morris' Doubles you are not going lo have it puhlished.' There wore two ways in which we could to puint tliese things; we have had thirty years' experience, and are
to ans likoly to know the rights aud wrongs ns anyoue else, and whatever we do somehody will finci fault, and so we mifht have gone nhead and printed the book." If we had done that, it would have heen camploted by now. We decined, however, that on the whole it wonld be $\pi$ goon thing if ringers had the opportunity of arguing these things, and we decided on the same thing as we did about the manes at Fereford. There we published the list and came to the Conneil and said, 'Here is the dist; give us your instructions as to whit atterations you want. That is what we are doing to-dry, and youl luve the opporbunity of saying 'Yes' ar ' No,' but we strongly ulvise vou, laving looked an blo mather from all points of view, to nftoe to the insertion of these compositions.

## VERBAL INCONGISTENGIES

Gontinuing, Mr. Trollopes snid a letter appesveri in "The Ringing Werld ' Prour Mr. Slephen Wood, who, he thought, thoy would all agree had a brilliant future before lim, chargiag the committee wilh beiug inconsistent, and the aditor of 'The Ringing World' had hakne nat remarks by mombers of the committee and set them side hy sixie to show that they lind been inconsistent. It was not a diffcult thing to go througli maybody's statements made over a controWrial thing over a period of years, take a statement out of its contradicted himself. 'I don't profess, adden Mr. Trollope, 'to go in lor verlar consistency, but $I$ should bu quite prepared to de ferm ally of Gese entradietions, athongh I do not think I need do upha, was that these conspositious ought to go isto the book, but they wore tot agreed by huy mears upon the reasons for including them: in fuct, thay had a 'terrible serap, over them (laughter), hat they ware agreed that they should be included. A second point Whirh had heen emphasised in the ariticism of the committee was
 1rue, and that it should be complete. That was a funclamental rulo. Ghange ringing was an att founded on a mathematical soience, and 0.low lond to the trie to elair mathematical hasis, but, when they anace to the application of it, it was not always easy ; it was not always masy to say what was loue and whal was false. (' Oh, yes.').
said that was true. What they did in Morris* Doubles was, they rang a trua 120 at handstroke and a true 120 at backstroke; the repelition between Morris' handstrokes and hackstrokes was ne more or less than the repetition between one 120 followed by another 120. If mere repetition meant falseness, then the old idea of the Devonshire Guild must stand, that a peal consisted of an extent and nothing but an extent (hear, hear) ; a peal of Doubles, tleerefore, was 120 , and a peal of Major 40,320 -that was the old idea. If they were going to give thut up, ss they had given it up and must give it up, then mere repetition, as repetition, did not mean falseness They had got to get out of the idea that, in opposing a thing like Morris' Doubles, they were standing up for the question of truth A very large number of people were willing to accept Bankes James arrangement of Cambridge, but could not swallow Morris' Grandsire Doubles. His (Mr. Trollope's) difficuIty was that he could justify to zome extent the Morris Doubles, but he found great differulty in justifying the Bankes James Cambridge. If they could once admi tho Bankes James arrangement of Cambridge, there was no diff culty at all about the other, but let them not be led away with the idea that because they could write out Bankes James' 5,000 and ge 720 different fows followed by 720 different rows, and so on, that it was true. They did not write aut rows when they were ringing The 720 in the towcr was 720 'chaages, and 720 true changes was not 720 true rows. If the thing was false in one change, false. The committee, continued Mr. Trollope, hatl been accused of sctiting up a new standard. It was all very well to say that, but if the Council put these compositions into this new book, it was not in fact setting up a now standard. By putting these things into the book they would not be altering the standard. The standard of fire and six bell ringing had been changed twiee within the last two or three years, and the last alteration was marie last year at Hereford mittee had done was to accept the alteration. The issue before the Council was, were they going to agree that the arrangements of Morris, Pitman and Bankes James should go into the book, or were they not? He asked the Council to agree to their insertion on the grounds that they have proved themselves useful, that they wer likely to he usaful in the Exercise, and did not in any shape or form coatravene any law of truth or any other law of the Council.
(To be continued.)

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION

## SOUTF-WESTTERN DIVISIONS HAPPY GATHERING,

The recent fine weather no doubt accounted for the large number of members and friends who found their way to Bentley on Saturday ast for the meeting of the Santh-Western Division of the Esse Association. The church is a modern one of Hint and rubble, situated
just off the main Brentwood-Ongar Road, amidst beantiful pine woods. These, together with other delightful surmoundings, make an idenl spot, and there is no wonder at the several comments bain passed as to its being one of the benuty spots of Essex. The church was opened for worship in 1880 , and the authorities are looking for ward to celebrating their jubilee next year, and it has been sug gested an appropriate way would be, it possible, to nidd another bell to the existing five, thus making a handy ring of six.
Members arriving soon after three o'clock lad the bells going to Grandsire, Stedman, etc., till $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$, , when those present attonded the association service taken by the Vicar. It was pleasing to mote that, in addition to the ringers, several prominent members of the Church were present, and all had the pleasure of onee again bearing Miss Drwson's splendidly rendered solos. At the conclusion, tea, kindly provided by some members' wives and other helpers, was ready, 52 sitting down to a most enjoyable repast, after which the business meeting followed, presided over by the Vicar, supported b Mr. C. H. Howard (Master of the Association), and Mr. A. Prior (District Master)
One non-resident, one honorary and two ringing members were elected, and Orsett chosen as the place for the next meeting, to be held, if possible, on July 13th.
A vote of thanks to the Vicar for allowing use of the tower and Miss Dawson for her splendidly rendered solo, Mesdames Rutler Rainbird and Wyatt for providing the tea, and ladjes for helping Mr. Rainbird for having everything in readiness, and to Mr. R Heasel for so kindly placing his car at the hon. secretary's disposnd The vicar and Mr. Rainard, in response, stated how plensed the not the Iong before they had the ploasure of entertaining them again.
After tea, some wended their way back to the tower, whilst othera went for a walk across the fields to Navestock Side to view the frec and eriekot pitch, whore the Essex County Oricket Cluh first played their fixtures, the programme and list of members for the year 179 still being in a good state of preservation at the local hostel. Shades of epening were well advanced when thougbts of home arose, and regrets were numerous that it was not possible to stay longer, hut the special bus conld not wait, and the lights of Brentwood reminded all that time and trains wait for no man. Thus ended most delightful afternoon, voted one of the best in the anoals of the South-WFestery Division.

## THE SECESSION OF GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL

## To the Editor.

Sil, With the tent of your leading article on the secession of the Gloucester amil Bristol Diocesan Association from the Central Council uo out, I feel sure, will disagree, and 1 most cordially endorse the last two or three lines of your opening paragraph.

My special object in writing is to endoavour to point out what I strongly fecl to be the wholly inadequate, and I may add, the ubibrly unteasonable grounds of the action takon.
ferbaps the shortest way in which to explain what I feel will be to Lake the speects of Mr. Guise as reported in your columas, and to tomment upon cach paint as it arises.

Bu: before doing so, let me disavow any feelings but those of the warmest personal firiendship for the hon. secretary, with whom, during the two years" of my mastership, it was the greatest pleasure to work. My warm esteem for him, however, cannot blind my ejes to his utter want of logic.
(1) Ringers throughout the country really thought they sent delegates
What if they do? What does it matter? As regards their being "members " or" delegates," we send thern as our representatives, and it lies wholly between ourselves and those wo send to arrange the Lerms on which we send them. We may regatd them (wrongly, as I personally thinkl as "delegates, but tise Council las every right, if it so likes, to regard them and treat them as 'members.' If they regard themselves and act as delegates, they break no rule of the Gotheil. They merely accept a lower status.
(2) + Upon a memlier staling that be had been instructed to rote in favour, althougla he was personally against, the ruling given was that ho wats there as a member of the Counoll, and not as a delegate from his association.

Where was this ruling wrong? Any other ruling would have bend mbsolately indefensible, and would lave lowered the position of the Council before the whale Exercise.

What did the ruling mean? It meant that as far as the Council was concerned the member was free to wote in any way that he chose. The Cauncil not only has na power (I hope it never will bavel to ordar a member to vote in any particular way, but is far loa jealaus of its own freedom and of that of each and all of its members to gag their freedom of speech. What arrangements there may he between any individual member and the association whinh sends him, or what limitations they may put upon him, are matters 1hat concern them and him and bis sense of his own dignity and independence, thal are mo affair of the Council. On this point Mr. Prescott spoke most valuably and to the point.
3. Concerning tise item on the ageoda for 1926, which Mr. Guise complains was 130 allowed at the meeting, my memory does not serve ne with sufficient accuracy to enable me to speak, but there whs probably some formal flaw somewhere that could easily have been roatified in readiness for 1927
4. As regatris the fees payable this year, Mr. Guise shows misapprohersion of the position in more thas one particalar. First, by the rules of the Council the fecs are payable, as jn most other organisations, in time for the treasurer to balance the accounts for presentation at the annual meeting, and in defering their payment at the proper time this year Mr. Guise was not only running counter wo the rules of the Council, but was treating the hon. treasurer in a ghamer that he lamselt would have resented had he been in his place

Nexl, as the Council dees not expire till noxt year, the elected represenatives were actual members of the Council, and the associatian whs not ouly bowad in honour to pay their dues, but could not prewnt them from attending the meeting, if they were able and willing to go. Mr. Guise was therefore mistaken all through this pas't of the business, and, so far from any blame attaching to the hom. semetary of the Council in anything that he said or did, it sema to me that the very reverse is the case.
No: [ fear that Mr. Guise has managed to get fogged on the whole question. The pity of it is that he found 35 members at rather a small anmual meoting to follow his lead and land the association in a regrefintale position.
One comfort is that it has been the means of the Council securing the-ns I hope-permanent services of suedi a good man and a good 1'uger as Mr. W. A. Cave.

CHARLES D. P. DAVIES.

## WHAT THE COUNGIL HAS RECEIVED.

Dear Sir,-1 am exceedingly loath to pour ail on a conflagration, but will you kindly allow me to point out that possibly throngh a מrimer's error, M1. Guise is stated in your last issue to larye said the Central Council has received $£ 4,000$, approximately, during the past forty years.

In case some of out members should say, 'What have we done with ab large a sump" I would state that tha gross anounts received to date are E650. Nust of the money avalable, as your readers are aware, lias been spent on producing the Council's publications. I must adel hat, despife our serious disbursements of late years, the Commil still has apwards of $E 130$ cash in liand or invested. - Yours faithfully,
E. ALEX. YOUNG,

Hon. Secretary and Treasurer.

## NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION

The picturesque village of Gresford was the venue of the Northo Wales Association's annual meting held on Whit Monday. The weather was gloriously fine, and a most enjoyable day was spent. Finging commenced af 1 p.m., and a gervice was afterwards held, conducted by the Rev. W. H. Boulton fin the alssence of the Vicar (Canou Williams), who was indisposed. A tery interesting address was given on the history of the bells, and of Gresford bells in particular. The 3rd bell is over 300 years old.
The business meeting was presided over by the Vicar of Tryddyu, who referred to the death af Mr'. Edwam Rowland, of Wrexham, the treasturer of the association for many years. Those present stood in silence as a token of respect.
Two new ringing members, and one life member were eleoted
Two new officers were elected, viz., Ringing Master, Mr. W. Jones, Wresham; hon. treasurer, Mr. T. Catherall.
It was decicied to hoid the nest balf-yearly meeting at Llandudno in September, and the annual meeting at Pormadoc.
The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the chairmau. Ahout forty members and friends afterwards sat down to an excellent tea, prepared by Mrs. G. Williams. The tower was then again visited, and excellent tauches of Stedman and Grandsire were rung.

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

The spring meeting of the Witaly and Woodstock lyranch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild was held at Yarutou on Saturday, May 11th. A service was conducted in the Parish Church by the Rev. E. N. Aston. Mr. W. Evetis, jun., the district seeretary, read the lesson, and the Rey. E. M. Thompson (Feetor of Woodstock) spoke on the words, "Make a joyful sound to the God of Jacob.'
After tes the spring meeting was held, the Ref. F. R. Marriott (president of the branch) being in the ctesir. The Rev. E. N. Aston welcomed the members to Yaniton, and Mr. W. Evetts, jun., thanked the Rector of Woodstock for his address.
The balance sheet showed that at the beginning of 198 there was a balance in land of E 24 15s., and at the end of the year there was E29 18s. The number of ringing menthers was 120 , and Mr. Evetts sad the number of hon. mombers kept up well. They bad lost, by the death of Mr. J. F. Mason, of Eynsham Hall, a valued hon. mem-ber.-It was agreed to hold the autumn meeting of Wilney on Octoher 5th.
The meeting decided to give a testimonial from the branch funds to Kr. Jolno Monk, of Witney, who lad been contected with the branch for half a century, the greater part of which time he had been hou. secretary.
Touches were rung at Cassingtan and Yarnton. Ringers were present from Yarnton, Cassington, Slanton Harcourt, Fredand, Stand lake, Witney, Eynslim, Wootion, Waodstock, Summertown and Swindon.

## BELLS ON BALL BEARINGS

The following is a copy of a letter, sent by Mr. Cyril F. Johnston, of Croydon, suthor of the booklet, 'Belis, Old and New,' to Mr. E. Denison Taylor, of Loughborough:
Dear Mr. Taylor, - am writsig to you direct to reply to your firm's letter which appears in last weck's issuc of 'The Ringing Warla,' under tho heading "Bells on Ball Bearings."
In my pamplaf, 'Relis, Old and New; I have dealt only with complete peals hung on liatl beariugs, and I am glad to know of that at Longney, so that it can be added to that of St. Stephen's, Clapham Park.
Would you mind telling me if this applies to Hensinglam also? I mann, are there eight bells only in the peal? In that case, I will add menion of both those lowers in the paragraph reforred to, before any mate copies are issued, as only the first hundred have been presented, and my idea has been to keep the booklet ug impersonal as nossible nid entirely clear of the name of any bell founding firm. It is an atempt to put ihe truth forward as clearly and moderately as possiblo to thase interested in bell restoration generally
I am asking the editor of 'The Ringitug World' if he would be good enough to publish a eopy of this letter. - Your's very truly,

## (Signed) CYRL F. JOFNSTON.

P.S.-Before going to press, I was told that the entire peal at Waltham Abbey hat been hung on hall hoarings, and I thorefore sent a representative to vedify my own belief that the two tenors only had been so treated.

Messis. Taylor and Co. have replied as follows to Mr. Johnston:Dear Sir,-Referring to your letter of the lst inst. (addressed to Mr. E. Denison Taylory, we have to inform you that, as stated in our letter in last weeks 'Ringing World,' we fitted ball bearings to the eight bells of the Hensingham peal in 1914.- Yours faithfuly

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

PRESENTATION TO NORTHERA BRANCH PRESIDENT.
In glorious weather the annual meeting of the Northern Branch was held at Gainsborough on Saturday, May 25th. Among the towers represented werc Barrow-on-Humber, Bassingham, Bigby, Blankney, Branston, Elsham, Grimsby (SEt. Andrew's), Haxey, Liniooln (Cathedral and St. Peter-at-Gowts), Scotter, Scunthorpe, Stow, Uleceby, Upton and Willingham, in addition to the local company. Mr. and Mrs. R. Rieliardson, from the Elloe Deaneries Branch, Mr 7. H. Brothwell, Treelom, Mrs. Jiast, North Collingham, and Mr. I. Hartholomew, were also present.

The hells wert available during the afternoon and evening, and were kept going in various methads ranging from Grandsire Triples to Londou Surprise Major. Service, consisting of shortened evensong, was helti, a large congregation being present. The music was led by a mumber of the chairmoys, and the singing was beartily joined in ty all. Mr. F. F. Limley (Northern Branch president) read the lessons, and an elonulunt address was given by the Very Rev. the Dean of Lincoln (Dr. T. C. Fry).
Afterwards over 100 members of friends partook of an excellent tea at whe Parish Church Institute. This was followed by the business meeting, over which the Dean of Lincoln presided, supported hy Mr. Linley, Canom Morris (Vicar of Gainsborough), Ree. H. T. Parry (president of the Grimsby District), and members of the committee. Apologies for absence were received from Mr. R. Scott (Sleaford district sectetary), Rev. R. Bond (Caistor, late of St. Peter-atArches, Liucom), Mr. H. Knotit (Washingborough), Mr. H. Haigh (secratary of the North Notts Association), Alderman J. S. Pritchett (Resorder of Lincoln), zud Major H. D. Marshall, D.L., J.P. (Pilham Hnll, ('ainsberough).
The balance sheet nud secetary's report for 1928 were passed, and the whole of the officers re-elected, viz: President and treasurer, Mr. F. F. Linley; hon. secretary, Mr. F. S. W. Butler ; hon. auditors, Mr. 1. W. Stokes and Mr. J. R. Slarpe; Ringing Master, Mr. J. A. Freeman; twa 'epresentatives to serve on the Guild Committee, Mr. Geo. Chester and Mr. J. A. Freeman. Messrs. H. Matcon (Lincolv), F. I. Mingay (Grimshy), and R. Scatt (Sleaford) were elected to serve on a sult-committee, consisting of representative members from each branch, For the purpase of considering the printing of a more extiensive Gaild ammal report, similar to those of pre-war years.
A resolution from the committee, 'That an honotarium of $£ 22 \mathrm{~s}$. be granter to the hon. secretary,' was carried.
The last, but not by any means least, interesting itern on the agenda was the presentations of a handsome easy chair by the Denn, on bolualf of the members, to Mr. Limley, as a token of their affec tion und appreciation of the invaluable services which he has rendered for the welfarg of the ringing eammunity during his term of office, lirst, as a vice-president of the North Lincolnshire Association from ils formation in 1884 to 1889, then as a vice-president of the Northern Branch of the Liverln Diocesan Guild from its amalgamation in 1898 to 1905 . In the latter year he was elected president of the Northern Branch, and without on break has held that office down to the present diny.
The Dean spoke apureciatively concerning the excellent work that Mr. Linley has done, particularly in regard to the augmentation of the Cnthedral bells, while the members showed their full approval by singing Fror he's a jolly good fellow.
Mr. Linley suitably thanked tho members for the kind way in which they had shown their appreciation of his services.
Voles of thanks to the churcla authorities for the use of the bells, to the organist (Miss Cox), to the caterers for the excellent tea provided, and to nuy others who had helped toward making the meeting such a success, concluded the business.

## ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

## A BRANCH MASTER APPOINTED.

A well-athonded mecting of the Ely Archdeaconry was held at Sawston wn Saturday, May 25th. Members were preselit from Cambridge, Fulhaurn, Greal Staughton, Tekleton, Long Stanion, Melboum, Newmarlet, Over, Staplaford, Tumpington, Willingham, and the laeat bunal. It was agreed, on the proposition of Mr. A. E. Austin, supported by Mr. C. W. Cook, to hole the next meeting at Bouriu in July
'Mhe appointment of a Branch Master was next disenssed, ami, afler Mr. A. E. Finch had cxplained the matier, he proposet, and was supported hy Mr. F. Hurry, that Mr. F. Warrington carry on as Brancil Master, whimh was carried unanimously. Mr. P. Webb, Yekleton, also remarked an the necessity of a Branch Master who would see that at the branch mectings all got a pull. More satisfaction would thus be given.

> A vote of lhanks was necorded the Vicar for the use of the bells, for his inspiring address and for presiding. The Viear, in reply, Welcomed the association la Sawstan, and thanked his organist (Mr.
(G. Robinsou) for his services that afternoon. To Mr. F. Hurry, who (. Robinson) for his services that afternoon. To Mr. F. Hurry, who
mato arrangements for tea and also had the bells in reatiness, eredit and thanks are also due, as everyone had a geod time. The maethods pung ineluded Superlative nud Cambridge Surprise Major, Donhle Norwich, Kent Treble Bob and Plaiu Bob Major, Stedman and Grandsite Triples.

## SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY

A most successful meeting of the Sheffeld District Society was held at Bolsover on Saturday, June 1st, when over 40 menibers turued up to ring on the fine musical peal of eight, tenor about 15 ewt., founded by Taylor and Co. in 1902. With a ring of bells in such good going order, and possessing a sweet, melodious tone, it is not surprising ithat they arc so freguently used for peal attempts.

Favoured with bright, sunny weather, the visitors who hailed from Chesterfield, Staveley, Ecelesield, Barlborough, Sheffield Cathedral and St. Marie's, North Wingfield, Rotherham, and several other towers, had a very pleasant time. The local company, as usual, were in full force.
Tea was provided in the Parish Hall, at whin the ringers were joined by the Rev. Canon Paget, Vicar, who welcomed the visitors, and presided over the business mecting, at which new members were elected, and a hearty vole of thanke was atcorded to the Canon for the use of the bells, to the local company for their arrangements, and to the ladies for providing a bountiful tea. To this the Canon suitably replied, his remarks being supplemented by a elerieal relative. Courses of Triples, Major and Caters were afterwards rung on handbells, and a move then made to the tower, where totuches ranging from Plain Bob to London Surprise were successfully accomplished.

## GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

SECRETARIAL CHANGE IN FARNHAM DISTRICT
A meeting of the Farmham District of the Guildford Diocesan Guild was held at Bagshot on Saturday, when about forty ringers were present. The Rev, R. L. Board, Yicar of Wolverton, Hants, hon. secretary of the Basingstoke District of the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild, was the prencher at the service, comducted by. the Vicar of Bagshot (Rev. R. W. H. Stuart). The latter also presided at the tea and meeting held in the Village Hall. The principal business was the election of a new district secretary in place of Mr. Bernard Clark, whose husiness ties made it necessary for him to resign. A young and enthusiastic ringer, Mr. C. Denyer, was elected in his place, and a vote of thanks to Mr Clark was passed and ordered to be vecorded on the minutes.
Mr. W. J. Francis, churchwarden, of Bagshot, who was also present at the meeting, was elected to fill a vacancy on the Executive Committee as $\pi$ representative of the honoray members.

Major Gale was elected a ringing member of the Howley band.
A vote of thanks was accorded to the preacher and to the organist, on the motion of the clairman, who in tarn was thanked for conducting the service, allowing the use of the bells, and presiding at the meeting.

Aftorwards, the district secretary, with the secrelary of the Basingstoke District of the Winchester and Portsmonth Guild, and the secretary of the Sonning District, of the Oxford Diocesnal Guild discussed arrangements for a joint meeting of the three Guilds which is to be held at Hawley and Yateley on August 31st.
It is rather remarkable that circumstances have compelled a change in the secretaryship of each of the four districts of the Guidel this year.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

DEVIZES BRANCH AT' BROMHAM.
The monthly meeting of the Devizes Branch was held at St. Nicholas' Church, Bromham, on Saturday, June 1st. The Guild serviee was conducted by the Rector, the Rev. J. L. Thorold, Miss King being the organist. Tea followed, to which 35 sat down. Mr. C. D. Heginhotham, chairman of the bramoh, presided over the business meeting, and extended a hearty welcome to the visitars, Miss N. G. Williams, Weston, Bath, Mcssrs. T. Davison and J. Harris. Chippeubam, and Mr. R. Eorton, Calme.
The following were elected riembers of the Guild, wiz. : Messrs. G Popnall zand W. Williams, of Bedwelty, Mon., and Mr. It. Trout, of Chippeniam. The usual vote of thanks was passed, to which tilse Rector replied.
Ringers, in adrition to those mentioned, were present from Devizes St. John's and St. Mary's, Bromham, Rration. Rowde, Holt, Bishop's Cannings, Melksham, Warminster, Trowbridge. Touches in the various standard methods were rung daring the afternoon fad evening.
Bromliam Church, which is dedicated to \$t. Nicholas, is, excepl for morth and west walls of the nave, and the lower part of the tower, which are Norman, a Perpendicular buitding. Its glory however, lies in the south transept and chapel, which were, the out remodelled and the other erected, hy William Beauchamp, Lord St. Amand, who there founded a chantry in honour of our Lady.
The bells, tenor 17 cwt 2 gF .12 lb ., E flat, were cast by Johut Warner and Sons, London, 1875. A tablet in the eluureh cout memorates the recasting. The old bells are supposed to be the heतls which inspired the poet Thomas Mnore, whe lived at sloperton Cottage from 1817, and who dien in 1852, and is buried near the belfry steps, to write the poom 'Evening Bells.'

## NOTICES.

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637 ).-Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on June 20th, *St. Paul's Cathedrai on the rith, Southwark Cathedral on the $13^{\text {th }}$, *Coffee Pot on the $25^{\text {th }}$, St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the $27^{\text {th }}$; all at $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. *Business meeting afterwards.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis-trict.-A bye-meeting will be held at Petham (6) on Saturday, June 8th. Bells available from 3 p.m.-Percy W. Smith, Hon. Sec., Fair View, Littlebourne, Canterbury.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Fylde Branch.-A meeting will be held at St. Cuthbert's Church, Lytham ( 8 bells) on Saturday, June 8th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Meeting 6 p.m.-C. Sharples, ro, Warbreck Road, Blackpool.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Liverpool Branch. -A meeting will be held at Sefton on Saturday, June 8th. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service 5.30 p.m. Tea (by kind invitation of the Rector) and meeting to follow. Archdeacon Howson will be present.-Claude I. Davies, Branch Sec., Caerleon, Dunbabin Road, Wavertree.
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Christchurch District. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Fordingbridge on Saturday, June Stb. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m.-G. Preston, Dis. Sec., 3, Waterloo Place, Christchurch.
HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Eastern Dis-trict.-The spring meeting will be held at Benington on June 8th, when the bells will be open during the afternoon and evening. The Rev. W. E. Mills is providing tea free. All ringing friends will be welcome.-W. H. Lawrence, Little Munden, Herts.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Nottingham District.-The next monthly meeting will be held at Mansfield on Saturday, June Sth. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Members make owr arrangements for tea. -F. W. Bailey, Local Sec., 42, Rupert Street, Nottingham.

HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Western Dis-trict.-A meeting is to be held at Tring on Saturday, June Sth. Bells available from 3 p.m. Short service at 5 p.m. Tea and meeting $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All welcome. Cheap fares by train and bus. Numbers for tea would help.W. Ayre, Leverstock Green.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Daventry Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at Daventry (8) on Saturday, June 8th. Will members kindly reserve this date?-W. C. Moore, Braunston Road, Daventry.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckley District.-The next meeting will be held jointly at Kirkby Mallory and Peckleton on Saturday, June 8th. Kirkby bells available from 3.30 p.m. to 5 p.m., with Peckleton to follow. Tea at Kirkty Mallory. A good meeting is hoped for.-W. A. Cope, Smockington, Hinckley.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Central Bucks Branch.-June 8 th, the annual meeting, at Steeple Claydon. Tower open at $2 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Preacher: The Rev. C. Bass, the Vicar. This service will be the thanksgiving for the rehanging of the bells; it is 30 years since they were rung. Tea, 5 p.m., 1s. each.-The Rev. J. I. Amies, Edgcote Rectory, Aylesbury.

SUFFOLK GUILD.-Debenham District. - Meeting at Framsden on Saturday, June 8th. Bells available 2.30 p.m., also the restored ring at Helmingham, it being proposed to meet there first at the above hour. Tea in Mission Room, Framsden, 5 p.m., 1s. each, to be followed by short business meeting.-W. C. Rumsey, Debenham, Stownarket.

YORESHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Northern Division. - The annual meeting is to be held on June 8th at Middleham in Wensleydale, Yorks, where the peal of 8 bells, by kind permission of the Vicar, will be available for ringing. All members are requested to make this meeting a success, and ringing friends will be cordially welcomed. Tea will be served at the Commercial Hotel, Middleham, at 2s. per head.-J. W. Addison, Hon. Sec.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION. Swindon Branch,--The half-yearly meeting will be held at Bishopstone on Saturday, June 8th. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m.-S. Hopper, Hon. Sec., 79, Edinburgh Street, Gorse Hilt, Swindon.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Northern District-A meeting will be held at Offey on Saturday, June 8th. Belis (6) will be available at 3 p.m. A short service and dedication of a peal board at $4 \cdot 30$. Tea at 5 . p.m. Bus service from Hitchin and Luton every half-hour. A good attendance is reguested. Please notify me if you require tea.-Donald C. Mears, Hon. Dis. Sec., Offley, Hitchin.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Cary Deanery. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Wincanton on June 8th. Belis, 2.30. Service, 4.30. Tea in North Street Schoolroom, 5 p.m., meeting to follow.. Those requiring tea please notify-..E. Creed, 6, West Park, Castle Cary.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-A meeting of the Wednesday Gutild will be held in Sunderland on June 12 th. Meet at St. Michael's, Bishopwearmouth, at 2.30. Tea at North of England Café, Fawcett Street, at 5. Ringing at St. Ignatius" Church after tea. Those intending to be present please advise Mr. G. Siddle, Sec., 16, Poplar Street, Chester-leStreet, not later than June roth.
WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Northern Branch. - A meeting of the abovebranch will be held at Bewdley on Saturday, June ${ }^{1} 5$ th. Bells available at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service in church at 4.30 . Tea 1s. per head. All those requiring tea must notify me not later than June 11th.-A. J. Skelding, 7, Cecil Street, Stourbridge.
GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS, - N.E. Branch. - The next quarterly meeting will be held at Rackenford on Saturday, June 15th. Tower open 2.30. Service 4.45. Tea 5.15, 15. each.
SUFFOLK GUILD.-General meeting for East and West Suffolk combined, at Stowmarket on June 15th. Bells (8) available from 2.30; also Great Finborough (6). Tea at the Temperance Hotel at 4.30, 1s. each.. Meeting follows.-Drake, Uford, Woodbridge.

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. Hoylandswaine Cup Contest. - Open to all towers in above association. Will be held on Saturday, June 15 th. 11 is hoped all will join at once. Draw 2.45. First band to compete at 3.15 . All ringers and friends are invited. Tea will be provided in Parochial Clurch Room, is. 6d. each. It is essential for number to be sent to Mr. L. Wilkinson, Jackson Terrace, Hoylandswaine, near Penistone, before June 12th. The village is purely agri©ultural, and no other accommodation for tea exists.-C I). Hotter, Hon. Sec.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Western Division.The quarterly meeting will be held at Marsden on Saturday, June 15th. Bells available from r. 30 p.m. Tea, at is. 6 d . per head, to all those who send in their names to Mr. S. Whitehead, Throstle Nest, Marsden, near Huckersfield, not later than Friday, June 14th, - F. Hutchinson, Dis. Sec.
I.ADIES' GUJLD. - Western District.-The annual meeting will be heid at Portishead on Saturday, June 15 h. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30 . Tea and meeting to follow at White Cot Dairy. Will those desiring tea kindly let me know by June $\equiv 2$ th? N. G. Williams, Hon. Sec., Weston House, Weston, Bath.

LADIES' GUILD.-Southern District.-Annual meet-ing.-GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Guildford District.-Ringing meeting.-Both at Worplesdon, June I5th. Beils available at $30^{\prime}$ 'clock. Tea, by kind invitation of Mrs. Bruce, to all who send in their names by June roth." Ladies' Guild members please notify Miss H. F. Mills, Cairneyhill, Bridgefield, Farnham. Guildford Diocesan Guild members please notify G. L. Grover, Merrow Cottage, East Clandon, near Guildford.

SURREY ASSOCIATION. - North-Western Dis-trict.-Next meeting will be held at Ranmore Commor on Saturday, June s 5 th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 5 p.tn., tea following. Those requiring tea kindly let me know before Wednesday, June iath.-D. Cooper, Hon. Dis. Sec., 5, Harrison's Rise, Croydon.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade fistrict.-A meeting will be held at Tempsford on Saturdiny, June 15th. Bells (6) available at 2.30. Tea at 5 . Ai ringers welcome. A good company is requested.-C. J. Ball, 2, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Newbury Branch.The summer meeting of the above branch will be held at Bucklebury on Saturday, June 15th. Bells (8) available it 3 p.m. Service, 4.30. Tea, 5 p.m., at 1 s . All ringers whlcome. Intending visitors please notify the Rev, E. M. Thorp, The Vicarage, Bucklebury, Reading, not later $H_{\text {Hin }}$ Wednesday, June 12th, for tea.-H. W. Curtis, Hon. Sec., Church Road, Shaw, Newbury.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Sonning Deanery Branch,--Quarterly meeting at Wargrave, Saturday, June 15th. Bells (8), $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Divine service, 4.30. Tea il 5 to all who inform me by Tuesday, June 11th. Twyford bells available after tea. All welcome.-W. J Paice, Branch Sec., Merrel, California, Wokingham.

DURHAN AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-A meeting of the Southern District will be held at Staindrop on Saturday, June 15th. Bells (8) atailable afternoon and evening. Tea at 5 p.m. Ringers please notify me if teat required by the morning of Thursday, June 13th. All ringers welcome.-J. T. Titt, Hon. District Sec., 71, Surtees Street, Darlington.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-The next meeting of the Chesterfield District of the above association will be held at Morton on June 15th. Will those requiring tea notify me not later than June 12th?-J. P. Tarlton, Bright Street, North Wingfield, near Chesterfield.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Joint meeting of Eastern and Western Districts at Chester-le-Street on June 15th. Further particulars next week.-F. Ainsley and H. Tyson, Secs.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-A joint meeting of the Chester Diocesan Guild (Bowdon and Stockport Branch) and the Lancashire Association (Manchester Branch) will be held at St. Paul's, Stalybridge, on Saturday, June 15th, to celebrate the opening of the peal of eight bells recently recast and rehung by Messrs. J. Tay10 and Co. Tower open 2.30. Service 4.30, conducted by the Vicar of Staley and Canon H. J. Elsee, M.A., president of the Lancashire Association. Preacher, Rev. C. A. Cloments, M.A., Master of the Chester Diocesan Guild. A meat tea, 1s. each, will be provided for those who notify Mr. G. E. Shaw, 160, Huddersfield Road, Stalybridge, not later than Wednesday, June 12th. All ringers welcome.-J. Hall and T. Wilde, Hon. Branch Secs.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Dorchester Branch. - The summer meeting will be held at Nilton Abbey on Saturday, June 15th. Bells (8) (also Bert Regis, Hilton and Puddletown (6)) available at 2.30 p.m. Service at 4.30, followed by tea and meeting. Motor leaves Weymouth 1.45 , going via Bere Regis, picking up en route.-C. H. Jennings, Hon. Sec., Sunnyside Road, Wylke Regis, Weymotth.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.-The next meeting wilt be held at Exhall, near Coventry, on Saturday, June 15th. Service in church at 4.30 , to be taken by the Vicar (Rev. F. Melville). Tea at 5 o'clock, is. each. Will those requiring tea please notify me by Thursday, June 13th? Miss D. E. Lewis, Firholm, King Edward Road, Nuneaton.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.- Guilsborough Branch. - A special meeting of the above branch will be held at Stanford (5) on Saturday, June 15th. Usual arrangements.-R. Adams, East Haddon.

LONDON COUNTV ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARF DIOCESAN GUILD.-Southern Dis-trict.-Next meeting, St. Paul's, Bath Road, Hounslow, June 15th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Service, tea and meeting, 5. Social hour 8 o'clock. A p.c. to signify your intention of being present will be appreciated. Visitors welcome.-J. Herbert, Hon. District Sec., 17, Grimston Road, S.W. 6.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Leatherhead District.-A district meeting will be held at Newdigate on June a2nd. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea, at the Six Bells Inn, 5 p.m., followed by short business meeting. Will those requiring tea please notify Mr. R: Brett, New House Farm, Newdigate, not later than Wednesday, June rgth? A special appeal is issued to friends in neighbouring associations to join us in making good use of this pretty peal of bells.-Alan R. Pinli, Hon. Dis. Sec.

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LADIES' GUILD.-Northern District.-Annual meeting to be held at St. Mary's Church, Nottingham, on Saturday, June 22nd. Notices for tea to Miss I. Thompson, 52, Lace Street, Dunkirk, Notts, by Thursday, the 20th. Bells available at $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Permission to view the new Exchange Buildings and peal of bells may be granted.-H. F. Jacques, Hon. Sec.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Southern Division. - The annual joint meeting of the societies in the Southern Division will be held at Whiston, near Rotherham, on Saturday, June 22nd. Bells (8) available from 12 o'clock. Tea at 1 s . per head. All names to be sent to Mr. F. Roddis, Revill Villa, Whiston, near Rotherham, by Monday, the 17 th . Buses leave the OId Cattle Market every thirty minutes alter mid-day, and a good attendance is desired.-F. Clark, Hon. Sec.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-Southern District.-A bye-meeting will be beld at Limpsfield Chart on Saturday, June 22nd. Tower open at 3 . Short service at 5 . Tea at 5.30. All intending to be present must notify me not later than Wednesday, June 19th.-A. J. Bull, Hon. District Sec.

ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS AND GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD will hold a joint meeting at Epsom on Saturday, June 29th. Book the date.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Divi-sion.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Ringmer on Saturday, June 29th. Tower open at 2.30 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea 5 o'ciock, business meeting to follow (half fares, maximum 1s. 6d., to members).-Geo. W. Stokes, Hon. District Sec., 22, Melbourne Road, Eastbourne.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GU1LD.--Preliminary notice.-A special meeting to celebrate the jubilee will be held at Winchester on Saturday, July 6th. Full details later.-G. Pullinger, Gen. Sec.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-The annual summer festivai will be held at Haslemere on Saturday, July 6th. Further details will be published later.-J. S. Goldsmith, Hon. Sec.

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The generally agreed argument advanced in favour of the Bankes James arrangement of Cambridge has been, of course, that it was the only means by which seven 720 's in the method would be got, with tenors always the right way together behind. The claim for saving the Pitman and Morris arrangement of Doubles is that it gives an opportunity for variety. It may, perhaps, surprise the Methods Committee, as well as the majority of the Exercise, to know, after all that has been said about the impossibility of obtaining seven 720's of Cambridge starting from and ending with the rounds and having the tenors the right way, and all the 'sob stuff' that has (Cortinued on page 370. )


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## TEN BELL PEALS

BRISTOL
GLOUGESTER AND BRISTOL DIOGESAN ASSOGIATION. On Saturday, June 8, 1929, in Thyee Hours and Ten Minutes. At the Cedrch of St. Stbphen-teb-Martyr, A peal of stedman caters, 5019 changes; Tenor 2I cwt. in E
Edgar Guise ... ... ...Trebic Jobn Phielifs ... ... .... 6 Henry Primg .. ... ... 2 Heneert Kniget ... ... 7 William H. Thomas .... 3 IIarry Benneti... ... ... 8 Jobn W. Jones ...... Ernest Silich ... .... ... , Alfbed E. Keeves ... ...Temor

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A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, g001 CHANGES: Tenor 32 cwt.
Cuarles J. Sedgley ...Tyebie | $\dagger$ William Sedgley ... ... 6

- Harry R. Roper ......${ }^{2} \quad 2 \quad$ William Tilletit...
†Harold E. Symonds ... 3 Gborge E. Symonds ... 8
William P. Garretx $\quad . . .4 \left\lvert\, \begin{array}{ll}4 & \text { Frbdericx J. Tilleti }\end{array}\right.$ †William J. G. Brown ... 5 Charles A. Catcepole ...Tenor Composed by C. J. Sedgeey. Conducted by Grorge E. Symonds
* First peal of Stedman Caters. † First peal in the method.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

LYDNEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION. (Solit Foresi Branci.)
On Sunday, May 12, 1929, in Thee Howrs and Five Mirutes. At ine Catree of St. Mary,
M PEAL OF GRAND日IRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGEg; Tenor 14-1 cwt.
Oliver Tbolas ... ... ...Treble $\mid$ Thomas Baldwyn ... ... 5 Jogn Austin ... ... ... 2 William H. Harkis ... Noab Rees ... ... ... ... 3 Jobn W. Davis ... Jesse Gilertx ... ... ... 4 Frederick Sandpord ...Temor Composed by Rev, C. D. P. Davies. Concucted by Tons Adstin
The above is a new one-part pesi, and now rung for the firsti time, has only three bells called before. It was published in "The Einging World ${ }^{\text {ºn }}$ May 3ist.

WILBY, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GULD.
On Saturảay, Juhe 1, 1929, in Thro Hours and Ten Minutes,
At the Ceroch of St. Mary,
A PEAL DF KENT TREBLE BOE MAIOR, 6184 CHANGES; Tenor 15 cwt .8 lb .
Frederict Boraett ... ...Trable! Hraberi Folchbr
Grorge Howliti .... .... 2 ( Cearles Sayer ... Edwin Goate ... ... .... 3 Rossbll Riches ... ... .... 7


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| John Brown |  | 4 | Joseff Ridyard |  |

Conducted by Arthor Tombinson.

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On Saturday, June 1, 1929, in Three Hours and Five Mitutes,
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A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BDE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor $15 \mathrm{cwt}, 14 \mathrm{lb}$.

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2 Framiam R. Madgwick
Willian

Composed by C. Middieton. Conducted by J. E. Davis.
First Surprise peal on the bells. Especially arranged in honour of the birthday of His Majesty the King.

> KINGSTEIGNTON, DEVON.
> THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.
(Mid-Drvon Branch.)
D. Saturday, Jume 1, 1929, in Three Houts amd Eightcen Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Michael,

## A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holt's Ten-part.
Tenor $16 \frac{3}{4}$ cwt.
Josepa Hoxcry.... ... ...Treble
Christopger R. Walker 2 Adbrey L. Bennett -.. 3 Charles F. Adstin... Frrderick E. Parnell ... Hrrbert J. Hole ... ... 7 Ernest W. Marsa ... ... 4 "Alered L. Pope ... ...Tenor Conducted by Ceristopher R. Walker.

* First peal. First peal on the new ring of eight, by Gillett and Johnston. First peal in the method as conductor. Rung on the 15th anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Parnell's wedding.

STAINES.-At St. Peter's Church, on May 12th, 1,026 Grandsire Triples in 44 mins. : W. Brant 1, J. Pbilin 2, W. Shorter 3, A. Hiscoek 4, F. L. Allen 5, H. R. Stevens 6, W. C. Parker (conductor) 7, F. W. Smith 8.

HYDE, CHESHIRE
TFE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Jure 1, 1929, in Three Howys and Eight Minutes, Ai the Ceorch of St. George.
M PEAL OF CAMBRIDEE SURPRISE MAJDR, 6024 CHANGES;
J. W. Parker's Reverse.

Tenor 18 cwt. in E.
-John Brierley... ... ...Trebls; Edward Jenkins... ... .... 5
William Bibey $\quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 2 \quad$ Tites Bariow...
 Thomas J. Worsley ... 4 Peter Laflin ... ... ... Tonor Conducted by E. ]enkins.

* First peal of Surprise. First peal of Cambridge on the bells. GLLMORTON, LEICESITERSHIRE. THE MLDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCLATION. On Satndidy, June 1, 1929, in Three Hours. At tee Cedrece of All Shints,
A PEAL OF STEDHAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANEES;
Thurstans' Four-part.
Tenor rocwt. 3 qr . ig lb.
Norman S. Bagwohia
* Harry L. Smiza ... ...

Ernest W. Tipler ...
Cgcil E. Carr Acfred Baliard 5
6
William H. Clarkr ... $\quad . .$. Conducted by Redvers F. Elkingion.

* First peal of Stedman Triples. ST』FFORD.
THE SOCDETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.
On Snturday, June 1, 1929, in Thyee Hours and Six Minutes.
At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF STEDHAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Tgurstans' Fodr-part.

*Herbert F. Evans... ...Tybble "Richard]. Warailow | Herberi Knignt | $\cdots .$. | .... | 2 | Francis Brothar | $\ldots$ | ... | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | †John Warricow ... ... 3 Christopger Wallatbr... 7 Robert Pickering ... ... 4 William H. Jones ... ...Tenor * First peal in the method. F First peal iv the method fuside. First peal of Stedman Triples on the hells. Rung in howour of the birthday of His Majesty the King, this being the nearest dato convenient for the attempt.

WARE, HERTEORD.
THE ESSEX ASEOCIATION.
On Saturday, June T, 1929, in Three Hours and Fourian Minules,
At the Parish Chorch of St. Mary
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Heywood's Transpositign of Thurstans' Fodr-part.
William H. Theobald Tveble Ernesi J. Botier Thomas H. Taffender ... 2 George Haydrin. ERNBST W ForBavi ... 3 EDwaRD Suite Walter Greenaway ... 4 . 4 Roderit Molton ... Conducted by Thomas H. Taffender.

* First peal in the mothod. GALLEYWOOD, ESSEX.
THE ESGEX ABSOOIATION.
On Sturday, June 1, 1929, in Three Hours and Four Minufes,
At the St. Ceprch of Michaee and Ale Angels,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Joenson's Variation op Middleton's. Tenor I4t cwt. in G.
George Green ... ... ...TTeble Walter Arnold...
William J. Nevart ... ... 2 William Burgess
Thomas Lincoln... ... ... 3 John Wood ... ...

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6

Rung to celebrate the 50th birthday of W. Burgess.


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LJJLOW, SHROPSHIRE
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GULD.
On Saturday, June 1, 1929, in Thre Flows and Sixteen Minutes, At the Ceurch of St. Lawrence,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Groves' Transposition of Parker's Twelve-part. Tenor 22 z 等 cwt . in D.
William R. Nash ... ...Treble Arthor Pritchard ... .. 5 William Saunders ... ... 2 Francis Evans ... ... ... 6 William ]. Beniams ......$\quad 3 \quad$ Edward V. Rodenetrst ... 7 Alfred S. Bayley ... ... 4 Arther C. Nason ... ...Tengy Conducted by Enward V. Rodenhorst.
Rung in lionour of the King's birthday.
OLDBURY, WORCS.
THE WOROESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATTON. (Northern Branch.)
On Saturday, June 1, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifly Minites, At Christ Chorch,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:
Groves' Tbansposition or Parker's Twelve-part. Tenor $10 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{ewt}$.
 Conducted by C. Skidmore.

* First peal and frsit attempt. Qurterly peal for the Northern Branch.

PEATRE, GLAMORGANSHIRE.
TEE LLANDAEF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Suturday, Juse 1, 1929, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutrs, At the Cburch of St. Peter.
a Peal of spliced treble bob majoh, 5120 changes; Tenor 26 cwt .3 qr . Io lb . in E flat.

| Agbert J. Jitman | ... | ...$T y e b l e$ | Ernest Stitch | ... | ... | ... | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| George Popnele | ... | $\ldots$ | 2 | Frrderick Lasbury | ... | .. | 6 |

Harry Page... .,
Wicried Wicliats
Composed and Conducted by A. J. Pitman.
Firat peal of Spliced Major by all the band and by the associntioll.

## HUGHENDEN, BECKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(East Berks \& Souta Bucks Brance.)
On Monday, June 3, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifiy Minutes,
Az the Chorch of St. Michael and All Angeles.
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANEES;

## Tholrstans' Fodr-part.

Tenor 12t cwt
John Evans ... ... ...Tyeble
Donald F. Boreham

- Ricuard M. Kimber $\quad . . \quad 3$

Frederick G. Biggs
. 4 Victor Evans
Conducted by Roland Biges.

* First quen of Stedman. Rung in honour of the King's birthday.

BOLTON, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCLATION.
On Tusstay, June 4. 1929, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At the Chorch of. the Holy Trinity.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, g040 CHANGES;

Day's Six-part.
Frank Morris ... Artiod Heywood Peter Croos, jon. Jack Kay

Temor $17 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$. in E .
-
…
Conducted by Prtar Croor, jen
Rugg in bonour of H. It. the King's birtiday. The conductor is only 1 's yenrs of age, and great credit is due to him for his perforrunnee.

## EDENBRIDGE, KENT.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. Oi Wedmeday, Jhe 5, 1929, in Thred Homs,
At the Chorce of SS. Peter and Pade,
A GEAL OF KENT TRE日LE BOB MAJOR, bO28 CHANGES Tenor is $\mathrm{cwt}^{2} 7 \mathrm{lb}$.

| Kenneth Sirelling ... | $\ldots$. Theble | Rreinald V. Jognson | $\ldots$ | 5 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Miss Florrie Wyman | $\ldots$ | 2 | James Heasman | ... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 6 |

- Robert Swift ... ... ... 3 Nelson Ellioti... ... ... 7 Alfred J. Bjll ... ... 4 Oliver Sippetts... ... ...Temop Composed by A. Kigigts. Conducted by O. Sifpetis.
* Jinsi eight-bell peal.


## WHITWICK, LEICESTERSHRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOGIATION.
On Wednesday, June 5, 1929, in Three Hours,
At tae Chorch of St. Jous-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor 221 ewt .
 Joseph Bailey ... ... ... 3 Ernest Morris ... ... ... 7 james S. Hotchby ... ... 4 Iames George ... ... .. Temof Composed by Daniel Wood. Conducted by Ernest Morris. OLD WINDSOR, BERKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Satayday, Iune \&, 1929, in Thvee Hours and Eteven Minutes.

> Ay the Chorgh of St. Peter.

## A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor ir ewt. 2 qr . 2 Ilb .
 Composed by C. H. Hattersley. Conducted by George Martin
Specially amanged for Miss Hastie (Leatherhead). Rung as a wedding compliment to Mr. Firnest Chapman (chorister) and Miss Winified Critcher (local Guide), who were marmed prior to the peal. This was also a wedding peal for Mi:. Frank West, of West Wycombe.

## SUNEATON, WARWICKSHIRE. <br> THE WARWICESHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, June S, 1929, in Thyee Hours and One Minute.
At the Cherce of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF BEISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor int c cwt.

 Composed by G. R. Pye, Conducted by Frank W. Perrens.

* First peal in the method inside. A birthiay compliment to Joseph B. Fenton.

HANBERY, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRIGTS ASSOCLATION
On Satarday, Junt 8, 1929, in Two Hours and Filty-Eight Minates,
At the Cadrch of St. John.
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5008 GHANGES;
Tenor 16 cwt .
-A. Oliver Lewis
...Treble Sidney T. Holt ..

- Artacr J. Martin
… 2
Thomas W Lewis

Harry Price

| ... | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| .. | 6 | †Walter H. Raxter... ... 4 Charles Camb ... ... ...Temay Composed by George Lewis. Conducted by Sidney T. Holr. * Firss peal of Major. + First peal on eight bella.

## A HALF PEAL

On Saturdey, June Ist, a half-peal of Rob Major (2,544 clanges : was rutug at Crich, Derbyshire, in 1 hr .40 mins.: Geoffrey Ashmar 1, George E. Allin'2, William A. Parsans 3, Wilson Allin 4, John W. Ciey 5, Ernest A. Wilson 6, John W. England 7, Josepi Lord (conductor) 8.

## LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Saturday, June S, 1929 , in Three Hours and Seisnteen Minktes, At the Ceurch of SS. Peter and Pafle,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 6184 CHANGES; Tenor 23 cwt . in I flat.
Stednan h. Symonds ...Ttrble Laurence Poulson ... ... 5

Framk A. Turner Arthor Symonds Magrige T. Symonds...
... 4 Tony Price ... ... ... ...Tenon
Composed by W. Sottanstall. Conducied by S. H. Symonds, TICKHILL, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORESHIRE ASSOCLATION. (Doncaster \& District Society.)
On Saturaday, June 8, 1929, in Thre Howy and Ten Minutes, At the Chubce of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF Little bob major, 5152 Changes;
Tenor 13 cwt 3 qr .7 lb.
J. Edwart Cawser ... ...Treble

- Charles McGuiness
+Harry Cartbr ... ... ...

- Gisson Jackson

Armold Hill ... $\qquad$
Composed by Artaur Khights. Conducted by $\}$. Edward Cawser

* First peal in the meihod. + First peal on eight bells. First peal in the method on the belis.

THURCASTON, LEICESTERSFIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday. Jure 8, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty Minktes,
At the Cherch of Ale Satits,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGEI; Tenor to cwt. 7 lb . in G .
Redvers F. Elkington Tyeble Josiah Morris
Alfred Ballard, jon. ... 2 Rowland Barrow

- ... ... 6
- Norman S. Bagworth ... 4 Ernest Morras ... ... ...Tenor

Composed by John Cox. Conducted by Alfred Ballard, jon.

* First in the method. First of Major as conductor:

ISLEWORTH, MIDDLESEX.
THE MLDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GULD.
On Snturday. June \&, 1929, in Three Hours, At the Churci of All Saints.
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 6072 CHANEES; Tenor $16 \frac{1}{3}$ cut.
William H. Hollibr
..Tveble

- Edmond A. Passam ... Erarst C. S. Turner ... 3 TEdward A, Morris ... .... 6 Williahe C. Parkrr ... 4 Arihur Harding ... ....Teroy Composed and Conducted by J. Armiger Troliopr.
* First peal of Bob Major and first attempt. $\dagger$ First peal in the method with min inside bell. Rung in honour of the birthday of His Majesty the King.

ERLTH, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saluriay, June S. 1929, in Two Hours and Forly-Seven Minutes, Ai fre Cherch of Si. John-the-Baptist,

- PEAL of dounle menwigh count bon mador, seqf cwanean, Tenor 15 cwt in G .
Bertir W. Aldridge ...Tredie Edwin F. Pike ... ... ... 5

 Composed by G. Lindoff. Conducted by Fredh. J. Collde, jun, 50th peal on these bells by the conductor.


## SIX BELL PEALS.

EYE, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Satkrday, Ifay 11. 1929, in Tiwe Honys and Forty Minutes,

## At the Parish Churce,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two F20's of Centerbury Pleasure, twn 720's of Plain Fob and three 720 's of Grandsire.
-Albert E. Taylon ... ...Treble Thomas G. Cooke ... ... 4
†Thomas C. Gwillian ... 2 Frederick A. Jaine... ... 5 $\dagger$ Rictard G. Cooke ... ... 3 †Georgb Probert ... ...Texo Conducted by F. A. Jaise.

* First peal and first atiempt. $\dagger$ First peal in three methods. First peal in three methods on the beils. Alt, except conductor, are members of the local band.

FORNHAM ST. MARIUN, SIIFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Twesday, May 14, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Fiue Binudes, At the Parise Cedrch,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, $\operatorname{bos} 0$ CHANGES;
Being seven 720 's, each called differently.
W. Stannard ... ... ...Treble E. Footbr ... ... ... ... 4

A. R. Bridges ... ....... ${ }^{3}$ |C. Sianmard ... ... ... Jimor

Itung as a birthday peal for A. R. Pridges, ringer of the 3rd, on his serenty-serenth birthday.

PENISTONE, FORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Barnsley and District Society.)
On Saturday, June 1, 1929, ix Two Howss and Fifty-Six Minutes.
At tee Caurce of St. Joun.
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of London Scholarg' Pleasure, Woodbine, Duke of York, Fiolet, New London Pleasure, Oxford and Kent. Tenner 16 ewt. - William A. Wooler ...Tybb/e Albert Nash ... ... ... 4
 - Artevr Ceampion ... ... 3 Arthor Gill

Conducted bv A. Nash.

* First peal in seven methods. Rung aiter meeting one short for Major.

BENINGTON, EINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, June 1. 1929. in Thre Hours,
At tab Parish Chorca,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGEE;

Being two 720's of Double Oxford, one of Plain Eiob and two eacl of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 11 cwt. approx. Horace M. Day ... ...Trebie JJ. Wigliam Lakin ... ... 4 Pezcy Lakis Arthor Riggall

Conducted by H. M. DAY.
First peal 'inside.' First extents of Double Orford by all except ringers of 1 st and 3 rd.

BABCARY, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Satsraay, June 1, 1929, in Ttwo Hokrs and Forty-Six Minutes,
At zbe Parish Chdrch,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGEE; Tenor 12 cwt.
J. Newport ... ... ...Tredic| G. Creed
W. Hodess... ... ... ... 2 E. F. Crerd
A. Rapson ... $\ldots .$.
$\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{cmot}}^{5}$
Condugted by E. F. Crerd.
member of the local band.

* First peal, and member of the local band. Firat peal on the beils.


## singleton, Lancashire. <br> THE LANCASHIRG ASSOCLATION.

(Fylde Brance.)
On Saturday, June 7, 1929, in Two Houys and Forty-Seven Minutes, At the Parise Church,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Cursisimg of two 7 Po's of Oxford Treble Bob, two 720 's of Kent, and Ltue 720's of Plain Bob.

Tener Ct cwt.
 Conducted by C. Sharples.
liftat peal. First peal on the bells, which were hung in the tower in 1811 . G. Maries hails from Lytham, the rest are from St. Totn's, Blacispool.

## STAPLEFORD, GAMBS.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION
On Saturday, June 1, 1929, in Two Hours and Thirty-Nine Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF KENT TRE日LE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

## Being seven 720th

Tenor 7 cwt. in $\triangle$ flat
Bertram Pilgrim
.Treble
Miss Kitty Willers..... .2 Albert E. Austin Frederick Payne ... ... 3 Frank fiarper

## Conducted by Frank Harper.

Rung lanlf-mufled as a mark of respect to the late Mrs. E. Dean (aiullar of one of the local zingers), who was interred on the previuls Tuesdry. The ringer of the third, who belongs to Burton Lafimer, Northants, was on a visit to Trumpington with the Church Arvy, and was elected a member of the association previous to starting for the peal.

## WHETSTONF, LEICESTERSHIRE. <br> THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCLATION. <br> (Hinceleey Disirict.)

On Saturday, June 1, 1929, in Two Howrs and Forty-Eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Feter.

A PEAL Of GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 Changes; Being 42 six-scares, with different callings. Tenor 81 cwt . | - John IF. Batless | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ Tyeble | M. Edward Watson... | ... | 4 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Leosard E. Towers | $\ldots$ | 2 | Arthur E. Bodycatb... | ... | 5 | William A. Wood Tenar

## Conducted by Arthor E. Bodycote

" Virst inal and first attempt. First peal as conductor. The ringors of treble, 3rd, th and tenor are from Croft, 2nd from Stulny Stanton, and Sih from Broughton Astler.

## SITTTON VENY, NEAR WARMINSTER THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

Ot Sunday, June 2, 7929, in Two Hows and Forty Minutes.
At the Cadrch of St. John-the-Evangeitist
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Sevan different 7 20's.
Thenor 8 ! owt
Norman V . Andrews...
Treble
William Lovd
Samarl J. Hector
Edward G. Coward

Fingt poral an the bells.

## BLDDULPH, STAFFORDSHIRE

## THE MORTH BTAFFS AND DISTRICT A8SOCIATION.

 On Monday, June 3, 1929, in Two Hous and Fifty-Five Minutes, At tee Church of St. Layremce,
## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 encl of Biddulph, Loudon, Wells, Durham, York. Ipswich ant Cambridge. Owen Williams ... Charles S. Ryles
John E. Wherdon
Treble
William Corpibld
Jonah Cotrerill
Jambs Walley

## Conducted by Johs E. Wheredon.

This was , I. Cotterill's first penl of Surpise. He belongs to the beal company, The others belong to Norton. Thanks are due to M1s. J. Cohtorill for prowiting vefreshmeuts after the peal.
(Other peal reports are unavoidably held over.)

## NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.

MR. H. HAIGH RESIGNS SECRETARYSHIP.
The annual general meeting of the North Notts Association was held at East Retford on Saturday, June lat. Service was held at the Parish Church, condacted by the Rev. A. Parkinson (Vicar), and the address was given by the Rev. H. R. Peel (Vioar of Norton Cuckney). The preacher referred to the uses of churoh bells, and said the work of ringing them was a work for the honour and glory of God, and a most beantiful and interesting art. The ringiug assuciations, by their rules and regulations, were careful not to degrade it, and it was now looked upon as ars important branch of church work.-Mr. Harry Bilagg, one of the ringers, presided at the harmonium, and 35 members were present.
Tea was provided at Cooke's Cafe, nind the business meeting followed, presided over by the Yicar of East Retford, supported by the Rev. R. F. Wilkinson (Ordsali), Rev. F. S. Gurtis (Everton), the Misses Burchnall, Mrs. Erst, Mr. W. D. Mctoalfe (churchwarden), Mr. Stenton, the hon. secretary of the Northern Branch of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild (Mr. F. S. W. Butler), the hon. and assistani secretaries (Messrs. H. Hagh and H. Revill), and many others. Apologies were received from the Rer. A. J. Lindsell. (Rector of West Retford) and the Rev. R. Hodgson (Vicar of Anston).

Tho balance sheet and annual report, which were presented fyy the hon. secretary, showed a balance on the right side after a grant of E5 had been made to the fund for the new bells at Anston. The number of peals rung during the yent was 12 , an increase of 4 over 1927. The Misses Burchnall had taken part in six peals and attended every district meeling during the gear. The membership voll up to the end of the year contained 21 vicc-presidents, 125 resident attacher members, 12 unattached members, and 58 non-resident life members. making a total of 217.
The financial statement for the year ended December 31st showed a gain of 5 s. 7 d ., and a balance in bank and treasurer's hands of £34 33. 5d. The Hon. Secretary tendered his resignation, after 17 years' service, and thanked all who had done so much to make the meetings successful daring these yeats, the local press and "The Ringing World,' the vice-presidents, by their financial support and attendances at a great many of the mectings; all of which had giver him joy and inspiration to carry on as hon. secretary for a greater number of years than lie intended to. He had beaten all records by serving in all for 43 years as one of the committeemen, having been one of the founders, with the late Vicar of Worksop (Rev. F. T. Glodden)
A vote of thanks was heartily accorded to Mr. Haigh for his long service, on the proposftion of the Rer. A. Parkinson, supported by the Rev. R. F. Wilkinson.-The horn. secretary briefly replied and thanked the members for their good wonds of comfort and cheer.
Mr. Robert Mr. Stockdale, 34, High Street, Ordsall, Retford, was elected hon. secretary, and MI. H. Revill, 18, Tumael Road, Ordsall, Refford, issistant secretary. MLy. H. Haigh was elected bon. treasurer, and the.Rev. R. F. Wilkinson was elected representative on the Central Counci].
The next meeting will be held at Everton on July 13 th, and adrertised in "The Ringing World." The following new members were duly elected Horace W. Jast, of North Collingham, A. Towler, D. Newboult, W. Ftuness, of Eati Relford, G. Stevens, L. Robinson and A. Pethinym, West Retiona.

During the afternoon and evening fouches were rung at all three towers, in a variety of mothods, and mombers were present from Anston, Barlhorongh, North Colliugham, Cuckney, Edwinstowe, Gamston, East Marktian, Ordsall, East and West Retford, Suttob-on-Trent, Whealley, Whasp, Worksop, Gainshorough, Wisterton, Lincoln Cathedral, Southwelt Cathertral, Sheffield Catheriral and Hough-on-the-Hill.

A comprehensive vote of thanks was accorded to the three incumbents, Rev. A. Parkinson, Rey. R. J. Wilkinson and Rev. A. J. Lindsell, for the use of the bells ab East and West Retford and Ordsall respectively, and for their presemee at the tea and meeting; to the Rer. H. R. Peel for his address; to the tea makers, and all others who had used theil best endeavour to make the meeting a success. This concluded the ruecting, and the bells at all three towers were ruvg until 9 p.m.

## BROMLEY YOUTHS.

A peal was rung ot Bromler, Fent, as reonted Inst week, hy the Society of Bromloy Fauthe, to commemorate the 156th anniversary of the completion of the hells at SS. Peter and Paul's Charch. A peal board in the helfiry states: 'In Januars, 1773 , the old tive bells in this tower were trken down, recast and augmented to eight. And on Mry ye 29th they were limished, on which a sett of Fouttis of Bromley in hent dif join in articles to learn to ring.
The opening ringing was done by some Landon ringers, and a fortnight Later, namely, on June 12 L l , Tames Barham took his band there aud rang a peal of Oxtord Treble Boh Major. Barliam rang the 7 th and called tho poal. A footnote to the peal copicd from a pocket book of his suys: "This was the first long peal on them bells. although two companies had beeu from Londen to try:" There fad thus been three atternpts in a fortaight.

## OPENING OF SHAROW BELLS．

On Whit Tuesday，May 2lat，the Bishop of Knaresborough，in the preasence of a large congregation，rededicated the bells of Sharow Parish Chargh，Yorks．This ring of eight，six of them cast in 1824， and the two trebles in 1871，has been retuned，fitted with ball Eearings，and rehung in the old frame，by Messrs．J．Taylor and Co at a cost of some 8300 ．
The service opened with the hymn，＂When morning gilds the skies，＇ bang in procession to the base of the tower，where the Bishop offered ap the two dedicatory prayers．A few rounds were then rung by the following ringers：F．Jingle 1，G．Richmond 2，R．Pear－ son 3．C．Mowforth 4，E．Schofield 5，T．Shepherd 6，C．Howroyd 7， F．Hudson 8.
The service then proceeded，conducted by the Rev．R．E．Pownal： （Vicar），the lessons being rend by the Rev．W，E．Laidman，Vicar of Kirkly Mill．The Bishop preached an eloquent sermon，taking as his text Palm xix．3，＇There is neither speech aor language，but their woices are heard among you．
Further touches were rung by the lacal ringers after the gervice， ant again at night，with the assistance of the Ripon Minster com－ paly．
The tone of the bells is vastly improved，aud the＇go＇of the ring has greatly surprised some of the local ringers，whose efforts in the pest thave at last met with rewart．

## HERTEORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION

MEETING AT OLD．WORLD BENINGTON
＇Ihe spring meeting of the Eastern District was held on Saturday， and a goodly number atteaded，and much enjoyed the visit to this Inistorical tower and the old－world village，with its timbered hotases clustering round the old village green，and its old rookery，from which，mingling with the sound of the merry little ring of bells，the cawing af the rooks could be heard．The church is an interesting and ancient building，and two old moummons are of interest，one being to the memory of a Crusader．

The Rector，who is himself a ringer，and wha is trying hard to restone in some measure the status of ringing at lais tower which oace was so fameus for its band of Surprise ringera，plorided tea and exiended a warm welcome to all．

Some good practice was put in，the highest achievement being Cam－ bridge Surprise，e method which the old bells lad rung out hundreds of times sixty years sgo．While some of the wisitors reere busy at the bells，others eajoyed the beaty of the surroundings in the spring sumshine．

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

NORTH BUCKS BRANCH＇S FINANCIAL POSTTION．
The annual meeting at＇the North Bucks Brancli was holl at Shen． ley on Saturday，June 1st，and，the weather being fine，adtracted a gathering numbering about 80 ，and representing tho follawing towers in the Branch：Bletchley，Beachampton，Bradwell，Chicheley， Fenny Stratford，Great Buckbill，Loughton，Milton Keynes，Newport Pagnell，Stony Strafford，Simpson，Twyford，Whaddon and the local tower．Various methods were wung until service，which was con ducted by the Rector of Shenley（Rev．H．Evered），and was fully choral．It was a very iaspiring service，and was attended by a g god number of parishioners as well as by the ringers．Tea was sup－ plied ou the Rectory lawn，and thoroughly enjoyed by all，the sur roundings making it very pleasant．

At the business meeting the Secretary（Mr．W．Sear）rearl the report and presented a statement of accounts which was considered very satisfactory．The Franch＇s financial position showed fl7 11s．9d．in hand，and £10 invested．The Sucretary，after briefy stating the work done，proposed that a grent of 55 be given to the Guild Restoration Fund，and that was approved．The Brancl now had 176 ringing menbers and 19 honorary memhers．
The officers were re－elected，the Rev．L．Moxon，of Newport Pag－ neli，chairman，and Mr．W．Sear secretary and trensurer．
The Master，the Rev．C．W．O．Jenkyn，was present，as also the secretary，Mr．R．T．Hibhert．An apology was received from Mr． A．Wright，the Guid treasurer．Botll the Master and searetary ad dressed the meeting，stating their satisfaction with the healthy con－ dition of the Brancl．
＇lhe Chairman proposed hearty votes of thanks to the Rector，the choir，aud the ladies for providing tea．－This was respouded to by the Rector，and further ringing took place．The methods rung dur－ ing the day ranged from Grandire nad Stednal Doubles to Lon－ don Minor．

## DISAPPOINTED VISITORS TO HEREFORD．

## To the Editar

Sir，May I state，through your coluniss，how disappointed I was at not being able to enter Fereford Cathedral on Whit Monday for the ringing wbich was advertiged from $6.30-8.30$ p．m．？I wns on holiday in Monmouth，and made a purpose journey for the ringing， only to find that I was one of about a dozen who only had the pleasure of hearing this five peab，Yours sincerety，

DONALD C．MEARS
Offley，Fitchin．
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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Messus. Gillett and Johnston have been entrusted with lecasting aud rehanging in a new frame the peal of cight at Penn, Statio, \&ud the rebanging of the following peals of six: Pucklechurch, Glos, Graveley, Herts, Maisey Hampton, Wijts, aud Garstang, Lanes.

To-day is the first recorded peal of Stedman Caters rumg on handbells. It was accomplished in the ycar 1851 by some famous old Collego Youths-John Cox, Gcorge Fervis, William Coater, Mattlew Wood and James Dwight-and was rung at the Osborn Arms. Ferris, Cooter, Wood and Dwight afterwards rang the first peal af Stedman Triples ' in hand,' and with John Cox and Henry Haley rang the first of Stedman Cinques.
The interest which has been shown in the recently augmented rimg at Lincolo Cathedral, recalls the fact that the first peal in this belfry was a peal of Treble Bob conducted by Mr. F. E. Dawe on June 15th, 1886.

Another Lincolv anniversary occurs on the goth, for it was on that date in 1756 that at St. Peter-at-Arches Church a peal of 5,040 Garathan's Triples was rung. This is believed to be Garthon's peal of Grandsire which was rung at Norwich in 1715.

The peal rung at Bletchley on May 4 th was condueted by F. Sear mad not H. V. Sear as published.

## THE NEW BELLS AT HATFIELD

The two new bells given to the Parish Churela at Hatfield ly the Bishop of Ezeter and his wife in memory of their son will he dedicated by the tishop on Thursdiny, Junc 20th. The bells liave been cast and are being erected by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank.
The bells bear the following inseriptions:-
Treble: 'In memory of Rupert Edward Gasoyne Cecil, bom January 20th, 1895. Killed in action at Ypues, July 1itly, 1915. Mears and Stainbenk, 1929.

New 2nd bell: 'In memory of Rupert Edward Gascoyne Ccefl, sou of William, Bishop of Exeter, some time Rector of Bishop's Hatfield, and of Florence, his wife.' Meals sud Stainbsnk, 1929.
The chime room and bell chamber have been thoroughly cleaned by the Rector, his family, his gardener, and Miss Elizabeth Bennett. Eighteen sackfuls of ditt and rubbish were thrown down from the tower and bumt. Such a clearance had prohahly not been effected since 1847,82 years ago, when the spin'e was built, and those colrcerved in the cleaning feel relieved that the same task will not fall to then again in their lifetime.

The new bells will give Hertiordshire another peal of ten at present there are only two such, at St. Peter's, St. Albans, and Al Saints', Hertford.

## MR. AND MRS. B. KEEBLE'S DIAMOND WEDDING.

OLDEST COUPLE TO RING HANDBELLS.
Mr. and Krs. B. Keeble, 53, Vine Street, Romford, celebrated their diamond wedding anniversary on June 7th. Both attended the eleven o'clock Eucharist at St. John's Chuch, ai the close of whieh the hymn, 'O God, our Help,' was sung as a thanksgiving for the blessing of 60 years of married life.
Mr. Keeble was one of the founders of the Essex Association, and taught the whole of his family, including Mrs. Keeble, change ring ing upor handuells. Five yoars ago, when the whole of the family of three sons and four daughters were home to celebrste Mrs. Keeble's 77th birthday, every memaer of the family took part in method ringing. On June 7th last a 120 Grandsire Doubles was rung: A. Keeble 1, Mrs. Bonny (daughter) 2, B. Keeble 3-4, Mrs. Keeble 5-6. Mr. Keeble was 82 in Aprif, and Mrs. Kechlo reaches the same age in August, and it is claimed that they are the oldest man and wife to accomplish such landbell ringing, simple as it may be to many ihousands of ringers.
A peal of Boh Major to celehrate the eqent was rung at Barls Colne on Saturday.

## FIRST PEAL AT WESTBURY-SUB-MENDIP

## To the Editor.

Sir,-Tlie first peal on the bells at Westbury-sub-Mendip, Somerset, was rung about eight years ago, when a peal of Minor was scored. I therafore wish to withdraw the claim to the furst peal on the bells which was published in. The Ringing Warld' on June 7th, 1929. For the above information I must thank Mr. J. T. Dyke.-Yaurs faithfully,
F. D. AICKARDS

## VETERAN CHORISTER'S DEATH.

The death has oceurred at Edenham, Lines, of Mr. Edward Furness for many years a member of the village choir. He passed away on May 3lst, af the adwanced age of 81 years, and was interred on June 3rd in the village churchyard. In the evening the bells were rung half-muffled to 720 Oxford Treble Bob: C. Botitomley 1, S. Smith 2 E. Green 3, A. Holmea, jun., 4, G. Mills 5, A. I. Holmes (conductor) 6. Also 720 Douhle Court: A. I. Holmes (conductor) 1, C. Bottomley 2 A. Holmes, jun., 3, A. Neal 4, G. Mills 5, E. Green, 6.

## THE CENTRAE COUNCIE.

## (Continued from page 362 .)

## THE DEBATE DN THE METHODS COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

Mr. William Willson, speaking against the Methods Committee's Report, paid a tribute to Mr. Law James' speech, which, he said, was the acme of senso. Mr. Willson spoke in terms of eulogy of what had heen done for ringing by botly the Rev. E. B. and Rev. F. Law James. Some of their compositions, he said, were marvellous productions, and the name of James would be honoured in the ages to come. That, however, was no reasou why they should accept the proposal of the committee of which $\mathbf{M r}$. Law James was a member. In the publications of the Council regulations were laid down for ringing, and the first of them was this, that all peals upon all murnbere of bells should commence from and end witil rounds. That was in print still; th had never been repealed, and he contended it still stood and put out of court these composite peals which the committee suggested should be inclurled in the Minor Methods book ("No, no. ${ }^{\text {' }}$. They talked of progress. That word was the most abused wort in the English vocabulary, and every man who boasted of progress wanted watching (langhter). There was usually a reason bebind it. When change ringing was evolved from rounds, the first principle was truth, otherwise they would never have troubled to try to get tur peals. The day the 120 and the 720 were obtained, that day "finality" was written across the extent of Doubles and Minor, and no man could go a step further, not even Mr. Law James. They might get new methods; they could not get a change further. The Doubles about which they were disputing were all hopelessly false. Mr. Trollope would have them believe that because the handstrokes were true and the backstrokes were true, the composilion must he as nice as pie. But he did not tell them all. The moment they mixed these things up they became hopelessly false. Mr. Willson createrl amusement when he conpared them to the mixing of beer and water. If you take a pint of colfl water and a pint of good beer and pour them into a quari jug, the highbrows would tell them that they had a guart. 'You have,' said Mr. Willson, 'and you can drink it, for me (lauginter). The water was pure and undefled; the beer was good enough for anyone, but they are no good for anything when you mas them' (laughter). In regard to the Cambridge Minor, he said, he had no objection to one of the compositions going into a museum to show how close they could sail to the wind without soing overboard, hefanse they could get 719 changes true, but he lefied them to get 720. Changes and rows were synonymous terms as far as ringers were concomed. One counted the rows when one counted the number of changes in a peal, and if they did this they did not iake the rounds before the start as the first change of a 720. Scientife or unscientific, it was simply rot to talk about rounds beore they began as being incorporated with the figures they rang. They had always considered that a peal starterd from rounds, and it was lined off in the composition. The composition ended when the hells eame round, if it were not so there was no need for a coming home course. All they would have to rlo would be to saw off the tialse changes aud call it a peal, because the conductor would say tho bells were not bound to come hame. In the Bankes James Cambridge 134256 was ' plained' in the body of the 720 , and came up at the end as a bob change; in the second 720142356 repeated, and rounds came up in the last 300 of the third 720 , and rounds completed the first block of 2,160 . Each 720 was thus hopelessly false. If they wanted rounts at the beginming they coulrl not have it at the end without repelition, and no peal an earth would come round at the end if they once incluthed the younds at the begimning. It would mean the end of all discipline in change ringing if they once admitted these false compositions, ant here were those who viewed the proposal with great alarm. They cauld not get a true 720 in Bankes James arrangement mless they counted rounds before they started, and he woulk ask Mr. James, as an expert-
Mr. James: I am not an expert, and I don't think there is one in lis room.
Mr. Willson said he would ask them two questions: Would they ecognise any performance that failed to come round? Would that be a peal or no peal? (Several members: No peal.')
The Rev. E. S. Powell: These 720 's do not come round, but the 160's do. These two blocks arc twue.
Mir. Willson: It comes round twice in the lasi 720 .
Mr. Willson: It comes round twice in the last 720 .
Rev. E. S. Povell: You jing rounds twice, that is another thing Mr. Willson: Rounds comes up twice.
Rev. H. Law James: Mr. Willson has gone away from whet we rere dealing with in the report. He is discussing peals of Minor; we Mr. Willson: Ming peals of Minor.
Mr. Willson: Mr: Trollope did. He added that he was going to move that the report be referred lack in order that the controversial tgares might be deleted.
Mr. Trollope suggesfed Mr. Willson should move defunitely to dethe items by name.
Mr. Willson said he was prepared to do this. There was no end to what wouki occur if they once admitted false peals. To suggest that false peal would be a help to any man, aud especially that it was 011 g to help a young ringer, was absurd. It was not progress, unless it was the rake's progress. He proposen that the report be re-
ferrert thack for the deletion of the Morris and Pitman Doubles, the London Minor and the Cambridge Surprise Minor.

Mu. James George seconded.
ONE PEAL OR SEVEN PEALS?
Mr. C. T. Coles said Mr. James' explanation had cleared Ute air a great deal and showed that the Methods Committee did not intent to foist viese compositions on the Exercise as necessarily being true in aceordance with the lradition of the Exereise, but tinat they inerely wanted tien published as historical and useful. He submithed therefore, that all the talk about whether the compasitious were true might easily be left witil they came to resolution Na. 7 on the agenda. There was one remarth made by Mr. Willson whict he would like the Gouncil to consider during their dinuer time. When they were ringing a peal of Minor, did they ring one peal or seven jeals; did they ring seven peals of 780 and publisin it as sucin, or did they say they rang a peal of Minor? He submitted that they rang a peal of Minor, and in doing so they commenced from aud ended with rounds. If in between rounds came up only six times, and any other change came up seven times in between, they rang only one peal.

Rev. B. E. Tyrwhitt Drake suggested that the Council slould defer settling the report until they had dealt with question No. 7 on the agenda.
Tho President: The two tinings luavo nothing whatever to do with each other. The committee wat io publish a book up-tudate; the question whether these things should be rung is atuother matter.
Mr. Pulling: Does the Methods Commithee intend to putsish these peals with a note saying that they do not cunform to the rulos of Central Coumeil?
Mr. Trollope: Certainly not; it is not mecessary.
Mr. Pulling : Then you will publish then in the book as 720's that can be rung as a peal? If they are published in the book, they will be published as fit for a peal?
Mr . Trallope: Obviously
The Hon. Secretary: Would it be possible to put them inia an appendix?
Mr. Trollope: They practically are an appondix.
Mr. Cave: I propose that the report be adopted, and the hook lue pubilished, provided these peals are put as an appendix, jusi to sluw what has been done. Mr. "James told us ilat in 25 years' time someone might be bringing it out as something fresh, but if the compositions are put as an appendix it will save people trouble.
Mr. C. Mce seconded.

## COMPLETE GHANGE OF FRONT.

Mr. J. S. Goldsmith said the committee bad made a complete clange of front. In their report they aticmpted to justify the publication of these compositions on the ground that they were trie and in harmony with the tradition and usage of the Exercise. To say that they were in harmony with tradition and usage was a travesty of the use of words. But the committee had now appayently aljandoned that ground for inserting the compositions, and uppealed fol permission to melude them for historical purposes. The bouk which the committee proposed to publisil was nevei intended to be what the Snowdon publications, like Grandsive" and "Stedran," were, historical survejs as well as books of instruction. The comnitten's compilation was for practical puiposes only, and was not conceratul with the historical side at all, and therefore compositions which had a purely bistorical interest shauld lave no place in the publication. As some of the Council prohably knew, he was not prepared to yo the whole way with those who said the Bankes James Cambidge
 to what might bo consibered trie. In the consturetion of an method, who studied method construction in these days disputed. It thok two rows to make a "elange, and, obviously, therefore, it required 721 rows to make 720 cinanges. As 720 was the extent ohtainable ons six bells, it followed that one of the rows reguired to make the 720 changes must be a repetition, and in an ordinary 720 the row that was repeated was rounds; the last row repeated with the first row,
and in between them they got the 720 cinanges. The rouncis whichl and in between them they got the 720 clianges. The ronmis which came at the end, was the first row of tine next 720 . In the Bankes James Cambridge the row which repeated was not rounds, hut in the first 720 134256, which was the 21 st row but before thai row was reached they had had 720 true rows and 720 ehanges, mind he
submited that as that had happener and the second 134256 helongeri to the second 720 , the dirst 720 must be considered as complete as if the 721st row was rounds. It seemed to him it did not motiter Whether the 721 st row repented with the first or the 600 th . He had summitted this argument to some well-known leaders of the Exor-
cise, nud they agreed with him that it was sound. He nsked those who thought on these matters to consisley this point with fin unbiassed view, and he beljeved if they did so they wodd mgree with him that the Gambidge was both true and complete in cach of its 720 's in 50 far as completeness meant the production of 720 changes by mears of 721 rows. The ather compositions in dispute did not by any means stand this test, and as 120 's and 720 's wrem absalately false. That heing sa, he hoped the Council would decide that they should be exelnded from airy publication which was to be issued in the name of the Council.

Afier the lunch adjournment, Mr. Pulling asked if the committee would give a definite assurance that if published these compositions slould be inserted with a footnole that they should not bo rung in mals. if they were only to go in as history, they should puti a note
hai hey sloculd not he rung as peals.
Mr. Coles asked, on a poiat of arder, whether that was net prejudyinct motion No. 7 , which had not yet been before the Council?
Mr. Trollope said the committee would not put any note to bay that cornpositions should not be rung.
Mr. Coles: Mr. Trollope is infringing on the same point.
The President: I think you are right.

## A RETROGRADE STEP.

Mr. James Hunt said his association (the Bath and Wells) felt very strongly on this malter. He gave the Methods Committee every credit for the magnificent work which they had done, but in his association, where out of 130 towers 80 were six-bell towers, the feeling was so strong that he hadi been instrucled to vote against the committee's proposal to include these compositions. As ringers they must stand for truth. In their report the committee said the principhe of trath and completeness wats so decply implanted in the tradition of the Exercise that it would be an ample safeguard against any oxeess, and, furthermore, that the Exercise had preserved a high sthudard in these matters and kept within rigid bounds for more than two centurics. There was no Central Council in the old days, sniel Mr. Huati, and the old ringers stood for everything that was goonl and truo in ringing (hear, hear). They started from rounds ancl finished with rounds, and he would like to ask whether anyone there would ring a peal going ofl in any way than from rounds? They could not count the rounds at the starl, and therefore the Bankes James Cambridge whs out of order. He supported the amendment that these four things be deleted from the book.

Mr. H. W. Wilde snid he had heen interested in six-bell ringing for forty years, and he had taken great interest in what the Council liat done for the six-bell ringers in this matter. He admired the work that had been done, but he considered the Methods Committee now proposed to take a retrograde step. The compositions of Doubles anil Mr. Law James' Londou Minor should not be passed without very careful consideration. In introducing these Doubles and the other things which hat iveen mentioned, they were, in his opinion, going hackwaril. In the past the committee had been very eareful not to pass undesirable things in the way of methods, such as by omitling Giratadire Minor, while in other ways they had brought olher methads such as College Single Minor into line with the resolutions passed by the Council. If they went backward and introducerl these conpositions of Doubles and Minor they might as weli reintroduce Graudsire Minor and Woalbine and Violet Treble Bob Minor which were not regular methads. Fe certainly could not vote for the report as it stood.
The Rev. E. S. Powell, a memher of the Methods Committee, aaid the committee were in an extraordiugrily difficult position; they were hetween cross fires. Naturally all those who for one reason or tratleer disapproved of these new developments, or some of them, were likely to vote ngainst the committee, but lee was sure the Council was aware of one thing, nud that was that the diferent opinions that had been expressed concrary to the Methods Commitite had negatived one another. One party said, and he had an inkline of ympating with them, that all extent shoutd be true and complete. If so, that meant that the 120 of Doubles had got to start from mands and end with romeds. The position was a logisal and consistent one, but if they were going to object to that they must be propared to go a step further. After all, the modern dideas of splic ng extents were entritry to the tradition of the Exercise. If they were going to serap one of these new ideas he was afraid they would lave to scrap the lot' ('No.'). He did not want to develop the point-and he was not at all sure that he was in order in mentioning il - but there was undoubtedly a certain parallel between the two and many of the Council would realise it, Dealing with Mr. Goldsmilh's argument that Mr. Bankes James' Cambridge Surprise praluced a true peal-lic thought there were others of the Council who neeepted it as true- Mr . Powell said that if they had a true round hoock, they could start the composition just wherever they liked, and it did not make nny difference to the truth or falseness of it.
Mr. F. Hopgooul $l^{2}$ roviderl you start from rounds.
Rev. E. S. Powell: Yea, of course, starting from rounds., If, however, cuntinued the speaker, they started Bankes James' 2,160 of Cambridge MEinor from any lead, except three, they would get a repelition before the emt of the first 720, and yet it was said, becunse they could ring 720 true rows without repetition, it must be true, while if they could not ring 720 rows without repetition it worili not be true. Therefore, they were told in many quarters, linnkes James' Cambridgo must bo irue aud other spliced arrangemutits false. The only reason for ringing Bankes James' composilion was to ayoid the 6-5's at backstroke, aud they could not start anywhere but ait these particular lead-ends to do that. The Pitman binbles was on exactly the same lines. There were 24 possible phaces al which they could stant, liut there were only two of them from which they could get 120 rows withoul repetition, and who watated which ihey could get 120 rows withoul repetition, and who wated
jitsl two 240 's of Graudsire Doubles?

If the theory of those who supported the argument of the fames Cambridge and the Pitman Doubles was true, continued Mr. Powell, he was perfecty certain there had never been a peai of Grandsire Doubles rung on the Pitmau plan which was a true peat. It was perfectly obvious that those who had used the Fiiman arrangement had started from various leal-ends in order to get variety. It was because these compositions did not differ in principle that the committee found itself up against a dead end. It was not dhat they wauted to press the Law James London or the Morris Doubles upon them. They had got to come before the Council with some consisfent case, and they could not put a case before them which would show the Bankes James Cambridge as true and the others hopelessly false. With regard to the question as to whether these were liseful peals to put into their report, they had never tried to persuade the Council, if they read the report carefully, that they wished to recommend them to be runk for peals. He was afraid that Mr. Goldsmith had been misled by the leading article in his own papar (faughter). All they had said was that they did not feel in a position, from their knowledge, to condemn them wholesale-it was a matter to put before the Exercise. There seemed to be several members of the Council who said, That is all very well, but eren so we do not agree with the Metrods Committee as to what is fit for peal riugine (hear, hear). All right, why then did they not raise the snme of jection when the Peals Collection Committee were doing their magnificent work in the Collection of Treble Bob Peals? It wonld be out of order far lim to ask Mrs. Fletcher wisat percentage of those humdreds of peals were fit for peal ringing, but a very large number would be recognised as not fit for ringing in the tower in theal.
A Member: That is a matter of opinion; it is not because they ave false.
Mr. Powell said it was a mater of opinion whether it was adyisable to ring a peal with the 2nd the extent in Gth's place, hut was there not a certain parallelism between the two things? The Methods Committee were asking the Council to allow fhem to put these compositions on record; if such compositions were condemned by the Council, that could be made known afterwards.
A Member: Too late, then, sir.
Mr. Willson: They should be stamped Tike the false petals of Double Norwich in the Double Norwich book with the word False across them.

Mr. Powell said it had yet got to be proved whether they were false. He hoped lue had shown sufticiently clearly that fhe argtir ment, the only effective argument which up to the present had beer used, abd that was the one about the 120 true rows, had nothing in

The cammithee simply asked that the matter be dealt with in onder that these composilions might be placed ou reaord, and they would leave the Council to deal witli the othes guention of peal ring ing. The committee did not feel able to express a definite opinion they aid not feel able, either individually or collectively, to condenis all or any of these compositious as false. He corld go into detaile to explan why, but he did not think it would carry things any further than they were at present.

HIr. Witae, a member of the Metbods Committee, haring been oriven leave to reply to what wr. Powell had said with regard to the peals of Treble Bob, said if was true some of the penls seut in for the Cafleotion were not wonth ringing, but the great maiority of Hhen were-time were some excellent peals in it. the Peals Collec tion Committec had instructions to juclude them all. If it came to printing the peals, he lad no doubt that all those not worlh ringing would be eut out. Some of the peals were not worth provitge, but they had instructions to prove, and they did it.

## A DEADLOCK.

INT. Witlson's amendment was then put to the meetiog, and, afte two counts, was ceefared carried by 30 votes to 29.

Mr. Trallope then asked: What about the book?
Memhers: Publish
My. Willson: P ublish it without the compositions.
Mr. James: No, sir. What is the use? I have done my best Lhe Council: the Council daes not want me to do anything more This gtatement was greeted with a elorus of moes.
Mu. James: Yes. I loave got a brother, said Mr.
Mi. James: Yes. I lave got a brother, said Wr. James speakins wil for this Gotin been treated to-day. M\% brother has done precious lietiot as 1 trat ten jears, and it is entirely due to that abominable lreatmenc from a lot of ignorsut people.

Mr. Coles said he was surpriged at some of the memhers of that Council when some of these compositions were already in thein ow

When the amendment was read by the president before putinc as the substantive motion, it took the form of proposing the omiscio of the foul compositions under discussion, "because they are all hppe lessiy falge.

Several memberg expressed disagreement with this addition, ant Mr. Goldgmith asked permission to move a further amendment to delete theme wordg.

The Rev. T. S. Powell objected, as, he said, this was the specift
Eround upon whith the amendament lad been carried.
The objection was upheld by the president, who, on putting the motion. $\begin{aligned} & \text { decalared it lost. } \\ & \text {. }\end{aligned}$
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## NEW RING OF TEN FOR LANCASHIRE.

## DEDICATION AT LEYLAND.

Lancashire, nome too well off for rings of ten, has gained another by the addition of two trebles at Leyland Parish Church, and enbhusiastic scenes marked the parochial May Festival on Saturday, May lith, when the recast and augmented peal was dedicated by the Bisliop of Blackburn. The church was crowded from end to end, over 2,000 gaining admittance to the service, while many more were nuable, to find even standing room. The service was fully choral, arery resident member of the choir being present.
The Bishop, standing on the chancel steps, pronounced the dedicawry prayer, while the whole congregation knett.
Following immeriately upon a long and clear call to action from a carnet player, a voice from the tower was heard to say, "Treble troing, and within another moment the encineering skill and workmanship of Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon, was manifest, as without a fault every bell was pulled off, and the sweet music of the heautiful bells rang through the village. Probably the only dissenfientig were the two young owls whose mother liad hatched then "ut in the tower behind the mechanism of the clock.
No efforts lave been spared by the famaus Croydon frm to pro lluco a truly model and ideal peal, second to none in the country 'flus eight bells bawe been recast and augmented by two trebles, and the whole hung in new fittings, inciuding ball bearings, in a metal 'H' type frame. Tlas span of the stately tower is such as to enable atl the bells to he accommodated on the one level. The teluor has hect equipped with the firm's patent clapper control, by means of which a beautiftul hum travels across the air, and the ease with whin the local rimgers handled the bells for the firgt time the following day is a grand testimony to tho excellence of the work.

The old bells weighed in all 79 cwt. 3 gr . 7 lb ., with the tenor 22 cwt. 22 lb. Tha metal las been redistributed, and the new peal of ten weighs in all 100 cwt . 2 qr . 15 lb , with the tenor 23 cwt .20 lb . in E flat. An Ellacombe chiming apparatus, for tune-playing purposes, bas also been fitted to the whole peal.
"Che firm was represented at the dedication by Mr. Cyril F. Jolanon, who look part in che Sumday ringing as an honorary member. f the band.
There is already an enthusiastic band of ringers in the parish, inluding a number of ladies.
The treble is inscribed "Srayer', the 2nd, 'Obedience'; Srd, "May Jesirs Clirist be praised, the gift of Margaret Kellett, 1897; John
 Morning, evening, noon and niglit praise God. The gift of John Sbanning, 1597. Johu Taylor ent Co., Loughhorougly "Faith." bight of these hells were recast and relumg and two trebles added in 1929 at the expense of the congregation by Gillett and Johnston, of Crovdon. G. H. Enspr, M.A., Vicar ; W. Dawber and R. Stopford, Chturchwardens.
On Nos. 1 and 2: 'Gillett and Johuston, Croydon, 1929.'
O: the rest: 'Recast by Gillett and Jolnston, Croydon, 1929.

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This left a dearilock, and Mr. Trollope asked for instructions for he commitiee. They wanted some guide as to what they were to o. Ohwionsly, what ther wanted to do, he said, mas to carry out the Council's wishes. Would they mect the mishes of the Gouncil f they printed these compositions separately, as a sort of appendix, I the end of the book, and said that the compositions contained epelitions of changes, azad that the insertion of them did not commit the Comeil to the opinion that, they ware fit for ringing in peals? Mr. Willson: You admit, then, that there are repetitions of hanges?
Mr: Trollope: I am admitting nothing at all. I ani asking whether we should do this, not what we want to do, but what the Counci] wrats us to do. Shall we put these in the end of the book and say hese compositions apply to five and six-bell methods, but the insertion of them here does not commit anyone to the opinion that hey are valid for peal ringing?
Mr. G. J. Sedgeley proposed that that should be done.
Mr. Cave: That was my proposition just now; accept the report ntl publish these compositions as an appendix.
Mr. Willson: Why print them if they are not worth ringing?
Mr. Pulling: When Mr. Trollope gets a thing in his own hands, he onerally does what the committee wanted beforeland (Gaphber'),
M1. G. P. Burton suggested that the words sheuld be: "The inserion of thene compositions as an appendix does not vommit anybody o the opinion that they are suitable for peal ringing-
Mr. Whittington: Will the inclusion of these compositions legitimatise them, and will it give pcople the right to have thoge peals ecognised by the Analysis Comnittee if they are rung becatuse they he in that hook?

## Rev. H. Law James: No.

The President: That entirely depends on resolation No. 7 .
On the proposal being put to include the compositions as an appandix wilh a note in the terms suggested, it was oarried by 44 rotes o 3, and Mr. Janes remarked: 'Thank yout, gentlewen; that is all
(To be continued.)

## A YOUNG CONDUCTOR

In these days when young "ngers are bard to get and still mote diflicult to keep, if is always a pleasure to find a youthful recruit making headway, and this meek we record a peal of Grandsire Triples at Holton, Lancs, conducted by Peter Crook, jun., who is only fitteen years of age. Few ribgers have called a pea! of Triples at nu eatlier age than this.
Petcr, juntor, is the son of Mr. Peter Crook, of the Bolton Police, who is honorncy secretary of the Boltou Branch of the Lamerohine Assuciation and an active leader iu the Exarise in that district. Foung Peter, who inherits lis father's love of ringing, rang his first peal at Holy Trinity, Bolton, ou Mas 26 th, last year, when he wis but fourteen years of age, and it was conducted by a proud fatber He has now shown the stuff he is made of by himself calling iz peat, and the way in which ie accomplished the task marks him out as a most promising nember of the Exercise. Fingers generally will congratulate him upon his performance, and will wish him every suceess in the future.
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The inquiry zade in our 'Belfry Gossip. column recently as to who were the joungest ringers to ring a peal, has brought us the following letters:-

To the Editar.
Dear Sir, Adrertiag to your enquiry with vegard to yonh ful record makers, I beg to inform you (in all modesty) that at the age of 14 years, a month after my Ith birthday, I ralag an inside bell to a peal containing seven different Minor methods, and while still 14 years old I rang my first eight-bell peal.
Have these performances been accomplished at an even earlier age, I wonder? I should rery much like to know if I was the youngent ringer to ring a seven-method Minar peal "inside. "- Yours faithifly,
EDWARD H. SPICE.

## Gravesend

## SISTER AND BROTHER'S PERFORTANCES

Sir,-Re your correspandent's query, $\frac{1}{}$ can give the following informabion: Miss N. Derver, of Aldershot, rang in a peal of Bab Major at the age of 13 ; Master C. Denyer rang in a peal of Grandsire Triples at the age of 13 . The above are brother ant sister (chiddren of the captain of the Alderghot band, and I had the pleasure of teaching both from the beginaing. 3 Iiss Nancy Denyer rang in two peals of Grmedsire Triples, one of Bob Major and two of Minor in tour methods, whilst Master Chartes rang two peals of Graudsire Triples aud one of Oxford Treble Bob Major. - Fours, etc.,

## Slough, Bucks.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCTATION

A. welt-attencled bye-meeting of the Cancerbory District was lield at Petham on Saturday, June 8th, by kind pumission of the Vicar, the Rev. Cluirenont. The followiag towers were represented: Canterbury Cethedral, St. Aphege, Wickham, SEury, Wingham, Herne, and later the Vicar paid a visit to tho tower and weltomed the ringers. He expressed disappointment at not being ahbe to join them㫙 the tea, owing to auother engagement
The tea was servert at the Duke's Frad, where a considerable amount of surprise seemed to oxist that ' people should come such a lang way just to knacks bitp of iron alyout -a remark which causeri a grod deal of laughier.
After tea, ringing continued until half-past seven, touches in the following methods being brought round: Kent and Oxford Troble Bob, Plain Bob, Dauble Oxford, Stedman and Grandsire. Cambridge Surprise was attempted.

## WEDDING BELLS.

The hells of King's Somborme were rung ola May Ilth, 10 celebrate the wedding of the dauglater of Mr. Roynolds, a sidesman and churd councillor. As the happy conple wore Icaving the chureh, a toweh of 720 Grandsire Doubles was rung. The ringers then attended the reception at the Fillage Hall, after which they rettrned to the tower where a quarter peal of Boly Minov was surcossfully brought youtri, conductad by Mr. W. riucker. The temainder of the evening was spent with touches of Sterman and Doubles. The local ringers were assisked by ringer's from North Stonelumand Romsey

We nuch regret that, owing to pressure on our space. several letters to the Editor and reports of meetings are unavoidably held

## WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD

 FORTHCOMING JUBILEE CFLFBRATION.The annial general meeting of the Winchester and Portsmouth Piocesar Guild was held at Portsmauth on Saturday, June Ist, at St. Mary's Parish Institute, this being the jubilce year of the former Withelasstar Diocesan Guild, which was founded at Basingstoke on Tune 26th, 1879. Tlie Vicar of Si. Mary's (Ven. G. G. L. Lunt, M.A., M.C.) presided, supported by the Master (Mr. G. Williams), genpral seretary (Mr. (T, Pullinger), treasurer (Rev. N. O. Woods) and the perls recorder (Mr. F. W. Rogers).
The balance sheet presented to the members showed an income for the yenr amounting to $\mathbf{\$ 8 6} \mathbf{1 8 5}$, and an expenditure of $£ 307 \mathrm{~F}$. 6d. thowing an incroase on the general fund of 856 10s. 6d. The accounts were adopted unanimotzely.
in presenting the annual report, Mr. Williams remarked that the past year lind heor the first under the newly-formed Winchester and Portsmonith Guild, nud had in many respects heen an ungualified suctess. The smaller districts liad been formed at the beginuing of the yorr and bad resulted in a great deal of activity in all parts of the diocese. In the Christchurch district only one tower was not affiliated, and only three had failed to join the Guild in the Portsmouth district. TIle completion of the memorial to the late Rev. C. E. Matthews had been the most important event of the year. A Eplendid response to this appeal had resulted in over $£ 100$ boing coljected, and the nemorial had taken the form of two treble bells at Milford-on-Sea. He was happy to report that the majority of the towers and bells in the dietrict were in good condition; but at Arreton, Avington, Hurstbourne Prior, Southampton (Holy Rood) and Warnford the bells needed relianging and great efforts to reise money for this purpose were being made. Three augmentations bad ben eniried out during the year-at Milford (five to eight), Highcluding, Mr. Willians observed that at the end of last year the total membership was 57 life members, 68 hon. merobers, and 590 ringing mumbers, with 88 towers in union.
The Master gave a lengthy and intercsting report of the proceedings of the Central Council meeting at Chelmsford, for which he was thanked.
The Fiev. F. Sear (hon. secretary of the Audaver District) presented to the members a draft copy of the Guild's proposed new form of service, and it was unauimously decided, subject to the Bislop's consent, to print copies of the same for subsequent use.
On the gnestion of the suggested new Guild certiticate, the Secre-
ary said they had been fortunate to abtain the holp of Mr. W. H. tary said they had been fortumate to obtain the holp of Mr. W. H.
Fussel! (Slough) in this direction, and as lie was with them that day be would like to thank him (Mr. F'ussell) for his kind help.
Mr. W. H. Fussell said that it would be a great pleasure if to could lielp the members in thit way. He hati had the hoaour to do girnilar service for the Swansea and Brecon Guild, and he suggested, as he did in that caso, that the cortificite should not be too much on the large size, but ruther compuct and neat. The members thanked Mr. Fussell for his help, and it was left to lim to draw up one ar two sugested designs for approval at the gext amual meating.

## A NEW TREASURER

The vice-presidents of the Guild were re-elected and Mr. G. WilJjams was re-elected Master. Mr. G. Pullinger was re-elected general secretary, and was beartily ilanked for the untiring efforts he had given to the Guild during its first torm of office, especially in the direction of spade work required in the new districts.
The Hon. Treasurer (Rev. N. C. Woods) asked to be relieved of his nost owing to medical reasons, and it was with regret that the menthers consented. They thanked him for his splendid service to the Guild in the past.
The General Secretary mentioned that when he first heard of the treasurer's desire to be relieved of office, be at once communicated witls the Rev. Evan Jones (Vicar of Hedge Eud), a former secretary of the Basingsioke District, who replied eaying how pleased he would be to accept the post, and remarked that he had been 'like a fish out of water since he tas compelled, owing to another appointthe Rev. Jyan Jones he rsked to become hon. treasurer.
The Recorder of Peals (Mr. F. W. Rogers) asked that this office should be performed by another member of the Guild. He was opposed to any one member holding more than one job, and thought that a straightforward work like this could easily be performed by another. He conld then devote his whole time as secretary of the Portsmouth District. Mr. H. R. Aitken (Portsmouth) kindly consented to hecome recorder of peals, and hoped that he would performe this duty as efficiently as his predecessor.

FUBILEE MEEIING.
At the lasi anmual meeting it had been decided to hold the jubilee celcbration of the formation of the Wincliester Diocesan Gruld in co-operation with the Guildford Diocesan Guild at Haslemere and Ietersfield on July 6th. Since then, however, it has bemome doubtul if a joint gathering nt two such widely separated towers could he male a success, and the goneral secretary (Mr. J. 8. Goldsmith) wrote suggesting that the whole idea of a joint meet ing at these tower'g should be scrapped, but mentioning that if it was
deciled to praceed with the idea the Guildford Guild would operate to the best of their ability. He also suggested that greater success would attend a jubilee meeting at Winclester, and hoped a ater date than July 5th, when the Guildford Guild would hold their festival, would be chosen.
In view of this letter and also that the places mentioned were on an extreme side of the Winchester and Portsmouth Guild's area, Mr. W. Andrews (Winchester') proposed that the idea of the jubilce meeting be adhered to, but that it be held at Winchestar on Sulurday, July Gill, with a special service to be conducterd by Minot Cenan N. C. Woods daring the afternoon in the Cathedral. This motion was seconded by Mr. R. J. Stone (Portsmouth) and earried.
It was decided to hold the next annual meeting at Southamifton on Saturday, July $12 \mathrm{~h}, 1930$.
Afterwards the usual votes of thanks were aceorded the tiear St. Mary's and the Provost of the Cathedral for the wase of the 1 spective peals of hells, the business mesting telminated.
The members attended service at St. Mary's, at whioh the Vienr officiated. The Provost (Ven, B. Williamol read the lesson, and an cloquent and inspiring address was given by tho Vicar of Fanelan (Rev. A. Cory)
An excellent tea was served in the Parish Instituta, the clergy being present with the members. This concluded, sonne indmiged fn handbell ringing, whilst athers visited St. Mavy's belfry and also tho Cathedral

During the day members were present from Alverstoke, Jilack moor, Carisbrooke, Fareham, Highclere, Newport, Narth 太tameham, Portsmoutli (St. Thomas' and St. Mary's), Ryde, Swanmore, Souritampton, St. Mary Bourne, Wickhan and Windester, alsu tessrs. E. (Slough). The ringing practised durind the day ranged from riand sire Triples to Cambridge, London and Bristol Surprise Mador

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

## NORTHERN BRANCH

A Grimsby District meeting, held at Louth an Whit Monday proved a great success, and brought together ringers from far and near. Amougst those present were Rev. J. Barker, Rector of Great Cottes, and members from Ulechy, Barrow-on-Humber, Bartou-omFumber, Grimsby St. Andrew's, Burion-on-Stather, Scunthorpe, Laceby, Goxhill, and the lacal ringers. There were also ringers fuct Lincoln, Boston, Derby, Eeicester, Nottinglaam, Hull and Rotherham The fine peal of eight, which havo recently been rehung, were kept going until the service, which was conducted by the Rector, the Rev H. Burton, and at which the address was given by the Rew. 13arber. A splendid ton was awaiting the company, 41 gititing dowu Others went on the bills for tea.
Mr. F. Rushby presided over the business meeting in the absener of the president (the Rev. F. T. Pary), who was atteading t Central Council meeting
'Ilhe election of Mr. Martin Walker and Mr. L. England was cont frmed liy the peeting.
Mr. George Dixon, of Scunthorpe, was re-clected a member, snly ject to the approval of the general commitee.
Mi. Hushby proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Rector foy the use of the bells and for conducting the service, and to the Rex J. Barber for his address, to the caterers, mad to those who made the arrangements. This was seconded by Mr. C. W. Taylor, and garricd. Mr. H. Rusliby was thanked for presiding over the meeting and also for playing the organ for service
The meeting proved a great success, and further ringing was in dulged in.
The Grimsby Districh and the Ladies' Guild combined mecting Burton-on-Stather is be lield on Saturday, Jume E5th, and not 22nd, as previously arranged.

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

BRIDGEND, GLAM-On Sunday, Miry 27th, at St. Illyyls Church, a quarter-peal of Graudsire Triples (1,260 changes) in mins. : N. R. James (first quarter-peal) 1, W. H. Evans 2, H .
Tabr 3, C. F. Pervy (conductor') 4, J. Evans 5, A. W. Wriglat 6, R. James 7, E. Smith 8. Ring half-mufflea as a tribute of respect to Mrs. S. H. Stockwood, wife of the Vicar's warden of the above church.

MARKET HARBOROUGH, LEICESMERSH1RE-At St. Dionz sus' Church, on Whit Sundsy morning, 720 Plain Bob Minor: E. Goton 1, S. Richardson 2, R. Marsh 3, F. Wallington 4, w. Hector 5, A. C. Manning (eonductor) 6 Arranged as a farewo
Vicar, who is slorty leaving for Hineley, Leicestershire.

LUTON, BEDS.-At the Parish Churcis, on Sunday, April 28 th, evening service, 1,280 of Superlative Surprise Major in 48 mins. Blackbourn 1, E. Shane (first in method) 2, A. Smith 3, F. Walkn 4, A. King 5, H. Wood 6, T. Kelrdall 7, L. A. Goodenough (condur tor' 8. Fung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Joseph Slaw, one the bate members of the band, who lad to retire througla illness, his 70 th birthdag. He was a ringer at the Parish Gharch for upwards of 40 jears.

## NOTICES.

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637 ). Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on June 2oth, *Coffee Pot on the $25^{\text {th, }}$ St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 27 th; all at $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. "Business meeting afterwards.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.
GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS. - N.E. Branch. - The next quarterly meeting will be held at Rackenford on Saturday, June 15 th. Tower open 2.30 . Service 4.45. Tea $5 \cdot 15$, 15. each.

SUFFOLK GUILD.-General meeting for East and West Suffolk combined, at Stowmarket on June 15th. Bells (8) available from 2.30; also Great Finborough (6). Tea at the Temperance Hotel at 4.30, 15. each. Meeting follows.-Drake, Uford, Woodbridge.

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. Hoylandswaine Cup Contest. - Open to all towers in above association. Will be held on Saturday, June 15 th. It is hoped all will join at once. Draw 2.45. First band to compete at 3.15 . All ringers and friends are invited. Tea will be provided in Parochial Church Koom, 1s. 6 d . each.-C. D. Potter, Hon. Sec.

LADIES' GUILD. - Western District.-The annual meeting will be held at Portishead on Saturday, June 15 til. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 4 .3o. Tea and meeting to follow at White Cot Dairy.-N. G. Williams, Hon. Sec., Weston House, Weston, Bath.
LADIES' GUILD.-Southern District.--Annual meet-ing.-GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Guildford District.-Ringing meeting.-Both at Worplesdon, June 15th. Bells available at 3 o'clock.-Miss H. F. Mills, Cairneyhill, Bridgefield, Farnham, G. L. Grover, Merrow Cottage, East Clandon, near Guildford, Secretaries.

SURREY ASSOCIATION. - North-Western Dis-trict.-Next meeting will be held at Ranmore Common on Saturday, June $15^{\text {th. }}$ Beils available 3 p.m. Service
p.m., tea following.-D. Cooper, Hon. Dis. Sec., 5, Harrison's Rise, Croycon.
BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District.-A meeting will be held at Tempsford on Saturdry, June ${ }^{15}$ th. Bells (6) available at 2.30 . Tea at 5. Ali ringers welcome. A good company is requested.-C.

## Ball; 2, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.-The next meeting will be held at Exhall, near Coventry, on Saturday, June L5th. Service in church at 4.30, to be taken by the Vicar (Rev. F. Melville). Tea at 5 o'clock, 1s. each. Miss D. E. Lewis, Firholm, King Edward Road, Nuneaton.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Western Division.The quarterly meeting will be held at Marsden on Saturday, June 15 th. Beils available from 1.30 p.m. Tea, at Is. 6 d . per head, to all those who send in their names to Mr. S. Whitehead, Throstle Nest, Marsden, near Huddersfield, not later than Friday, June 54 th . - F. Hutchinson, Dis. Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Newbury Branch.The summer meeting of the above branch will be held at Bucklebury on Saturday, June 15th. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Service, 4.30. Tea, 5 p.rn., at 1 s . All ringers welcome. - H. W. Curtis, Hon. Sec., Clurch Road, Shaw, Newbury.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Sonning Deanery Branch.-Quarterly meeting at Wargrave, Saturday, June 15th. Bells ( 8 ), 3 p.m. Divine service, 4.30. Tea at 5. Twyford bells available after tea. All welcome.W. J. Paice, Branch Sec., Merrel, California, Wokingham.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-A joint meeting of the Chester Diocesan Guild (Bowdon and Stochport Branch) and the Lancashire Association (Manchester Branch) will, be held at St. Paul's, Stalybridge, on Saturday, June 15th, to celebrate the opening of the peal of eight bells recently recast and rehung by Messrs. J. Taylor and Co. Tower open 2.30. Service 4.30, conducted by the Vicar of Staley and Canon H. J. Elsee, M.A., president of the Lancashire Association. Preacher, Rev. C. A. Clements, M.A., Master of the Chester Diocesan Guild. All ringers welcome.-J. Hall and T. Wilde, Hon. Branch Secs.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARI DIOCESAN GUILD.-Southern Dis-trict.-Next meeting, St. Paul's, Bath Road, Hounslow, June 15th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Service, tea and meeting, 5. Social hour 8 o'clock. A p.c. to signify your intention of being present will be appreciated. tisitors welcome.-J. Herbert, Hon. District Sec., 17, Grimston Road, S.W. 6.
SAIISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. - Mariborougl Branch.-The next meeting of the branch will be held at Ramsbury on Saturday, june $55^{\text {th }}$. Tea 4.30 p.m. Cyril Hussey, Hon. Sec.
DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION-Joint meeting of Eastern and Western Districts at Chester-le-Street on Saturday, June rgth. Betls available after 2.30 . Tea at 5 o'clock. Those intending to be present please advise MF. H. Tyson, 23 Bungalow, Tanfield Lea, at once-F. Ainsley and H. Tyson, Secs.
GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Leatherhead District.-A district meeting will be held at Newdigate on June 2 2nd. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea, at the Six Bells Inn, 5 p. m., followed by short business meeting. Will those requiring tea please notify Mr. R. Brett, New House Farm, Newdigate, not later than Wednesday, June 19th? A special appeal is issued to friends in neighbouring associations to join us in making good use of this pretty peal of bells.-Alan R. Pinis, Hon. Dis. Sec.

LADIES' GUILD.--Northern District.-Annual meeting to be held at St. Mary's Church, Nottingham, on Saturday, June 22nd. Notices for tea to Miss I. Thompson, 52, Lace Street, Dunkirk, Notts, by Thursday, the 20th. Bells available at 2.30 p.m. Permission to view the new Exchange Buildings and peal of bells may be granted.-H. F. Jacques, Hon. Sec.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-Southern District.-A bye-meeting will be beld at Limpsfield Chatt on Saturday, June 22nd. Tower open at 3 . Short service at 5 . Tea at 5.30. All intending to be present must notify me not later than Wednesday, June 19th.-A. J. Bull, Hon. District Sec.

THE ANNIVERSARY OF LAVENHAM BELLS will be held on Saturday, June 22 nd. Bells ready 2.30 p.m.A. Symonds.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Southern Division. -The annual joint meeting of the societies in the Southern Division will be held at Whiston, near Rotherham, on Saturday, June 22nd. Bells (8) available from 12 o'clock. Tea at is. per head. All names to be sent to Mr: F. Roddis, Revill Villa, Whiston, near Rotherham, by Monday, the 17 th. Buses leave the Old Cattle Market every thirty minutes after mid-day, and a good attendance is desired. -F. Clark, Hon. Sec.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Kettering Branch. -The annual meeting will be held at Cranford (6) on Saturday, June 22ncl. Bells at 2.30. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Will those reguiring tea kindly inform me by Tuesday, June 18th. Members and friends are requested to note change of address.-H. Baxter, Branch Sec., Bredon, Windmill Avenue, Kettering.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.- Leicester District.-The second quarterly meeting will be held at Melton Mowbray on Saturday, June 22nd. Bells (10) available from 3.30 p.m. Tea at Warner's Café at. 5.15 p.m., followed by business meeting. Will those requiring tea please advise me not later than June zoth? Alban Disney, 19, Houlditch Road, Knighton Fields, Leicester.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - East Berks and South Bucks Branch. - The next monthly practice bas been arranged at Old Windsor ( 8 bells) on Saturday, June 2and, at 6 p.m.-A. D. Barker, Branch Sec. and Treasurer, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough.

ROMNEY MARSH AND DISSKICT GUILD. - The nest meeting of the above Guild will be held at Biddenden on Saturday, June zznd. Bells available 2.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.-A. J. Battin, Hon. Sec., Heronden Hall Gardens, Tenterden.
SAFFRON WALDEN SOCIETY (Established 1623). -The 306th anniversary of Great Ringing Day will be held on Thursday, June 27 th. Bells ( 12 ) available from 9 a.m.-Leonard E. Pitstow, Hon. Sec.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION-A combined meeting of the Cheltemham and Tewkesbury branches will be held at Alderton (by special invitation of the Rev. A. D. Pennington) on Saturday, June 2ath. Bells open 3 oclock. Service 4.30. Tea 5.30. Business meeting after. All welcome. Please inform either of the undermentioned by the 25 th inst. Walter Yeend, Millfielr, Tewkesbury Road, Cheltenham, H. Wakeford, Ashchurch, Tewkesbury, Hon. Secs.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GLILD. - North and East District.Next meeting at Harrow Weald on Saturday, June 2gth. Beils from 3 p.m. Service at 5 . Tea at $5 \cdot 30$, is. each. Stanmore beils available during evening. All requiring tra should advise Mr. G. R. Goodship, 14, Lorne Road, Wealdstone, by June 27th.-C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAF-
FORD.-The annual meeting will be held at Lichfield on
aturday, June 2gth. Bells available: Cathedral (io) 3 103.45 and 6.15 to 7 ; St. Mary's (8) and St. Michael's (6) from 3. Service in Cathedral 4. Tea at Lloyd's Restaurant 5 , followed by general meeting. Tea will be is. to those only who have paid their subscriptions; to others, is. 6d. Please send word by June 25 th. - H. Knight, 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rossendale Branch. -A meeting will be held at St. Nicholas', Newclurch in Rossendale on Saturday, June 29th. Bells ready at 3.30. Neeting at 6.30 . Expecting a good muster of members and visiting ringers to be present. Subscriptions due. Reports and diagrams to hand-- J. H. Haydock, Branch Sec. 8 , Oaklands Road, Edenfield.

GiltLDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD AND ROYAL CLIMBERLAND YOUTHS.-A joint meeting will take place at Epsom on Saturday, June 2gth. St. Martin's bells (to) available from $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Short service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea 5 o'clock. Names for tea should be sent to Alan Pink, $3^{2}$, Lower Road, Dorking, or to George A. Card, 7, Gilstead Rd., Fulham, S.W.o, not later than 26th inst.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - The first general quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, June 29th, at Bakewell. Bells (8) open from 2 p.m. Committee meet (important business) 4 p.m. in Schoolroom. Tea, is. 6d. per head, at 5 p.m., in Wheatsheaf Hotel. It is imperative that those requiring tea advise Mr. W. J. Alexander, Burton Closes, Bakewell, not later than 26 th inst., or catering not guaranteed. It is hoped everyone possible will attend to support this first generas meeting in the new Peak District.-Ernest Morris, Gen. Hon. Sec., 24, Coventry Street, Leicester.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Lincoln District.Next meeting at Bardney (6), Saturday, June 2 gth. Tower open 2 p.m. Notification for tea to Harold Marcon, Dis. Sec., 269, Wragby Road, Lincolr.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Asliford District. -An invitation meeting will be held on Saturday, June 2gth, at Brabourne, by kindness of the Rev. S. K. Iockyear. Tower open at 2.30 . Service at 5 o'clock. Preacher: Rev. M. M. Vischer. Tea at 6 o'clock.
good attenciance is looked for on this annual visit.-A. C. Kay, Dis. Sec., 6, Sturges Road, Ashford.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Divi-sion.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Ringmer on Saturday, June 2gth. Tower open at 2.30 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock, business meeting to follow (half fares, maximum 1s. 6d., to members).-Geo. W. Stokes, Hon. District Sec., 22, Melbourne Road, Eastbourne.
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Preliminary notice.-A special meeting to celebrate the jubilee will be held at Winchester on Saturday, July 6th. Full details later.-G. Pullinger, Gen. Sec.
GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-The annua? summer festival will be held at Haslemere on Saturday, July 6th. Further details will be published later.-J. S. Goldsmith, Hon. Sec.
LADIES' GLILD.-Preliminary Notice.-The annual general meeting will we held at St. Clement Danes' Strand, London, on Saturday, July 6th. Fuller particulars later.-E. K. Fletcher, Hon. Sec.

## MARRIAGE.

RENSHAW-GOLDSMITH.-On Wednesclay, Jume 12th, at Woking, by the Rev. J. O. Warburton, Harotl Charles, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Renshaw, of Elsted, Woking, and Margaret Lilian, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Goldsmith, of Southover, Woking.

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## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

## LARGE GATHERING AT PINNER.

The Nortlo ard East District meeting of the Middlesex County Asseciation and London Diocesan Guild helk at Pioner on Salurday, Inme 1st, attracted a large number, upwards of 50 attending. Rings ing started punctually at 3 p.m., and the fine poal of eight bells were utijised to the fullest extent until service time. The Vicar (Rev. O. E. A. Rowland) gave a most interesting discourse on the history of bells generally, and of the Pinner peal in particular. The present peal wore recast in 1926 at the Whitechapel Foundry, and are famed all round the neighbouting district for their sweet tones. The Vicar also expressed luis appreciation of the visit of the association, which yre wislied every success.
Serfice over, the members adjourned for tea. Some difficulty was at fust experienced in finding seating accommodation, owing to the mexpectedly large mustar, but etentually all were served. At the business meeting ten new members were admitted, including the confirmation of the election of thee policemen who rallg in the palice peal at St. Geotge's, Southwark, on the previous Saturday. In proposing that their election be confrmed, the Fon. Secretary (Mr. C. T. Coles) congratulated the band on ringing the fixst Surprise peal by a band of bobbies,' which would find an honoured placed in the reoords of the society.
The Han. Secretary reported on the meeting of the Centrai Council, referring at length to the Doubles and Minor controversy. He also mentioned the splendid report by the Legal Committee, of which their president (Mr. E. A. Milne) was a menter.
Mr. Milne added that the report in question fully covered the ground, and would be published shortly. The next meeting was arranged for Farrow Wenld and Stammore on June 29th.
A hearty rote of thanks to the Rev. C. E. A. Rowland, and to Mr. R. H. Collyer, was manimously passed, and the meeting terminated. Mr. W. Pye looker after the ringing, and all the standard metbods were rung, ineluding an excellent touch of Spliced Surprise in four.
Amongst the many visitors was 'he of England,' who, when he is at home, resides at Bimmingham. He might now have been the ole inhahitant of Finmer (his birthplace) hat he not taken a fancy to roaming. On this occasian he roamed round Pinner looking for old friends, but, like the rimgers in his equly peals, they're all dead. ${ }^{\text {' }}$

BRISTOL UNITED KINGING GUILDS.
DISPLAF OF ACCURATE STRTKING $\triangle B I L I T Y$.
On Friday, June 7th, a display of acourate striking was held at St. Michael's Chureb, Bristol, under the adjudication of Mr. J. Tु. Dyke (af Chilcompton, Bathi. One of the earliest features was the excel lence of striking by the St. Michael's Guild, and a further conspicuous feature was the ability of the newly-formed Guild of St. Werburgh. The St. Michael's No. 2 band very pluckily took part in spite of the handicap of having four of the most recent learders.
The resule will not be discouraging to either of the Guilds quoted, bue rather tend to bring about a desire to make furtier displays anore difficult for those who have had such a long experience. The fesults were as follows:-
Guild.

Method.
Number of Faults. st-St, Stephen's. Cambridge Surprise Minor. 10.9 per cent nd-St. Matthew's Stedman Doubles. 15.0 per cent $\begin{array}{ll}\text { 3rd-St. Werbergh } & \text { Gramdsire Doubles. } \\ \text { ith-St. Michaels (No. 1) Grandsire Doubles } & 25.0 \text { per cent. } \\ & 34.0 \text { per cent. }\end{array}$ कth-St. Michael's (No. 2) Rounds and Queens 56.0 per ent Mr. Gyke, in making the award, said how pleasing it lad heen to hinn to listen to the striking througln an open window, and he assured the Guilds competing that muel had been dowe that evening to mpre the most essential part of ringing, viz., the striking.
Mr. Thomas and Mr. Pring also spoke of the good that must invitably result by the effort of the gristol United Ringing Guilds to ensure better striking. Mr. Dyke was thanked for his servicer.

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## UNDER WHICH KING?'

The article which appeared in this column last week has brought forth, as we expected it would, a reply from the principle spokesman of the Methods Committee. It is a justification of the Committee's change of front in their reasons for wishing to inciude, in the new edition of the Collection of Methods, the much debated compositions. At this stage it is hardly worth while disputing at length over what happened at Chelmsford. Mr. Trollope may not think the Committee "wobbled," but Mr. Trollope has publicly admitted that he does not profess to go in for verbal consistency. That is exactly our cornplaint. You can never pin them down and we leave Mr. Trollope to get whatever comfort he can from his letter. The greatest sin which anyone in the Exercise can commit is to disagree with the Methods Committee. That has frequently been apparent. Unless one worships at their particular shrine, the wrath of the gods is called down upon him.

The Ringing World, in this discussion has stood for a principle-upholding the decisions of the Central Council. The Council at Hereford passed a resolution which required that in peals of Doubles and Minor the component 120's and 720 's respectively should be true and complete. It was a motion passed, after three months' notice, if not with the expressed acquiescence of all the members of the Methods Committee, at least without disapproval from any of them, and one of them seconded it. When "The Ringing World " endeavoured to support this decision of the Council, the Committee, MrTrollope has said, had 'to take up the challenge' because ' on that particular thing his (the Editor's) views were not our views, The real issue here raised is, 'Under which king?' If the Exercise is to have a lead, is it to take it from the Council, or from the Methods Committee? The contention of "The Ringing World 'in regard to the inclusion of some of these compositions in one of the Council's publications is that it would give authority to their use, when the Council had already laid down requirements for a peal which deliberately excluded them. Moreover, that to include such compositions would open the door to the admission of even less desirable compositions, which would lend themselves to all kinds of peal 'faking' by unscrupulous conductors-the traditions and grood sense of the Exercise notwithstanding.

It is as well, perhaps, that, amid all the steam that has been let off, this position of 'The Ringing World ' should again be made clear. It was becatse the Methods Com(Continued on page 386.

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Muffers, Ringing Mats, Matting Flag Lines, etc., etc.
mittee were proposing to offer something to ringers which their own Council declined to recognise that we criticised them, and it will not, we think, be disputed that but for this criticism the Committee would have included in the promised new edition of Minor Methods without comment the compositions which they are now prepared to label as of questionable suitabrlity for use in peals.

The question now, however, is not much what has passed, as what is to be done in the future. The position of what shall be recognised as a peal of Doubles or Minor is at the monent in a most unsatisfactory position. The resolutions in the Council's minute book still stand, but things cannot remain as they are. A motion by which it was sought to defne again what a peal on five or six bells should consist of was postponed, but sooner or later the question has got to be settled. Obviously there are two schools of thought, and it might be well, if they cannot come to any unanimous agreement, that they should endeavour to arrive at a temporary compromise and draft resolutions which might be put before the next Council meeting so that ringers may know exactly what is expected for a peal. Such resolutions, if passed, should be loyally observed by those who look upon the Council as the central authority of the Exercise, and if new ideas develop which render suciz definitions out of date, they should be properly amented before any Committee of the Council attempts either directly or indirectly to override them.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

## LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GULLD.
On Saturday. June 15, 1929, in Four Hours,
At tee Cathedral Carrce of St. Saviodr, Soutbwark,
A PEAL DF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE mAXImUS, 5280 Changes;
Tenor 50 cwt.
Charlegt. Coles ... ...Treble Edward P. Deffirld ... 7 George R. Pye ... ... ... 2 James E. Davis ...... Frank W. Prrrens ... ... 3 James Benneti ... ...... Aebert W. Colrs ... ... 4 Harold W. Clarr ... ... co Aleert Wacker... ... ... 5 Redben Sanders ... ... it Willath H. Hewett... ... 6 William Pys.... ... ...Tent

Composed by Henry Dains. Conducted by William Pye.
The conductor's 1,000th peal for the association. Mfassrs. Perreus and Walker are of Coventry and Birmingham respectively, and they were elected membets prior to starting. This peal redeems e promisc made to the former at the Council meeting at Hereford last year.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

SOUTHOVER, LEWES.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Jun 15, 1929, in Three Haurs and Thivicen Minutes, At the Chorch of St. John-tee-Baptist,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS. 5029 CHANGES; Tenor $17 \mathrm{cwt} .\mathrm{I} \mathrm{qr} 20 lb.$.
Robert J. Dawe ... ...Treble | Kgnneth Patiendan ... 6 Charles W. Player ... 2 Frant Bennett ... ... 7 Alered C. Pankhtrst ... 3 Frank I. Halrs... ... ... $\%$ Charlas W. Franklin ... 4 Harry Parics ... ... ... 9 William J. G. Brown ... 5 James A. Hart... ... ... Tend
Composed by Louis Hzad. Conducted by Frana Bennett.
Rung as a wedding compliment to Mr. H. C. Renshaw and Miss M. L. Goldsmith, of Woking, who were married on the previous Wednesday. It was at this church that the bride's parents wer married in 1903, and a peal rung in honour of the event. " Eirst peal on ten bells. This was the soth ten-bell peal rang on thes bells by Mir. R. J. Dawe.

## HASLTMERE, SURREY

THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GULLD.
On Saturday, June 15, 1929, in Ihree Horvs and Twenfy-Thyee Minutes, At tae Chorce of St. Barteolomew, A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGESI Tenor 13 cmt .
"Richard Hayes...
Alfred H. Prling
.TYedle
tCharles N. Burdock
*C. Ernest Smith .......
$\ddagger$ Kenneta Sneiling...
Composed by Walter Ayre
$\begin{array}{cccc}\text { *Raymond Overy } & \ldots & \ldots & 6 \\ \text { Magrice Smither } & \cdots & \cdots & 7 \\ \text {-Arther J. Barilett } & \cdots & 8\end{array}$
... 6

- William T. Beeson ... 9

Joen H. B. Hessa ... ...Temey
Conducted by A. H. Polling.
First peal of Boh Royal by the Guild. * First peal of Bob Eoyal.

+ First peal of Royal. + First peal on ten bells. Mr. Snelling was elected a member of the Guild prior to commencement of peal. LEEDS, सENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ABSOCIATION.
Un Suhtyay, June 15, 1929, in Thye Horts and Eighteen Minntes At The Cebrce of St. Nichoeas,


## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5111 CHANGE8;

 Tenor 20 cwt .William Wenban ... ...Tyeble |Harry Barer ... ... ... 6
Samole E. Taylor ......${ }^{2} \quad 2 \quad$ Arthor H. Smith ....

Cafrles H. Sone...$\quad$... 4 "Algert Relpe ......

- Thomas E. Sone ... ... 5

Composed by Lools Head
William Spice ....... ...Tenor

* First peal of Caters. First peal of Grandsire Caters by all the band except the tenor man.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

CHIGWELL ROW, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, June 5, 1929, in Tto Hours and Fifty-Fony Minules, At the Chirch of All Saints.
A PEAL DF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, bO24 CHANGES; Tenor I5 cwt.
James E. Davis ...
Cbareest, Coles

| ... | ...Treble |
| :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots$ | ... |

Alsert W. Coles
ERNEST TEORGR R. PyE ... ... ... 6

| Willam Milefer | $\ldots .$. | ... | 3 | James Bennett | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| William Pyb | ... | ... | 7 |  |  | Compoged by Gabriel Lindoff. Coaducted by William Pye. First peal on the belis since augmentation.

## HORNBY, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIEE ASSOCIATION. (Forness and Lake District Branct.)
On Saturday, Iune 8, 1929, in Three Harrs and Twenty Minutes, Ai the Ceurch of St. Margaket,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 GHANGES;

## Joun Woods

...Treble
William Pietrall....
*Woodedrn Nevinson
$\begin{array}{ll}\cdots & 2 \\ \cdots & 3\end{array}$
Composed by Ernest Morris. Conducted by Edwin fenwings.

* First peal of Major. First peal of Major on the belis.

TOLKESTONE, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOOIATION AND ROMNEY MARSE GULD.
Oy Saturday, Jume S, 1929, in Thee Fours and Siz Minutes, At the Chuich of SS. Mary and Eanswyin,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES
Pifstow's Variation op Thurstans' Fodr-part. Tenor 25 cwt , in Eflat.
Edwin G. Boesden ... ...Treble Kenneth Pattanden $\quad$... 5

 Frederick K. Weller ... 4 *Johin Coppins

Coaducted by Edwin G. Boesden.

* Re-elected a member previous to starting peal. Rung on the vecasion of the wirie weleome to His Grace the drehbishop of Ganterbury by the Mayor and Corporation of Folkestonc.

PERRY BARR.
THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD TOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Saturday, Jtha 8, 1929, in Two Howrs and Fifty-Sir Minutes, At tae Cebreh of St. Jorn,
4 PEAL AF BOUBLE MBRWICH COURT BDR MAJUR, 5024 GNAMEEA Tenor $13 \frac{3}{3}$ cwt.
George Large .... ... ...Theble Oliver G. Norman ... $_{\text {Ge }}$. 5
Grorgr F. Swann ... ... 2 Fred Price ... ......
Rigeard Ingram... ... ... 3 William Davies... ... ... 7
Frederick K. Rishworth... 4 Albert E. Norman .... ...Teror Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood. Conducted by A. E. Norman PORT SUNLIGHT, GHESHITE.
THE CHESTER DIOGESAN GUILD.
(Wirral Brangh.)
On Saturday, June 8. 1929, in Two Hours and Fitty-Six Minutes, At Cerist Chorch,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREEEE BOB HAJOR, 505日 CHANGES!

 Tenor Iq cwt. 3 qr. In lb. in F .Joher Gorst ... ... ... ...Treble G. Ronald Edwards... ... 5
Thomas Birch ... ... ... 2 z Josn Crooks
Walter J. Battle ... ... 3 Jobn Breese .... ... ... 7
John Bagley ... ... ... 4 James C. E. Simpson .... Tenor Composed by G. Lindofr. Conducterl by J. C. E. Siamson.
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On Saturday, Jthe 8, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,
At tee Cborch of Si. Michael.
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, $505 G$ CHANGESI Tenor $16 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Joan Hall ...
Miss Kityy Willers... ....
Leslie C Wigutua
Leslif G. Rrett
Composed by Gabrirl Lindoff.


First peal of London on the bells. BUSHEY, HERTS.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, June 8, 1929, in Two Hours und Fifty Minutes,
At the Ceorch of St. James,
 Tenor $13 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.
William Seeley
Treble William $G$. Whizehead...
Stgphen H. Hoare

| ..$T$ reble | W |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| .. | 2 | Cun |

Grorge B. Cole... $. . . \quad . . . \quad 3$ Charles W. Roberts
Miss Frbda E. Orr... ... + Ronald H. Bozlen ..
Composed and Conducted by George H. Cross.
The ringer of the 3 rid was elected a nuevber of the association previous to starting the peal, and it was his first peal in the method. HANLEY, STAFIFORDSHIRE.
THE NORTH STAFFS AND DISTRICT ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday, fune 8, 7929, in Thyee Howrs and Nine minutes.
At teg Charch of St. John,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAdOR, 5088 CHANGESI

 Tenor $18 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.


- Eric Eabdley ... ... ... $\ddagger$ Charles II. Page ... ... Tenor

Composed by W. Hobbard. Condmcted by Charlas H. Pagr.

* First peal in the method. Believed to he ihe first peal of Mnjor rung at linis tower. The ringers wisl to tilunk the Rector (He Rev. H. A. Tamplin) for the tuse of the lalls, and the locul pingers for huving everything in readiness.


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SAXLINGFAMI NETHERGATE, NORFOLK.
THE NORFOLE GUILD.
On Saturday, Jume S, 1929, in Jhree Honrs and Seven Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANEES; Tenor 8 cwt \& qr. 20 lb.


Composed by J. Platz.
Conducted by F. Borrett.
LOWER BEEDING, SUSSEX.
THE SUGgEX COUNTY ASSOGLATION.
On Saturday, Yune 8, 7929, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes, At the Church of the Holy Trinity,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANEESI

Heywood's Transposition of Thorsisis' Fovr-part, Tenor 103 cwt .
Frank Bennett
Kenneth Snelling John Feist...
William Watts

Conducted by Frank Bennett

* Firat peal in the method. This is the first peal in the method on the bells since thoy were rehung. Treble ringer from Brighton, 2nd from Crawley, 3rd from Keyner, 5th from Billingshurst, 6th from Warabam, 4th, 7th, and 8th belong to the local company.


## GRTAT BARDFIELD, ESSEX

THE ESSEX ASSOOIATION.
On Saturday, June 8, 7929. in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minntes,
At the Chorch of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR; 505 G CHANEES: Tenor 16 owt.
Josere Jennings...

Jeorem Pr Franr Ciayden ... | ...T+eble |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots \ldots$ | 2 |
| $\ldots .$. | 3 |
| $\cdots .$. | 4 | Ernest J. Butler Composed by Gabriel Lin

Firat peal in the method on the bells.

## EARIS COLNE, ESSEX.

## THE EgSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Sahway, June 8, 1929, in Three Hours and Ten Minules.
At the Chorch of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF BOE MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Tegor $14 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. in $G$.

 Composed by Wifliam Kegble. Conducted by Waltar Arnold * First peal in the method on tower bells. + First peal. Rung to celebrato tho jubilee of the association, and the diamond wedding of Mr. nud Mrs. B. Keebie, of Ramfori (June Thh). The Fingers of treble and 3rd are nephews.

## SHERE, SURREY

THE GULLDFORD DIOCEGAN GULLD. On Wedresday. TMae 12, 1929, in Thee Hours and Ton Minutes,

At the Choree of St. James,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, ©O40 CHANRES;

Therstans' Fogr-qart. Wieliam M. Stone ... ...Tveble William R. Melville ... 5 Cbarles N. Bordock ... 2 William T. Berson ... Alpred H. Polling..... .1

Conducted by A. H. Polling.

Specially arcanged and rung in honour of the wedding of Mr. FIf C. Rensbaw and Miss M. L. Goldsmith, of Woking, which took place on the above date. A peal was rung at the same church for the weddiug of the bride's parents in 1903 . $\quad$ First peal of Stedman on a. warking bell, and propased as a member of the Guild before atarting.

WYMONDHAM, NOREOLK
THE NORFOLK GULD.
On Monday. June 10, 1929, in Thyer Honys and Thity-One Minules, At the Chorch of St. Mary.

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

 Tenor 25 cwt . in D Composed by Arifor Knighte. Conducted by W. B. Dencan.

DEBFNHAN, SUFFOLK. THE SUFFOLK GOLLD
On Tuesday, June 11, 1929, in Three Hours and Five Minutas,
At the Churge of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 506日 CHANRES;

Middleton's.
Ernest F. Poppy
Tenor ig cwt. 2 qr. 14 lb.
... ...Tyeble
... ... ... 2
Grorgr Pryke ... ...
James Betis

## Conducted by William C. Rumsey

Arranged to oblige the ringers of the 2nd and 7th, it being the first peal in the method by the former on an 'jnside' bell. A birthday compliment to James $G$. Rumsey, of Leiston, cousin to the conductor.

SCUNTHORPE, LINCS.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Northern Branci.)
On Thursday, Jlate 13, 1929, in Thrte Howrs and Eight Minutes, At the Church of St, John-the-Evangelist,
A PEAL OF BOE MAJOR, b0ت8 CHANEES; Tenor $18 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
*Bernard Gillatij jon.
Treble
Mri. J. Bray
JON.
Grorge Hobbins
Chare +... + Frank Lord GRORGE Dikon
$\begin{array}{lll}\cdots . . & & 5 \\ \cdots & \cdots & 6\end{array}$
 Composed by W. Ayre. Conducted by Jack Bray

* First peal. + First peal on eight. First peal of Major as conductor.

PORTISHEAD, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOGESAN ASSOGTATION.
Or Sathrday, June 15, 1929, in Thye Hours,
At the Chorch of St. Peier,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, G040 GHANEESF
Walder's Transposition of Parker's Twelve-part. Tenor 16 cwt .

- Migs Blancae Siadden Trebe Ernest J. Goldstone ... 5

Mrs, William Edwards... 22 James Niseet...
 Conducted by Mrs. William Edwards.

* First peal. f First peal on inside bell. Rung with the bells halfmuffled as a tribute of esteem to the late Mr. Robert Core, who har held the office of churchwarden at the above church for the pasi sixteen years, and who was interred in the adjoining churchyard on that day.

SHIFNAL, SHROPSHIRE.
THE GHROPSEIRE ASSOCLATION.
Ot Saturday, June 15, 7929, in Two Hours and Fifly-Four Minules,
At the Chorcy of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, GOtO CHANEE8; Groves' Transposition of Parker's Twhive-part. Tenor 19 cwt , in Ef fat.

| William Boden... | ... | ..$T y e b l e$ | Abrafam Greenfield |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Alfred S. Bayley | ... | ... | 2 | Walibr Lago | Alfaed S. Bayley William Sadnders.... Joseph L. Stanier ... ... 4 . Bertram L. Jonits .... ...Ten Conducted by Edward V. Rodenhorst.

It in 13 years gince the treble ringer took part in a peal. Rung a. a compliment to Mr. Alfred Shaker, who has been a ringer at in above church for 50 years, also parish clerk for a number of years The band were afterwards entertained to an excellent repast at th Star Hotel by Mr. W. A. Shuker (ion).

HELMTNGHAN, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK EUILD.
On Thursday, June 13, 1929, in Three Hours and Threc Minules, At the Cherch or St. Mary,
A PEAL GF DOUBLE MOWWJDH GOURT BOE MAJOH, 5008 GMAHEE日, Tenor $19 \frac{\pi}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.
JamRS Bennety, Jon.... ...Tyeble | Gedrge Brnnett ...
Wileiat J. Groom
George Whiting ... .. 3 Leseie C. Wightman ... 7 Alperes J. Berry... Composed by George H. Crass. Conducted by Wicliam C. Romsey

ST. ALBANS, HERTS.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, June 15, 1929, in Thyee Hours and Fifteen Minutes,
At the Cathedrab.
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 0000 CHANGES;
Thorsians' Foor.part.
Lewis A. Goodenodgh Troble| Charles Jeras ... - Georgr W. Debraham ... $2 \quad$ William Nash... Josefh G. Blow ... ... 3 Ben Jarhan ... .... .... ... 7 Alban Kendale -.- ... 4 H, E. G. Goodenodgh ...Temor

Conducted by Hornce E. C. Goodenoogh.

* First peal in the method. Rung in honour of St. Alban's Day.

WIDFORD, ESSEX.

## THE ESSEX ASSOGIATION.

On Saturday, June 15, 1929, in Thee Hours nad Fowr Mitutes, At the Cherch of St. Mary,

- peal af dousle morwieh court bob Major, 5184 GNameren

Tenor int cwt. in A.

Willam Kerbeg Lewis W. Wipfen William Lincoln Thomas Lincoln. ... ... 4 Arihor Head ... ... ...Temor Composed by Rev. H. Law James, Conducted by Wilfiam Keeble LONG STANTON, CAMBS. THE ELY DIOOESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturdny, Jure 15, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifiy-One Mintus, At ter Choree of Ali Sainis,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BDB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGE日
Tenor 7 ewt. $z$ qr. inlb.
Miss V. Suorter
...Trable Christorhar W. Wooley Harold J. Hazele Francis G Greaves ... ... 3

Composed by T W W
Misplen by Fonductan.
Miss Shorter's 25th peal, and the conductor's 75th. Rung a: a compliment to Mr. C. W. Woolley, and Mr. J. B. Woolley, who, it is understood, are taking up appointments abroad.

## WARMINSTER, WHTS.

THE SALISBURY DIOGESAN GULD.
On Saturday, Junc 15, 1989, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutss, At fhe Minster Church of Si. Denys,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE8; Groves' Transposition of Parkhr's Twalve-part. Tenor 28 cwt in B .
 Thomas Davison... .... .... 4 Edward Mariow .... ... Tehoy Conducted by Wm. C. West,
Rung on the occasion of the weddiog of Miss Beatrice May Humphries (sister of the ringer of the trable) and Mr. Wilham Robert Perty.

## AFTER MANY YEARS.

After many years, a local band at Inworth, Kelvedon, Essex, have taken up change ranging, and bave progressed so far as to be able to report their first touch. This consisled of three six-scores of Bob Doubles rung on June 11tb by B. Winger 1, J. Brown 2, E. Mingay (ponductor) 3, S. Pye 4, C. Rosher 5. These are the first 120 's on the bells by a band resident in the parish.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

THE GEART, LTMPSRIELD, SURREY. THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
(Southern District.)
On Monday, June 3, 7929, in Two Hones and Thity-Nine Minutes,
At the Chorcei of St. Andrew,
A PEAL DF MINOR, $\operatorname{bOsO}$ CHANGES;
Being thres 720's of Oxford Treble Bob, three of Kent, and one of Plain Boh.

Tenor $10!$ cwt.
Ernest N. Tidy ... ...Treble |James Knight, sen. ... ... 4
*Wicliam G. Paternostrar 2 Leonard A. Tidy .... ... 5 Charles W, Ceinch ... 3 Willidh D. Ashbown ...Tenar Condacted by Leonard A. Tidy.

* First peal inside. Rung in honour of the King's birthday. MACCLESFIELD.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUTLD.
On Monday, Juna 3,7929 , in Thyec Fonys and Fowr Minties,
At Christ Chorch,
A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, BOAO CHANGES:
Ten different callings.
Teder 14 cwt. (approx.).
Franfil. Ronan... ... ...Tyeble J ARTROR CTALCuNO Arimor Ctalejnor $\cdot \cdots \cdot{ }^{\prime} \cdot{ }^{2}$ JOHN WORTH Wilfred Strvinson... ... 3 Jack Wadmsliy ... .... ... Conducted by John Worin.
First peal nad first attempt by all. Rung by six of the regnalar Gunday gerpice ringers. Average age 18 years; age of conductor 19 jears. Arranged and rung ns a wedding peal for Miss E. Jeckson and Mr. WW. Gayes (the captain of the band).

BARLEY, HERTS.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, June 4, 1929, in Two Hours and Forly Mintus,
At the Chorch of St. Margarit.
A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5O40 CHANGES:
Being 720 eack of London, Wells, York, Durham, Cambridge, Bever-
ley, Surfleet. Tenor 8 cwt.
Walter Mansfield ... ...Tyeble E Acbert E. Austin ...
$\begin{array}{cc}\ldots . . & 2 \\ \ldots . . & 3\end{array}$ Conducted by Robert Howard. HORSINGTON, SOMERSET.
TEE BATH AND WEELS DIOCESAN ASGOCIATION.
On Wednesday. June 5, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Misnates, At the Chorch of St. George,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 60s0 CHANGES;
Being 42 six-scores with teal different callings.
Tenor 12 cwt .

- Percy Carpenter ... ...Treble $\begin{gathered}\text { E. James Hatchley ... }\end{gathered}$

Christopeer C. Hollway 2 William C. Shote ... Wilciab J. Coombs... ... 3 Tnomas J. Setter... Conducted by W. C. Shrte.

* Firat attempt for a peai.


## ISIAP, NORTHANTS

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUELD. On Thurday, June 0, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Fide Minutes,

At the Chorch of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF MINOR, BOAO CHANGES;
Being two 720's of Oxfard Bob nud five 720's of Plaiu Bob.
E. Sargent
Frank Ktrk Телог 12 cwt. 2 qr. 9 lb . ... ...Treble $\mid$ †R. J. Bailey
Harry Cbapmay
Conducted by Amos Smaria
... $\quad$.... ${ }^{5}$ cmap Conducted by Amos Smart.

* First peal and Crst attempt. + First peal of Minor. Arranged for the treble ringer, who is only 17 years of age.

> LUPPITM, DEYON.

THE GUILD OF DEVONSHRRE RINGERS.
On Saturday, June 8, 7929, is Three Hours and Three Minutes.
At the Chorch of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHARGEB;

Boing seven different 720's.

- Arthor G. Selley ... ...Trebie | Thohas Laver ...
†Miss Mildred Hanson .... 2 Mrs. E. S. Powell ....

Conducted by Rav. E. S. Powell.
* First peal of Minor. + Firgt pea!.

CWMCARVON, MONMOUTHSEIRE.
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, Jume 9, 1929, in Truo Hows and Forty-Five Minutes
At tee Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven different extents.
Tenor 14 owt. in $G$.

- Gborge Knigut

Donalt G Clift ... ...Treble
-Grorgr Hawins
… ... 3
George Popneli
Wilfred Williams

- Artbor Hawfins
$\cdots 5$
Conducted by W. Williams.
HALLATON, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCRATION.
On Thesday, June 11, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes, Ai the Cherce of St. Michael.


## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being four 120 's of Canterbury Plensure, eight 120 's Plain Bob, and thirty' 120's. Grandsire.
Ernest Marsh
Ronald Rossbel
Treble Albert E. Kitchen
Tenor 114 cwt.
J. Gropfrby Grary

Conducted by J. Gegprary Geary. A. Norman Geary

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$$ .. 5

Rugg as a birthday compliment to Mr. R. Russell.
HAWKSHEAD, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANGASHIRE ABSOCIATION.
(Eurness and Lake District Brance.)
On Salurday, June 15, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifiy dixutes,

## At the Cherce of St. Michael,

A PEAL OF MINOR, gead CHANGES;
Being 720 Spliced Oxford and Kent, two 720's Oxfora, two 720's Kent, nnd two 720's Plain Bob.


## Conducted by W. Robinson

Arranged for T. Hindle, of Blackburn. The above 720's complete the conductor's 1,000 th 720 of Minor on tower beils.

WYMONDHAM, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, June 15, 1929, in Thyee Hours and Four Minutts,
At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES:

Being seven different extonts, each ending with rounde. Tencr $19 \ddagger$ cwt. in E.
Jospre Norton $\qquad$ ..Treble J. Grofrrey Geary $\qquad$ A. Nordian Grary
Ronald Russeil $\begin{array}{ccc}\text { … } & \text {... } & 4 \\ \cdots \cdots & \cdots & 5 \\ \cdots & \cdots & \text { cnor }\end{array}$ Conducted by Ernest Morris.
This is the 114 hin tower in ibe Leicester Diogese in which the conductior has rung complete peals. The band desire, through this medium, to thank Rev. Canon nud Mrs. Williams for their kind recaption and ontertainment (wilh the local band) after the peal, not forgoting the cako presented to the trebla ringer on ihis, bis ailver wodding anniversary. It was also a birthday compliment to the 2nd ringer.

## handbell peal.

## BLRMINGHAM

THE GT. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGEAM.
Un Wednesday, June 12, 1929, in Three Howys and Eight Minutes,
At gi, Baker Street, Sparkhill
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 500T CHANGES;

| Ggorge F. SWann |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |

 alezrt Walker.... ..... $5-6$ Frank E. Pervin...
Composad by John Sarter.
Umpire: C. Hazelden (Guildford)
Specially rung with the good wishes of the band as a wedding compliment to Mr. H. C. Rensliaw and Miss M. L. Goldgmith, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Goldsmith, of Woking.
(Other peal reports are unavaidably heid ovor.)

## BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION

## HOYLANDSWATNE CTJP CONTEST.

This amual ovent took place at Hoylandswaine on Saiurday last Tive bands entered, and were drawn to ring as under: 1 , Wath; 2, Cuwthorne; 3, Sandal ; 4, Felkirk; 5, Shelley. Mr. J. R. Brearley was the judge. The first band commenced at $3.20 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. , the last band finished at 6.30 p.m.
Tea was served in the Parochial Room. About 60 ringers and friends, among whom the fair sex were prominent, sat down to a faast of good things.

The business meeting followed, the Ficar (Rev. J. Hewitson) kindly acting as chairman.
The following were elected members: Mr. Noel Moxon (Cawthorae), Mr. R. Harrison (Ecclesfield), Mr. Femingway Dransfield (Demsbury, non-resident), Mr. George Simun, Elland (non-resident).
The Barnsley and District Shield Gontest, proposed to be held at Monk Breton, was discussed. Several members referved to the hard going of the bells at that church, and the proposal was thereforo cancelled, and Crofton, near Wakefield, subsitituted.
For the July meoting Wentworth was selected.
The judge's award for the cup contest was declared as uncler Shelley, 76 faults, first prize, silver oup and six clocks; Wath, 210 faults, scoond prize, six sets of half a dozen dinner knives; Felkirk 3 ; Cawthorne and Sandal ' rung outi.'
Of this, the sixih nmulal contest, it may truly be said its effect for good was very marked. An cxcellent social feeling provailed through out. 'Tle victars walked away with the trophies, but sound friend shíp was trimmphant.

## CLEVELAND \& NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the Cleveland and North Forkshire Associa tion was held at Ripon on Whit Monday. Ringers gathered in tho old torn from Thirsk, Darlington (St. John's and Holy Trinitr) Midalesbrough, Sharow, Ormesby, Tadcaster, Hulwouth, and, joined by the local band, kept the beatiful peal of ten going until a, late hour at night. Grandsire and Stedman Caters, Treble Bob Ropal, Plain Bob, Treble Bob, Double Norwich and Superlative Major, and Grandsire and Stedman Triples were rung, and the featare of the ringing was the beautiful striking. Visitors to the gathering, the shape of Mr. H. Withers, of Binminglam, and two Prestom ringers, were welcomed.
At the ennual meeting, which was attended by about 25 ringers, the secretary (Mr. T. Metcalfe) presented his ammal report which alluded to the diamond wedding of one of the members, which lasd been celebrated during the year. That was Mr. James Barnett, who, at the age of 80 yeare, is still a ringing momber of the association, and has been a ringer at Northallerton Church for 50 fears. He is one of the original members of the association. The association han suffered loss by death in the passing of Mr. G. Neesom, of Thirsk, at the age of 84 years.
The referees under the Sunday service ringing scheme annotnced that Middlesbrough liad won the first certificate and Whitby the second certificate for the last year's competition, and it was decided that the Skelton tower should become the owners of the first certificate and Middlesbrough tower the awners of the second certifieate at the expiration of the twelve months.
The officers were re-elected, and the president (Mr. J. G. Pollard) was appointed as one of the association's depresentatives to the Contral Conncil in the place of the Ref. A. Simpsan, the otrer representative being the lion. secretary.
A vote of thanks to the Cathedral authorities for the use of the bells was passed, and the members expressed their appreciation of the kindness of the Dear in so readily consenting to their request to be allowed the privilege of the use of the bells.
The meetings of the association for the next year were fixed for Ormesby in autumn, Thirsk pre-Lent, Robin Hood's Ray ois Easter Monday, and Northallerten on Whit Monday, and in addition special mocting was arranged to take place et Sharow on June 81 The weather was glorious, the ringing was good, the meeting a quick and businesslike one, and the meals were excellent. ringer can expect more than that.

## SURREY ASSOCIATION.

A very enjoyabie meeting was held at Rammore Common on Saturday, members attending from Bedington, Canterbury, Groydon Mitcham (SS. Peter and Dorking, Ewel, Guildford, Leatherhead,
Mand Christ Church), Reigale, Mitcham (SS. Peter and Paul's and Christ Ohurch), Reigales
Streatham (St. Leonard's nnd fmmanucl), and Wandsworth. Ringing commenced about four o'elock, and continued until 5.30 , when a party of 24 sat down to a substantial tea, which was thoragh enjoyed.
The business meeting followed, and was of the usual routine nature-A vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar for the use of the bells, and to Mr. Dotuinson for having everyming in readiness. The members then returned to the tower, and further ringing wis enjoyed throughout the evening, the methods pratised ranging from call changes to London Surpriso.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCEATION

l'he quasterly meeting of the Western Division of the Yorkshire Association was held at Marsdon on Saturday, Juae 15th, ringers heing present from Queensbury, Denholme, Lindley, Guiseley, Bradford, Leeds, Heudingley, Earlsheaton, Shipley, Birstall, Lighteliffe, Drighlington, Longwood, Amondlury and the lacal company. In ibe afternoon touches of Treble Bob, Plain Bob and Double Norwich were lung. Toa was servod in the Perochial Hall, and the business nepeting was held immediately afterwards, Mr. J. Cotterell (viceopresident) being in the cheir.
Nl'. H. Hoylo gave a hearty welcomo to the Yorkshire Association, and appealed to the members to give all the help they could to the young ringers of the Marsden band, assuring them it would be greatiy appreciated.
Three new members were elected: A. Rothery (Longwood), A. Hancock (Northowramh, and F. W. Rislaworth (Perry Bar, Birmingham),

As there ware no invitations for the next meeting, which will be arranged, if possible, on Saturday, Augusi 24th, it was decided to leave it in the hauds of the secretary.
Votes of thanks to the Vicar and churchwardens for the use of the bells, to the ladies who helped at the tea tables, and to the lacal company for the arrangements made, were carried unanimously.
Mr. M. Harrisen raised the question of the order of ringing at these meetings, which, he said, was unsatisfactory. This caused a considerable amnount of discussion.
Afterwards the tower was again visited, and further ringing indulgerl in

## HERTEORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A valy successful and mell-attended meeting of the Northern District was held at Offley on June 8th. Ringers were present from Buldock, Bedford, Kimpton, Hitchin, Kisg's Walden, Letehworth, Luton, and the local band. Touches in most of the standard methods were brought round, and a sliort service was conducted by the Vicar. During the service a peal board was dedicated in the belfry.

After tea several of the company indulged in handbell ringing, Grandsire Caters and Triples being rung. Further ringing on the tower bells brouglit a pleasant meeting to a close.

CRAWEEY.-On Sunday, Jume 9th, for matins, 1,344 Double Norwich Major in 48 mins. by the local company: Miss F. Wyman 1, R. Gwift 2, G. Olifer 3, K. Snelling 4, G. Nice 5, N. Elliott G, R. V. Jolunson 7, 0 . Sippetts (conductor) 8.

## THE PEAL AT HASLEMERE.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir,As one who took part in the peal of Stedman Caters al Haslemere, on May 18th, I hasten to relieve the anxiety of "Pintinnabulator' and his friends by saying that the details as recorded are perfectly true. Aithough the ringing was a bit on the slow side, it was perfectly good, and as regards his remarks about 'the ability of the tenor man and the weight and "go" of the tenor,' I think that can be left to any ringer to know that in all odd-bell methods the tenor man can only "cover" as fast as the remainder will allow bim, otherwise it will end in chaos. Judging by his suggestion that the last quarter-peel was rung twice, I take it that ho aud his band would expect to ring a peal there in less than three hours, but either they bave not rung at Haslemere, or are comparing bells of similav weight tuned on a different principle. For my pari, I like to enjuy the ringing, and would not give a "button" to race bells for the sake of doing so, even if they go well.
I am afraid that as "Tintingabulator ' las not the courage to sign his name and mention the ringers on whose behalf he wrote the letter, we shail got be able, if they ring a peal of Caters in cxceptionally quick time, to agk them if they left out the last quartor-peal-Yourts, etc.
F. W. ROGERS.

Portsmouth.
["Tinfinabbulator,' who obviousiy delights in a little "Ieg pulling," cr, should it be, "pulling Puiling's leg, will perhaps be interested to know that after the peal, so a correspondent informs us, the said tenor man remarked that lap would like to go to the tower again with a band with plenty of leisure, so that they might take their time oper a peal and ring it ai 'a nice steady pace.'-ED., "R.W.']

## WHY SPOIL THE PEAL?

Sir, -As an absolute ' tyro,' ulthough having rung about fifty peals with the conductor of the peal at Haslemere, $F$ feel that Tintinaabulator' has not had the pleasure of ringing a PEAL (capitals, Editar, please) with the conductor in question. (Bnyone can ring a fast peal, but it takes a good band to strike a slow one.)

This same conductor has often said, "Why spoil the peal for the sake of a few minutes' extra ringing?' and I would suggest that any critics where ' length of time' is concerned should pay a visit to Foly Trinity, Guildford, when a band of this gentleman's training are ringing a peal of Bristol or Superlativa, and afterwards express their opinion. Forgivo me trespassing. I ans not afraid to sign my name.
Maidonhead.
GEOPGE GILBERT.
 LEADING BELL FOUNDERS童
LOUGHBOROUGH.

## John Taylor \& Co.



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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Master Edwin A. Barnett, the youngest member of the Roynl Cum berland Youths, son of NY. Ldwin Barnett, and grandson of Mr Edwin Barnett, seu., of Grayford, has won a scholarshup teuable for eight years at Jartford Grammar Fchool. About 250 boys competed for 20 free places, and Master Barmett's suedess is all the more noteworthy from the fact that he is only $10 \frac{1}{2}$ years of age.
The bells of 急t, Plilip's Cathedral, Bimmogham, will be broad cast on Surday from 7.50 to 8 p.m.
Mr. Bernard H. Clark, who until recently was hon, secretary of the Faroham Distuct of the Guildford Diocesan Guild, mel with a serious acoident on Sunday week while motor-cycling. He was struck broadside-on by a cer, and in addition to recemme a number of minor jnjuries sustained a fracture of the right thigh. He is now in hospilal at Chalfont St. Peter, and his many ninging friends will wish him a speedy recovery.
A correspondeat writes: "In "Belfry Gossip" last week th was stated that the first peal of Stedman Triples "in hand" was rung by the College Youths, no date heing given, howerer. Is this correct? Was not the first peal of Stedman Triples in hand rung by the Royal Cumberland Youtlis on December 19th, 1853, by John Cox (conductorl, 'Thomas Powel!, Henry Haley and Thomas Britten?
We find that the Gumberland's peal hook describes this as "the first peal of Stedman's Principle ever rang on handbells.' This clam was evidently justified from the fact that the 1851 preal of Stedmanl Caters proved to be a false composition, and that a peal rung in 1855 by the College Youths is ranked gs the firgt peal of Stedman Caters on bandbells.
The first peal by the Midland Counties Association was rung on June 23rd, 1882. This was a peal of Grandsire Triples at Derby.
The only peal rung on 14 bells, Stedman Sextuples, was achieved on handbells at Birmingham on June 24th, 1922, and no one seems very gnxions to repeat the performance.
Mr. William Pye must have set up a new record by having rung one thousand peals for the Middesex Association. This extroordinary achievement was completed last Saturday.

## THE TWELVE BELL RECORD.

Arrangements are being made to attenpt a twelve-bell record at Ashton-mader-Lyne, Lancs, on August Bank Holiday. A band of welt. known ringers, with Mr. William Pye as conductor, will then en doavour to ring a 15,312 Gambridge Surpuise Maximas.
Many great performances have been achieved at St. Micharels Chureli, Ashton-under-Lyne, and it was there, in April, 1911, that the present Maximus record, 12,240 Kent Treble Bob, was rung in his. 39 mins. Three years later the existing record of Royal, a round 14,000 , was accamplished on the same bells in 9 hrs. 24 mims. The tenor at Ashton-under-Lyne is, 27 owt.
The freatest number of changes yet rung on 12 bells is the 13,001 Grandsire Cinques at Painswick, Gloueesierghire, on Fehruary 14th, 1920, which oecupied 8 hrs. 45 mins., hut the higgest twelve-bell performance undertaken up to the present is the 12,575 Stedman Cingues Fung in 9 hrs. 47 mins. at Southwark in 1923.

## READING RESTORATIONS.

ST MARY'S BELLS RETUNED AND REEUNG
In connection with the peal of Grandsire Triples ruag on itre bells of St. Mary's Clurch, Reading, on May 2end last, it may be interesting to many to know that this heavy old peal in made up of four bells by R. Catlen, 1740; two by Knight, of Read. ing 1640 , and two by Mears (recast 1863 ). The hells were terribly oul of dune, and going very roughly at the end of 1928. Experts advice was therefore taken, ant ine whole frame and fittings condemmen. As $£ 800$ had been raised to repair the fine old tower, which even then was in the hands of the builders, things looked very black, but a true son of the Chareh, keenly interested in ringing came forward and said, "Get the bells done; I will do the needful. The job was put in the lands of Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, who deared the tower and put in heivy girders and cast-iron frame, took the bells to Whitedhapel, tuned them, and sent back a rery fine peal of eight. The ' $\mathrm{go}^{\prime}$ ' is now all that ean be desired, and St. Mary's, Rearling. to-day ean boast of one of the finest peals of eight in the diocese of Onford. A young band is being instructed in the art, and it is hoped at no distant date that change ringing will be well established again as in old times. The band who rang the peal were entertained to supper afterwards by the ringer of the second, and $\pi$ very pleasant hour was spent.
The bells of St. Lawrence's, Reading, are, we uncerstand, alsa to be relung by Messrs. Meare and Stainbank.

## PEALS OF TEN IN HERTFORDSHIRE

By the addition of two bells at Fatfield. Hertfordshire will have four peals of ten, as at present there are three, namely, St. Peter's St. Albans, Ald Saints', Hertford, and St. Michael's, Bishop's Stortford, which were increased to ten and openced on July 19th, 1820 , and retmed and rehung by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, and roopened on August 6th, 1928.
Last week we mentioned only three-those which are given in the Jist of towers in the Herds County Report.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL

## (Continued from page 379.)

NEW MEMBERS OF PEALS ANALYSIS COMMITTEE.
The formal adoption of the report of the Peals Analysis Committee, which appeared in 'The Ringing World' of May 10th, was moved by Mrs. Fletcher and seconded by Mr. George Wiliams.

The Hon. Secradary said he regretted that Mr. J. W. Parker hadi writtel saying he felt compelled to withdraw from the committee, with which he had been associated so many yoars, and also to withdraw from the Council, of which he was an bon. momber. He (the secretary) had written to Mr. Parker urging bim to defer any action until the London meeting next jear, and Mr. Parker had agreed to leave his resignation from the Council in their hands. He, however, desired to come olf the Analysis Committee. The question erose whether they ought not to have someone in his place on the committec instead of waiting until next year.
Mrs. Fletcher said Mr. Parker and she did the work between them last Fear. Mr. Beeston checked part of it, but was not able to finish it. This year Mr. Parker had done the analyses with her, but he had now seni her the papers, and slie bad no one to check the figures at the end of the year.
Mr. Goldsmith proposed that Mr. James George and Mr. Gcorge R. Pye-two gentlemen with a certain amount of leisure should be added to the committee to assist Mrs. Fleteher.

Both these gentlemen significd their willingness to help and wore therefore elected.

The report was adopted, and the President expressed the Council's debt of gratitucle to Mrs. Fletcher and Mr. Parker for the cnormous amount of work they did in connection with this report, which was of very great interest to ringers throughout the country.

## TOWERS AND BELFRIES.

Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn moved the sdoption of the Towers and Belfries Committee's report, dealing with belfry neoustics, which appeared in 'The Ringing World' on May 3rd. He added that he had had a good deat to do in the territory of his own Guild during the year. There was certainly now no excuse, when anyone was setting out to renovate a tower, and so forth, why everything should not be, from the acoustio point of view and the ventilation point of view, perfeet. There were many towers where bell restoration work was not necessary, but where a great deal could be done to improve acousties or ventilation. He did not thiuk any band of ringers ought to remain concent when they could either not hear therr bells in the belfiry, or heai them too much, or when people outside connplained. Fe was sure from his experience that these things could e put right.
Rev. H. Law James suggested that the committee should visit Lincoln Cathedral and hear the bells inside and outside the tower, and examine the tower, because there they had suceecded in getting carried out the whole of the principles that were contained in Sir Arlhur Heywood's book on the hanging of bells and on scoustics, and the resuli was absolutely satisfactory. People living under the tower wauld not object to the bells being rung for twelve hours at a stretch, while in a distant village, he had been told, it was said it was no good ringing the church belis when the Cathedral bells were being
Major Hesse, wha seconded the report, said he had also had a busy pear. Wiith regard to Lincoln, be had a drawing of the tower sent him by the late Mr. Pryce Taylor, showing various elevations at which the bells might be put. He would like to know how far below

## he louvres they were.

Rev. H. Law James: About 40 feet.
Mr. E. M. Atkins asked whether the committee had made any inMairs ahout the welding of bells?
Major Hesse said he was afraid nothing had been done. He believed the welded bell at St. Mary-le-Tower, Ipswich, was still standing up.
Mr. C. J. Sedgeley (Ipswich) said the 7th at St. Maryle-Tower as welded. It was much cheaper than recasting. It had been rung o two or three peals of Maximus, and seemed to be unaffected.
Asked whether he thought the bell was as good as it was before
was cracked, Mr. Sedgeley said he thought it was.
Major Hesse said he saw one job. It looked all right, and be heard the bell after it was done. But be did not hear it before, so could not compare the tonc.
The Hon. Secretary said after the Hereford meeting he wrote to Mr. Symonds, at Ipswich, on the matter, and he reported very favourably on the bell thint they had welded there. It was useful to now it was still standing up all right.
Major Hesse: I think a welded bell is a blemish in a tower; it is the same as a recast bell.
Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn asked if the committee should undertake the revision of the book on the preservation of bells? He supposed t. fell to their lot.

## The President: Yes

Rev. H. Drake: Will this report be included, or something to the me effect?
Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn: That was our idea.
The report was adopted, and the committee requested to revise the book on the Preservation of Bells.

## THE YEAR'S RECORDS.

The Report of the Recours Committee was presented by Mr. T. H. Beams as follows: Firsf peals in new methods, and progressive lengths in others, rung since the last report and up to the end of March this ycar, were:-
Peals in new methods include 5,040 Gainsborough Little Bob Major by the Korkslime Association: 5,184 Kent Surprise Major by the Essex Association; 5,280 New Cambridge Surprise Manimus by the Suffolk Guild, 5, 940 York Surprise Royal by the Midland Counties Association; 5,040 Melton Surprise Royal by the Midland Counties Association. In Spliced Methods lave been rung a 5,000 in six Plain and Treble Bob Methods, Little Canterbury, Ganterbury Pleasure, Plain and Litile Bob, Kent and Oxford Troble Bob; a 5,040 ${ }^{\text {a }}$ Mixed ${ }^{3}$ Bob Major (?) by the Durlam and Newcastle Association; a 8,184 in Spliced Surprise Major methods, Londou, Bristol, Cambridge, Superlative and Lincolushire Surprise, by the Middlesex County Association; a 5,184 in six Surprise Methods, Loodon, Rutland, Bristol, Superlative, Cambridge, and ludsey, by the Middlesex Gounty Association; 5,040 Spliced Surprise Minor, in 22 methods, by the Essex Association. A progressive lengela, 5,056 clanges, of "Hereward ' Boh Major, has been rumg by the Kent County Association. The report was adopted.

## THE LAW AFFECTING CHURCH BELLS.

The Legal Comuitee (Messers. J. S. Pritelelt, F. A. Milne and E. W. Elwell) presented the following report, which was read by Mr. Milne:-
The sole
The sole right of acecss to the belfry is vested in the incumbert (Blund, ed. 1921, 273), but the incumbent's rights are not given bim for his sole use, and le must permit access to the belfry to allow of such use of the bells as is consistent with the purpose for which they are placed there (Blunt Book of Church Laws, ed. 1921, 328 ), e.g., summoning parishioners to worship on tolling at a funeral which is an esseutial part of the riles of the Cburch.
The bells should only be fung with the incumbent's collsentan and they must not be rung agatinst his express wish. The property in the bells as in oflaer church arnaments is in the churchwardens (Whitehead Church Law, sub-tit. "Bells,' 4921 ed., p. 42); hence it was formerly beld that $\pi$ churchwarden could not be couvicted of stealing a bell. The churchwardens have the custody of the keys of the helfy, and are to lake care that the bells are not ruag wilhout proper canse: but the minister camoinlly with them is to be the jutge of the proper cause. They would seem, therefote, to have a but in what mantuer or to what extend it is diflionlt to defme. For the custady of the keys implies that the belfry is to be opene. or not at their diseretion, and the property of the hell ropes is in them (Jack improperty rung the churchwardens, according to Canon 88 would be the responsilite partics. But the churchwardens are not anthonised without the consent of the incumbent to give orders for the bells to be rung, and it would be an exclesiastivel offence if they were to break open the helfry door in order to have the bells ring. for the freehold of the church is in the incumbent, and the lawful custody of the key of the chucch belongs to him, so that unless he
consents the parishioners cannot except on the occasion of divine consents the parishioners cannot except on the occasion of divine
service procare the ringing of the bells. Should they break in and ring the bells they woutd be guituy of an ecclesiastieal offence, and
procecdings should be taken against them by the incumbent they rould be mulcted in easts (see Redhead $v$. West ( 1862 ), G, L. Thmes 580, and Cripp's Law of Church and Clergy, ed, 1921 , p. I90, 19211. The Parochial Church Council's Measure f192li, while leaving the property bells, bell fitings and bell ropes) in the chumehwardens, transfers to the Parochial Chureh Council all the powers, duties and liabilities of the clurchwardens relating to the care, maintenance, preservation and insurance of such goods nnd ornaments. The Parochial Church Council is the hody to be first approached, if auything goes wrong witl the hells, and it is its duty, so far as num he possible, to put things right. So far, however, as the ringing of the hells is concerred, it wonld seem that the Parochial Church Conncil Measure has made no alteration in the law, and that save fin so fiur
as vinging for the elurch servies is coneened, it remains with the as ringing for the elurch serviees is coneemed, th remains with the bells slanl] be rung, the churchwardens still having the same intiefinite right of interference.
As it rests with the incumbent to appoint all churels officers of lier than those as to whom special provisions are made by Ecclesiastical Law and the Parochial Chureh Council Measure of 1921, e.g., churelwardens, zidesmen, parish clark and sexton, it would seem that every regular ringer should be appointed or approved by him. in every well-regulated belfry the ringers are formed inta Guilds or societies subject to regulations appraved by the jucumbent, and there is prac-
tically no dificuley in the malter. But on every change of jocunbent it would be anvisalyle that the rules for the time being in force should be submitted to and formally approved by him. The Parochinl Churcla Council have no voice in the matter, any more than they have in the appointment of orednist, but if any remuneration is th be made by the Council to the riogere for their gervices it is shriously the ruty of the inemmbent to keep the Council intormen on all mathers relaling for the ringing of the bells.
'flhis ruises the quastion as to who is responsible, if anyone, for
He safety of the ringers and for compensation in case of injury. So fas ath nil ringers are eoncerned, it is the aluty of the church autharitips to gee that the faclls, fall chamber and fittings are reasonably matce and that there is mothing in the nature of a trap wheroby fan jumatious persan migh meen with injury. It is possible that if the inclimitery was aware that the bellg cotild not with safety be rung, furt with that krowledge permilted ringing to take place, lie night wonlrl dpply to any person who left a bell "up, and without warning invited a stranger into the belfry or (as in a case within the wriler's recollection) omitted to close a trap door in the belfry and abyame fell farough. Such things are, of course, very unlitely to loppora, lun it may sonetimos oceur that a ringer is aecidenially injurad withont home attaching to anyone. In such a case, if he was $n$ paid ringer, the question of compensation under the Workmen's Compeneation Act would arise. There would then be contract of sorvice with an employer who would be the person liable to pay. Who whe the employer would be a guestion of fact which would largaly alepend upon who paid the money. It might be the incumhend, the ehurchwardens, or the Chumeli Council who enlisted the winla probaliy be held liable. The Church Conncil, however, being a corporate body, its members would not be personally liable, and filse Coumil itgelf only to the extent of moneys in hand.
Whib regard to bells gemerally, a faculty is reguired for their remowel, altoration (such as recasting ) or erection. Thae granting of a faculty for a new peal of bells is by no menins a matter of course. Thar Clancellor will lregidate where there is a risk of annoyance being causerl by their heing rung with nnmecessary ftequency or for an matumestary length of time, and bing should he carafully borne in a drowded nopula peal is in contemplation especially where there is
"Ihe ringing of church bells is almost of mecessity an monoyance to some prople, howevel pleasing it may be to olhers. It cannot, therufore over be held a public nuisance rondering the ringera criminaly liable on indictment, but if may be a private nuisance liable to be restrained by injuthetion at the instance of any person apecinily aggrieved (Soltau 8 . de Helf, 2 Sim., 133). There is, however, 10 reported case in which an injunction bas been granted to resturain the ringing of the bells of a parish olnareh, emi so long. as tuells are rung in modration-oven for pral ringing-it is unikely thal the Coulls will interfere will such an old-established custom, hawoyor much it may annoy individuals who reasonably or unreasomably hold olurel bells in ahhorrence.

The President said they were all very grateful indeed to the three mumbers af the Legal Committee for their report, which he took it the Cowncil would accept.
$A$ Member: Will it be printed?
The Presicent said no doubt it would be printed, bat he rould not sify for certain that it would be done at present. It was most inspurtan, lie added, in riew of what miglat happen, that the Legal Committee should be kept in existence to wadd events, and to ect in ense of emergency on the Council's behalf. They would be grateful if the commititee would do this.

Row. H. Drake asked whether the committee lead considered how fric Ite law regarding moving maclimety applied to bells?

Mr. Elwoll said he thought it was quite clear that the Factory Anels did hot apply to cluarch bolls.
The reprit was adophed.
(To be continued.)
'IHL: COINCIT AND THE METHODS COMMITFFE'S REPORT. 2'o the Editor.
Dut \$if, -One of the most astonishing decisions ever made by the Gonmail was that when it decided, by 30 votes to 29 , that the Bankes Thnies Gambridge Minor, Lbe Jaw James London Minor, and the Jibuan and Morris Grandsire Dambles arramgemonts are all thopelasgly: falsu. This, at the hehest of members who eould not hack up such u proposition by a siugle sound argument.
Whlien wa ring u 5,040 of Minor under the conditions laid down in the Cotrncil's 'Rules and Denisions," we ring 720 changes each geven times, excluding rounde the the heginning, but including rounds it Hine en lil of the last 720. When we ring the Bankes James Gamhridge Minos, or the Law James Jondon Minor, we ring 720 changeg math serun fines, exdading rounds al the logiming, but including rumbis at the ent. We call theth of these performanes A PEAL, und ny dintionry informs me that $A$ equals ONE. Therefore, our ONF PFAL montaing exactly the same 720 changes, exch rumg oxactly the same atmber of times, whether it is nalled under the old rebnditions or under the splieed ramogements. To say that the Iathar ato false is to condenon all the peals of Minor that have ever been rung. (A similat argument can he puts ap in connection with Douthes.)

The question for the Council to docide is whether it is going to admit ns u peal of Miuor muy composition that does not consist of at loust seven separate 720 's, each true and complete in itself, and each Muling with ronnds, and if members had confinen themselves to
these points at the Chelmaford meeting much valuable titac would Lave been saved.

Some members evidently reatised this soon aftor the "hopelessly falso" amendment had been carried, for, as lite substantive motion, it was rejected, and a compronise arranged whereby the compositions in guestion are to be publishad as an appeadix, with e note Lhat their publication does not commit anyone to the opinion that they are suibable to be rung as peals.

According to 'The Ringing World' records, the Bankes Jumes Cambridge Minor composition has been rung some 56 timos by 21 associntions. The representatives of some of these associations voted for the "hopelessly false" amendment. I presume they mre by this time congraiulating thensolves that the Council, by rejecting the nmendracnt as the substantive resolution, has saved them from having to recommend their respective associations to delete the 'false" peas from their records. Or will they slaud on tucir own expressed opinions in the mutter?

It is unfortunate that the presidont found himself unable to adopt the suggestion that Mr. Whittington's resolution as to the rlefinition of a peal of Minar (aud Doubles) should be discussed before the Methods Committees repart. A decision on that resolution ruight then have heen come to. As it was, members had exhansted their vocabulary, grown tired of the subject, and so they eagerly voled to postpone, until the next or some subsequent meeting, coming to a decision. an the very vital point as to what slabll cangtilute a peal. Had this point been decided, the scceptance of the $l$ report of the Wethods Committes wuld have heen a mattor of course, or arrangement, according to the decision on the resolution. - Yours faitheully, 21, Vincent Road, E. 4. C. T. GOLES.

Tune 8tiz, 1929.
THE DEBATE ON ?HE METHODS COMMITTEE'S REPORT. To the Editur.
Dear Sir,-It slrould be omphasised that Mr. Wm. Willson's reference back of the report was on the very definite grounds 'that they are hopelessly false, but unfortuaately this is omitter from your report of the debate. A great deal of the debate following the reference back ranged round these words; indeed, an atternpt was made to lave then deleted, but it was ruled out of order by the president. It is not an exaggeration to say that several menbers wha would otherwise lave voted for the deletion of the conposifions, could not bring thenselves to say that they are false; three or four members actually told mo after the meeting that they were unable to vote for the reference back for that very reason.

In yeur report of the debate these words come in for the first tima when the anmendment was put as the substantive motion. In "The Ringing World for May 24th you give a summary of the proceedings, and there Mr. Willson's amendment is given in its correct form. I am sure you lave no intention of misteading, but the omission of this semience in your report alters the sense of much of the subseqeunt debate--Yours fuithfully,
C. T. COLES.

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Jume 15tin, 1929.
DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.
Whe guarterly mesting of the Dudley and District Guild was held on Saturday, June 1st, at the Old Church, Smethwick. The Guild's beathiful form of service was said in churcla at 4.30 , and was conn ducted by the Viear (the Rev. F. S. Girdlestone, M.A., D.S.O.), who also gave a very interesting and holpful address. The Rev. H. T. Robins (assistant priest) read the lesson.

At the chose of the service inn adjournment was made to the school. room, where a bounteous toa was in readiness, and, necdless to say, full justice was doue to the good things provided. Jhe business meeting followed, at which the chair was taken by the Vicar, whe gave a right cordia of the churchwardens and other church officials, as well ns of himself. Several new members were added to the roll.-On the proposition of Mr. S. J. Hughes, the secretary was instrucled to send a letter of sympally and condolence to Miss Pigott, of Smelnwick; on the death of her nother. The proposition was carricd in silence.
It was resolyed to hold the next quarterly meeting at Womborme, subject to the usual permission being obtained. It was also decided to attempt the quarterly peal at Smethwick, the date and amangermons being left in the hands of the Ringing Master (Mr. John Goodman, jun.).

At the close of the meeting, on the proposition of Mr. J. Price, seconded by Mr. B. Gough, a hearty vote of thanks was given to the Vicar of Smethwick for his warm welcone, for his kindness it granting permission to hold this meeting af his churel, also for conducting the surviee, and his eloquent address, and for the use of the tower, hells, and schoolroom in which to hold the tea and mecting, also to the Rev. F. T. Robins for the part he took in the service, and to the organist. Special thanks were also given to the donors of the tea, and to those ladies who prepared and served it, and to all who lad in any way assisted in making the meeting a happy and successful one.
The bells were kept marrily going during the afternoon and evening.

THEREV. MAITLAND KELLX, M.A.
DEATH OF DEVON'S PIONEER IN CHANGE RINGING an arpireciation : by canon g. f. goleridge.
At a good old age, respecter and revered by all with whom he came in contact, the Rev. Maitland Kelly passed from this life to a bigher one on Salurday last in a nursing home in Plymoth, whither he lad been taken for an operation after four weeks of intense suffering at home, his mortal remains being laid to rest in the quiet churchyard of Kelly, adjoining the beautiful gardens of his well-loved home, on Wedresday last, amid a great concourbe of friends and neighibours assembled to pay a last tribute to departed worth.
Mueh miglat he said of his devoted work as a parish priest, first us curate of Abingdou, with a notable set of colleagues, 1868 -70, then it Newton Ferrers 1871-73, as Rector of Plympton St. Maurice 1873 76, Viear of Salcombe 1877-90, Yicar of Ottery St. Mary 1890-1900, where the also held the responsible office of Rural Dear for geven rear's, having also served in that capacity when holding the living of Salcombe, as Rural Dean of Woodleigh. In 1900 he succeeder his "Jder brother as squire of Kelly, and from 1905 to 1912 was Rector of Keliy as well. On all these parishes his devoted work has left an imtelible mark.
It is, however, rather of his work as a ringer, than as a parish pritest, that our readers would wisl to remember him. In his early days change linging was practioally unknown in the West of Eng-land-it had never penetrated further than Bristol. The earliest record is to be found an a tablet in the tower of Kelly Churcin which runs: "Be it remembered that on Saturday, January 21st, 1865,3 six-scores of Grandsire Doubles were rung in this church, laeing the greatest number of changes ever rung in Devon by men of the county," Mr. Kelly, al that time an undergraduate at University College, Oxford, ringing the 3nd bell. From that time, for tanded to foster ringing in the West. - For all that long period it has largely been a matter of spadework, conpled with a determination ever to press on in spite of difficulties knowa only to himself; yet he lived long enough to rejoice that change ringing, though not an indigenous plant, lad firmly taken root and was flourishing in the lair county of Devon.
One of the vers oldest of the members of the College Fouths, snd une of the first elected members of the Guild of Devonshive Ringers when fonmed in 1874, Mr. Kelly lived to fill the office of secretary (1890-1896), and, later, president (in succession to Col. C. A. W. Troyte,, which office he held from 1896 till the jubilee mecting in 1924, when he felt he ought to hand over the reins to one pounger than himself. At this time, also, he solely, by lis own wish, ceased to represent the Guild on the Central Council, whose annual meetings never failed to afford him deep pleasure.
On six occasions. between 1895 and 1907, he organised a ringing week in the West. inviting picked ringers to ring peals with a view to showing local men what could and what ought to be done. These lours, Iuxuriously engineered, not only gave unbounded pleasure to those who took part in them, but aroused immense interest and enthasiasm in the localities risited. Some 47 peals were rung on these tours, the greater tumber in places where change ringilg had never heen heard hefore. In some of these the organisel himsclf took part. It is not, however, so muel as a peal ringer as a pioneer that the Rer. Maitland Kelly stiould be remembered. His fregtent, and often, lenglty jourbeys, by rond or rail, sometimes for weeks and months al 4 stretch, to help on a struggling band at its weekly practices; his genial presence erer welcomed at anmal or bragel meetiogsill fnct, wherever and whenever he folt he could do sonething for ringing in the West, there was lue invariably to be found. Above all
should mention be made of his uncemiting work in the Kelly tower, should mention be made uf his unvemiting work in the Kely tower, then in the near future, but well cantent to know that he had laid the foundations, leaving it to others to make use of the materials so diligently prepared by him.

Though a gub accident sone years ago caused the mmputation of H foot, he still carried on his instruction work till nearly the ena, when, supported by the belfry wall, he would ring, conduct, or stand behind a youngster and steer him though a plain course or six-score.

Clergy not only sousht his ready help in preathing but many of life laty wate accustomed to seek his adyice in many unczpected quarters. As in example, barely two months ago, ns flie oldest subacriber to tho Lamerton Hunt, his good offices were sought to solve difficulties which had arisen over the mastership.
Evorywhere, and by all sorts and conditions of men, will his genial presence he missed. and not least by the ringing Prieads, whose name is legion. It wis always a great delight to him to meet them, whetlor for ringitig or social converse. As a proof of this, less that two years ago, on the termination of a tour in Comwall, inree of the band called at Kelly on their way home on the Saturday afternoon, on the chanee of seeing him. His delight in meeting them was profound. He talked of theit kindness in visiting an old man, not only at dimer that evening, but again before hedtime, and several tines on the Sunday. So late as two months ago he more than onee spoke of the pleasure theil visit lad given him. It was
ever so: what ha felt on that occasion he felt towards ringers whenever he met them
A family of nime sons and daughters are loft to mourn him, a great number of neighbours and frients, and not a few of the Rivging Fraternity. R.I.P.

## ACTIVIFIFS IN THE CHURCH

The Rev. Matiand Kelly, who was 86 years of age, was born at Kelly in 1842, the third son of Mr. Arthur Kelly, of Kelly. He war educated at Marlborough College and Universily Gollede, Oxford, where he taok his B.A. degree in 1869, and M.A. in 1872. He was ordained \& deacon in 1869 and a priest a year later by the Bishop of Oxford. While at Saleombe he added a chance to tho durch and started a surpliced choir. Ottery also ljenefited fiom his activities, and while there be built a Church Institute, as well as th chapel-ofease at Waggaton, a lambet a mile distant from Ottery. In remembrance of the work Mr. Kelly dld as Rector of Piympton St. Maurice, three choir stalls were presented by his friends, and a brass tablet in the church commemorates the gifu, During his Rectorship an alteration of seats in the chancel was made to accommodate the choir, the font was presented, the bells relunge, improvements made in the tower and churchyard, and an organ installed. He was an enthusiasiic supporter of the Diocesan Choral Uaion, and it owas him a debt of gratitude for his long yearg of scrvice in lis endeavours to improve church music in the divese, $A$ a a boy he tolled the betll at Kelly, when the Duke of Wellington died.

## TRIBLTES AT DFYON GUILD MEETING.

The Rav. G. E. F. Molineux (chairman of the North-Jast I)evon Branch of the Guild) annonneed the sad event at a meeting of the Branch at Rackenford on Saturday afternoon, and there was a general feeling of sincere regrei. Mr. Molineux said many present, being young men, could know litile of the great and important work Mr. Kelly fid far the Devonshiro Guild, and perlasps hardly realised the heavy loss it had sustained by his death. There were fom, if ang, in the roam who weve so closoly acquainted with Mr. Kelly as
himself. Mr. Kelly was his formor Vicar at Ottery St Mary as himself. Mr. Kelly was his former Vicar at Ottery St. Mary as far back as 1889, and he was associnted with bim during his (Mr. Kelly's) presidency of the Guild for 14 years as hon. secretary of that organisation, and for four or fove years as hon. trcasurer. Mr. Kelly was always full of enthusiasm for the promotion of clange ringing. When Mr. Kelly went to Otfery the ringers lad started half-pull methods. Mr. Kelly took up the instruction, and the Ottery band becane one of the most efficient in the Guild. Perthaps the greatest work in which Mr. Kolly engaged in connection with the Guild was the amual visiting of the different bands, who always cordially welcomed him, and the Guild was indebted to him for the enormous amount of service he did in this and olber directions. There was no one in those daya- 40 years g go-with the same eanthusiesm and opportunity to get about the county to congratulate ringers on their efforts, be helpful, and encourage them in evers possine way to be progressive. Mr. Kelly was the spitit that animated the Guild in its early days, and brought it success, and he tejoiced
that Mr. Poweln, who had succeeded to the presideney, wos wothily carrying on the old traditions.

The Rer. E. S. Powell, who succeded Mr. Kelly as president, and was previously secretary of the Ginild, said that from the monent he took ollice Mr. Kelly was always ready to help him, trust him thoroughly, give hims a free hand in his work as secretary, and support lim in every way. When the jubilee of the Guild camn, and years and infirmitics were pressing on Mr. Kelly so that he felt ohliged to retire from the presidency, a situation arose that might have occasioned difieulty. For Mr. Kelly had heen secretary, and then for nearly 30 years president, and was suddenly faced with a
young man in the chirf office. But he was full of cheer, ever ready to help, encounage, and advise, never expressing at toulbt at thinge being done under a new regime by a young man that migen not have heen expected always to command the suppote of an older mar. Mr. Kelly"s love of the Guild and of change ringing in its best and highest form was at the back of it all. Whether the Guild would have survired without Mr. Kelly"s imspiration was an opon question, but the tremendous help and encouragement he gave and the work he did were things for which the membors had every reason to thank God and to be grateful for the life of Maibland Kelly
Members stood in silence as a tribute of respect, and, on the motion of Mr. Molineux, scconded by Mr. R. Grater, it was resolved that a rote of sincero sympathy br sent fram the branch to the frmily, some of the members of which were themselves ringers like their father
The Rev. E. Kelly, who had come onor from Onkforkl, which is in clared in the Branch's area, thanked Mr. Molineux and Mr. Powell for what they had sad ahout his father, and ackowled ged the sympathy of the members. Personally, he lad been lagging behind in singing, hut lad the consolation of knowing that lee gave a promise to do his best to carry on the good worle associated with the mand of his father

## ALDENHAM.-A quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 51 mins. a

 St. Jahn's: Miss Joan Gibws 1, S. Jones 2, C. H. Horton (conducHarpin 8. Rung after evening service.
## WOBBLING.

## To the Editor

Dear Sir - Your leading article does the Methods Commiltee scant justice. I am not, of course, exactly unbiassed, but I-should not have said we wobbled. I shotld have said that wo went to Ohelmsford with a very delinite idea of what we wanted to da, and were pretly successful in doing it. I know that you have got into your hean that we wanted to alter the standards of peal ringing to clange the traditions of the Exercise, to juggle with truth, and generally to play 'Old Harry', with riuging affairs. I should hate to destroy your pleasant delusion (even if I were able), but really our intentions were much more modest. We wanted to get the Council to agree to our printing those compositions; we wanted to prevent the Gambridge coming in under false pretences, and owing to 1. Hose two we wanled to defeat the Whittington resolution

We knew \{uite well our diffieulties and the strength of the oppasition. Monttis aro I calculated flat more than lialf the Council were clefinitely against us, and less than a guarter definitely in our favour. In the Excreise the odds were much greater for, while we could reckon on being supported by all those people who want to ring peals of Gambridge Minor, we cond rcekon on the opposition (passive, if mot active) of most of those who don't want to ring them, and you can calcilate the opposition to us by the strength of these two groups. ribese things, however, are not geflled by counting heads and, auylow, the Methods Committee is usually in a minority. It is part of our joh. We have fought many fights against majorities in the past thirty years, and we always manage to win in the long mirb. After I bad triked to people before the meeting I put the majority against us at about three to one. It behoved us, there forc, to walk warily. Yor, I know, would have wished us to go in liko a bull at a haystack and be soundly beaten. We thought otherwise. We really had the best cards in our hands, and many of them, if we conted manage to play them properly; und thanks partly to sorne bad blunders by our opponents we did manage to pull throngh. We lost the firsil division by one vote; we won the next by two or three; amk all the rest by increasingly large majorities. of course, wo hat to wse croty fair and sound argument at our disposal, and it is rather mokind of you to say that, because we did not tie ourselveg to one argument, we wobbled. Zou must not run away with the idea liat becanso we advanced other reasons we ever ahandoned our contention that these compositions are true and complete, are in bramony with the usage and tradition of the Exercise, and are tharonghly fit for peal ringing

Aud lalking ahout 'wohbling,' what thout yourself? I shoutd say hat the champion wobbler on this matter is the leader writer of 'Tha Ringing World.' Looking back through these artieles the only lhing consistent I can find is the opinion that whatever the Methods Committee does must be wrong. No dauht a sound and laudable opinion, hal one which I enn hardly be expected to agree to. You Glarted on the prounds that the Bankes Tames Gambridge consists of seven true anil complete 720 's, and you trice to altor the standard of Minor nenl ringing so as to admit that and exolude everything else. Logir, justice. and facts were against you. One thine, at least, has heen proved by this eontroversy. If the Bankes Tames arrangement jes saund, then a whole new class of Donbles and Minor composidians is available for five and six bell ringers. But you are Finnd to take the rish. You do not know what to do, whether to sisma to your commendation of the Cambridge, or to join with those who would "scrap the lot.' Aud so we have in the same issue of "The Ringing World' your speceh, where you try, frantically and with a forlorn hope, to justify the Cambrifge, and your article where you relngate it to history with other stuff unwept, unhonoured and unsung.' I do not blame you. There is more than one side to this queciion. Bul who is wohbling. you or we? And since you lave bocn so hard on us, $T$ shoulrl really like to ask you where you stund? Arc you for any reasonable, natural developments in ring ing, and willing to allow lhem to be put to practical tests, or are you wibl Mr. Wilson asud his bide-bound stick-in-the-murds, who don't whit to see ary progress a
But your toll us that the Methots Commitee is going to be surpriged and the Bankes James Cambridge made unncecssary by eight cormplete 720 's oncls with the temors the right way-to say nothing uf fifty-two six-scorms of Grandsire Doubles. I am not going to be surprised. Tulass I am much mistaken, these compositions are alprady in the MgS. now in front of me. Only I think you have found a mare's nest. I think you will find, when you come to namine the eggs on which the old girl is sitting, that four of the cight are not gonuine eggs at all, but only nice white clina nest ogge. I thiuk (minel. I sap, I thinle there are ouly two distinct 720 's of Cambridge Minor which do not turn up 5 -6 the wrong way. Thell of these has a rewerse, and one of them (and its reverse) may be staried at three clifferent miaces. That makes your eight. If nnynne likes to ring gever of them as a peal of Cambridge Minor, I Run't. see what oljjection there can be, but it is rather stretching the meaning of words to call thom eight different 720's. But supposing I am wrong. find thrse are eight different 720's, what of it? How will they affect Bankes James arrangement? Will they make it falso? If the latter were true when you moved the Hereford resolu(Continued in next columb.)

## THE SECESSION OF GLOUCESTER \& BRISTOL.

## OU'I OF ORDER.'

Dear Sir,-Just a few lines with regard to No. 3 in the Rev. C. D P. Davies' leiter of to-day's 'Ringing World' regarding the gecession of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association from the Central Comucil. Jf you look at page 51 of the latest edition of 'Rulea and Decisions, ${ }^{1}$ last paragraph but one, you will see the resolution in question printed in full: 'That in the opinion of the Gloucester and Bristol Association historis bells should not be tuned on the "\$imp8on " principle.
Can anyone say that this resolution is not 'out of order' in any assembly, apart from that of the association named? It is, as the president rightly said, the pious opiniou of an association, and still stands as such.-Yours, etc.
W. A. CAVE.
[A long lether from Mr. E. Guise in reply to the Rev. C. D. J Divies will be published as soon as space permits.]

## PRESENTATION TO COLLEGE YOUTHS.

A silver mug, bequeathed to the Mastev for the time being, aur the members of the Gollege Youths for all time, by the late Mr Joseph Edwin Sykes, eldest som of the late D. F. E. Sykes, LL.B. of Marsden, Yorks, and grandson of the Rev. Joseph Curr, Yicar of NorLh Kelsey, Jincs, has been sent to the society by his brother, Major F. L. Sykes, of Ainsley House, Marsden.

## A HAPPY GATHERING

## GUILDFORD AND LADIES' GULLDS WEET

very happy meeting, in which the Southern District of the Ladies' Guild joined forces with the Guildford District of the Guild ford Diocesan Guild, was beld at Worplesdon on Saturday, when a party of about fifty were the guests of the Rev. J. C. G. and Mrs. Bruce. A good deal of vinging was done befove tho service, which the Rector conducted, tile Ladies' Guild form being used. Mr. F. Raddon, one of the S. Nicolns', Guildford, band, was at the organ with Mr. Taylor, of Mafdenhcad, as ' blower.
Tea was to lave been scrved on the lawn, but the doubtifl state of the weather caused the bountiful meal to be spread in a hut in the Rectory Gromals. Here the Rector and Mrs. Bruce attended to the wants of their guests, and afterwards Mr. J. S. Goldsmith ex pressed the thanks of the visitors for the hospitality extended to them.
The Guildford Guild bad no business to frausact, and the gentlemen therefore revisited the tower, while the ladies sat in solemn conclave, with Mrs. Bruce in the chair, and discussed the affaits of their district. Mrs. E. K Fletnicr, general hon, secretary of the Guild, was a welcone vigitor. Three new members, viz., Mrs, Pa wards (Old Woking), Mrs. Taylor (Maidenhead), aud Miss B. Stewart (Aldershot) were elected.
Mrs. Bruce was elected vied-president, Niss $\boldsymbol{H}$. Mills was re-elected hon. sceretary, and Mrs. Hazelden, Mrs. Whiltington, Mrs. Melvilin and Miss A. Fisher were elected to the committee. It was deoider to hold the mext annual meeting at Worpiesdon in June, 1930, anrl a guarterly meeting at Wokingham in Ontober
The Hon. Secretary; whom everyone was glad to see so well re covered from her serious accident, regrethed her inactivity during the year, and the memhers expressed the hope that she would soon be ahle to resume ringing.
The husiness concluded with a vole of thanks to Mrs. Bruce
Meanwhile the men had been busy in the tower, with touches to suit all tastes and capreities. Among other things Treble Bob was spliced, Cambridge rung and London tried by a laad, some of whon did not know much about it. St. Clement's and Plain Bob Minor Grandsire and Stedman Doubles were also rung, while when the ladies retmond to the tower six of them rang Grandsire Doubles The tenor is 18 ewt., with a rope big enough for Southwark tenor but the lady on the end of it did well.

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tion, it is, I suppose, true now. And if it is true, why should it not be rung and appear in our hook, even if there is something else which some may prefer? As for the Graudsiro Doubles, if anyont talks to you about new six-scores wilh ordinary Bohs and Singles ask him if he has ever lneard of a little baok by one Fabian Stedma published in the year 1668. Yours faithfully
J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE
[Mr. Trohlope's vipid picture of our supposed 'wobble' is charar teristic and entertaining. Characteristic, hecause he puts his fancies and his theories down as fack, and entertaining because it is just the giuf to tickle the palate of raders, and we lave enjoyed it as much as they will. We have argued consistently that the Bankes James" Cambridge should be accepled as true and complete, min in this contention we are supported by one of the mombers of the Methods Commitlee (Rev. H. Law James) as well as by other leading authorities on the suhject. There can only be 720 rows and 720 changes in an exieut of Minar, mal you get hoth these hefore repetition is produced in the Ramker James ertents.-Er. 'R.W.']

## NOTICES.

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established ${ }^{16}{ }_{37} 7$ ).-Meetings for practice will be held at *Coffee Pot on the 25 th and st. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 27 th ; both at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards.

William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, $3^{2}$, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.
GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Leatherhead District.-A district meeting will be held at Newdigate on June 22nd. Bells ( 6 ) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea, at the Six Bells Inn, 5 p.m., followed by short business meeting. A special appeal is issued to friends in neighbouring associations to join us in making good use of this pretty peal of bells.-Alan R. Pink, Hon. Dis. Sec.

LADIES' GUILD.-Northern District.-Annual meeting to be held at St. Mary's Church, Nottingham, on Saturday, June 22nd. Bells available at 2.30 p.m. Petmission to view the new Exchange Buildings and peal of bells may be granted.-H. F. Jacques, Hon. Sec.
SURREY ASSOCIATION.-Southern District.-A bye-meeting will be beld at Limpsfield Chart on Saturday, June 22nd. Tower open at 3. Short service at 5 . Tea at 5.30-A. J. Bull, Hon. District Sec.

THE ANNIVERSARY OF LAVENHAM BELLS will be held on Saturday, June 22 nd . Bells ready $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.A. Symonds.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Southern Division. -The annual joint meeting of the societies in the Southern Division will be held at Whiston, near Rotherham, on Saturday, June 22nd. Bells (8) available from i2 o'clock. Tea at is. per head. Buses leave the Old Cattle Market every thirty minutes after mid-day, and a good attendance is desired.-F. Clark, Hon. Sec.
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Kettering Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at Cranford (6) on Saturday, June 22nd. Bells at 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Members and friends are requested to note change of address.-H. Baxter, Branch Sec., Bredon, IVindmill Avenue, Kettering.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Leicester District.-The second quarterly meeting will be held at Melton Mowbray on Saturday, June 22nd. Bells (io) available from 3.30 p.m. Tea at Warner's Café at 5.15 p.m., followed by business meeting.-Alban Disney, 19, Houlditch Road, Knighton Fields, Leicester,

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - East Berks and South Bucks Branch. - The next monthly practice has been arranged at Old Windsor ( 8 bells) on Saturday, June 2and, at 6 p.m.-A. D. Barker, Branch Sec. and Treasurer, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester Branch. - A branch meeting will be held at Swinton Parish Church on Saturday, June 2and. Bells ready early. As the committee are meeting here will members make an effort to attend? - J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting.

SAFFRON WALDEN SOCIETY (Established 1623). -The 3o6th anniversary of Great Ringing Day will be held on Thursday, June 27 th. Bells (i2) available from 9 a.m.-Leonard E. Pitstow, Hon, Sec.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-A combined meeting of the Cheltenham and Tewkesbury branches will be held at Alderton (by special invitation of the Rev. A. D. Pennington) on Saturday, June 2gth. Bells open 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea $5 \cdot 30$. Business meeting after. All welcome. Please inform either of the undermentioned by the 25th inst. Walter Yeend, Millfeld, Tewkesbury Road, Cheltenham, H. Wakeford, Ashchurch, Tewkesbury, Hon. Secs.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONdON DIOCESAN GUILD. - North and East District. Next meeting at Harrow Weald on Saturday, June 29th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service at 5 . Tea at $5 \cdot 30$, is. each. Stanmore bells available during evening. All requiring tea should advise Mr. G. R. Goodship, I4, Lorne Road, Wealdstone, by June 27th.-C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec.
SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAF-FORD.-The annual meeting will be held at Lichfield on Saturday, June 29th. Bells available: Cathedral (ro) 3 to 3.45 and 6.15 to 7; St. Mary's (8) and St. Michael's (6) from 3. Service in Cathedral 4. Tea at Lloyd's Restaurant 5 , followed by general meeting. Tea will be Is. to those only who have paid their subscriptions; to others, is. 6 d . Please send word by June $25^{\text {th. }}$ - H. Knight, 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rossendale Branch. -A meeting will be held at St. Nicholas', Newchurch in Rossendale on Saturday, June 2gth. Bells ready at 3.30 . Meeting at 6.30. Expecting a good muster of members and visiting ringers to be present. Subscriptions dueReports and diagrams to hand.-1. H. Haydock, Brancls Sec., 8, Oaklands Road, Edenfield.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD AND ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.-A joint meeting will take place at Epsom on Saturday, Jurte 2gth. St. Martin's bells (io) available from 3 p.m. Short service 4.30 p. 1 m . Tea 5 o'clock. Names for tea should be sent to Alan Pink, 32, Lower Road, Dorking, or to George A. Card, 7, Gilstead Rd., Fulham, S. W.b, not later than 26th inst.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - The first general quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, June 2gth, at Bakewell. Bells (8) open from 2 p.m. Committee meet (important business) 4. p.m. in Schoolroom. Tea, is. 6d. per head, at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., in Wheatsheaf Hotel. It is imperative that those requiring tea advise Mr. W. J. Alexander, Burton Closes, Bakewell, not Iater than 26th inst., or catering not guaranteed. It is hoped everyone possible will attend to support this first general meeting in the new Peak District.-Ernest Morris, Gen. Hon. Sec., 24, Coventry Street, Leicester.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Lincoln District.Next meeting at Bardney (6), Saturday, June 2gth. Tower open 2 p.m. Notification for tea to Harold Marcon, Dis. Sec., 269, Wragby Road, Lincoln.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Ashford District. -An invitation meeting will be held on Saturday, June 29th, at Brabourne, by kindness of the Rev. S. K. Lockyear. Tower open at ${ }^{2.3}$ o. Service at 5 o'clock. Preacher: Rev. M. M. Vischer. Tea at 6 o'clock. A good attendance is looked for on this annual visit.-A. C. Kay, Dis. Sec., 6, Sturges Road, Ashford.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Divi-sion.-A quarteriy meeting will be held at Ringmer on Saturday, June 29th. Tower open at $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service at 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock, business meeting to follow (half fares, maximum 1s. 6d., to members). -Geo. W. Stokes, Hor. District Sec., 22, Melbourne Road, Eastbourne.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. - District meeting, Saturday, June 2gth, at Laverstoke. Bells available 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea at 5. Those requiring tea please notify Rev. F. C. Sear, St. Mary Bourne Vicarage, Andover.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Archcleaconry of Wisbech Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at March Parish Church on Saturday, June 2gth. Bells (6) ready 3 o'clock, recently relhung by Taylor and Co. Usual arrangements. All ringers welcome. A united gathering is hoped for. Tea will be arranged for those who let me known by June 27 th. - H. W. Giddings, 10 I , Elwyn Road, March.
CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Chester Brancì. Quarterly meeting at Waverton on Saturday, June 2gth. Tower open 3. Service 4.30. Will those who expect to be present for tea kindly notify me by Wednesday, June 26th?-J. W. Clarke, Eccleston, Chester.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Brancls. -A meeting will be held at Newhey on Saturday, June 29th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. Business: Nominations for oflicers. - William Horan, Branch Secretary, z, Greenhirst Hey, Todmorden.
EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD. - A ringing meeting will be held at Worth on Saturday, June 20th. Tower apen 3. Those requiring tea must let me know by Wednesday, June 26th. - George Lambert, Drummond Hay, E. Grinstead.

GIOLCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Bristol Branch. - The next meeting (quarterly) will be held at Mangotsfield on June 2gth. Bells from 3 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea 5 p.m. Important business. Election of hon. secretary necessary, due to the forced resignation of Mr. Way, who has left the district.-J. Gould, Chairman, Chapel House, High Street, Shirehampton, Bristol.
LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The mext meeting will be held at Rothwell on Saturday, June 2gth. Bells available at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Usual arrangements. - H. Lofthouse, Hon. Sec., 8, Wortley Road, Armley, Leeds.
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-A meating will be held at Barkway on Saturday, June 2gth. Bells (8) available at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All ringers and friends welcome. A postcard from persons requiring tea would be appreciated.-Donald C. Mears, Hon. Dis. Sec., Offley, Hitchin.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Nottingham District.-The second quarterly meeting of the above district will be held at Bottesford on Saturday, July 6th. Bells ( 8 ) available from $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. to $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Will all those requiring tea please notify Mr. A. W. Ward, High Street, Bottesford, not later than July 3rd,-Fredk. W. Bailey, I,ocai Sec., 42, Rupert Street, Noltingham.

SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUIT.D. The next quarterly mecting will be held on Saturday, July foth at St. John's, Church, Cefn Coed. Ringing at 3 P.11. Service 4 p.m. Tea and meeting at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea kindly provided by the Vicar and churchwardens.--FF. E. Thomas, Dis. Sec., Belle Vue; Brecon.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. - The next meeting will be held at Clitheroe Parish Church on Saturday, July 6th. Bells (a new peal of 8 by Gillett and Johnston) will be available from 3 p.m. Meeting. $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Business very important, including nominations for vice-president, treasurer, ringing secretary and Central Council representatives. Every member is expected to make an effort to attend. Other ringers and friends also welcome. - F. Hincile, 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.
LADIES' GUILD.-Preliminary Notice.-The amual general meeting will we held at St. Clement Danes', Strand, London, on Saturday, July 6th. Fuller particulars later.-E. K. Fletcher, Hon. Sec.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Maidstone Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Wrotham on Saturday, July 6th. Beils available at 3 o'clock. Service at $4 \cdot 30$, followed by tea and business meeting. All ringers welcome. Kindly notify me not later than Tuesday, July 2nd.-C. H. Sone, Dis. Sec., Bungalow, Linton, Maidstone.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755).-Quarterly meeting at Great Barr, near Birmingham, on Saturday, July 6th. Bells available at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. and after the meeting until 8 p.m. Tea provided for all those letting me know by July 3 rd.-Thomas H. Reeves, Hon. Sec., 336 , Newton Road, Sparkhill, Birmingham.
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.- Westera District.-Next meeting, Apsley, July 6th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Tea and service as usual. All welcome.-W. Ayre.
SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. - Next mesting will be held at Ecclesfield, Saturday, July 6th. Belis open early. For tea please advise Mr. F. Mortimer, The Cross, Ecclesfield, not later than July $4^{\text {th }}$. This is most important.-R. Harrison, Hon. Sec., 4I, Baltic Road, Sheffield.
GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Sammer Festival at Haslemere, Saturday, July fth. Bells (10) a vailable from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.45 , followed by tea. Chiddingfold bells (8) also available from 2.30 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 8.30 p.m., Godalming fiom 7 to 8.30 p.m. Those requiring tea notify, not later than July 2 nd, J. S. Goldsmith, Hon. Sec., Southover, Hockering Gardens, Woking.
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WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GU1LD.-A special meeting will be held at Winchester on Saturday, July 6th, to celebrate the Jubilee of the Guild, when it is hoped that all members will make an effort to be present. Bells at Cathedral (iz) and St Maurice (6) available for ringing from s p.m. to $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. and again after service. Tea in Masonic Hall, Parchment Street, at 4 p.m. Service in Cathedral at 5.15 p.m Immediately after service the Master (Mr. G. Wiailiams) will arrange for cars to convey ringers to the following towers, where the bells are available for ringing: Bishop stoke (8), Hursley ( 8 ), North Stoneham (8) and Twyford
(8). Members intending to be present must notify me by Tuesday morning, July and.-G. Pullinger, Hon. Sec., 17, Stoke Park Road, Bishopstoke, Eastleigh.
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HEADINGLEY, LEEDS, YORKS.-On Sunday, June 6th, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples taken from Holt's Original, in 45 mins.: F. G. Sherwood 1, G. Wilfred Slack 2, W. Morrell 3 , C. Jawson 4, S. Sadler 5, H. Lindsay 6, P. J. Johnson 7 , (f. W. Slack 8. Rung as a birthday compliment to the treble ringer and Mrs. H. S. Robiason, of Penwortham. Also to commemorate an inleresting presentation by the senior member of the Headingley band to a Penwortham visitor.
HOUNSLOW.-On Sunday, June 9th, for evensong, at St. Paui's Church, 1,260 Grandsire Triples in 45 mins. : Miss C. Gray (first Guarter-peal) 1, F. G. Goddard 2, W. F. Ellinghanh 3, C. J. Tricker 4, J. F. Rumley 5, R. Martia 6, F. E. Hawthorne (conductor) 7, W. G. Gray 8. Ringers of treble, Sth and tenor from Wandsworth.

## WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

A meeting was held at Exhall, near Coventry, on Saturday, and was attended by members from Alesley, Bedworth, Bulkington, Chilvers Coton, Nuneaton, and Stoke, in addition to the local band. The Ficar (Rev. F. Melvile) welcomed the ringers, and also gat down with them to a splendid tea in the l'arish Hall prepared by the ladies of the pariah.
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## THE LAW OF CHURCH BELLS.

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So far as the appointment of ringers and the ringing of bells are concerned, however, the position is made plain. The appointment, of the confirmation of the appointment, rests with the incumbent, and the bells camnot be rung without his consent. Even the churellwardens cannot authorise the ringing of the bells without his approval, although when it comes to a question of deciding the proper occasions when bells should be rung they appear to have a voice in the matter.

The position of the Parochial Church Councils seems to be one in which their only legal privilege is to find the necessary funds to pay the ringers, where they are remunerated, and to keep the bells in order, while in the event of a claim under the Workmen's Compensation Act, in the event of injury to a paid ringer while in performance of his duties, the Councils, so far as they have funds in hand, and not their individual members, would be liable for damages. The report of the committee is one which should not be indefinitely buried in the archives of the Council or the record of its proceedings. It should be made readily available to all those whom it may concern, and will, in due course, we presume, make its appearance among the Central Council's publications, but in the meantime it should be carefully studied by those in our associations who may at any time be asked for advice.

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## TEN BELL PEALS.

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THE SOCIETY FOR THE AROZDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.
Or Sathrday. June 22, 1929, in Three Hours and Ninelaen Minnies,
At the Chorch of St. Barthozomew.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5057 CHANGES;
Robert Pickering ... ... 7 reble |John C. Adams ... ... ... 6
"Joseft Pigotr ... ... ... 2 Wilqiam Fiseer ... ... ... 7
Thomas Burkitt ... .... 3 Christoperer Wallatzr ... 8
Hbreert Kigigat ... ... 4 Thomas J. Elion ... ... 9
Sidney Eiton ... ... ... 5 | Harry Boswall ... ... ... Tehoy
Composed by J. E. Groves.
Conducted by H. Knight.

* First peal of Grandsire Caters.

LEEDS, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, June 22. 1929, in Thyeg Hours and Twenty-Soven Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF SPLIGED KENT AND OXFORD TREGLE 日OB ROYAL, 5040 CHANCES


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

WORLING WORTH, SUFFOLK. THE EUFFOLE GUILD.
On Sunday, June 9, 1929, in Thyee Hours and Fijby-Four Minutes,
At the Chorch or St. Mary.
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MASOR, $608 s$ OHANGESI Tenor 12 cwt .
William J. Groom
... ...TVeble
arnest Cortis
Ernest F. Poppy .... ... 2 Leslie C. Wightman .... 5
Grorgr Pryke
... ... 3 Garnham A. Blaxcell
Alphedos I. Berry ... ... 4 Crcil W. Pipe ... ... ...Teror
Composed by Wm. Harrison. Conducted by Wm. J. Groon
Arrenged for the tenor ringer.
CHESTER.
THE GKISTER DIOGESAN GULD.
(Chester Brance.)
On Saturday, June 15, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifly-S wem Minutes At the Chorgh of St. Mary-within-tab-Walles,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 GHANGES; Parker's Twrlve-part.
Robert Sperring .. ...Treble Geqrfrey Milidn ... ...

Ronald G. Jones $\ldots . . . . . \quad 3$ Sam Jones, jon.......
Edward Harrison ... ... 4 Harry Pye, sbn, ... ...Temby
Conducted by Grorge R. Jonss.
Rung to commemorate the visit of Princess Mary to the city. LEISTON, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUIED.
On Suturday, June 15, 1929, in Three Hours,
At the Church of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF ROCHESTER SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHAMCES
Tenor $20 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{Cw}$ t
Regimald C. Kersy... ...Treble James G. Romsey
*Miss Kitty Wiliers $\quad$ Friprbici J Smitr ......

Leonard P. Balley... ... 3 James M. Bailey
Ernest S. Bailey ... ... 4 Charles F. Balley ... ...Tenor
Composed by J. Platt.

* Firat peal in the method.

BRANSTON.On Wednesdey, June 12th, at All Saints' Church, a quarter-peal of Minor (720 Kent Trebla Bob and 540 Plain Eobl in 45 mins.: *Jack Dixon 1, "Cyril Speed 2, K. Pearsas 3, J. Canham 4, M. Billings 5, C. Clayton (conductor) 6. * First quarterpeal.

ACTON．
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD．
On Monday，June 17，1929，in Two Hours and Forty－Two Mintes， At the Cedrch of St．Mary．

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES， 6040 CHANEEA

－Thorstans＇Foor－part
William H．Holleter ．．．Treble Wilfred G．Wilson ．．．．．． 2 Ernest C．S．Torner Ebank Corke
Conducted by

## 告 First peal of Stedman．

GUILDFORD，SURREY
THE GULLDFORD DIOCESAN GULLD．
On Tuesday，June 18，1929，in Three Hours and Fourten Minutes，
At the Cathedral Chorce of the Holy Trinity．
A PEAL OF STEDHAN TRIPLES， 5040 CHANGES

Thurstans＇One－part．
－George E．Clode ．．．．．．．Tyehle Ricgard Hayes．．． Alfred H．Puiling $+1$

Tenor 23 cwt． 3 qr． 8 Ib in D.
Raymond S．Philpott ．．． 5 C．Ernest Smith ．．． 6
William T．Beeson ．．．．． 7
＊Basil H．G．Whixborn Tenor H．Polling．

> * First peal at first attempt.

ALBURGH，NORFOLK．
THE NORFOLK GULD．
On Tuesday，Jute 18，7929，in Two Howrs and Fifty－Five Minutes，
At the Cherch of Ale Saints，
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR，sOB8 CHANGES； Tenor gid cwt．
 Walter Barbett ．．．...$\quad 3$ Rossell Riches．．．．．．．．． 7 James Eldridge ．．．．．．．．． 4 Tony Pricg ．．．．．．．．．．．．Tenor Composed by J．Pcatt．Conducted by E．R．Goate． BRADFORD－ON－AVON，WILTE．
THE SALISBUEY DIOCESAN GUILD．
Un Wednesday，Jtue 19，7929，in Three Houws and Sevanteen Minties． Ay tee Church of the Holy Trinity，
A PEAL OF GRANDEIRE TRIPLES，b日40 GHANGES； Groves＂Transposition of Parker＇s Twelve－part

Tenor 30 cwt .3 gr .14 lb.

Wilejam Crocker $\quad . .$. Sampel J．Hector ．．．．．． 4 Charles Warwick ．．．．．．Temar Conducted by C．F．Asdrews．
＊First peal away from the tenor．Rung in honour of the silver Nedding of Mr．J．Slafford．This is the 50th peal Messis．S．J．Hector and C．F．Andrews have rung together

ORICH，DERBYSHIRE．
THE MDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION． On IVednesday，Junc 19，1929，in Three Hours， Ai ihe Chorce of St．Mary，

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES， 5040 CHANGES

J．J．Parker＇s Ten－part．No．it Maturice Swinfized．．．．．．Trebic John H．Swinfield Josrif Bailey

Firat peal in the method on the bells．A birthday compliment to Hi．A．E．Wacd，of Derby．

WARNHAM，SUSSEX
THE GULLDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD．
On Saturday．June 22．1929，in Three Hours and Three Minutes， Ai the Chorch of St．Margaret．

## M PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR， 5088 CHAMEES

 Tenor 14 cwt ．Jogn H．B．Hesse ．．．．．．Treble Aifabd H．Polifing ．．．．．． 5
－William L．Stone ．．．．．． 2 William T．Beeson ．．．．．． 6
†Krnneth Snelling ．．．.. .3 C．Ernest Smith 3 ．．．．．． 7
John S．Goldsmith ．．．．．． 4 Oinver Sippetrs．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． Composed by N．J．Pitstow．Conducted by A．H．Polling．
＊First Surprise peal．$\dagger$ First Surprige yenl＂inside．＂Rung in honour of the birthday of H．R．H．the Prince of Wales．

NESTON，CHESEIRE．
THE GEEGTER DIOGESAN GUILD．
（Wirral Beanch．）
On Saturday．Junc 22．1929．in Two Hours and Fifit－Tour Minutes，
Az the Chosch of SS．Mary and Helen
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR， $50 B 8$ CHANGES； Tenor 14 cw ．In $F$ sharp
－Joen Gorst ．．．．．．．．Treile G．Ronaed Eduards．．．$_{\text {．．．}} 5$
＊Thomas Bizel ．．．．．．．．． 2 Johm Breese ．．．．．．．．． 6
Walten J．Battle．．．．．． 3 John Coore ．．．．．．．．． 7
＂Jobn Bagley ．．．．．．．．． 4 James C．E．Simpson ．．．．．．Tenor
Composed by G．Lindnpr．Conducted bv J．C．E．Simpson，
＊First peal of Oxford．This peal convinced all the band that these bells are sadly in need af the ministrations of a bell banger．

BUNBURY，CHESHIRE．
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD．
Un Sahtrayy，June 22．1929，in Three Hours and Enght Minutes
At the Chorch of St．Boniface，
A PEAL OF KENT TRE日LE HOB MAJOR， 5088 HHANQEs；
Tenaris cwt． 3 gr．II lb
George R．Jones ．．．．．．Thable $\mid$ Rjchard T．Holding．．．．．． 5
Robert Sprraing ．．．．．．$z$ Arthur Pritchard ．．．.. .6
Harky F．Hording ．．．．．． 3 Harold Edwards ．．．．．． 7 James H．Riding ．．．．．． 4 Edward V．Rodenedrest ．．．Tenoy Composed by Tohn Reeves，Conducted by E．V．Rodenherst．
First peal of Treble Bob as conductor．
WORURN，BEDS．
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION．
On Saturday．Jtme 22，1929，in Three Hows and Seventeen Minules．
At the Cherce of St．Mary．
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES， 5040 CHANGEE：

Thorsians＇Four－fari．
Ernesa Heneert
Hgnry wimer
… 2
AMOM Smart．．．．．．．．．．．． 3
Edmund．J．Hobss

Tenor 24 cwt

Conducted by Willemm Srock
WALKDEN，LANCASHIRE．
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION．
On Sahurday，June 22，1929，in Three Howrs and Twatve Minutes，
Atthe Chorch of St．Patl，
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES， 5040 CHANGES；
Washbrook＇s Variation of Thorsians＇．Tenor $13{ }^{9} \mathrm{cw}$ cw．
＊Alfred Yotsiz．．．．．．．．．TVrhle Majithew Berry．．．．．．．．． 5
Josefh Potter
．．．．．．．$\quad 2$ John Dennra
Benjamin Wylsby ．．．．．． 3 Joen Potter
Jamre Denner ．．．．．．．．．a Arthur Borton ．．．．．．．．．．．．Temor Conducted by John Porter．
＊ 100 th peal．Rung with the isells deeply mufted as a tokea of respect to the late Miss \＃．Smith，sister of the Vicar，who lian been member of the choir far 25 years．The ringer of the 2nd is over from U．S．A．on a visit，ant it is 23 years since he rang an penl．

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At ife Cegrch of Ale Saimis,

\section*{ Tenor 2 I cwt. in E flat. <br> | Samuel E. Thylor |  | ...Treble | Harry Bakbr |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Thomas E. Sone... |  | 2 | Jobin Wheadon |  |  | 6 |
| Mre. H. Bakrr |  | 3 | Wicliam Wenban |  |  |  |
| Charles H. Sone |  | 4 | Albert Relfe |  |  |  | Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood. Conducted by Albert Rblge <br> Rung in lisnour of H.R.F. the Prince of Wules' birthay; also for the ninlh anaiversary of the wedding of Mr, and Mts. W. Wenban. WIEIESDEN, MIDDLESEX <br> THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. <br> On Saturday, /twe 22, 7929, in Trw Honrs amd Thivly-Five Minutes, <br> At the Chorch of St. Mary, <br> A PEAL OF CAMERIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 GHANGES; Midpleton's. <br> Horace Belcher Terembert R Goodseip <br> Grorge M. 3kilby $\quad . .$. <br> Grorge R. Five ... ... ... 3 William Pye ... ... ... 7 <br> Thomas Lock <br> ... .... ... 4 J. Armiger Trollope ...Tenor <br> - Jiush peal in Conducted Gyorge R. Pye <br> HOCKLPBURY <br> THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GULLD. <br> On Saturday, June 22, 1929, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes, <br> At the Chorci of St. Mary, <br> A PEAL OF BOE MAJOR, 6184 CHANGES; <br> Tenor i $3 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. in $G$ <br> Samoel Quintin... <br> Miss Dorothy Eittier George Pullinger ... $\begin{array}{cc}\text {..T yeble } \\ \ldots . & 2 \\ \ldots & 3 \\ . . . & 4\end{array}$ Reginald Rrx...

Miss Roby Hazell
Wilfred Andrews . 5 1 Naran Gaiden}

Composed and Conducted by Nozan Golden.
Rung as a birthday campliment to the Prince of Wales. Mrs. and the Missen Davis very kindly entertained the company to tea after the peal.

HUGBENDEN, BUCKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GULD
On Sulurday, June 22.7929, in Three Howrs and Five Minutes.
Ai the Church of St. Micgarl and Ale Angrls.
A PEAL OF 8 PLICED OXFORD AND KENT TREBLE BOB MASOR, 5980 OHANCES
Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. in $F$ sharp.

 Fredmrick G. Biggs ... ... 4 George Gilhert... .... ... Thmoy
Composed by Henry W. Wilde, Conducted by Gro. Gilbert.
Tirsb peal of Spliced Major by all, and believed to be the first for the Guifd. Rung as a birthday complinent to the prospective Mrs. F. D, Borelam, Thi peal contains no bobs, Oxford places being subatiluled at 1,3 and 5 , which keep the seventh and tenor out of the slow work.

BRIDGEND, GLAMORGANSHIRE.
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ABSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Jun 22, 1929, in Twa Howrs and Fifty-Five Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Illtyd.
A PEAL OF FORWARD MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES; Tenor 16 cwt .

 Composed and Conducted by A. J. Pitman.
Firat peal in the method by all the hand and for the association, ulso the first peai of Forward rung in Wales. Rung at the first atteapt and witheut previous practice. SOth peal on the beils. Rung ass a birthday compliment to the Rev. Canon David Phiflips, F.A., ${ }^{2} .1$., Vicar for 28 years at the above church. This composition is now rulg for the firgt time.

SHOREHAM-BY-SEA, SUSREX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOOLATION.
On Saturday, June 22, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,
At tae Churgh of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF STEDHAN TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;
Thurstang' Four-fart.

Frederick W. Cripps ...Treble|Sidney W. Corder ... ...
Frederick W. Rogers.. $.2^{2}$ Legnard Sticlwell.... ... 5
Hzary J. Tucker $. . . \quad . . . \quad 3$ IElith Hart......
Aerret T. Grefnwood ... 4 Edwin J. Harding, sen. ...Temor Conducted by Keira Hart.
BINGHAM, NOTTINGHAMSEIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GULDD.
(Sooterrin Branch.)
On Satwrday, June 22, 1929, in Three Hours and Five vinutes,
At the Choach or All Saints,
A PEAL OF ETEDMAN TRIPLES, BO4O CHANEES:

Brooks' Variation.
Harry Thorpe... ... ...Tpeble
-Clarince Briggs Ernest Nidd

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| $\ldots$. | $\cdots$ | 3 |
| $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | 4 |

ERNEST NIDD ...

Tenor $55^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathrm{Cwt}$.

Conducted
William G. Teorpe
Sidnay Procior

| Thomas Hall | $\ldots-$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |
| ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 7 |  |  |  |
| †Richard Pigk | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |

†Richard Pick

* First -peal of Stedman. $\dagger$ Firet peal. Rung to celebrate the 18th anniversary of the coronation of King George $V$


## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

TETERSALL.
THE MIDLAND COUNFIES AGSOCTATION.

At the Chorch of St. Katharine,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Being 3,600 of Grandsire and 1,440 of Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt.
F. Osborne ... ... ... ...Treble W. Riliy ...
... $\quad . . . \quad$... 3
A. Smityson F. W. Knowles... ... ...Teno
F. W. Knowles... ... ...Teno

Belinved to be the first peal on the bells. Tho ringers were afterwards provided with tea by the Rector.

STEEPLE ASHTON, WILTS.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
Or Studay, June 9. 7929, in Three Hours ard Ten Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Marv.
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven different 720's.
James Bicey
... ...Trebla
-Ediliam Lowd ... $\quad . .$.
Conducted by
Samoel J. Hector

Conducted
Treble Bob.

* First peal of Treble Bob.
TITCHBORNE, HANTS.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUL
Or Saturday, Jume 75. 7929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Soma Minntas
At the Chorch of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Comprising geven different compositions.

-Jesse Pgyman ... ... ...Tyeble Arcbibald Godlding...
Nolan Goldes......
Richard Paine ... ... ... 3 Wilfred Andrews ... ...T'mpt Conducted by Nolan Goldes.

* Firat peal of hinor and on towor bells ats firat attempt. Belisued to be the first peal on the bells.


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DAVID MAXON, Rope Wonks, Grantham
'1'HE CHART, LIMPSTIELD, SURREY. THE SURREY ASSOCLATION. (Soothern District.)
On Thuysday, June 20, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Une Minutes. At tee Chorch of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 esch of Ganterbury Pleasure, Double Oxford, Oxford Boly Plain Bob, Woodbine, Oxford Treble Bob, and Kent.
William G. Paternoster 7 yeble James Knight, sen.

- James Knight, jun. .

Leonard, A. Tidy Charles W. Clince

William D. Ashdown

## Conducted by Lhonard A. Tidy.

* First peal in seven methods. Rung to colebrate the silver wedding of the ringer of the 4 th, also on the anniversary of the Wedding of the conductor.


## BAGLAN, GLAMORGANSHIRE.

THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD
Un Saturday, June 22, 1929, in 1 hree Hours,
At the Chorch of St. Catherine,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 1,440 chariges of Plain Bob, 3,600 Grandsire. Tenor 15 j cwt. Bert john .. ... ... ...Treble John T. Williams Miss Lticy Teomas ... .... 2 Gwyn I. Lewis ... ... .... 4 Johm E. Bloxham

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\ldots . . & 3 & \text { Gwyn I. Lrwis } & \ldots . & \ldots . & . . . & 5 \\
\ldots & 3 & \text { Arthor Pyner } & \ldots & \ldots & . . T_{\text {enor }}
\end{array}
$$

## Conducted by G. I. Lewis.

The ringer of the 4th hails from Morriston, 3rd, 5th and tenor from Gadoxton, and ireble amd 2nd are local.

## LiNCOLN

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(Northern Bhanch.)
On Saturdey, Juhe 22, 7929, in Two Honys and Forty-Thred Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Botolpe,

## A PEAL OF HINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two extents of Oxford, two of Kent und three of Plain Boh. Tenor $9 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

- John Wildam Rose
...Tyeble Harry Carter
Charlas McGuiness
Haroid Marcon

| $\ldots$ | 2 | Fred Walker |
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| $\ldots$ | 3 | Hahold Walkr |

... ... $\begin{array}{lll}. & & 4 \\ . . . & 5\end{array}$ Conducted by Harold Wacker.
Firsb peal and lirst attempt. Rung for the festival of St. Botolph, and on the idth anniversary of the coronation of H.M. the Fing.

> BUYMERRWICK, LINCOLNSHIRE.
> THE LDNCOLN DIOCESAN GUHD.
> (EASTRRN BRANCE.)

On Snttrday. Juhe 22, 1929, in Three Hours,
AI the Cburch of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Heing one 720 of Single Caurt, two of Canterbury Pleasure, two of Kent rroble Rob and two of Plain Bob, ench called differently. 'Lenor 10 cwt .
Mrs. H. Harper ... ...Tyeble *Harold Harper
"William Wilkinson .... 2 "Frank P. Harwood
tFrank Wilkinson
... 2

- Frank P. Harwood...

William E. Clarkr... | 4 |
| :--- |
| 5 | Conducted by W. E. Clarke.

First peal in four methods. + First peal in four methods awny trom treble. First peal in four methods as conductor.

## PENSNETT, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRIOTE ASSOCIATION. (Northern Branch.)
On Sattriday, June 22, 7929, in Two Klours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

## AT the Chorch of St. Mark.

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Boing scuen 720's.
Cbarlese. Perkins.
Fobert E. Perfins.... Treble
Rosert Matthews ... ... 2
... .... 3
John Bass
Tenor $10 \frac{1}{4}$ cwt.

Willian Short.
Conducted by R. Maithews.
First peal of Minor. First Surprise peal on the belle, and rung afier meeting short for Major.

## FORNINGSHAM, WILTS.

THE SALISBERY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Swhday, Jtut 23, 1929, in Truo Hewrs and Fijty-Five Minufes, At the Parish Chorch,
A PEAL DF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Feing seven 720's.
Tenor 18 ewt .
Albert Stokes ... ... . Trebie Edward C. Coward ... ... 4 Sampea J. Hector James Bezby

| $\cdots$ | Trebie |  |
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| $\cdots$ | ... | 3 | Conducied Norman Aadrliws $\cdots \cdots, ~ \cdots$ Conduced by W. Shete.

Ruag in homour of the birthday of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales. Also in honour of the Marquis of Bath, on whom tine freedom of the City of Bath was bestowed a few days carlier. This is the first peal on the bellis.

## WISTASTON, CHESHLRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Surday. June 23, :929, in Two Howrs and Thity-Five Mintites.
At tee Churgh of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;

Being three 720's of Plaili Bob and two 720 's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 6 cwt 6 lb .

Glorgr H. Crabley ... 2 Harry Patrea ... ... ... 5
 Conducted by H. Howsro.

* Tirst peal in three methods. First peal as condwetor. Rung in honour of the Prince of Wales birthday.


## HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

The Western District of the Herts County Association had a very Etijoyable meeting it Tring, on Saturday, June 8th, members and friends attending from Soitligate, Wralinamstow, Apsley, Hemel Hempsiead, Farpenden, Berkimmpsted, 'l'oterinhoc, Cookhatm, Limslade, and Triug. Renging commeaged soon after thago oflock, and daring the ofternopn and evening the following methods ware rung: Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Boh, Little Boh, Kcat, Double Norwich, and ' Leverstout Green Suiptise.'

Through a clerical misumdentanding, no gervice was leld. Tlear Was prriaken at the Chequcis Cafe, ind ab he close the Vicar, Rev. '1'. V. Garnier, attended and took the chail' at tha bubiness rucelimg.
Apsley End was selpetad for bite place of thext meeting, to be held on July 6th for the coavenience of the secretary. One new member, unattacled, was elected.

Hearty votes of thanks were accorded to the Vicar for the usu of the bells, and to Mr. Reeves for his troubla over this meeling.
The ringers then adjourned for a further pall on the holls until about 8 p.m., when the back six were towered in peal. Then cuded another pleanat meeting, although there were outher 'nucetings' afterwards.

## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

WTESTERN DIVISION.
A successful guarterly mecting was held at Petworth on Saturday, May 18 th , when hetween 40 and 50 mambers, their wives aud friends, nitended from Billingshurst, Heme, Pulborough, Warnhatn, Wesi Tarring, Kirdford, Rudgwick, Rognte, Wisbotough Green, Guiddford, Porlsmanth und Swindon. Standard methods were practised till five o'clock, when the company made their way to the Iron Room, wharo they were supplied with an excellent meat tea by Mr. Knight.
Ai the busiress meeting, with Mr. W. Charman presiding, two pew mambers were elected, A. Ponsford (Rudewick) and E. Eitineap (Kindford), and the now Wisborough Green band (Messrs. A. Cheesmanl, W. Ford, C. Farhall, A. Gumbrell, A. Gumbrell, juan., H. Hoar, O. King. E. Luxford, B. MeDunald, 1). Poat, W. Purtick, (j. Raudall, J. Fichnydson, R. Skinter and H. Woods)
It was proposed to hold the mext meeting at Ragate. Afler vulos of thanks to the chaimana and Hector for granting the use of the bells, the belfry was again visited. Wisharongh Green bolls ining arailable, some of the company paid a visil there on their way bume,

## SUFFOLK RINGER'S DEATH.

We regret lo record the denth of Mr. Thomag Beckett, of Shipm mendow, fib the age of 42 , who passed away on Saturday, June ist, after a long iliness.
Until his illness the wis regular ringer nt Beceles nual Burgay, and he took a very active part in the district in teaching hegioners. Arrong his pupils wes lis daugliter, Volet, who rang her first cight-bell peal at the age of 14 .
At the funeral on Jure 4 th, ringers from Beecles, Bungay, and Lodion attended, and, directly after, mufled touches were rung on the five hells at the adjoining Clurch of Buroham. In the evening hall-muffled iouches were rung at liangay by of representative humd from the distriet.

## STALEY BELLS OPENED

CHESTER GUUU AND JANCASH1RE RTNGERS BIG RALLT A combined meeting of the Ghester Diocesan Guild and the Lanca shire Association was held at St. l'aul's Church, Staley, on Satur day, June 15 th, to celehrate the recasting and relanging of the bells. Ringers furmed up in goma numbers, and the bells were set going early. Serviee was conducted jointly by the Vicar, Rev. B. B. Slater, and Canon H. J. Elsee, president of the Lanes Association, The address was given by the Rev. C. A. Clements, Master of the Chesier Diocesan Guild. I'aking his text from 2 Cor. vi. 1, "We then, as workers together with God, the preacher said that all had their work to do, and all must hear theiv park if they desired to do thoir duty. The duty of ringers was to ring tho bells, and to see that they fitted themselwes la give the best service possible. They were acting in a position of great responsibility, and that brought with it great opportunity. The hells conveyed a groat message. They wers not onlling people to licar a sermon, or to bear lovely unusic from the organ and choir, but were calling all to the service of God. They must, therefore, pat their very best inta that call, as only the best was good enougla. Why had the people of Staley spent so much money to obtain such beathiful bells as they had heard that day? It was simply because they reconnsed that the old bells were not worthy of the serwice of God, and they, as ringers, must keep before them the knowledge that nothieg but their best is good enougl.
Tea followed in the schools, and ower one hundred sat down and enjoyed an excellent meal. The Vicar, in welcoming all to Staley, reminded the ringerg that when they were there on the last occa sion, a little over a year ago, he said he hoped they would find a greati improvement in the bells an their next visit. That thope had now boen fulfilled, and he had been assured by all who had heard the new bells that they were a periect peal.
The Rev. A. T. Beeston, in returning thanks to the Vicar and wardens for their kind welcome, said everything had been done to make the day enjoyable, and it was a real delight to be present.Canon Elsee said thal it was the first time he had attended a joint meeting between the two societies, but he hoped it would not be the last. They bad had an enjoynble service, a most inspiring sermon 3 good tea, and a very lapay time together. He certainly agreed with everyone else that Staley had now a spleadid peal of bells
Mr. J. P. Fidler, representing the boll founders, Messrs. J. Taylor and Co., Loughborough, returned thanks for all the kind remarks that had bect made fibout the new bells. Fe could assure them that they as founders had put everything of the best into the job, as Hley realised that only the best was good enouk
Mr. T. Wilde thanked the local ringers and their lady friends for all they had done to make the day such d suecess. It was a pleasure to wrange a meding when tho local people gave sudy ready assistance fas they had done that day
Members then returnen to the tower, and the bells were kept going in methons ranging from Grandsire Triples to Bristol Surprise Major until nine o'clock.

The belis, which havo been recast and returg in a new steel frame, with ball bearings and all the latest fittings, are "a perfect Taylor jols.' They are indeed a glorious peal with a tenor 18 cwt .24 lb . in F. They now only require the louvres in the tower to be treated, to control the sound in the immediate neighbourhood, and this is to bo clone at once.
Rincers present besides those already mentioned ineluded Mr. E. Wr. Elwell, lou. secretaty Chester Diocesan Guild; Mr. W. H Sluker, hon. Secratary, Lancashire Association; and others from as far afield as Rotherlinm, Sheflield, Greenfeld, Bolton, Frodsham, Warrington, Walkden, Oldhan, Middeton, ete., while alnost al Whe towers in the Stackport and Manchester Branches were representen.
Many went to have a ring at Foly Trinity Church, where there is another fine ring of elght by Taylor and Go, whioh were installed about three years ago. The two churches are about a mile apart, and that Stalybridge is indeced now in possession of lwo perfect octaves of bells is the opimion of all who were present. Many ringers are miready looking forwand ta an opportunity of renewing the acquaintance.

## WEDDING BELLS

On Monday evening, Ture 17th, at Holy Trinity Church, Girencester, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples ( 1,260 changes): F. J Lewis, sen. (conductor) I, F. J. Lewis, jun. (age 15), 2, H. L. Cook 3, A. V. Bond 4, H. C. Bond 5, H. Lewis 6, W. H. Fayward 7, F. Edwards 8. Firge quarter-peal of Stedman by ringers of 2 nd and 3rd. Rung in honour of the wedlding of Mr. Frank Waters, son of Mr. J. E. Waters, a greatly-respected momber of the local band, who is also a chorister at Foly Trinily Churct. Mr. Waters very Findy entertained the ringers after the quarter-peal

## SPLICED MINOR ON HANDBELLS

On Thursdny, Jume T3th, at 52, Tammas Park Road, Ealing, 720 Spliced Fulbeck Bob, Canterbury Pleasurw, Plain Boh, Double Bob and Reverse Boh Miner: J. A. Trollope 1-2, WT. G. Wilson 3-4, E. C. S. Turner (conductor) 5-6. First 720 in five methods by all.

## DURHAM \& NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION NORTHERN RINGERS' OPPORTUN1IY TO INSPECI 'NEW

 ZEALAND CARILLON.By kind invitation of the proprietors of the "Newcastle Eveaing Chronicle' and Messrs. Gilfett and Johnaton, of Croydon, the members of the Durham and Neweatle Association, and, in fact, ali ringers are asked to inspect the Woilingtion (New Kealand) carillon now installed in the North-East Coast Exhibition, on Saturday July 13th, at 2.30.
A special demonstration on these magninicent bells will be given by Mr. Glifford E. Ball, Mus.Bac., by courtesy of Messrs. Cadbury of Bournville.

Tea will be provided in Carrick's Pavilion in the Exhibition Grounds, at 5 p.m., where the ringers will be welcomed by their kindly hosts, as well as by the Lord Mayor of Newcastle (Ccir. A W. Lambert, M.C.), and the Assistant Bishop of Newcastie, Dr Cecil J. Wood. Each ringer may be accompanied by one lady.

At 8.30 p.m. all are invited to assemble at the "Cluronicle" Hall, Pudding Chase, Westgate Roarl, for a musical evening.
Admission to the Payilion will bo by tieket only, which must be applied for before July 6tli, to Mr. G. S. Taylor, hon, secretary of the association, 149, St. Leonard Street, Sunderland, giving the names of all those wishing to be present

## A DESERVING CASE

## APPEAL FOR AN ECKINGTON RINGER.

## To the Editor

Dear Sir,-Knowing the generosity of singers in generai, and quite unknown to the man concerned, I should like to make an appeal for a little timely help on behalf of Mr. Alfred West, of Eckington, near Shreffield.

Briefly, his case is this: Following a serious accident in the mine some years ago, which almost totally incapacitated him, his bealth has given way generally, and now consumption has him in its deadly grip. The compensation pay he receives is inadequate to meet the requirements of a growing young family, together with those of oldes ones who are not in regular employment.
Mr. West has been a Sunday service ringer for nearly forty years but never cared for peal ringing on his own part. As a steeple keeper, however, he excels, and our bells ave in 'the pink of cond tion' owing to his efforts. A short lime ago he quietly intimated that he felt his end was drawing near, and was endeavouring to get his beloved bells in good ouder before lae left us for ever. Hence m appeal

Any help given by your readers will be gratefully accepfed, and should he seat to our Ringing Master, Mr. 'T. A. Fowes-Smith, Salicitor, The Yews, Eckington, and will be acknowledged in "The Ringing World.'-Yours faithfully,

## LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

## SOUTHERN DLSTRICT'S WELCOME TO HOUNSLOW

A meeting of the. Southern District of the London Gounty Asso ciation and North Southwark Diocesan Guild was held at Eit. Paul's Bath Road, Hounslow, on Saturday, June 15th. The bells, which are a light and tuneful peal of 8 itwt., by Warmer, were raised soon after thrae o'clock, and were set going to changes, under the supas vision of the District Master, Mr. H. Mance. During the aftermoon and evening some 35 members and friends ratng touches in various methods, including London, Bristol, Cambridge, Superlative ant Double Norwich, whilst the standari methads and the beginnets were not forgotten. A feature of the ringing was the striking, not always too good at meetings. A paity of 25 betook themselves the house of Mr. Gash (verger), where tea had perforce to be taked in two 'shiftis' or 'round blocks,' thie waiting crew beguiling the time with 'Freddy's' famous handhells
The business meeting followed, at which one hon. member Rev Hugh Eyton Tones (Vicar) and one ordinary member were elected There were no abstruse problems before the meeting this time, s the routine was quickly disposed of. and the tower was re-viaited Tho Vicar ascended to the ringing clinmber and offered prayer, an a hearty welcome to the associntion. Ringing concluded at eight o'clock, and the company then adjoumed to 'another place," wheit the handbells were brouplit into use for hotl change and tune ring ing. Messrs. Goddard, Tricker and Ellingham delighted the audience with their tunes, whilst Mr. Geo. Cross and others were able to bring off a course of Double Norwicl. Successful attempts wert made by novices at Grantivire Triples nud Gaters, Stedman Gater and Bol Major, not the least overioyed being the novices themselva

During the meeting a vole of thanks was passed to the Vicar fo his attendance and the use of the hells; Lo Mr. and Mrs. Gash and helpers for providing and serving the tes; to the local men for the welcome extended to the association the name of Mr. Charle Tricker looming large in this directions. How fortunate for a secretary to have a man on the spot who will so willingly laelp! It is worthy of mention that the meeting was attended by both young and aild in the persons of Mr. Ton Beadle, of Tslewarth, and Lititle 'Diek" Deal, of East Ham, complete with patents.

FUNERAL OF THE REV. M. KELLY.
The beautifully-kept little church in the picturesque grounds of the Keliy astate was crowded with a representative gaihering on Wednesdiv week, when the funeral took place of the Rev. Maitland Kelly. All classes assembied to pay their last tribute of reapect, and among the ofticiating clergy was the Rev. E. S. Powell, who succeeded Mr. Kelly as president of the Devon Guild. The Guild was represented in addition by Mr. T. Laver (general secretary), Rev. Hugh Pigot, chairman of the Norlh Devoa Branch, Rev. G. E. F. Molineax, clanirmars of North-East Branch, and Miss Hasson, secretary, Rev. E. Y. Cox (Exmouth), Mrs. Powell, Mr. E. W. Marsh, secyetary, South-Western District, and Mr. W. H. Marsin, chairman.
The Guild, the Exeter Cathedral band, the Kelly ringers, and two old ringing "friends (F. J. Davey and T. Laver) were among those who sent wreaths.
The bells of Kelly Church were rung nutfled before the funeral, and were unmuffled afterwards, and at many Devon churches parting trihutes were also paid by the ringers.
At Paignton, Devon, on Wednesday, Junc 19th, with bells halfmuffled, in quarter-peal ( 1,260 changes) of Grandsiro Triples in 58 mins. : F. Alwood 1, J. Huxley 2, C. R. Walker 3, T. S. Collings 4, D. F. Austin 5, F. E. Parnell 6, H. J. Hole (conductor) 7, C. Boyce 8.

## PRESENTATION TO RETIRING RINGER

On Tuesday eveniag, June 18th, a pleasant evening took place in the Parish Hall, Heighington, near Darlington, the occasion being the presentation of a chiming clock forewood case to Mr. T. Ranson, who has been a ringer at St. Michael's Church for 45 years, and has just rotired. The Vicar of Heighington presided, and was supported by Major H. S. B. Surtees, of Redworth Hall, the Vicar of Staindrop (Rev. H. S. C. Spurrier) and others. Msjor Surtees hauded over the gift, which bad been subseribed to by the villagers and friends.
During the proceedings two courges of Stedman Triples were rung by ringers from Holy Trinity Church, Darlingtan, on their handbells, viz. : W. H. Porter 1-2, W. N. Park 3-4, G. W. Perk 5-6, Roland Park 7-8.
Touches of London Surprise Minor and Kent Treble Bob Minor werc alen rung on the church bells before sud after the ceremony by Messrb. W. H. Porter, G. W. Park, W. N. Park, Roland Park, F. W. Gay, W. Oliver, and J. T Titt, of Holy Trinity, and Mr. ' ${ }^{2}$. Clark, of St. Cuthbert's, Darlinglon.

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

## ARCHDEACON HOWSON HONOURED.

The rery successitul meeting of the Liverpoal Branch held at Sefton was arranged to honour the Vencrable Archdeacon Howson, and aboet sixty members aud friends atteaded, including sereral of the senior merabers of the association. Seftan is an old-world village, and the church is an ancient and magnilicent one. The bells were sef going soon affer 3 p.m., and kepll busy until 5.30 p.m., when the gervice was taken by the archdeacon, and Mr. George Lunt presided at the organ. After the service all adjourned to the Parish Hall, where a sumptuous tea had been provided by the Rector (Lhe Rev. Canon Wells). The usual business mecting followed, and was speedily carried through.
At the conclusion the Brazch Secretary moved a vote of thanks to the Archdeacon for his long and valued service to tae Branch in particular, and ringing in gemeral. He added that tho members desired to show their appreciation in a more permanent form than by formally moving votes of thanks, and he asked Archdeacon Howson to accept the inscribed oak Westminster chiming clock with the good wishes of the members.

Mr. Geo. R. Newton added his testimony to the services of the Archdeacos, and reminded the members of the many ways in which he had helped the Brancli.
In reply, the Archdeaoon expressed his great surprise, and althougla he disapproved of such things as lestimonials, he very feelingly and sincerely thanked the memberg for their kind thoughts.

An interesting item of the ringing part of the meeting was referred to-that of a tonch of Bob Minor rung by six of the senior members present, their aversge age being $71{ }^{3}$ years.
The meeting will lang he remembered as one of the best and happiest gatherings of the Branch.

## DISAPPOINTED VISITOR TO HEREFORD To the Editor.

Sir,-May I be allowed to reply to $\mathbb{M i r}$. Mears' letier in your columns of June 14th, and to say that we all regret his disuppointment on Whit Monday in not befng able to get up to the Cathedral tower at Hereford. I am alraid Mr. Mears must have been a latecomer, as there was someone on the door at the west end until 7.15. The authorities are very strict upon having doors locked at 6 p.m. We shall look forward to seeing Mr. Mears at some fature time.
C. EDWARDS,

Master.
Madley, Hereford. Master.
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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Mr. George Middleton, who has hreen elected Labour M. ${ }^{3}$. for Carlisle, was formally a ringer at Christ Church, Crewe. Mr. R. 'IL. Holding informs us that in 1902 Mr. Middleton took part in several touches of Grandsire and Plain Bob 'lriples. He resigned from the tower owing to the irregular hours he had to work in the Post Office.
Mr. Edwm Shephercl, of Exeter, completed on June 6th 50 ycars as a member of the Devon Guild and of St. Sidwell's Society.
Capt. J. H. It. Freeborn bas giverl up his appointment as a representative of Messrs. Gillett and Johuston, and has resumed Lis practice as an architect at 29, Station Road, Rickmansworilı.
Mr. Joscph Potter, who has resided for many yents in the United States, is now on a visit to England, and on Satarday rang witl the Lancaslife Association his firet peal for 83 years.
The ringers, as well as the-Church Council, of Cadeleigh, : Devon willage near Tiverton, have resignerl as a prolest ageinst fut appoini ment to the incumbency made br the Bishop of Excter, after the patroness of the living had offered if to the formar curate of the parish.
The first peal of Grandsire Cinques 'in hand' was rung it Birmingham on fuly 2nd, 1886.
At the dedication of All Saints' Church, Poplar, on July 3rd, 1823, the Cumberland Youths rang the first peal (Graudsire Caters) on the bells.

## THANKSGIVING DAY-

WFAT RINGERS CAN DO
Sunday, July 7th, has been fixed as the Day of Thanksgiving for the King's recovery
It is a day when the chureh bells throughout the country should play a special part in the national rejoicing, and an effort ghould be made at every church with a ring of bells to mark the owcasion in sorne special way. Not only should the bells be rung before the thanksgiving service, and the other eustomary services, hat, as suggested in our columns recently ly the Rev. F. Ll. Edwards, something should be done to distinguish the proceedings from those observed on an ordinary Sunday, such as ringing in the early morning where it is practicable, or at the conclusion of the Thaukgiving Service. Also, as Mr. Edwards remarked, there may even be an opening in the special form for ringing a few rounds at a central point in the service itself.
Doubtless thore will, in addition, be many peals rung in connection with the Thanksgiving, and it is hoped by the Central Council to lay before His Majesty, with an appropriate letter of congratulation, particulars of the part which ringers in this country play in connection with the national expression of joy.

## HATFIELD'S NEW BELLS DEDICATED

The two new bells, the gift of the Rislinp of Exeter and Laty Florence Cecil to St. Etheldreda's Church, Hatfield, were dedicated on Tluustay, June 20th, before a large congregation. "Prior to thit service, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major was rung by the local saciety of rizagers. The service was condnoted by the Fishop, assisted by the Rector of Hatfield (the Rev. J. T. Antrobus). In his address the Bishop explaiued that the bells were erected in memory of his son, Capt. Rupert Edward Gascoyns Cecil, who was an en thusiastic member of the Hatfield Guild of College Youths, ent whose wish it was the two bells should be given. The ceremony wns well attended by ringers from St. Alhans, Hertford, Baldock, Har penden, North Mimms, and Essenden, and after the service touches of Grandsire Caters, Stedman Caters, Treble Bob Royal and Roh Major were rung.
The quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major previous to the servien was rung by the following: A. Shepherd 1, G. Austin 2, R. Richard son 3, J. Shiepherd 4, L. Shepherd 5, D. W'. Richardson 5 , J. G. Dun ham 7, J. T. Kentish (conductor) 8.
The new hells were cast and hung liy Messrs. Mears and Stainhank.

## ISLE OF WIGHT FIVE BELL TOWERS

An interesting and most successful bye-prantice meeting was hela in the Island on Saturday last, when three somewhat seelucled fivebetl towers, viz., Chale, Shorwell and Brighstone, situated in the southern part of the Island, were visited by Island members of the Guild, many of whom had their first pull on these hells. The at tendance was most gratifying to thosa who suggested and arranged the meeting. Chale tower was first visited, and gool use was madi of the bells, the frame of which has a blank space in ieadiuess for an adiditional bell. At tea, Dr. J. B. Williamson woiced thanks to the Rector for the use of the bells, also to the foreman, Mr. H Ghiverton, whom he proposed as a memher of the Guild. This was seconded by Mr. B. J. Snow (district secrelary), and earried.
A mowe was then made to Shorwell, where the party was met and welcomed by the Vicar and local ringers, and several touches in various five-bell methods were scored. Brighstone tower was reached rather later than the scheduled time, but, thanks to Mr. Creeth the bells were in readiness and werc soon set going, and many goorl touches were rung. This will not be the last five-bell practice meeting to be hela in the Island, especially if the doctor has his way again in the matter.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

## (Continued from page 394.)

 BROADGASTING.The Rev. F. L. Ekwards, reporting for the Broadcasting Committee, said that, as most of the Councll knew, the talk on bellringing was given on September 19th, and he had recoived reports on it from personal fuiencts in different parts of the country, saying that it anme through very clearly, and the sound of the handbells was perfect. Undoubtedly, the broadeash had done a certain amount of goon. It required a great deal of labour and time in preparation, owing to the fact that everytining had to be done in a quarter of art hour. He was gratified to find that he so far succeeded in mething the conditions that when they had a rehearsal in the belfuy of Bt. Clement Denes-and they had to thank the Rev. Penington Biekford for the use of the handhells-they got through the lecture, with the iliustiations, in $14 / 2$ mins. Actually at the studio the announcer took up a few moments, and they, thetefore, overran the time a lithle, but the anmouncer in charge allowed them a little extra time, so that the course of Steuman Triples at the end might be finished. Mr. Edwards cquated from ane of the letters he had received from a correspoudent at Laughton, near Sheffield, which saja that the talk had led to a band being formed, and the belfry invaded, to the delight of the Vicar. The hells were rung at Christmas, a thing which even the scxton, who had been there for 50 years, could not rememher having liappened beforc. There were laree bells (laughter), and six wingers, and a splendid enthusiasm in the district, aud it was now hoped to augment the bells (applause). Mr. Edwards added that the broadcast was almost worth giving for that one resulut.
The Presideat said the Exercise at large was grateful to Mr. Edwards for all the trouble he took over the broadcast and the rehearsals. They were also grateful to the band of ringers who dermonstrated with the linadbells. He knew that the talk stirred up a good deal of enthnsiasm and elelighted many people it many parts of Eingland.
Mr. T. F. Beams asked if they were going to have any repetition of the lecture.
The Fon. Sperehary: Nolhing has been arranged. Having 'made hole in the ice,' we may, perhaps, be able to do something in the future, after allowing a suitable interval.
The report was adopted.
PEALS OF MYNOR AND DOLBLES.
The Council mext came to the various rosolations on the agenta, the first of which, "No. $7,{ }^{\prime}$ was, "That this Council will not recogmisp rs a peal of Minor or Tonites any composition in which the hells do not strike in 720 or 120 elifferent orders respectively before hegimning the next 720 or 120 .' It was moved by Mr. R. Whittingtonl, who said that it the year 1911-12 the Council passed this resotution: "That peals of Minor consist of at least seven true and complete $720^{\prime}$ 's, the bells striking round only once at the end of each and immediately going into the next. ' Thic object of the resolution now hefore the Council was, he said, to ask thems to confirm tiat decision, and to say that peals of Minor and peals of Doubles mast conform to those conditions.
Mr. A. H. Pulling, who seconded, snid they did not want someone fo come along later an and say that the Council did not mean what it said by the motion. What they intended was that in Doubles they should start the 120 changes from rounds and should finish at rounds; and the same with Minor, that they should start from rounds and finish with rounds, "and lave none of this "jiggerypokery", (langhter'). They wanted to have things elear this time Rear, heary.
Rev. 13. S. Powell stagested that Mr. Whittington should alter his resolution to read: "That each 720 shall be true in itself and shall hegin Erom atul end with rounds, and in similar terms with regard to Daubles. Fe sympathised with Mr. Pulling, hecause when he rear the first resolution lie thought they might try to klrag in the Bankes Irmes romposition.
Mr. I. Hunt said the resolution arried at Hereford was the start-ing-point of this discussion, and Mr. Law James added fuel to the fire by saying that the resolution at Heveford immlied seven different 720's es being requived for a menl of Minor. He (Wr. Funt) disagerced. It was never intended that a peal shonid consist of sevell different compositions. That would be a great penalty on the sixhell men. There wree nlentry of men in that romm whe could eall a peal oft Stedman Triples or a peal of tandon fum a non-observation bell, but there were a grent many in the Exereige in the country distriets wha conid not call 720 or even 120 fram a non-obserwa-
tion bell. Lnst wear Mr. Powell wanted to say that ten different 120 's should the ealled th a peal of Doubles. He would like to ask Mr. Bowell how many towers there were in his nwn county of Devon where there were men to call such a pesl. To insist on seven different 720 's they would be penalising the ringerg, and instead of making ringing progress thes would be putting a hrake on.
Rev. E. B. Powell said the ameniment he had got was to the \& feet 'that this Conteil will not recognise as a neal of Minar or Doubles any combosition in which the $720^{\prime}$ 's or $120^{\prime}$ s were not true and complete and which dirl not start from mat end with romins.' He would ecernally prefer thai to the motion as it stoon, hut if the
amendment were carried lie should muln hone it would be defealed as a sabstamite motion. Iuddled as the position was at thu present lime, bu felt very strongly that the Council had hetter hav things as they were with the Hereford motion, to see what happencul and bring the thing forwayd in a year or two's time. A 1 present they had not sufficieni knawledge to affirm what was fulst and what was true.
Mr. Fr. W. Perrins secomed the mmendment.
Res. H. Lat Janes said he took il the amendment brought put exactly what the propnser and seconder meant, but what tie propuser and seconder said wonld have jneluded the Hankes Jamos Cambridge and would have axcluded everything else. He took it they wanted to fulc out everything except 720 s whieh hegan athd ended with rounds.
Several members: Yes.
Mr. James asked the members to imagine on the clock face in the roam six rows of ligures, spreed at ien-minute intervals. The first row was 1234, with the otlers in the following order round the dial: 1324, $1342,1432,1423$, and 1243 . If they read the rows from 1234 in either direction they would come back gatin to 1234. Thes thus had the whole six in one matural round hlock. How mary times did rounds appear in these six rows? Once only. The fact was, there was a great deal of confusion arising in this matter simply and solely because when they wrote thedr peals and touches ancl courses they wrote 123456 at the top, went to the bottom and wrote it at the end. They wrote it twice, butt if they wrote it tound the clock face they would see that all this talk about beginning and endiug with rounds amounted to nothing. There were six rows and there were six changes. Rounds at the end was the rounds at the begiming. If it was a jepetition it was false, and it was either a repetition or it was not a repelition. Striclly speaking, it was not a repetition; it was the sarne thing. The wholo thing was a round thock, and they came back exactly to where they started.
Mr. W. Willson: Will you explaia how, in your brother's Carabridge, in which the last change of the 720 is a bob change, and th14. bob is not made until the baekstroke lead of the trehle, that backsiroke lead can be the first row of the next 720? The effect is not between the treble rows hut at the hackstroke of the treble, which proves that the full trehle lead should be ineluded.
Mr. James gaid according to Mr. Willson's idea rounds at the beginning and roundis at the forl were connted ns two rows instead of one, arth if they couthiarl them as Mr. Willson wanted to count them they wauld ring roumbs not eight times but fifteen times in a peal.
M1. Wh. Faulkner: Rounds at the begimang is only to sleady the bells.

Mr. W. A. Cave: Wonlal a peal, or 120 , or 720 be legal if we harl no rounds at all at the begiming? If we sfarted off 214365 and rang to the end, would that fye a 720? ('No.') Rounds at the start is only a preliminary. I maintain that 24385 is the first change, and 123456 is the last for all practieal ringers.
Rev, Fr. Lt. Entwards: If you started off straight into a methorl withotat any prelimimary roinds, thete would not he 720 changes, becasse the first would not he a change. Whan you have your preliminary rounds and stant into changos, then the first row of the method is the first change. If you started without preliminary rounds you would not elange from anything, und the first row watit not on a change at all.
Mr. Cales asked if the
Mr. Cales asked if the amendment meant that each 720 or 120 whs get at this paint, whether these 720 s wele to be treated as separaio peals ar ane whole peal of seven $720^{\prime}$ s. Until they seflled thal point they would get no further with this motion.
Mr. Whintington eainl lin was prepared to accept Mr. Powell's ampndment, and Mr. Pulling, as seconder, also agreed.
Mr. Trollope said he wanted to make it clear that those who roted for what was now the resolution would quite cortainly vote for tho exclusion of the Bankes Tames Camhtidge. Ite knew there werce
lot of people there whan wnted to preserve the Bankes. Jaties Cat lot of people there wha wanted to preserve the Bankes James Cantbridge; if they voted for that resolution it ruled it out. Fe sug gested that tho hest thing they could do was for botly thm amend ment and the resalution to he withdrawn and let them learn the question for a little while. The diseussion that day had provol that therc was a grent deal of differenee of opinion, and, whatever rosolution they passed, this division would remain. Would it not be better, ilherofore, to leave the matter as it now stood with i.he Herciotd resolution. It would have to be amended, hut it was enough to go on with. Let them leave it and see whether the six bell ringers wanted this Cambricge Minor. With all respect to the
Council, the linal judgment did not rest with them; it rested will Council, the linal jud
Mr. Willson: I move the closure. There is always this red herring drasn across the trail.
Mr. Trollope said the final judgment must he with the six-beli rimgers, and if the six-bell rimgers continued to ting this arratge something in it. prhe Council oughi. not at this time to lurn it down.

## SUGGESTED DEFINITION OF A PEAL OF MINOR.

Dear Sir,-The marnerous lettexs and articles in your paper on the unbjed of poals of Minor lase got he so mixed up that I hardly know how ta starl.
I linve lately looked throlyal a book calied 'Rules and Decisions of the Cunmeid and an accolnt of its work. I. can only think that the copy I liave is eithe "thopelosaly false" and out of date, or that members of the Council, who occupy so much of your space in pouring onti their wandering and complicated hithoghts, bave not read, marked, lexuned and inwardly digested it.

Will somehory pleage tell me if the following resolution, which apperars in Lhis bork still stands good, or las it been overruled or reperaled by the Council or lost by the Methods Commitfee: 'That peals of Minor consist of at least seven true aud complete 720's, the hells striking romad only once ati the end of each and immediately goine inta the next. A peai may bo lengthened, etc.' (1911-12.)

I helievo that another resolution on the subject has simee been passed, but it in oot in the book which I hawe, and $Y$ cannot remember its exact wording, but so far as $T$ know it only amplified tho resolution quoted above, and was not intended to be in substitution for it.

Much as it may be regretted, the Harkes James Cambridge is not, nond never has been, a jeal which could he recagnised by the Council. The first so-called 720 does not enti with rounds. It may be iniended to start with rounds, but no amonnt of argument will convince nuyone will the slightest amount of intelligence that this is the sume thing as ending with rounds.
F' know nothing about the merits ot otherwise of various callings of Doubles. Before the Hereford resolation theme appears to lave been na decision as to what constituled a peal of Doubles in any -rate, there is rothing about them in the book I have.
' lape spoken to quite a number of six-bell ringers about Bankes James' composition. What of their opirnons? They all seem genernlly agreed that this composition is move worthy of being called a
peal of Surpriso Minor than a peal consistiog of seven 720 of Camhoridge with the tenor called W.F. W. in each one.

And what of the opinions of the members of the Central Council? $14 y$ whose auhority can they say what or what shall not constitute
a peal of Minor? How many of them are Minor ringers? beal of Minor? How many of them are Minor ringers? I do not Hhink it would be hard to find among fliem a few, at any rate, who camol rimg Cambridge Minor, whon lave never seen the figures of Bankes dames composition, who do nat know what is the effeet of enlling five consenutive bobs in the meltod, or who cauld call the momposition if they had the figures.
"The only fair way of dealing with filse matter is to let those who are regularly ringing the method deoide, and I should like to know if there are among your readers ringers sufficiently iuterested in the subject to use their best endeavours to persuade their rcspective Sorielies to send representatives to the Central Council pledged to
supporl. a proposibion in farour of a rule in the form af suppord a proprosition in favour of a rule in the form of enclosed draft.
Athough this may not be "bullet proof," it is certainly far more delinila than any of the vague resolutions which have previously hem propased or passed.

Any sociely interested in pexls of Doubles can easily arrange to hase placed before the Gouncl a resolution as to them framed from ther enclosed drafl.
Hy the way, has any band ever rung a 8,040 of Minor with a rowering bell or hells? If they lave, let fhem read the Decisions oil the Contral Council and then say if they are entitled to clam it Wh pent-Yours frilofutly, G. I. GROVER.

Wast Clandon, Survey.
'Illice alaft dofinition
irtwer, is as follows:-
A peal of Minor (whether Plain, Treble Bob, Surprise or Mixed) slatl consist of not less than seven extents comprising 5,040 changes. A henl may be inereased beyond 5,040 changes by the addifion of any number of axteats andior a toucll. The exlents ghall be ruug
rensuoulively without other ringine or a cessation of tinging betreen nty of them. The touch (if any) shall follow the last extent without other ringing or a cessation of ringing between the extent and Ity: thouel.

Por the purpose of this rule-
(1) An extent ghall consist of 720 different changes rung consechtively and without offer ringing or a cessation of ringing beweal any of them, and shal start by changing from backstroke
monde to the liandslroke change and faisli by changing from rounde to the landstroke change and finisln by changing from the lantistroke change to the backstroke rounds.
"(2) A touch slatl consist of any number of different clanges less than an extent and glafl commenco nud funsh in the snme manner as an extent, and its chrnges shall be cung in the same manner as hose of an oxtent.

- Noe method or any number of mothois may be used to produce all exient or a touch.

The enlling of one extent nay be the snme as the calling of any othur extent, and the calling of a concluding touch may be similar () 1 Ne chlling of any extent in a peal.
Notwithstanding anything in this rul
' Notwithstanding anything in this rule contained the composition of Cumbriduo Surprise Minor knowit as the Rev. Bankes James peal slull tor nil purposes be deemed a peal amd nlways to have been a peal "if Surprise Minor."

## THE COUNCIL AND THE METHODS COMMITTEE'S REPORT,

Sir,-Mr: C. T. Coles lias brokell out again. Fe says: "This at the behest of members who could not back up sucb a proposition by a single sound argument', (the assertion that the $120^{\prime}$ s and 720 are false), and adds: When we ring the Bankes James Cambridge Minor . . . we ring 720 changes eacii seven times, excluding rounds at the beginning, but including rounds at the end.'
If he is not wrongly reported, he condemns himself, for in the Cambridge Minor the exact reverse is claimed. It is clamed that tho rounds rung before you go off must be included, otherwise the last clange of the orthodox 720 repeats in each instance.
Mr. Coles and the Methods Commitiee can have it which way they tike, but they cannot have it both ways. In a nutslaell, if rounds ure included at the begimning, you camot come back into rounds again without a repetition. Is that clear?
If rounds are excluded at the beginaing, and ineluded (per Mr. C. T. Coles) at the end, then each of the six 720 's are false, the lest change of cach repeating with a plain lead previously. Now, which wry will they have it? Is that plaix enough?
To say that there are no more false changes in the block of 2,160 than there would have been had the 720's been kept intact, is no exenge. I am exile aware of all the Cambridge virtues, and said so at the Council meetilag, but blae cold fact remains that there aro 719 true changes, and the 720 th is used as the first of the next 720. This means that the last change of a 5,040 must be at handstroke, and it must not be rounds.
Fore is an argument--sonad or otherwise, according to ability to digest it. If every bob in a touch or peal is necessary to complete the said touch or peal, then the backstroke of the trebla lead is necessury, for in Cambridge the Bob is made at the hackstroke change of the treble lead, proving, I think, the absolute necessity of including that change in the 720 , which is fatal to the six 720 's of Bankes James composition. (Mle seventh is not his.)
If Mr. Coles will write out any of the "mixed Doubles' he can play tennis with the false changes. Just draw a line at the 120tly clange, and in the words of the jazz poet, "anyone can see withs only half an eye.
Mr . Trollope in his letter deseribes me as ${ }^{2} \mathrm{Mr}$. Willson and his stick-in-the-muds.' I am not opposed to progress of any kind, but I an conscious that there are many things worth conserving, and which you cannot improve upon. There is very litild virgin soil to dig in these days, and I see no true progress in adulterating the erstwhilo genuine goods, to make mole of them.
W. WILLSON.
P.S.-From 'Rules and Decisions,' Central Council: 'Practical ringing. On all numbers of belis, a true, peal slagll in all eases start fram and end with rounds, $\$ 898$ and following yesrs, zepeated 1902.

## MUFFLED BELLS

On Sunday evening, June I6tlı, at the Parish Clureh, Sutton-inAshfield, Notts, a quarter-peal of Bob Minor ( 1,260 changes) in 45 mins. : C. M. Heathcote (first quarter-peal) 1, T. Bettison (eonductor) 2, J. Ginever 3, E. Wilson 4, C. BeckIey 5, C. J. Parlridge 6. Rung with tha bells half-muffled as a foken of respect to the late Mrs. Mary Etizabeth Heaticote, mather of the ringer of trehle, who was interred in the churehyard on the previous Friday. The deceased ludy was very welt lenown and respected locally. She was also very interested in and fond of listening to the bells.
At St. Mary's Church, Nottingham, on June 21st, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 55 mins. : F. Collins 1, Miss I. B. Thompsan 2, A. Goodwin 3, A. Coppock 4, L. Clay 5, F. Turner 6, D. Vineent (ronductar) 7, F. Blood 8. Rung balf-muffled in respect to the late Lady Dainsfart, mother of the Wiear.

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Rev. li. Ll. Friwards proposed as an amendment that in view of the fact that the practices affected by this resolution were at present in an entirely experimental stage, further consideration be deferred until a future mecting.
Mr. C. 'T. Coles seconded, and said the question of seven 720 's conslituting one peal was the crux of the whole patter, which poople must hear in mind.
Rev. H. Law James: If you vote for this resolution as it stand are you prepared first of all to cross out from every peal book in the country the peals of Cambridge Minor that heve been rung with my brother's arrangement? ( No, and Mr. Pulling: They have
been rung before this resalution.) Is the Yorishire Asseciation prepared to cross out the 9,119 extent of Treble Bob Major with the Lenors together, and in which Jasper Snowdon Jang? Logically, they auglit to, because, after all said and dono, what is sauce for six-bell gander is sance for the oight-bell goose.
The amendment to postpone consideration of the question, on being put, was declared carried by 34 or 35 votes to 24 . It was then put as a substantive motion and carried.
(To be continued.)

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

## DORCHESTER BRANEH AT MLLTON ABBEY

The summer meeting of the Dorchester Branch pas hald on Satur day week, when Milton Abbey was revisited after several years. To show tho popularity of this remarkahie place, over 100 ringers and friends met and joined in the servion at the Abbey. Those ringers who were making their first visit to the Abbey (aiter an enjoyable motor drive from Botrmemouth and Weymoth, picking tup en route in thee coaches), entered by the Milbourne Romd, which sinks into a wonded glen and comes out on the Abbey Road, and their first implession was one of amazement. The place breaks mexpectediy on the wiew, and heing at a height, the scene, lookiag down on the lake and the silver scenery all around the Abhey grounds, is indeed a sight worth visiting. The Abbey comes into view between the trees and makes a fine pioture. The building stands in the great wonded park in the centre of Dorset. It is a superb Gothic structure, with an elaborate tower, many heautiful windows, and exquisite flying buttresses. It is of Saxon foundation. King Athelstan, the religious and warlike grandson of Alfred the Great, founded the Monastery of Milton in the year 938, as a thanksgiving to God for a remarkable revelation which he received on Milton Hill, and which told him he would conquer bis many enemies and become King of England. Much more might be written, but enough has been said to show that the Abbey Chureh of Milton is not one of the least noteworthy and interesting of the great abhess of Britain.
The first stop en route to Millon was made to Fere Regis (Kingsbere), where the fine perl of six (in D) was rung to Minor and Doubles. This halt gave the wisitors the opportubity of looking round the church, made famous in Hardy's nopel, 'Tess of the D'Urberwilles." The bells at the Abbey are a light peal of eight (but very naisy in the ringing chamber). They were available from. 2.30, and were rung up to 4.30, when service was conducted by the Wiear (Rev. C. J. Ellwood), who gawe the members a most bearty wolcome. At the conclusion of the service he kindly conducted them round the Abbey. Subsequently tea was partaken of dit. the Ham hro Arms, everything being laid out on the lawns for the large party. But alas, the poet's description of "flaming dune * was not ealised, for by teatime the sunshine had all gone, and heavy couds bought the rain, and consequently the meal had to be partaken indinors.
A short husiness meeting was held, at which 18 towers were represented, including a good number from the neighbouring Branch of Wimborne, and two ringers, Messus. Chandler (Hereford) and J. A Waught (Woodford)
Tn the absence of the chairman (Mr. R. N. Dawes), the Master a the Guild (Rev. R. H. Gundry), presided, supported hy Revs. C. A Phillips hon. Secretary, Wimborne Branchi, C. J. Ellwood and C. D. Job, nud Col. and Mrs. H. D. Robson (West Lulworth). Apologies for ahsence were receiven from the president (Earl Shaftesbury), Ven. Archdencon W. S. Moule, Messrs. R. N. Dawes (chairman), J. W. Smith (Dorchester), E. Hutchings (Abhotshury), and A. Gray (Trampton).
The following members were elected: Mrs. H. D. Robson (honor(ry), Mr. C. H. Howard, Master of the Essex Association (life), ent Mr. W. Dores (ringing).-Wyke Regis having already been proposed for the mext meating, it was decided to hold this gathering on Saturday, July 27 th.
A comprehensive vote of thanks was moposed by the chairman to the Vienr, the organist and blowet (a noter ringer), and Mr. North, of the local hand. The Secrelary also thanked the Vicar for his kinat assistance and for the use of the hells during the afternoon and evbning, also the Rex. T. W. Tnylor (Bere Regis), Rev. H. A. Cary] (Hilton), and Rev. Canon A. T. Fielps (Pudaletown). The husiness enderi with a hearty vote of thanks to the dhairman. Althougl it was still mining, the members motored tarough the park to Hilton and also to the Abbey, and mang several toudies in the standard methods.

## PRINCE OF WALES' BIRTHDAY

For the Prince of Wales' hirthday. on Sundsy, Tune 23 id. 500 Spliced Triples, boing ten sections each of Stedman and Grandsire, Was rung for morning servien at MiJvermn, Somerset: R. Seoth-1, H. Norman 2, W. Cross 3, C. Tarr 4, W. Knight 5, A. J. Andrews B $^{\text {, }}$ A. Tout (colviuctor) 7, S. Sharlanel 8 .

At Farmham, Surrev, 630 Grandsire Trimles: F. Burningham 1, C. Tdupards 2, T. Unshall 3. S. Meadows 4, E. Clapsinew 5. F. Kemp 6, R. Hasted (Condtetori 7, A. E. King 8 . Also 464 Rob Msior bp: H. Prier 1, J. Read 2, T. Kemp 3. S. Meadows 4, T. Upshall 5, C Wells B, R. Hasted feondurtor) 7. G. Upshall 8.

At St. Mary Abbot's, Kensington, an Sumelay, Jume 23m, in honour of the Prince of Wales hirthday, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1.260 ehanges) : H. G. Miles (conductor') 1, J. A. Dart R, P. I. Miles 3, E. E. Welnamo 4, A. Culmore 5, A. Weddington 6, ww. E. Judd $\boldsymbol{F}_{1}$ C. Warner 8.
HLEWBURY, BERKS-On Sundaw, June gth, befors evensang, 1,260 Grantisire Triples in 44 ming: : R. C. Smith 1, H. J. Balcombe 2, H. Grecnaugh 3, R. G. Rice 4, G. F. James (conductor) 5, B. Corderoy 6, A. T. Busbe 7, H. Appletor 8.

## WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION

MAYOR OF BEWDLEY'S GIFT OF SOUVENIRS.
The quarterly meeting of the Northern Braucls, lield in the oldtime borough of Bewdley, on Safurday, June 15th, frouglit together a good muster of ringers from all over the caunty. Good use was mada of the bells in the aftemoon, and service was held in the Parish Chureh, conducted by the Reetor (ile Rov. C. Raymont Hollis), who, after exteading a hearty welcome to the Branch, gave a very appropriate address.

Tea was served on the Rectory lawn, the members enjoying themselves in the beantiful surroundimgs. At the business meating whieh followed, the Rector presided, and was supported hy the Mayor and Mayoress of Bewdey (Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Trost), Mr. A. H. James (ehurehwarden), Mrs. James, Mr. C. Skidmore (Ringing Master, Northern Branch), ww. S. Holt (Ringing Master, Western Braneh), Mr. T. J. Salter and Mr. W. Short (Central Committee representatives), etic.
Apologies were received from Mr. A. J. Parsons, Old Hill, who altended the service in the church, but was unable to come to the tea and meeting, having only just recovered from a serious illness, Mr., R. Knowles (Ringing Master of the associationi, Dr. Miles and Canon M. S. Newland.

Several new members were added to the roll, including the Mayor of Bewdey, who became an hon. member. The Mayor thanked the rambers for his election. He said it was the first time he had ever been to a meeting of hellringers, but now that he was a member he should try to be \& frequent visitor. He announced that if they cared to accept, he would be pleased to give each one present, is a memento of their visit to Bewdley, a souvenir in the shape of a cigarette ash tray with Bewdley Chureh and tower impressed in the centre
Mr. T. Hemming mored, and Mr. F. G. Bird seconded, a hearty vote of thanks to the Mayor for the kind thought which had prompted the gift. The vote was earried with applause.

On the proposal of Mr. T. J. Silter, it was decided to lold the next meeting at Stone.
It was agreed to refer the question of instructors to the Central Committee.
The Secretary moved a very hearty vote of thanks to the Rector for presiding at the meeting, for arranging tho service, for the use of the bells, and for allowing the use of his beatiful grounds. He coupled with the vote the names of the Mayor and Matoress for gracing the meeting by their presence.

The motion was carried with acelamation, and the Rector, in reply, said it had given him the greatest possible pleasura to latue ille association at Rewdley

The Mayor also acknowledged the rote of thanks, and said it had bear one of the most pleasnnt afternoans lie lad spent amid quite a happy family gathering.
Mr. T. Hemming moved a hearty vate of thants to Mr. and Mrs. Broad and the splendid band of lady helpers at the tea table, also to the fady orgenist.-This was carried umanimously, and the mernbers then returned to the tower to enjoy further ringing, wich closed a very happr gathering.

## YORKSHIRE SOCIETIES FRATERNISE

The anmual joint meeting of the societios in the Southern aren of the Yorkshire Association was held at, Whiston, near Rolherliam, on Saturday, and alihough the numbers fell short of expectations, ahout 30 being present, a very enjoyable time was spent. The towers represented were Ecelesfield, Sheffield Gathedral, All Saiats' ant St. Marie's, Handsworth, Rawmarsh, Doncaster, Arkey, Tickhill Treeton, Cnnisborough, Wortley, Ratherham, Norton, Staveley, Killamarsli, and Chesterfield. Tea was served in the Church Institute and was favoured by the presence of the Rector (the Rev. A. G Alton), who also took the chair at the business meeting, during tho cousse of which he was elected an honorary momber of the Yorkshire Associntion. Fouv resident ringers were elected, viz, Messrs. Shackleton, Smithson, Thorpe and Darby, all of All Saints:, Slieffeld In addition, Messrs. MeGuinness, Marnon and Oarter, of Lincoin, and Mr. S. R. Roper, of Croyilon, were elected out-county lifo members,

For the next quarterly meeting an invitation was given by the secretary to hold it at Arksey, near Doncaster, and this was accepted, the date to he October $19 \mathrm{Lh}, 1929$.

Mr. S. F. Palmer gave a short becount of the arrangements made to date for the annual Snowdon Commemoration Dinner. which is to be held in Sheffield on September 21st next. Vates of thanks to the Rector, to the ladies for their services at tea, and to the local commany were heartily carried, and replied to by the Rector. It is hoped his appeal for help to teach his hoys the science of change ringing will not be beard in vain.

## A LEEDS BIRTHDAY

On Sunday, May 12th, for evening service nt Leeds Parigh Chureh six coursos of Stedman Gaters (o40 changes were rung in honont of one of the ringers, Mr. H. Gockwood, who celebrated his lat hirthday: J. A. Teale 1, J. Hutchinson 2, H. Lockwood 3, Redfeart 4, F (ucter) 9, H. Smith 10.

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

FASP BERKS BRANCH PRACTICES.
In spite of cannter attractions such as fishing, military manouvres inside as well ha outside the Branch, and regatitas, an instructive practice took place in warious slemdard methods at Old Windsor. One member succereded in ealling lis lirgt tonch of Stedman, and still another man to 'Lum in' tenors las been foume One of the ladies present alses showed sueh affection for one bell Lhat it was nearly presenteri to fier.
Several weckly prodices are now grudually being worked, and it is hoped that before many montlis are passed a definite and regular dist of practices witl he available for Branch members.

## NFWBERY BRANCH

The summer meoting of the Newhury Branch was held al Bucklelury on Salarday, itune 15 th , when the following towers were represented: Briglitwalton, Heedon, East Isley, Hempsiead Norris, Highelere, Nowhury, Shaw, Thatcham, Woolion Hill, and the Buoklebiry ringers. Visiturs were nlso present from Oxford, Abingdon, Reading, Tingleliche and Remmama. The Guild serwice was conducted by the Viear (the Rev. E. M. Thoop), who gave a very helpful address. Mr. G. Davis presined at the organ. Tea was served in tho Victory Hall, when upwards of 50 sat domis to an excellent tea.

The business meeting followed with the Rev. W. M. Thorp in the thair, supported by the hon. secrelary (Mr. H. W. Curtis).
A combined meeting with the winchester Guild was fixed for Saburday, Augush 10Lh, ark Newhury, The aubumn meeting will be held at Peasomore on Saturday, Septemher 7th.
The Rov. V. W. Peake, of Midelam, was nented an honorary member, and two new ringing members were also alected.

A sum of e5 was voted from the Braneh funds to Thateham tower towards recosting and rohanging tho bells.
The Secratiry proposed a wote of thaiks to tile Rov. E. M. Thorp for his address and welcomo to the ringers, to Mrs. Davis for piestiligg at. the organ, and also to Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Hlunden fro providing this len.-['lie motion was carried with spplause, and the tower was then again wisited, and some good touches rung, including Grandsive nud Sladman 'lviples, Plain Rob, Kont Treble Bob, Double Norwich and Cambridge Major.

## GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

LFATELERHEAD DISTRTCT TOWERS OUT OF ACTION.
The Leatherhead Distriet held a highly successful meeting at Newdigate on Salurdiy, whon 33 members aml friends from Dorking, Newdigate, Itusherhead, Capel, Cobham, Croydon (St. John's ani St, Peter's), Clarlwoul, Wernham, Thames Diitort, and Rudgwiek, mude good use of the 12 bells awailable (six on either side of the read). Hethods ranging from Grandsire Doubles to Cambridge Surprise Whor were rung, and also tronds for those not yet able to ring changes.

The Rectort the Rev. J. W. Wand officiated at the service, and gave the andress, hefore whid lae wolcamed the members of the Fruild to Nowdigule. The address was straighe to the point, and was appreciaded by all. The service over, ten was parlaken of at the Six Hells lm, and ower this the Rector presided. The toa was a most excellent repast, and wemb far towards making the meeting such a surcess.
At the sucenorling business meeting, the Rector was in the chair. The election of Mr. W. H. Southeard, of ']'uro, as a compounding mendin prior to it peal attempt was confirmed, aud one new memher, Mr. Ji. Jnsmmen, of Dorking, was also elected.
The Hom. Socretary, Mr. A. R. Pink, then proposed the usual voles of thanks, whiels were seconded by Mr. Albert Harman (Ringing Mastor). - 'lin Chaimman made a witty spech in response.
$\Lambda_{j}$ this point it was made known to the meeting that Capel bells were now declared to be urifingable. The Tew. J. W. Ward promptly invited the Capel ringers to we his bells when they wished to. This generous ofler was mucly approciated by all the menters, and they marked their appreciation in mo theertain manacr. We could wish for sudh an incumhenl as this in many other parishacs, the names of which spring reatily to mind. This district has now two of its Twelve towers and of aotion, and others that can do with alteration. Ti wand seem well bo consulb that friend of all ringers, tho Archdencon of Dorking, about the matter.

Following the meting, some of the memhers returned to the tower for further ringing nud the bells were kept going till 9 p.m., when thoy were lowered in peal.
this concluted ond of the most successfinl meetings ever held by the Lealherhead District.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, func 8th, a wery pleasant mecting of the Northera Tivision was held at Middlevan, Wensleydale, when memhers from Aysigith, Middleshrough and Thormaty were cordially welcomed by 1hn Rev. Fi. Young (Rector). Snverail tauches of Plan Bob, Kent and Oxfort Treble poli were ring on the hells. At the business meeting which follownd ter, six ucw members wore elected. A vote of thatiss to the Rechor and the local band was responded to by 1.he: Rector limself.

## NOTICES.

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GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION-A combined meeting of the Cheltenham and Tewkesbury branches will be held at Alderton (by special invitation of the Rev. A. D. Pennington) on Saturday, June 2gth. Bells open 3 o'clock. Service 4.30 . Tea $5 \cdot 30$. Business meeting after. All welcome.-Walter Yeend, Millfield, Tewkesbury Road, Cheltenham, H. Wakeford, Ashchurch, Tewkesbury, Hon. Secs.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. - North and East District.Next meeting at Harrow Weald on Saturday, June 2gth. Bells from 3 p.m. Service at 5. Tea at 5.30 , 1s. each. Stanmore bells available during evening.-C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAF-FORD.-The annual meeting will be held at Lichfeid on Saturday, June 2gth. Bells available: Cathedral (ro) 3 to 3.45 and 6.15 to 7; St. Mary's (8) and St. Michael's (6) from 3. Service in Cathedral 4. Tea at Lloyd's Restaurant 5 , followed by general meeting. Tea will be rs. to those only who have paid their subscriptions; to others, is. 6d.-H. Knight, 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rossendale Branch. -A meeting will be held at St. Nicholas', Newchurch in Rossendale on Saturday, June 2gth. Bells ready at 3.30. Meeting at 6.30 . Expecting a good muster of members and visiting ringers to be present. Subscriptions due. Reports and diagrams to hand.-J. H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 8, Oaklands Road, Edenfield.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD AND ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.-A joint meeting will take place at Epsom on Saturday, June 2gth. St. Martin's bells (ro) available from 3 p.m. Short service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea 5 o'clock.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - The first general quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, June 2gth, at Bakewell. Bells (8) open from 2 p.m. Committee meet (important business) 4 p.m. in Schoolroom. Tea, is. 6 d . per head, at 5 p.m., in Wheatsheaf Hotel. It is hoped everyone possible will attend to support this first general meeting in the new Peak District.-Ernest Morris, Gen. Hon. Sec., 24, Coventry Street, Leicester. SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Divi-sion.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Ringmer on Saturday, June 29th. Tower open at $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service at 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock, business meeting to follow (half fares, maximum 1s. 6d., to members).-Geo. W. Stokes, Hon. District Sec., 22, Melbourne Road, Eastbourne.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Ashford District. -An invitation meeting will be held on Saturday, June 20th, 'at Brabourne, by kindness of the Rev. S. IK. Lockvear. Tower open at 2.30 . Service at 5 o'clock. Preacher: Rev. M. M. Vischer. Tea at 6 o'clock. A cood attendance is looked for on this annual visit.-A. C. Kay, Dis. Sec., 6, Sturges Road, Ashford.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Lincoln District.Next meeting at Bardney (6), Saturday, June $29^{\text {th }}$. Tower open 2 p.m. Notification for tea to Harold Marcon, Dis. Sec., 269, Wragby Road, Lincoln.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. - District meeting, Saturday, June 2gth, at Laverstoke. Bells available 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea at 5. Those requiring tea please notify Rev. F. C. Sear, St. Mary Bourne Vicarage, Andover.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Archdeaconry of Wisbech Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at March Parish Church on Saturday, June 2gth. Bells (6) ready 3 o'clock, recently rehung by Taylor and Co. Usual arrangements, All ringers welcome. A united gathering is hoped for.-H. W. Giddings, ror, Elwyn Road, March.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch. -A meeting will be held at Newhey on Saturday, June 2gth. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. Business: Nominations for officers. - William Horan, Branch Secretary, 2, Greenhirst Hey, Todmorden.

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD. - A ringing meeting will be held at Worth on Saturday, June 2gth. Tower open 3. - George Lambert, Drunamond Hay, E, Grinstead.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at Rothwell on Saturday, June 2gth. Bells available at 3 p.rn. Usual arrangements. - H . Lofthouse, Hon. Sec., 8, Wortley Road, Armley, Leeds.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-A meeting will be held at Barkway on Saturday, June 2gth. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. All ringers and frieads welcome. A postcard from persons requiring tea would be appreciated.-Donald C. Mears, Hon. Dis. Sec., Oftley, Hischin.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 2 $_{37}$ ).-Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on July $4^{\text {th }}$ and I8th, "St. Paul's Cathedral on the gth, Southwark Cathedral on the irth, "St. Nichael's, Cormhill, on the zzrd, St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 251 h ; all at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting after-wards.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S. W. 4 .

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Maidstone Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Wrotham on Saturday, July 6th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30 , followed by tea and business meeting. AlI ringers welcome. Kindly notify me not later than Tuesday, July and.-C. H. Sone, Dis. Sec., Bungalow, Lintor, Maidstone.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Nottingliam District.-The second quarterly meeting of the above district will be held at Bottesford on Saturday, July 6th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. to 8 p.ni.-Fredk. W. Bailey, Local Sec., 42, Rupert Street, Nottingham.
I.ANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. - The next meeting wiil be held at Clitheroe Parish Church on Saturday, July 6th. Bells (a new peal of 8 by Gillett and Johnston) will be avaitable from 3 p.m. Mecting $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Business very important, including nominations for vice-president, treasurer, ringing secretary and Central Council representatives. Every member is expected to make an effort to attend. Other ringers and frionds also welcome. - F. Hindle, 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.

SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GULLD. The next quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, July 6tb at St. John's, Churct, Cefn Coed. Ringing at 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and meeting at 5 p.m. Tea kindly provided by the Vicar and churchwardens.-F.E. Thomas, Dis. Sec., Belle Vue, Brecon.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755)-Quarterly meeting at Great Barr, near Birmingham, on Saturday, July 6th. Bells available at 3 p.m. and after the meeting until S p.m. Tea provided for all those letting me know by July 3rd.-Thomas H. Reeves, Hon. Sec., i 36, Newton Road, Sparkhill, Birmingham.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.- Western District.-Next meeting, Apsley, July 6th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Tea and 'service as usual. All welcome.-W. Ayre.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. - Next meeting will be held at Ecclesfield, Saturday, July 6 h . Bells open early. For tea please advise Mr. F. Mortimer. The Cross, Ecclesfield, not later than July 4 th. This is, most important.-R. Harrison, Hon. Sec., 4 , Baltic Road, Sheffield.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Summer Festival at Haslemere, Saturday, July Gth. Bells (ro) available from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.45 , Followed by meat tea (Is. 9d. per head) in the School Room. Chiddingfold bells (8) also available from 2.30 to $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. and 7 to 8.30 p.m., Godalming from 7 to 8.30 p.m. Those requiring tea notify Mr . R. Hayes, Inverary, Bridge Road, Haslemere, not later than July 2nd.-J. S. Goldsmith, Hon. Sec., Southover, Hackering Gardens. Woking.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-A special meeting will be held at Winchester on Saturday, July 6th, to celebrate the Jubilee of the Guild, when it is hoped that all members will make an effort to be present. Bells at Cathedral (i2) and St. Maurice (6) available for ringing from I p.m. to 4 p.m. . and again after service. Tea in Masonic Hall, Parchment Street, at 4 p.m. Service in Cathedral at 5.15 p.m. Immediately after service the Master (Mr. G. Williams) will arrange for cars to convey ringers to the following towers, where the bells are available for ringing : Bishopstoke (8), Hursley (8), North Stoneham (8) and Twyford (8). Members intending to be present must notify me by Tuesday morning, July 2nd.-G. Pullinger, Hon. Sec.. ${ }_{17}$, Stoke Park Road, Bishopstoke, Eastleigh.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - Northern Division. - A meeting will be held at Colne Engaine on Saturday, July 6th. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Shoft service at 4,30 . Tea will be provided for those who notify me not later than Wednesday, July 3 rá. Earls Colne bells (8) available during the evening.-W. Arnold, Hon. Dis. Sec., Holt Street, Earls Colne.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-The summer festival will be held at Batton-le-Cley on Saturday, July 6th. The bells (8) will be available from 2.45. Short service at $4 \cdot 30$. Tea at 5 . Everybody welcome.-A. E. Sharman, Hon. Sec., 199, High Street N., Dunstable.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Sonning Deanery Branch. - Combined practice at Einchampstead, neat Wokinglam, Saturday, July 6th, fron: 6 till 9 p.m. All ingers welcone.-W. J. Paice, Branch Sec.

LADIES' GUILD.-The annual general meeting will he held at St. Clement Danes', Strand, London, W.C., on Saturday, July 6th. Bells available from 2.30. Service at 4.30 , followed by tea and meeting. Will all who wish for tea please notify me by Wednesday, July 3rd? Edith K.. Fletcher, Hon. Sec., 45, Walsingham Road, Enfield.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckley District.-The next meeting will be held at Sharnford on Saturday, July 6th. Bells available from 3.30 p.m. A good attendance is requested, all ringers being cordially welcome.-W. A. Cope, Smockington, Hinckley'

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Burton District.-The next meeting will be held at Netherseal (at the invitation of the Rector) on Saturday, fuly 6th. Bells (8) ready 3 p.m. Names for tea to be sent to me by July th at latest. Special meeting at Lullington on Salurday, July 20th. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Good attendances requested at both meetings. Further particulars from John Leach, Hon. Dis. Sec., 4, Vernon Terrace, Victoria Street, Burton.
SALISBURy DIOCESAN GUILD.-Devizes Branch. The half-yearly meeting will be held at Trowbridge on Saturday, July 6th. Bells (ro) ready at 2.30. Guild service 4.40 . Tea 5. Business meeting follows tea. All ringers welcone.-F. Green, Hon. Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury District. The autumn meeting will be held at Lyminge on Saturday, July 6th, by kind permission of the Rt. Rev. Bishop Knight. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. Tea arranged for those who notily me on or before Thursday, July 4th.-Percy W. Smith, Fair View, Littlebourne, Canterbury.

SUFFOLK GUILD.-Saxmundham District.-A meeting will be held at Leiston on Saturday, July 6th. Bells ready at 2.30 . Tea will be provided at the Junior Schools at 5.30.-C. F. Baitey, 2o. Haylings Road, Leiston.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. The annual meeting will be held at Taunton on Saturday, July 6th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Evensong (St. Mary's) 4.30 ; Tea and meeting 5 p.m. A supply of 'Slearn' pamphlets is now available, and a further quantity of badges is luing ordered. Numbers for tea, please, by July ist.-J. T. Dyke, Hon. Sec., Chícompton, Bath.

LONDON COLINTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD. - Meetings for July: St. Clement Danes', Sunday, July $7^{\text {th }}$, at 10 a.m., Mondays, ist (quarterly meeting) at 6.30 p.m., isth and $29 t h$, at 7.30 p.m. ; St. Mary's, Lambeth, Tuesday, the gth, at 8 p.m.-S. C. Moye, Gen. Sec.
.ONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOLTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD. - Southern Dis-triet.-A bye-meeting will be held at Beckenham on July 6ith. Ringing 3 o'clock. Service. Tea (by kind invitation of the Rector) at the Parish Hall. Only business: Votes of thanks. Ringing after lea. May I beg you to send me a post tard? It really does help.-J. Herbert, Hon. Dis. Sec., 17, Grimston Road, S.W.6.

HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION will hold their annual meeting, and a six-bell contest, at Mcltham on July 13 th. Draw to take place at 2.45 p.m. A tea will be provided, is. 6d. each, to all who send word not later than July 8th to L. Hargreaves, Hon. Sec., 30 , Banksicld View, Halifax.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Western Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Suckley on Saturday, July $13^{\text {th. }}$. Service at 4 p.m. prompt. Business meeting afterwards. The bells will be available. Tea will be provided for members who notify Mr. Ranford, Suckley, by July roth.-J. Rowlatt, Branch Sec., Old Street, Upton-on-Severn.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch. The next meeting will be held at Tarleton on Saturday, July I $3^{\text {th }}$. Bells available from 2.30. Business: Nominations for officers, also for Central Council representatives. Will those intending being present please notify the Rev. L. N. Forse, Tarleton Rectory, not later than July 1oth?-Fred Rigby, Hon. Sec., 8, Carrington Roarl, Chorley.
SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. - West Dorset Branch.--The quarterly meeting will be held at Lyme Regis ( 8 bells) on Saturday, July $\mathrm{r}_{3}$ th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow.-Reply to T. Hervey Beams, Bradpole, Bridport.
ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Western Division.A meeting will be held at Orsett on Saturday, July 13 th. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea, 5.15 , at Whit more Arms. Will those intending to be present advise the undersigned by Wednesday, July roth?-E. J. Butler, 3, Eustace Road, Chadwell Heath.
ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Eastern Division. The next meeting will be held at Sandon on Saturday, July $13^{\text {th }}$. Bells ( 5 ) available 2.30. Usual arrangements. Danbury bells (5) from 2 till 4 and after tho meeting. Cheap tea to all who let me know not later than Wectnesday, the roth.-H. W. Kirton, Hon. Dis. Sec., Longmeads Coltages, Writlle, Cheimsford.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUIID.- South and West District. A meeting will be held at Ruislip on Saturday, July $3^{\text {th }}$. Ringing from 3 p.m. Tea arranged as usual. Cheap fares on the District Railways. All ringers and friends welcome.-Wm. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W. 4.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION -Chew Deanery Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Wraxall on Saturday, July 13th. Bells available from $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at the Battle Axes at $50^{\prime}$ clock, with business meeting to follow.-Percy G. Yeo, Hon. Local Sec., Long Ashton.
YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Eastern District. The next quarterly meeting will be held at Hatfield, near Doncaster, on Saturday, July i3th. Service at 5, followed by tea in the Victoria Hall, at is. 6d. per head. Names to be sent to Mr. H. Crowe, Town End, neal Doncaster, not later than Wednesday, July roth. Al ringers welcome. - A. B. Cook, Hon. Dis. Sec., 58 Wyndham Street, Hull.
NAVENBY, LINCS. - The opening of the peal of six bells, recast and rehung by John Taylor and Co., Loughbough, will take place on Monday, July 15 th, at 3 p.m Visiting ringers welcome.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-The annual festiva will be held at Oxford on Saturday, July 2oth (i.v.) Service in Cathedral at II.15. Preacher: Rev. R. H. A Bullock, Vicar of St. Laurence, Reading. Busines meeting in Chapter House immediately after service Dinner in Christ Church Hall at I. 30 . Tickets, 2s. each to members who apply for same, with remittance,

Tuesday, July 16 th; 2 s . 6 d . on day of festival ; 3 s . to nonmembers. A collection will be taken at the service for the Guild Restoration Fund. I earnestly beg that all members who intend coming will send for tickets, as it will help easy working for organising officers and caterers. -Richard T. Hibbert, 69, York Road, Reading.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Tonbridge District. -The next meeting of this district will be held at Westerham on Saturday, July 20th. Tower open at 3 . Service at 4.3 . Tea (free) after service, followed by business meeting. Members requiring tea must notify the district secretary not later than Tuesday, July roth.W. Latter, Hon. Dis. Sec., ir, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

SUFFOLK GUILD AND ESSEX ASSOCIATION. A joint meeting will be held at Sudbury on July 2oth. Bells available from 2 p.m. : All Saints' (8), St. Gregory (8) and St. Feter (8). Tea at W. Suffolk Tea Rooms $4.3^{\circ}$ p.m., Is. each. Meeting follows. - Stedman Symonds, 78, Church Street, Lavenham; Walter Arnold, Earls Coine, Essex, Dis. Secs.

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One of the resolutions passed by the Central Council at their last meeting asked each association to appoint a consultant to the Diocesan Advisory Conmittee or Committees in its area. Some years ago the Council made an effort to get the Advisory Committees each to appoint a member who was conversant with bells and bell ringing. The response was very limited in extent, but wherever the suggestion was acted upon, valuable advice has been available to the Committee. Unfortunately many Committees ignored the request. We are not quite certain that they were approached by the right channel, but with some of them, at any rate, the result would probably have been the same from whatever direction the advance was made. On these committees the antiquarian side is aiways strongly represented, and we know of at least one instance where this element deliberately used its influence to keep the nominee of the local diocesan association off the Committee, for reasons best known to itself, but which our readers may very easily guess. It is this sort of prejudice which the ringing associations will find very hard to break down, and it is doubtful whether Advisory Committees with this kind of bias are likely to be any more inclined to consult a 'consultant' than they have been to welcome men with similar qualifications as fellow nuembers of their Committee.

But if this second resolution passed by the Council is to lave any effect at all, it must go further than the minutes of the Council. The associations must act and those who have not got a member on the Diocesan Board or who have no one who is regularly consulted when bell and tower restorations are involved, should take steps to appoint a competent consultant and to let the Advisory Board know that such knowledge and experience is at their disposal. It will probably be best if there is only one consultant for each diocese, and, if his opinions are to carry weight, he must have a practical knowledge which will stand the test of close examination by those who are likely to disagree with him. He must be able, il necessary, to argue his case, because where the antiquarian expert has to be met it would be futile if the 'practical man' could not keep his end up in an argument and fatal to any future acceptance of lis recommendations if his contentions are lightly upset or his prestige damaged. Having found the man with the knowledge necessary adequately to fill the post, the association should then take steps to ensure his recognition by the diocesan authorities. Probably the best way in which this can be done is through some influential clergyman or layman who has the ear of the Bishop. A merely (Continued on page 418.)

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formal letter to the secrelary of the Committee, or to the diocesan for that matter, is unlikely to bear much fruit, unless it happens that either is already interested. But where previous effort to get a member on the Committee has failed it will not be easy to 'break the ice' to secare recognition for a consultant.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

DUDLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE. THE DUDLEY AND DISTRIGT GUILD.
On Satirday. June 29, 7929, in Three Hours and Scventeen Minutes, At the Chorce of St. Thomas,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5057 CHANGES;

## GIL日ERT GOEST.

...Tveble
John Price ...
John Price ... ... ... ... 2 Bendamin Godgh .... Herbert Sifeprard ... .... 3 *ALgert Prestimge, sen. ... 8 Charles W. Cooper ... ... 4 John Goodman, Jon. ... 9 Sampel J. IIughes … ... 5 |hleert Prestidge, jun. Tenor Composed by Wh. Micklewriget. Conducied by J. Coodman, jon.

* Father and son and lirst peal on ten bells and first attempt by both. This peat was runv as a birthiday compliment to tho Rev. Canon A. H. Phelips, Ficat of Jyodley and President of the above Guid.

ST. ALBANS, FERTS.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Suturday, Jute 29, 1929, in Jivpe Howrs and Twenty-Saven Minutes, At the Church on St. Peter,
A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor 23 cwt .
ERNESTH0NT ... .... ...Trablo Fredrrick J. Spicer ... 6 Thomas J. Holl $\quad . . . \quad . . .2^{2}$ William Nash ... Francis Kirk $. . . \quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 3 \quad$ Bhen Jarman $\quad . .$. Adgastin V. Good....


Composed by W. H, L. Buckingham. Conducted by T. J. Hari.

* First peal on ten bells. Rung for evening service on St. Peter's Day, also for the bicontenary of a peal of eight being lung in this tower. The present 3nd, fith and tenor are fhe old belle cast in 1729 by R. Phelps, of Hertford.

BLAGIKBURN, LANCASEIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
Or Saturiay, June 29, 1929, in Thyee Howys and Five Minutes:
At the Cathedral,
A PEAL DF STEDMAN CATERS, 5001 CHANGES;
 John Brown... ... ... ... 2 John Sanderenn ... ... ... 7 Thomas Wilson ...... James W. Grounds... John Bogt ... ... ... .... 5 James Harrisan ... .... .... Tarar

Composed by J. R. Pritchard. Conducted by A. Tombinson.
Rung in honour of the 40 th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Wilson, of Blackburn,

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

HEMEL HEMFSTEAD, HERTS.
THE HERTFORD COUNT'Y ASSOOIATION.
(Western District.)
On Thursday, June 27, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifly-Six Minutes,
At the Chorca of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF WELLINGTON LITTLE COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANDES;
Tenor I9 cwt.

- Francis Tompkins ...
(
Augusia . Good .** ... 2 J. WiLliam Shepherd ... 6 Jack Stopp... .. .... ... 3 Hen Hent Golding ... ... Herbert Gates .... ... 4 Walter Ayre ... ... .... Tenoy Composed by Rev. H. Law James. Conducted by Walter Ayre * First peal. The first peal in the method, which is No. 76 in the Central Courcil Coltection. Rung with a 4th's place bob, and at the first attempt. A birthday compliment to Master Henry Peter Ayre.


## BORDEN, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
OH Saturday, June 29, 7929, in Three Feats and Six Minutes, At the Church of SS. Peter and Pail,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, b040 CHANGES;

## Parker's Six-part.

Ernest J. Dobele ... ...Treble Sample Taylor WILLIAm A WOOD ... ... 2 Stanley B. Dogbie.

Tenor az cwt. in E.

Dobete ... ... 4 WWilliam Gormand

* First peal on eight bells, $\dagger$ First peal in the method. $\ddagger$ First peal. A birthday peal for Percy Spice and for the only daughter of E.J. Dobbie. Rung on St. Peter's Day.

ORMSKIRK, LANCASHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Wiraal Branch.)
On Saturday, June 29, 1929, in Three Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes, At the Parish Chore of SS. Peter and Padre, A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, E376 CHANGES; Tenor 25 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb . in E flat.

$\begin{array}{llllll}\text { John Grease } & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots \text { Treble } & \mathrm{G} \text {. Ronald Edwards ... } & . . . \\ \text { John Worst... } & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & 2 & \text { Thomas Rogers ... } \\ \text { Jon } & . . . & . . & 6\end{array}$ | Joan Bagley | ... | ... | ... | 3 | John Cooke ... ...... |
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| Ralph | ... | 7 |  |  |  |
| 7 |  |  |  |  |  |

 WOODSTOCK, OXON.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GULL.
On Saldrdav, June 29, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene.

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGEs;

Heywood's Transposition of Terersyans' Fodr-part.


| Mrs. Albert E. Lock | ... | 2 | WilliaháStone... | ... | ... | 6 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Albert E. Lock... | .. | ... | 3 | Richard White | ... | .. | 7 |

Williams Simmonds ... ... 4 .Frederick Appleton ...T Tenor Conducted by Walter F. Judge.

* First peal. First peal on the bells since a recent overhaul by Mr. R. White, of Appleton.

RAUNDS, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday. June 29, 1929, in Thee Hours and Sixteen Minutes,
At the Chtrch of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Heywood's Transposition of Thofestans' l'odr-part. Tenor 22 cwt 8 lb .
Henry W. Gayton
...

 Conducted by Thomas R. Hensher.
A birthday compliment to William J. Gilbert, of Raunds, who has just entered his 79th year.

WEST MALTING, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, June 29, 1929, in Three Hours,

At the Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 0024 CHANGES; Tenor 12 cwt. in $G$.
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## ARKSEY, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Doncaster \& District Society.)
On Saturday, June 29, 1929, in Two Hours and Fitty-Six Minutes,
At tee Curch of All Saints,

## a peal af bauble Manwich count mos manor, boga EHANE日er

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 gr. 20 lb . in F. sharp.

- James McCloskey ... ...Treble Arthur Pashley

George Clark ... ... ... 2 Harry Morgan... ... ... 6
Albert Nash ... ... ... 3 † Percy Gledstone ... ... 7
Milton C. Fowler ... ... 4 J. Edward Causer ... ...Tenor
Composed by Artaur Knights. Conducted by J. Edward Caws e

* First peal in the method. + Fires peal in the method away from tie e treble. First peal in the method on the bells.

BROUGFTON-1N-TURNTSS, LANCASHIRE.
TILE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Furness and Lake District Branch.)
On Saturday, june 29, 1929, in Timbre Hours and Twenty Minutes, At the Parish Cedrch of St. Mary Magdalene

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

- Willíam T. Clark
...Treble
Raymond Forseaw
Will eam Robinson
Edwin JEnnings $\quad \cdots \quad \cdots \quad 3$

Com James E. Buries ... ...T Tenor
Composed by Ernest Morris. Conducted by Edwin Jennings.

* First peal of Bob Major. † First peal of Bob Major aw ty from treble. Rung as a birthday compline nt to the conductor,

JFBENHAM, SUFFOLK THE SUFFOLK GULL.
On Saherday, Jthe 29, 1929, in Three Hows and Sixteen Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
a PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 GNANEES, Tenor 20 cwt.
Alfred H. Watson ... ...Treble John A. Godfrey
James Betty $. . . \quad . . . . .42^{2}$ Francis W. Nadnton.. .5
Alpareds J. Berry $. . . \quad . . . \quad 3 \quad$ William C. Romsey .... ... 7
William J. Groom ... .... 4 Tony R. Price ..........Tenor
Composed by G. H. Ceros.
Conducted by W. J. Groom. Composed by G. H. Cross. Conducted by W. J. Groom.
The ringer of the 5 th bell was elected a life member of the Guild.

## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

BLACKWELL, DERBYSHIRE.
EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTINGHAMSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Sanpday, Tum 22, 1929, in 7 wo Hours and Foyty-Eight Minutes,

At the Chorch of St. Weryorge,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Being ten 120's Grandsire, twelve of Plain Bob, twelve St. Simon's and eight Stedman Slow Course.

Tenor 91 cwt .

- W. Parker..

Conducted by F. W. Knowles.
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SULGRAVE NORTFANTS
THE TOWCESTER AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. On Wednesday, Jute 20, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Chorch of St. James-the-Less.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES; Teaor 10 cmt .
J. T. Maradheater ..Trable C. Hinton
S. Daniels ... ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by W. J. Chester.
J. Mardelf is a local man; tho rest hail from Lois Wesdoc. HOLKHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORFOLK GUTLD.
On Thuysday, June 27, 1929, in Thite Howys and One Minnte, At the Chorch of St. Withabitga. A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Boing one 720 atch of Oxford Boh, St. Clement's, Oxford and Kent Troble Bob, and thee 720's of Plajn Bob. Tenor 19: cwt. in E.
Rev, B. 「yhwhitt-Drake Treble James H. Raper
John A. Godfrey
Cldode Cousins... ... ... 5 Tony Price ... ...

## Conducied by Tony Price

Jijust peal on the bells.

## TASTR PECKHAM, KINT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Thursday, June 27, 1929, in Twa Howys and Fifty Minules,
At the Ceorch of St. Mychazl,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 504O CHANQES:

Being two $72 h^{\prime \prime}$ each of Oxford and Kent 'lieble Bob and Canterbury Pleasurb, and 720 al Plain Bob.

Tenor $16 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Alegrt Relfe
Mrs. H. Baker.-

| .. | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ Treble |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| .. | $\ldots$ | ... |
| 2 |  |  | at 3 Thomas E. Sone

... ...Temo Conducted by Alberi Rezye

* Tirst peal in four methods. i Firat tutempt for a peal of Minar. Rung as a farewell to the Rev. \&. C. F. Ryley, who is leaving East Peckham to become Domeslic Chaplain to the Bighop of Rochester.

HORTON, STAFFORIDSHIRE.
TEE NORTH STAFFS' AND DISTRIOT ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Junt 29, 1929, in Two Hours und Forty-Four Minutes,
At the Chorce of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
13 cimg 720 each of Ipswieh and Cambridge Surprise, Drake of Tork, Wrambine, Violet, Kent and Oxford.
William Hazeldine ... ...Treble Charles S. Ryles
JOHN E. WHEKLDON ... .... 3
Conducted by Jor

- Walter Longman Tenor 11 cwt.

GEORGE LIIDDULPH ... ... 5
James Walley ... ... ...Temoy 5 hin ringera, who hai from Lawton, Cheshine. W. Hazeldine haids Irmm liddulph, whe others from Norton. The visitors wish to thank lher Rev, Th, Wheoldon for tho use of the bells,

BPAUNTON-ON-ARIVOW. TERBMORTSETRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUMD.

1) Suturday, Jun 29, 1929, in Two Hours and Fovty-Nine Minutes,

At the Chorch of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Hundr tho 720's of Canterbury Plensure, and one cach of April Day, 1'ithatn's, Martis', Plain Fiah and Grandsire, Tenor 6a cwt. Jamez Prerace famus E . Frитт... G. JAhys R. Price

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& \text {..Treble William Evans ... } \\
& \text { William Richards } \\
& \text { Robert G. Fletcher }
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$$4

hatige an and in honoly of St. Poter's Day. First peal in four malliouls on the bells and by fll the band.

## WARGRAVE RECRUITS.

THo Tlamas-side village of Wargrava boasts of a band of 17 ringers, five recinits litring recently joincel. Some steady spadewnite is lusing ciono and an endervour mado to maintain interest maner both gid and new ringors.

Sno June 25th, in bonone of the Yicar's wodding, which took piace in Iorkshiva wa that day, a quarter-ncal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 Chagrsy wils rung in 48 mimates, with 4,6 , 8 covering: W, Boegis 1 , F. Muxton 2, T. Wethernll 3, A. Mny 4, r. Brant. jus, 5, C. Buxton 6. I. Rrant, sen. (conductor), 7, J. Collyer 8.

# FASKETON, SUFFOLE. <br> THE SDFFOLK GULD. <br> On Suxday, June 30, 1929 , in Two Hours and Fovty-Five Minutes <br> At the Churce of St, Andrew. 

A PEAL DF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Beide seven 720's eacl called difierently.
Tenor 9 ext.

-James W. Smith ... ...Tyeble| Thomas C. Ward | Alfred B, King | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | William A. Woons | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Charles Aslity | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | 5 |  |
| George W.Ablitt | $\ldots$. | .. | Tengp |  |  | Conducted by George W. Abliti.

* First peal.


## HANDBELL PEAL.

MANCEESTER.
THE GHESTER DIOQESAN GUILD.
Om Thursday, Jue 27, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,

## At íb, Lime Grove,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 6065 CHANGEB; Tenor size 18 in $G$.
Frrderick Page... $\quad . .$.
Hatiold Jackson ...
Peter Lafin
9-10
Composed by Edgar Bennezt. Conducted by Alifn F. Batrex.
Tung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. A. Barnes.

## BELLS AND THE PUBLIC.

Considerable atteation has ben cirawn to the ringivg of church belis by a letter which appeared recently in 'The Daily Mail,' from Mr, G. E. C. Kendle, of $7 \mathrm{I}^{2}$, Lowisham Park, S.E.13, who complaned of the ringing of tho bells at Lewistam, and asked if they came under the head of public nuisances. He added :
-The jingle-jengle must be heard before the extent of the nuisance can he conceived. On Monday, June Jrd, for instance, the belle begat at 6 am. and rang for 55 minutes. I got up and went to the church and protested to the clief bellringer.

On Sunduys the bells ring from 10.15 to 10.50 , and often from $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{mL}$. to 6.25 .

Ont Thurslay the ringers surpassed thenselves, singing from 6.30 to 8.35 willout a stop.
'Lhese belis are not pealed; and they are rang without discrimination, methof, or rhythm

I fim nost prejudfeed against church belle, but they slould be chimed rhythmically $a n d$ tunefully.

One of the difficulties with complaints of this kind is that the ordinary public, reading such a letter, is unaware of the motives that have prompted it. Mr. Kcadle is, we are informed, a schoolmaster at Lewisham, and lives 300 or 400 yards from the cluurch, and not long ago he publicly complatned of St. John's bells, which are about a mile away from his holse.
The ringing on June 3 rid was, of course, to celebrate the Kitg"s birthdip, and that 'on Thursday" was a peal attempt, which came to rrief just before half-way, and when the names of the hand are known (f,. Warnett, sen., A. W. Coles, J. Bennett, H. Warnett, jum. T. Garraid, J. Dafters, J. F. Davis and C. W. Roberts), the sugeeslion that ithese bells are not pealed, and they are rung without diserimigation, method or rhythm, is really too funny-to ringers. Thnhappily, the misrepresentation in the public Press cannote bo countered by such knowledge, and Mr. Kendie may probably be welI satisfied that his complaint received so much notice.

Pcople who make complaints of this kiad are not always prompted entirely by public motivas; there is sometimes personal feeling belined them. It would be interesting to know if there is nlyything behind this present attempt to stir up trouhle at Lewisham, where in the forty years' oxporience of Messers. H. Warmett, sen., and C. H. Walker there las been only ane previous complaint.

## DURFAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION

The members of the Southera District held theiv meeting at Staildrop on Saturday, June 15th. Therte was a good attendance of ringors, the following towers being represented: Darlingtwn, Holv Thinity, St. John, St, Cuthbert, Bishop Auckland, Shildon, Hivrworth. Gainford and the local tower, members of the Newcastle Cathedral Band, also members of the Oleveland and North Forkshive Associntion, from North Ormeshy and Ripon. Touches of Bob Major, Domble Norwich, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob Major, Stedmay and Grandsire Triples, Cambridge Surprise Minor and Bob Minor were sung during the afternoon and evening. Twenty-thret ringers saf down to a good tea, arranged by Mr. $\mathbf{H}$. Shipp, captain of the local hand.

A vote of thanks the Vicar, the Rev. H. S. G. Splarrier. for the 1150 of the hells was passed and it was decided to hoiki the uexi meet ing at Shildon on Saturday. September 7th.

## SECESSION OF GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL Fo the Editor.

Sir,-In roply ta the hon. secretary of the Central Council, I beg to point out that he has entirely misinterpreted my remarks regard. ing the sum of $£ 4,000$. I did not state that the Central Council had received approximately $£ 4,000$.
However, to make clearer wr point stated in "The Ringing World, of May 31st, I give the following:-
(The following figures are extracted from the hon. treasurer's books of the Gloucester and, Bristol Diocesam Association of Church Belluingers.)
It has cost this association to be represented at 16 Council meetings the sum of $£ 3519 \mathrm{~s}$. 1d., an average of 425 s . per annum. Aggregating the 36 years that the association was affliated or represented, this totals $£ 81$.

Take this average as a basis for 32 affiliated associations, Guilds nud societies, the total is 82,592 . To this adal the sum received by the Conneil in affiliation fees (I have not included these in the extractis from the how. Ereasturer's bools), the total is 83,242 (not far off my mark). So you see, Sir, what affilietion to the Central Couneil has cust associations and members.

Now, I ask, are the associations entitied to express their opinion upou mattors of importance to the Exercise and instruct their members how to vote?

I contend that, the sooner the Central Council realise that they sue in axistence to create Sunday serwiee ohurch bellimgers, and that scientific maticers are of an asida nature, the better for the future of the Exercise.
There should be a greater stimutus from the Central Council to urge the well advanced ringers to teach young ringers.
One point of Mr. Young's lettor is interesting, that is, he states that the Council has $£ 130^{\circ}$ in hand or invested. Had he mentioned this in his statement of accounts printed in your journal of May 17 th, would it have infuenced the guestion of associations paying larger Affliation fees?

Now, to turn to Rev. C. D. P. Davies' letter, re the last two or three lines of your opening parugraph in your leader of May 31st, Which Rev. Davies most cordially endorses, might I say that I, too, most cordially endorse what you have stated in your views. Furthermote, I can assura you that an effort was made to place the matter for discussion upors the Central Gouncil agendia, but, alas! as I have previouly stated, the members of the Council are afraid, or too reserved, to bring the matter forward even though for a healthy discussion. I have correspondence to substantiate this fact that an effort was made.

Having failed in that direction, I reverled to what has been attempten hefore hy leading members of this association in 1912 and -ther periods luefore that.

The late Mr. Raymond (Jack) Wilkins was one of the most clearminded of men, and his sole object was the welfare of the assacistion and its younger members. He proposed in 1912 that the assaciation slnould cease affilation.
Mr. F. K. Fowalk, a stalwart of this association for nearly 50 Jeans, has periodioally remarked that the association merely wasted money by reanaining nfiliated, and urged that the money should be spent by eending the 'representatives' to our towers to teach the Folusg rimgers. Can it be said that these men were 'fogged'?

Mr. F. G. May, who was once a memher of the Council, afterwards tried to reduce the number of representatives from this association.

Mr. Howeld was, with Mr. Wilkine, anxious to keep to the most important point, i.e., the fundamental principle of teaching ringers to ring the bells of the House of God and for His service, not to the point as to whether to ring what the Centra] Council described or prescribed.
After all, Mr. Dawies must agree with me that the main object of our heing ringers is to ving the bells for Sunday service, and we should be hetter served in our organisation if the Central Council made effarls to fill the empty towers ind athach ringers to the ringerless rapes.
With regard to his points, I think further comment is necessary. 1. I must rensind him that the president of the Council definitely stated to a nomber: 'You are not here as a delagate,' and in view of this I do not agree witly what Mr. Duvies writes.
Personally, I should not fand I do not think any member of the Council would) disregard the words of the president and continue as a delegate, even though Mr. Davies now suggests that this is what thay happen. At this point I would remind him of the question of - Diplomas for young ringers.

This item was placed upon the agenda of this association in 1928 (aceording to its reference from the Central Council), and he will remember that there was a difference of opinion, but without fuld diacussion lie, ag chairman, said, Of courge, we leave that to the members' own discretion.' As a member of the Council at that time, I was anxious to have the views of my association, but could not get it.
2. The ruling of the president was not wrong, and some few days ego I wrote him stating that I considered his ruling just, aecording to the rules of tis Conneil.
3. The motion from this association was in the hands of the Cewtral Council in plenty of time to have seen rectified, had the Central Council intimated that the motion was nou in correct order.
4. I have had advice upon this matter, and I refer it to the Central Council that they might bave an opinion from its Legel Committee.

Associations are constituted hodies for one yoar only. clearly made out, as it is with this association, that the . If it is Council cannot be aceepted as binding, than the rules of the association come first and formost, and when the motion to cease affliation is passed, there is the end of it. And that being so the fees are not payable. The hon. secretary of the Central Council has been good enough to confirm this in a letter of his dated April 25tb, as follow' :
"I cannot gite you the name of the person, inasmuch as the money was sent anonymously on behalf of the Gloucester and Gristol Association. But, of course, should your association elect to withdraw at your annual meeting, the money can be returned to you.' Therefore, Mr. Davies wilh see that tho money was not payable gecording to our rules and according to the hon. secretary of the Genfral Caun-
It is impossible for the ofteials of this association to run counter with the officials of the Central Council or to the rules of that body, because in 1920 this association (with other associations) informerl the Central Counci that they could not necept the rules of the Gentral Council as binding.
If $I$ was wrong in regard to the holding of affiliation fees, as Mr. Davies asserts I was, would it not he proper for the hon. secretary of the Central Council to write to the executive committee and complain of my action? No, Sir, the action of the hom, secretary appears to negative the motion upon our agenda by accepting anonymous affliation fees.
As then, and now, the Central Cauncil will leave no stone unturned to reserve its autocracy

With regard to the comfort that Rev. Davies speaks of in his last statement, I might mention that I forecast this to Mr. Cave at the conclusion of our mecting, and I agree with the selection and election of Mr. Cave as as 'permanent' member of the Council. I sincerely hope that this will prove to be so.
My contention is this, give the menbers of ercry Guild throughaut the country a chance to bring matters of importance before the Central Council, not by haplazard methods, but by a duly constituted rule in both the Central Council rules and that of itg affliated bodies.
It would be ridiculous for any member to quote rules of the Central Council to tha ringers of Englend, as they do not know, and, so far as my experience and knowledge goes, they da not care, what the rulos are.

I would add a quotation fram a speech by the late Sir A. P. HeyFood at the inauguration of the Council

They had yet to make a position for themselwes; and it depended upon the judgment with whick their decisions were drawn up, whellier the Council would come to be regarded as the final authority upon all ringing matters.

What was the reply to this of 80 per cent. assaciations affiliated in 1920? And, furthermore, why?
I reiterate my statement. Upon all matters of importance to the Exercise the associtions should decide which way their representatives voted. Upon scientific matters (which nre of seconclary importance to the Exercise) they would use their own discretion.
The Literature and Press Committee of the Central Council are somowhat anticipating in regard to chureh bells and street noises. I could name many towers in the west where peal ringing used to take place avery few weeks, and at that timo there was Sunday service ringing. In these places there are no Sunday service ringors now, and peal ringing is gone for ever.
As long as parishioners are accustomed to the sound of bells there is no fear of their being suppressed, but immediately a lapse oceurs then they prefer the sileace.
To stimulate ringing by helping struggling Guilds and by gratually filing the empty rigging clambers should be the foremost point of Bll mssociations, and should be tho maic policy of the Central Council of Church Bellringers.
In conclusion, I would paint aut to Rev. C. D. P. Davies that the annual meeting of this association was cxtensively adyerfised and copies of the molions spread breadcas. I regard the smell attendapce as an indication of approval given to the motion, otherwise members would have been there to defend the Couccil. The other 34 members supporting the motion must reply, if necessary, to the point as to whether they were 'fogged, 'hut I rather fancy that they have sufficient intellect to know which way to vote.- Yours faithFully,

> Late Member of the Central Coumeit.

OXFORD.-On Friday, June 28th, at Now College Lower, in 52 mintatos, 凡 quarter-peal of Stechan Caters, 1,061 changes: A. Dubber 1, W. Blake 2, W. Brighan 3, W. H. B. Wilkits 4, $\mathbb{S}$. Hounglow 5, W. G. Collett 6, W. F. Judge (conductor) 7, V. Beanett 8, W. Simmonds $9, G$. Horwoot 10. Rung on the collegt commemoration day.

## IN THE GARDEN OF ENGLAND <br> WHERE JAMES BARHAM RANG. <br> BY W. H. T

Following his annual practice, Mr. Irank Bemeti, of Briduton, spend Whitsuntide in the connty of Kent, where Mr. H. Parkes, with Ashford as a centre, kindly fixed up live towers for peal aitempts during a thvee days' stay. Members of the Kent Cotniy Association ralled remad to halp the visitors, and the respective clergy and towerkepers did their sinre to welcame them, and the result was mosi satisfactory to all concerned both as to the weather and peals accomplished. A word of praise is due to the Southern Raibay Compary and the Cambrian bus serviee, wha did yeoman work to convey muscs of holiday folk through the 'Garden.' Their effciency allowed the ringers to fulfil the prog'amme, even if "corridor stand, Wus cujoyed by the London mon on homeward way
The Clarch of SS. Mary and Ethelburga, Lyminge, has not lost any of its historical interest. I'lie marble tablet beside the south porch reads: "Tlac Burial Place of St. Ethelburga the Queen foundress of this Churd and firgt Abbess of Lyminge, A.D. 638-47. The relics of the Queen were removed in 1085 to St. Gregorys, Can terbhry, by Lanfranc. She was a denghter of Ethelbert, King of Font, 633, and portions of the origimal church founded by her are now wisble, after a blousand years' interval. Excavations and restiorabions reveal Roman, Saxon, Norman and Danish periods, the lust-mumed of destraction in their carious raiding expeditions to Enge lnid, hefore the Norman Conquest. The tower, irsually of most inberest to ringers, was built by Cardinal Morton, complated in 1527. The bells, dativg from 1631 , were cast iuto a ring of six, the trebles added in 1904 with new steel frame and fittings complete. They form a pleasing octave, tinging being carried on from the ground Hoor opers to the nave.
Mr. J. Steddy, of the ganden of Eden-brigge, has vivid recollections of the excuvated rums. Some 25 years ago lie made a nose dive' into then whilst hurrying to the tower on a dark night for a peal athempi with the writer. Since then fron railings have been erected alongide the path. For muny years Mr. W, E, Pitman, M.B., was organisi at this church before moviug to Canterbury, and there are several ringers in the county who liave lad the pleasure of acting as 'mutst ' pro tem. lo his young offisping, so that 'Father' might take purl in a "tauch ${ }^{1}$ on practice nights. Mr. J. F. Cheeseman, owo hergan his career as a conductor with a peal of Minor in this town oll the old six bells, was born a few miles away, and we find the sathe family name in peals recorted by Barlam, that man of Kent, al Maidstone more than a century and a half ago

The towerkceper, Mr. Tanton, met the company at the clurch. He is well over 70 years of age, nnd is still a "goer.' Ho asked most kindly after the henlth of Harry Barton, of Deal, and his walking mate, who both took part in the first peal of Major on the bells with lim-a gentle reminder, of anoliep quarter-century gone.

The 'unexpocted' is proverhial in ringing outings, and the be gimings of this ome were very dismal when two man were marked up 'absem winhat leave,' The Lom Bishop, who resides beside the ehtureh, suwed tino situation by uot only granting permission to ming but allowing the use of his telephono as woll. The missing coluple were 'rullg up,' and so on afterwards switelad into Double Norwich to tho glary and honour of Oqeen Ethelburga.
On leaving the churols, the party complied with the lefter of the L. Y. law by gathering round a small wooden box divided into 24 squares. They privalely placed the condenis of the box into the nverted hathdstrake tildum posilion. Renders wil] sympathise with the Ameritati prolibition tactins of the company when it is known that the eontetits suited all palates.

## AT GANTERBURY AND ASEFORD

At Sti. Stephen's Church, Canterbury, the absence of Mr. E. Buesden. through indisposition, was ropretted. His excellent substitote well earmed the 'star' accorcled him in the peal list. At the conclusion of the peal, local listeners congratulated the bant at 9.30 mm ., whilst local elosing hours, 10.30 , fillowed the latter to enjoy theit gecond repast sinco early morning. The organiser met with another difficulty on the wry home. A huyst tube of the motor-cyole menat a five-mile walls in the clear meonlight for him and Mr. Pillion Cheeseman. At Llin lime of witing, the Whitsurn 'death roll' of mator cyclists number 21. A few move are on tho 'same way home, and it is rumoured that Prokes is on the list of eligible riders.
On sumday, at Ashford, to quole from an I8tly century peal board, "The exponents of the grand art of change ringing ascended the noble campunile of the Parish Church and rang that ingenious peal, known to the Exereise as... There were IG men present to do duty for the $10.30 \mathrm{~d} . \mathrm{m}$, matins, and some of them, it is to be feared, rid mot, ationd the 5 am . ringmg to honour the gayest of the Church's festivals by an early morning peal. However, what was done was well done jn Stedman, Donbla Nowwich and Superlative, and ila visitors' hook duly signed
The ehurch, dedicuted to St. Mary, has a tall and handsome central Lower, a landmark proniment. for many miles in all direntions, surmounled with nassive turnets at arch corner, and finished oach will spirat and weather vane. Theme is much ascillation when the bells noe rung in monds. Most of the towerg in this part of the
county are very similar in outline, and lake after the Bell Harr tower at Canterbury Cathedral. There are ten bells, the two "dead trebles employed for tune chiming, which ure none too happy in their gelection, one for each day of the week. The majarity of the old eight were cast by Hatch about 1620.
At Harrietsham, the Vicar kindly permitted a Sunday aftemoon pal, the attempt for Superlative lasting an hour. The completaly new peal of bells, frame and futings, left the two men conecraed no. ercuse for the failure, Afer tea, the party rang for service a 5.30 p.m. The tower is at the west end of the mave, witli a large Gothic archway now filled up with the new organ, destroying tee view of windows east and west the entire lenglif of the church.
There have been three different ringing floors-the present beneath the bells and the former one on groturd foor, where the iron sally guides are still to be seen. The original ringing foor, where the Lewham and Leeds company did so much ringing-after the eight bells were put in in 1742-was level with the head of the west doar and liad an open balcony on the nave side. It was reached by the same old stone stairs, but the foor is now built up

## OLD PEALS RECALLED

An old peal board has been saved, and is row on the walls. The following are the lines recorded:

Izi this Tower was completely Rung by the Lealiam Compary the following eight-bell peal, viz. December 8th, 1746, was :17ng 10,08i changes of that admired Peal call'd Bob Major Deublea, in 7 hour by John Epps tireble, Saml. Grayling 2nd, Thas. Barham 3rd, James Barlam 4th, Abm. Barham 5th, Wm. Fuint 6th, John Freeland 7th Jolm Hunt tenor

March 5 th, 1743, was ruug a Musieal Peal of 6,720 Chauges of Oxford Treble in 4 hours 21 minutes, inciuding Jacob Blundeli and Beajn. Walker

Iune 13tl, 1743 , was rung 6, 720 色oh Major in 4 haurs 31 mińuteb including Wilm. Eagles.
N.F.-Here wass also Rung 5,040 Bob Major (including Nichls Grayling and Ifeu Plane), also 5,040 Rob Major Triples, 5,040 Plain Bolb Triples, 5,040 Fullam Triples, 10,080 Bob Major and 5,040 Bob Major Doubles Reversed.

The above Ringers first Instituten the Leeds Society, whose par formance in Ringing has not heen equalled by any Society of Ringers And there is now surviving Saml. Grayling, John Treciand, Abrm Thos. and James Barlinm, and Jolm Hunt, who new erected this In scription, end these six Ringers, with the assistance of Thos. Lacey and Willm. Davis, Rumg at Leeds Jamuary lat, 1793, 5,040 Rob Major in 3 hours 12 minutes, whose ages when andrled together is 577 years And it is Remarkable that this Peal completes one Hundred peals Rung at different Places not less than 5,040 changes each by the above James Terliam. 1794. R. T. Bottle.

Farham's 'century' is probably the first recorded by any chang ringer. On exrmining his peal book it will be seen the two 1743 performances mentioned on the tablet are not recorded in it.
There is a framed card which says: "Peal of 8 Bells were cast at Whiscohapel in 1748, and that Thos. Loster cast I4 peals for the county of Kent between 1735 and 1769.
There is a doubt as to this being the fact. Six bells were cast in 1742, and two trebles Edded, and the 5thr recast in 1744, accordine to the ingcriptions. Surely the old Kent veterans never broke three new bells in two years.
(To be continuid.)

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

A must successiul meeting of Souning Deanery Branch was held at Wargrave on Saturday, June 15th. Ringing commenced at 3.30 on the fitse ring of bells, situated near the River Thames. Sorrice was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. S. M. Winter), who aftemards kindly showed the ringers the points of interest in this mos bean tiful church, now completely restored after being almost totally destroyed by fire early in 1914
Tea followed in the Parisls Room, kindly provided by the Wicar The Fing. Sectetary sat dow.
The Fion. Secretary, Mr. W. J. Paice, gave notioe that flon nexi combined practice would be at Tinchampstead in July, and that joint meeting with the Farnham District of the Guildford Diocesan Guild and the Basingstake District of the Winchester nud Ports mouth Diocesan Guiki would be bedd at Fawley, Hents, ou Augus 31 st
The Secretary, an behalf of iluse present, tianked the Vicar for the use of the bells, for conducting the service aud for providing such a bountiful tea; and the organist, who kindly ationded great ineonvenience. The Viear briefly replied, and invited thos prosent to take a walk ronnd the Vicarage grounde.
Owing to illness no further ringing could he done at Wargrave but af Twoford good use was made of the bells until mine o'clock the methods rung heing Geandsire, Stedman, Bob Mujor, Trebl Bob, and Lithle Bobs Major, with rounds for leginners. The tower represented were Binfield. Boyno Fill, Gookham, Finclampstead Furst, Hillingdon, Slongh, Twyford, Wargmwe, Wokinglam (Al Saints'), while the Mastey and Lhe general secretary of the Guild were also preseat.

## THE HISTORY OF BELLS AND RINGING

## To the Editor.

Sir,-The very line report of the Literature and Press Committee of the Cendral Counci, quoted in your sssue of June 7th, p. 361, mentions the publication of the splendid volume, ' Bells Through the Ages," which is, as stated, a grcat addition to bell literature. One has anly to sec the favourable criticisms of it in many of the leading papers and magazines, aud to hear of the enthasiasm which it has evoked in outside circles, to know that it really fills a longfelt want, i.e., a comprehensive work giving all sides of the subject of bells, viz., early history, celpbrated bells, founding, decoration, change ringing, chimes, cerillons, legends, etc. It has met with a splendid reception, and can be looked upon as a standard work of referenee in this many-sided subject.
The 'L. and P.' Committee then stato that a further work is in course of preparation, and $I$ assume (I trust correctly) this refers to the work I have now been commissioned to write on the "History of Change Ringing.' Whereas Mr. Nichols work deals almost enfrely with the many phases of hells, mine is to be on ringing. Already, in response to my last appeal in these columns, I liave had much help from many ringing friends all over the world, and vaitsable MSS. and books kindly lent, as well as bistorical data copied for me. I have now completed several chapters, dealing with the commencement and growth of clange ringing, early ringing sociotics, ancient peal records, etc., and many other sides of our intercsting art and science.'
Hay I onct more appeal to ant ringers who have, or know of, any ancient accounts of ringing in the old days, old peal records or suchlike, kindly to let me know, or send copies for insertion in my forthcoming book, which I want to be as comprehensive as posible.
I arm sincerely grateful to the many wha have already sent me much valnable information. - Fours sincerely,

ERNEST MORRES.
24, Covenley Slreet, Leicester.

## A BISHOP IN A CATHEDRAL BELFRY

On Sunday aftermoon, June 16th, Bishop Thomas, of U.S.A., ascended the 250 steps to the Durlam Gathedral belfry, and watched the ringing for the aftermoon sarvice. Ha said ho was delighted, as he had never seen bells rung before. It would be interesting to know if a Bishop has sat in a Cathedral belfry and watched ringing for a service on any prerious occasion.

THREE GENERATIONS PEAL.
COMMEMORATION BOARD UNVELED,
A peal of Kent Treble Bob Royal was rung at Stockton Parish Churca in 3 lirs. 25 mins. on March 15th, 1924. A unique feature of this peal was that threa generations of the Newton family took part in it, their respeotive ages being at that date 68, 44 , and 19 . The ringers were as follows: William Newtor (grandfather) 1, William L. Newton (grandson) 2, James W. Newtoll (father) 3 , Alfred E, Bacan 4, Rev. Albert Simpson 5, Thomas Hensher 6, William Ellerington 7, Thomas Laneaster 8, Thomas Metcalfe 9, Joseph E. Sykes (conductor) 10.
To commemorate this peal, a board was unveilod on a recent evening by the Rev, G. W. Froggett, M.A., Vicar of Stockton, and a number of rimgers from the district atiended the ceremony
Mr. Froggett made reference to the fact that Mr. W. Newton has been connected with the church and belfry for over 55 years, and expressed the hope that le and his family would continue their counection for many years to came.
As the board was unveiled and the ringers read the inscription, memoriem of the conductar, his genial persanality snd his peverfailing enthusiasm for peal ringing came back to them. They raalised with profound regret, that 'Uncle Joe' will conduct no more parls on this side of the reil
The bells were rung in Grandsirs and Stedman Caters both before and after the ceremony, the three geacrations taking pari.

## LAVENHAM RINGING ANNIVERSARY

A verp happy gathering took place nt SS. Peter and Paul's Church on Saturday, June 22nd, when upwards of thirty wisitors joined the local society for the ringing anniversary. During tho afternoon and evening several short touches on thess far-famed bells were rumg, the methods being Grandsire, Stedman, Plain Bab, Doublo Norwicli, Kent. Oxford, Gambridge and Superlative. Tho handbells were alsh brought into use. Among those present were Messrs, G. B. Lucas (Walthamstow), J. Lee (Streatham), T. King (Shipley, Yorks) and Mise K. Willers (Tumpington, Cambs). Other places represented were Bury St. Edmunds, Cornard, Culford, Colchester, Coggeghall, Berglacit, Forpham St. Martin, Grotoa, Falstead, Hassett, Horringler, Long Melford, Little Waldingfield, Sible Hedingham, Otiey anci Wallington (Surtey)
The ringers wish to thank the Rey. G. Lennos Conyngham for the use of the bells, awd Mr. A. Symonds, towerkecper.
On the Sunday evening following, an attempt for a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, artanged specially for Messers. Ti. King and G. B. Lucas, came to grief after 1,180 changes of excellent striking.

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Holt's Original was rung for the first time on July 7th, 1751, at St. Margaret's, Westmingter, when the composer calker' it from manuscript.

Carter's odd-bob peal of stedman was rumg, non-conducted, on handuells by the College Youths on July 10th, 1917.
Father and son rang their first peal of Grandsire Caters at their first attempt at Dudley last Salurday, and a correspondent asks if this is the first time this has been done.
A sentence of two months' imprisonment was passed at sendwich, Kent, on Monday week, on Charles Reynolds, who was accused of assaulting bis uncle, Alfred Reynolds, in the belfry of St. Peter's Church. Mr. Alfred Reynolds is the sexton, and the asseult took place while he was engaged in ringing the curfew. It was snid that the younger man came to the belfry and shouted like a madman. Fe then struck his uncle on the cheok and in the mouti.

## THE YOUNG BRIGADE.

At the age of 11 years 4 months, Master F. J. Bowley, jun., of Kirbv Muxloe, near Leicester, rang a peal of Doubles, 5,040 clanges, on five bells (no cover). Is this the earliest age yet in peal records?
W. P. Whitehead called Holt's Original twice before his 16th birtluday. His first peal as conductor, however, was Superlative one montl after his 15 th birthday. Before he had turned 18 years he had called 40 peals and headed tho M.C.A. conductors' list in 1925.
The correspondent who sends us the above particulars says lie is unable to answer Mr. E. H. Spice's query regarding a seved-method peal. but he woukl Jike to ask a similar question in regard to the following methods, all rung at the age of 14 years by w. P. Whitelnead: Stedman Triples, Grandsire Trjples, Treble to Cambridge Major, Superlative, Oambridge, London, Kent Treble Bob Majar, all rung 'inside' with the one exception, and the total for the year 17 peals.

Among others who lave made an early start ju peal ringing lave been E. G. Matthews (youngest son of Mr. J. D. Matthews), who tana 1-2 to a handbell peal of Bob Major at the age of 13 y years, and Farold J. Witchell, son of the late Mr. Bernard Witchell, who rang the 5 th at St. Chod's R.C. Cathedral, Birminglamm, to a peal of Stedman Triples when he was 13 years 10 months old.

## PEALS OF MINOR. <br> \section*{To the Editor.}

Dear Sir,-I have followed with interest the controversy on the question of the necessary conditions for a peal of Minor, nud I think that those who are interested in the matter would do well to pause and consider why the ruling in the 'Rules and Decisions' was framed.
In the "eighties' a habit lata grown up of ringing fourteen 360 's all in different methods; and these performances were considerad by some to be superior to seven 720 's in different methods. But, when tho fact that in ringing a 'half-extent" the tenors could alwnys be kept together was taken into consideration, it became apparent that these performances wore inferior to, and not in adrance of, the seven 720's. Hence the ruling as it at present stands.-Yours, elc.,
E. BANKTE JAMPS.

Seafield Park, Fayeham.

## CUMBERLANDS AT EPSOM

One of the oldest and the youngest of ringing sorieties fraternised on Saturday at Epsom, when the Ropal Cumberland Youtlis and the Guildford Diocesan Guik held a joint meeting. The Cumberland came from a wide district round London, and included three generations of one family from Crayford, with 'Teldy, jum., with recent Eelolarship honomrs sitting lightly upon his shoulders, the yroungest among Cumberlands. The Master of the Royal Society superyised the ringing, which beran wilh rounds on the plessant peal of ten for some of the least experienced. Grandsine and Stedman Caters, Cam. bridge Royal and London and Bristol Surprise Majar followed.
The Rector (the Rev. C. R. P. Muir) had arrangen a deliglitful service, the full choiv being uresent and rendering music, including an anthem, worthy of a full charch. Tea was servod in the adjoining Church Fall, formerly a hrewery, and now housing many of the pargehial activities, including it hoxing saloon. in which, in the winter, the jockey apprentices of this world-famed racing centro disport themselves. The Rector is a man of wide views and sympathics, and his welcome to the two societies was wholehearthe. Ho presided at the tea and was accompanied by Dr. C. F. Waters, the organist. Mr. J. D. Mathewa, the Cumberlands' Master, mroposed a very cordial vote of thanks to the Rector and choir, and this was seconded by Mr. J. S. Goldsmith, who welcomed the Cumberlands t the area of the Guildford Diocesan Guild. Thrs Rector replied, and the memhors then returned to the cower fny furthev ringing.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL

(Voncluded from page 410.)

## AFINLLATION FEE INCREASED.

Ln the absence of Mr. E. W. Elwell, who had had to leave the aneeting, tha Rev, C. W. O. Jenkyn moved: '(a) That homorary members puy an alfiliation fee of 5 s . each per annum; (b) that associations in future pay a fee of $5 s$. per representative per annum.' Mr. Jenkyn said the reason for the proposal was that the Coural cartainly wanted more money. They were going on to-day with the sume affliation fee that they started with, which, he thought, could herdly be said of gnything else. Prices bad all gone up, but the Council weat on with the same affiliation fee. In these days the associations were considerably better in funds than theg were when the Conncil began.-The Rev. C. A. Clements seconded.

Hr. J. Bunt moved that the portion of the motion relating to hos. members be deleted. His association (Bath and Wells) was quite willing to support the second proposal, and instrncted him fo vote for it, but they would not tie his hands with regard to the hon. members. The Council, lie contended, wera not justified in penalising the men who came there at their own expense, after being elicted by the Council for the assistance they could give.

Mr. A. H. Pulling, who seconded, said honaracy members were placed on the Council for the work they had done or were doing for the Exercise or the Council, and they ought not to ask them to pay five shillings, as well as defray ali their own expenses. He thought it wonld be a "cheek' to do so. If the Council were short of money, let them say so and go openly to tho associations and ask for it.

The amendment was carried by a large majority, and the proposal to impose an affliation fee on the kon. members was thus defeated.

There was no discussion on the secoad part of the proposition, to increase the affilition feo of aesociations from 2s. Erl. to 5s. per representative, and it was put to the meeting aud carried by 44 rotes to six.

## CONSUL'IANTS FOR ADVISORY BOARDS.

The Rev. H. Drake proposed: '(a) The Council asks each association to appoint a consultant to the Adwisory Committee or Committees in its area. (b) The Council asks each association to make every effort to get as many ringers as possible elected to Parochial Church Councils, to Diocesan Conferences and to the Churel Assembly.* Mr. Drake said the resolution had been described as one which the Council carried several years ago. That was not so. The difference was that on the previous occasion they did their best to get the Advisory Committees to recognise the associations and also to get the Parochial Church Council resolution put it tlie ofber way round. It asked each association to allocate somene whom the Advisory Committes for the diocese could consult, if they wished to do so, and it alsa asked each associntion to make every elfort to get as mang ringers as possible elected to the Parochial Church Councils, the Diocesan Conferences and the Church Assembly. The ringers, be said, were the best people in the different parishes to put on the Comncil-they were the most intelligent people (langhter and applause), tuecause their art, as they had found out that day in the difficult questions they liad discussed, lad taxed the intelligence of the most intelligent people in the country (laughter). Therefore, they were the people who ouglat to he on the rifferent Councils and who slould make up the greater part of each Diocesin Conference and of the Churel Assembly (laughter and epplave). Why was it necessary to put forward this resolution? Ringers, as a rule, werte rather retiring people and the desult was they dixd not get put on the Parochial Cliurch Cannils. It seemed to bim that it was their duty, as a Council, to do what they could to encourage ringers to stand for election. Ho hoped, if the resolution was carried, that the members would go back to their parishes and to their dioceses and say that they had been asked to put forward ringers as mombers of the Cancils, members of the Thacessn Conferences and mbombers of the Church Assembly, and, added Mr. Drake, amid laughter, he loped they would all meet at the first meeting of the new Church Assembly.-Mr. C. J. Sedgeley seconded the motion.
Mr. C. H. Howard asked what was the result of the previous resolution that was passed, recommending that on all Diocesan Advisory Foards there should be somcone with a knowledge of bells and ringing. The present resolution, lie thouglt, did not go far anongh. A consultant was not in suck a strons position as a member of the Advisory Board. He was appointed to the Chelmsford Diocesan Advisory Board by the late Bishop. At that time there was an application [ur f factlty concerning the bells from a certain parish, and the faculty hra been refused. Fad he been only a consultant he conld have done very little, but, being a member, lie was able to plead the case and eventually, after first getting the question postjomed so that it might be furtiber considered, he succeeded in getting through a unanimons recommendation that the faculty be granted. He was in an much stronger pasition as a member of the Roadd, because, as a. consultant only, the case would probably have been decided in lis abstence. If they could get the Boards to allow at
least one member from each association, they would be doing a great deal betber scrvice than merely asking for a consultant.

The Rev. C. A. Clements said the associations could not anponin anybody to an Advisory Board. It was entively in the hatuls uf the Bishop and his adviser, the Ohancellor of the Diocese.
Mr. Hownrd said he did not suggest they could appoint nnyone, but they could ask the Bislop in each dioceste to do so and arggest that the association should nominate a suitable person.

Mr. Beams said what many of them wantal to know was thow to get the Bishop's ear.
Mr. J. Funt said in the Batli and Wells Association they appointed sameone as adviser, whe acted gratis, and was prepared to go to any church to make inspections and attend any meetings to revort.

## VAREING FXPERIENOES.

Mr. F. Wilford said in his diocesp one or two clergy wroie to the Bishop of Peterhozough suggesting that someane should be appointecl with a knowledge of bells and ringing to serve on the Boatd, and the Bishop asked him to do 80 . If a Bishop were written to by sume responsible person, lat would no doubt be only too pleased to appuitat someane with the necessary knowledge

Major Hesse said in the Guildford Diocese tho Bishop himaele told him that he was a member of the Board, but Hus had never yet been invitexl to attend a meeting.

The Rev. Tyrwhitt Drake said as a result of the Inst resolution of the Council he veceived a tequest from the Advisory Board in his diocese to serve as momber to dea] with questions nrising in wor nection with bells. On leaving that diocese, the wrote to the secrefing of the Board and pointed out that they had made no use whatevel of his services. Unless a person was a full member of the Board and summoned to every meeting, they forgot his existetice. The reply which he roceived was that no case had come up in his district. He did not like to give the secretary the lie direct, but two eases had come up within 15 miles of his own parish.
The Rev. F. Law James said in the Dincese of Lincoln the secretary of the Board sont him sll the papers, in time cases whele bells were concerned, and whatever hice (Mr. James) told him to do, he divi (laughter and hear, hear).
The President said exactly the same thing happened in the Oxforc Diocese. Thers was no single thing to do with liells or towers whirh Aid not go first to their Master, Mr. Jenkyn, who made ne report to the Advisory Committee, and they did wift he recommended. He was much more valuable outsids than on tho committee.

The Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn said that at first be foumd himaelf "p against certain members of the Adricory Boatd, who were moslly antiquarians. He lisel to fight it out with them: ha wons and the purely untiquariaus lad more or lese fated out.
The Rev. H. Drake said his resolution was not opposed to what Mr. Foward had said. There was no тenson why they shonld mot have a member on an Advisory Board if they could get one, hut that was not a thing they could do as assaciations. What tifew could do was to have a consultant. In his dionese their alfficulty was the same as it had hen in Mr. Jenkyn's. Tluey were supported by one of their Arcladeacons and had appointed a consultant if the Arigory Commiltoe chose to consult hin. At the present momend it wns hopeless to try atd get a ringer on the Advisory Committee. Fe thought, if consultants were anpointed, madvisory Committoe would dare to negleat them in the futing as thay had done in the prat.
The resolution was then pat and carried.

## NOTICE OE THF COUNCIL'S MEFTINGS

Mr. J. S. Cobkismith moved : 'I'lust the vules of the Conneil be amended in order to provide that the motice and agenda of each anumal mecting of the Council be published at least eiglat uteks, instend of twelve weeks, prior to such meating.' He said this motion had been framed, in consultation wifh tho hon. secretary. to facilitatre the arrangements for the meetings. The prosent twelve weeks notice which was given to enable associations to consider the items on the aconda, had proved to be somowhat too early, as it was foum dificult ta arrange the business so far ahend. If the notice appeared eight weeks before the mbeting, littlo would be lost, as the fonr weeks deleted always came in Lent, when few, if any, juportant association meetings were held.--Mr. C. T. Goles seconded and the motion was carried without discussion

## MATTER FOR INDTVIDUAL ASSOCTATIONS

A motion stood on the agenda in the name of Mr. W. Ayra, wloo hawever, was mallog to be preseut through illness. It was as follows That a commitiee lue appointed to eonsikler the best methoil of dealine with enses of extraordinary sickness amongst members of anr affiated chamg ringing associations, with pawer to report, he next annual meeting.
The hon. secretary, whose namo hed leen patt on the agenda as seconder, noved the resolution. He sain lie did not expect to have to "father" the resolution, becange lie only indemal to second it pro forma, in order that it might be disoussed. He thanght, however, there was something in the proposal. Some six or seven years ago it was rather urged there shamld he some sort of fund appoinled a small momittce to inspatigate the possibility of a
scheme. If tino motion wats carried, lie woutd suggest an small com mittoc, consisting of Mr. Ayre, himself and one other member. They conkd then present a report in a year's time. Mr. James George geconded, saying lis thought it wouk be a very good thing.
Mr. TM. froombridge asked if it was asuitalile thing to be tineen ny by The Council. He thompat it was a matter for the associations. Geveral associations had formed their own howerolent funds, and b was of opinion that each association shouk run its own fund.
Mr . C. T. Coles said beforo tho Council appointerl a committeo it thould be very careful not to interfere with the financial proyisions of the different societies, otherwise it would tread an the tonderest spot of the associations. Some of the associntions might be pretty bard pressed to find the additional affiliation fee, but to fommlate thyy rima which would speltil somte of their funds would be going a bil too far, and he should rote against it.
Mr. ['. Crook said a Police Conference, of which he wis a member, disensged a similar scluemb att great length, and came to the conchasion Inat it was lest to leave cach indivinard place to caryy out its own work.
f'he proposition was lost by a large majority

## THE NEXT MEETJNG.

Tho Council was next asked to fix the place for the next meting. Whe ]resident said their rules laid it down that the first meoting of a hew bression should lie lxold in London, so that Londen was the placs for mext yenr. The secrebary lad been trying to get an inviintion from tie Archbishop of Canterbury to meet at Lambeth Frlacs, in: the famous and magnificent library, and they had received a telegran saying that, subject to no unforeseen occurrence, the Archastrop would be only too pleased that the Council should meet there. and to meleome them if possible (applause).

## A BIG BUSINESS.'

Mr. Tames George refervel to the fact that a directory of ringers was published by the Bristol United Guilds. It was, of course, by no moans complete, and lio thought the Council might consider the issue of a book which would contain the names and addresses of all ringers.
The President: That wonld he a hig musiness. If you wisl to discuss iti you must draw up a resolntion and send it to the secretary, und it can then he dobated ati the noxt meeting.

## THE PRLESDEN'I'S RECOVERY

The Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn said they wero all fully aware, but thay miglit be inclined to forget, that that was tho first meeting of the Conneil since the very sarions iltness and operation of their president. It was perfectly wonderful how he had sheered them through tho lusiness that day. It had beden a trying meeting and diffeult, but tho wis in which Canon Coleridge lind gone through it liad been perfectily splendid (applanse). Flly were all glad to see him and comgratahied him upon his recovery. The propostal a vote of thanks to him for presiding (applause).

Mr, 'EP. Fantker seconted, and, on behalf of 'the rank and file, saicl low eratified they all wera that their president had been ntestored seminely to his normal hoaluh (applause).

## COUNCII, MTIT BF: KTP'. YOUNG.

the muibut howing been carried by acclamation, Canon Coleridge monlim, Fhe said that during lis illness it was a great source of
consolation to lim to know that he was thought about, and in mamy consolation to him to know that he was thought about, and in many
cuses proved about, by ringers througlont the length and breadti af haginut, Theo best times that he had were when ringers came lis see hins. One of his visitors was an old man of 80, another wrs fi boy af nbout 16, wha gave up the whole of a Sunday ard came a. long distance on a bicyele to hring him a dozen eggs. It was most lourhira. Every Sunday ho had visits from ringers, and he knew he was in the thoughts of many others. He was tilianiful to shy that, sit far ns lie know, he was now in the vers best of health (mpplause). Fa coult not hely feeling, however, that age was upan him. Thereforc. le wanted them to think most carepully hefore the next meeting what they were going to clect as their president. He had had the privilege of sorving for thre sessions-nine years-and on one other
arcuston lie took the chair, which made ten times albogether. By nexl vear he would be 72, and election meant three pears' work, nad they ouplit to get a younger man. He had said that before, but he hoped they would bear it in mint this time. Youth must be served, ath the Council must he kopt young, with new ideas, and not linve ald fogies foisted upon them (Tnughter), The President then won on to propose a formal volin of thanks to the Mayor and to the Sub-Dean of Cholmsford for their kimaness in weleoming the Council. also and especially to Mr. C. H. Howard and other members of the Fssex Association, who had done so much for their comfort for Llim. MEembers of the Conncil hai been welcomed on the previous day ut the juhilee gathering equally with the association's own memben's, ram they lad enjoynd themselves immensely. He thanked Mr. Howard and all associated with hion for ald they had done (amblatise).
This inncluded the meeting, ant the members and their friends wrre afierwards entertained to ten by the Essex Association, Later

## MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

## SUCCESSFUL MJETING IN PUAK DLSTRICT

A general quarterly mecting of the Midland Counties Association was lyold on Saturday, and, after what looked like a bad omen (a fumeral and a serious ilness ncar hy), a sticcessful mecting was hek at the fine old larish Clinech of 33akewell. Althongh on account of the funeral matterg were lich up far a time, eventually the bells werg availuble, athe good use made of them untif 7.30 p.ny. Visitors aud friends from Burtan, Derby, Date, Eymm, Leicester, Nottiogham and elsewhere arrised. The committee met and carriod out the usual rontine duties, and on several points mbde recommendations to the general meetilg. Tea was held in the Town Hall, abont 40 members being present, but, owing to the infux of other parties, it was not possible to hold the meeting there, so all adjourned to the Church Institute. The vice-president (MIr. J. Griffin) took the chair, and was supported by the general hon. secretary (Mr. E. Morris) and the hon. treasurer (Mr. W. Wallace).
The Chairman first, spoke of the greaty lass the association had sustained in the death of the prosident, the luto Mr. R. F3. Chambers, B.A., J.P., and asked all to stand in silence a moment to lins respected memory. It was decided to cutry on for the rest of the year with the mresent officers, and the members aye asked to think of some gentleman suitable to fill tho office of president, but first to make atita sure that anvone so nominatied will stand, as certain proposals have failed in the past for the reason of the nominee being unable to take the oftice.
The following nembers, electer sinee the annual mecting, wereduly confrmed, viz. 2 honorary, 4 lite, 21 ordinary ringing.

A goorl report of the Central Council meeting at Chelmsford wes given br one of the delegates (or replesentatives 1), Mr. J Swinfield, nud supplamented hy the chairman, Ni. J. Grifin, who is an hon. member of the Comneil.
Ringing menthers were nsked to pay theil subscriptions more reguIarly and to holp all they could with the working of the assoniation. A good start has been made in the for worm orinally beaun by mine this. W. P, Fright, of Eyam, Mr. J. E. Lewis Cockey, of Dore, sud others. Scveral new members have been made, and at Castleton two were now becoming guite proficient. It was hoped all the band would join.

The Rer. W. P. Wright saix he would wo all he conld for these members and for rivgers at other towers, and hearty invitations would to giver to them to join in at Dyam and Dore, or any other tower where change ringimg mas donc. It was hoped gradually to get in all the towers of the district
Mr. J. Griffin had to lave the meeting at this juncture, and Mr. W. E White tonk his place for the emelnding portion, which was principallr occupied with the matter of finance trustees. The hon. treasurer explainer that since the death of the president, who was joint trustee with Mr. W. WilTson for certain War Stoek held by the assocfation, the usunl notice had been sent to and duly acknow ledged by the department dealing with such matters, and Mr, Willson was now sole trustec. The War Snvings Certifeates lield by the late Ms. Chambers were now in tho liands of his executors, pending final clearing up of the estate. It was proposed and carrjed unanimously that these madicrs stand aver-being in quite safe and capable hands -until the annmal mecting. when nuw trustees would be appointed
Vote of thanks to the Vicar for the bells and to the local men for arrangements were duly passed. Aljourning to the bolfy. further ringing was inculged in, ranging from Grandsire to Norfolk and Londion Sutprise.

## A FAREWELL

On Tlarscay evening, Jume 27th, as a farewcll to the Rev. C. H. Rarnolds, who is shartly leaving the parish, a quarter-peal of Dontoles (1,260 changes), consisting of Plain Bob and Grandsire, was rugg at Funtingfield. Suffolk, by five members of the Halesworth Society W. Pierce I, F. C. Lambert (conductor' 2, A. H. Took 3, Jameo Heward 4, C. Moss 5. This was followed by 720 Grandsire, in whict R. Kenmp, of Funtingfield, rang tho Ereble to his first 720, also 360 Grandsirp, with $G$. Gowan, of the local band, ringing the treble for lis first 360 .
A voung hand has been tecently formed hele, and is making good progress. A six-score of Sbedman Doubles conclurled the even the ringers for their visit, which he mach apprecinted. The ringers wishod him 'God-speed' and health and happiness upon Inis retirement.

## EGHAM AND MAGNA CHARTA.

In homour of the Prince of Weles hirthtay and in connection witly the Marna Charta anniversary celebrations, a quarter-peal o Grandsire Triples was rung at Egham Paristr Church on Sunday Junc 23n, in 46 minutes: W. Brants 1. W. Welling (conductor) 2, F Worsfold 3. E. Goater 4. E. Burley 5, H. Chaffer 6, W. C. Parker 7 W. Peek 8. Rutnimmede, where King John signed the Charter, is within sound of Egham bells.

## BELL RESTORATION

## AN AUTHORITATIVE BOOKLET

A valuable booklet lias been placed in privace circulation, entitied Bells Olfl and New, and deals with various aspects of bell restorafion as they concern the Church, the Bell Founder and the Antiquary. It fas been written by Mr. Cyril F. Johnston, head of the firm of Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, but, adthangh coming from tile pea of such an leminent anthority, it is in no senso an advertisement, and no existing bell foundry finds mention in it. The little work is devoted to the enlighteament of all who are interested or coacerned with the care of church bells, aud is chock-full of information and gaidnace for tht univitiated, It deals briefly with the modern derelopment of the bell and offers advice with regard to tuning and recasting, wiich could not be more disinterested if it came from a writer entirely outside the industry. In defence of the bell founders and the suggestions which they make to church authorities when called in to report, Mr. Johnston says:-
'Bell founding and hanging represent a skilled and highly teehnical trade carried ont by only two or three firms in any one country: and the bell follnders are normally the only experts. It is, therefore, dificult or impossible to get reliable expert opinion except from the firms engaged in the work. This is where the diffientty lies.
"Tlere is, unfortunately, a teadency to judge the oontractor merely from a commercial standpoint, because recasting means, obviousty, an additional price But, if the founder has sound business principles, he kuows that only honest advico pays in the end. and that tris reputation is built on consistont advocacy of what lie believes to be the right course. He will not condemn a bell that is "nearly true within itself," or one that can be corrected satisfactorily, if he knows his work and has the interests of the cinuret his elients and bells in general at heart-as any suceesfifl helffomeier must surely have.
Mr. Johnston quotes an interesting experiment which was carried int tin sloow that harmonically tuned bells lave a greater carrying power than, what we may for conveniegce call, 'the other sort." Two belts, one false and one trine, were a fow yerrs ago taken out to the North Sea on a Trinity Eause yacht. They were dropped on butoys in the oceall and the yacht drifted away from then, following a conmse which preserted an equal distance from each bell. At close rinarters there was no noticeable differmee in the power of cach hel? (they hoth weigherl the same, viz, 3 cwt.). At a distance of arlf a rrilh the folse bell ceaserl to be heard. Whilst the true bell continned to be heard up to a distance of a mile.
As to whether or not a bell should be recast, Mr. Joluston says mphatically that if it is really old, but is going to spoil musieally
penl that is being restored, it should be retained as a relie in the church and 1 tonlaced by a iteve athe of proper proportions and of rood tone and trine: hut where it in false in its harmonics and has no particula? elaim to antiouity. then it should be recast-if there s not sufficient metal to correct salisfactorily the harmonies. This a a sentiment which all thnse who have a practical aequaintanee ith old bells will ateadily endorse.
A section of the bookiet is devoted to bell frames, and in regard to the muth that metal frames affect. bell tones adiversely, Mr. Johnston points out that actial practice does not bear this out. Tone and tuns rlepenrl on the skitl of the tune1, and the musical effect is infuenced by the level of the hells in relation to the Inuvre openings. the height of the helfre and other proportions of the tower aud the surfaumings in general
This bonlelat is onp which should be placed in the hands of all murch anthonities where restorations are contemplated or needed. Th deals with a teclmical subject without technicalities and contains so much souml adivice that it nught to lie read by everyone intlerested chareh hefles.
Mr. Tohnstion kindly offers to send a cony of the booklet free anr ringer whan applies. Application should be mado to Mr. C. F. Johneitn at the Belf Foundry, Croydon.

## SURREY ASSOCIATION.

A very successful fy-meeting of the Southern District wes held at Simpsfield Chart on Sidnvatay, June 22nrl, vingers boing present from Seale, Coleman's Hatcit, East Grinstead, Crawley. Berkington, CroyHan. Merstham, Burstow, Redhill, Reigate, Buckland, Horley and the laca! band. Tea was partakon of git the Village Hall, 24 sitting down, At tha husiness which follower the Rev. Melville Walliams accupied the chair, and thirteen new members were elceted. including the Rev. Melville Willinns as Jionorary memlwer, S. Collins, of Spale, Sevenoalis, and eleren members frona Kingswond tower of inging members.
Tt was decided to hold the next meetine at Renhill in August. Votes of thanks were accorded the Rev. Melville Williams for the se of the bells, for addressing the members at the service, and for presiding at the meeting, also rotes of thanks to those wio movided the tea, and to those who helped the meeting to success. The tower


## THE METHODS COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir', In spite of Wr. Willson's attempt to confuse the issue; I still stind by all I wrote in my letter of tile 8th inst. I have me been wrongly reported, but I hapo appareutly bean misundersfond by Mr. Willsou. It is diffeult to enswer all the points lie brings in, some of which are quite irrelevant to the main point of my last letter, buli I will do my best.

I am not 2 member of tho Hethods Committee, and da not necessarily identify myself with anything the members of that committee may have said. It is, therefore, unfair for Mr. Willson to say that I want it hoth ways. I have never said that rounds at the beginning of Bankes James' Cambridgo should count us the first change, and it is quite certain that the Methods Committece is not responsible for that statement. I'hat point was made in ' The Ringing World ${ }^{\text {B }}$ when tine composition was first published, and it was put in as at argument that the composition thus conformed to the Rules and Decisions of tine CounciI. It is no fault of mine that Mr. Willson did nat write to you on the matter at the time.
I am quite aware that there is a repetition in each of the first six 720's of the Bankes James peal, brit my argiment cansists of this: Wo ring ONE PEAL when we ring seven true and compiete 720 's, each starting from and ending with rounds. We slso ring exactly the samb 720 changes, exactly the same number of times, when we ring the Pankes James composition, and some of us also wish to coll this A PEAL, i.e., ONE PEAL.
How ean the latter be termed 'hopelessly false' when it contajns the same 720 changes, exactly the same number of times, as any peal consisting of seven trite and complete' 720's? To me it is a matter of cefnilion, and the Cotucil is at liberty to alter its definition of a peal at any time, in spite of anything it has previously dectded.
This ratter will never be settled if the "hopelessly frise " ides is persisted in, to the exclusion of the real issuc, i.o., that of definiug what peals an six (and five) bells are to consist of. I feel quite sure that if the Comacil had bad before it the Bankes James Cambridge when it /ivist decider what a peal of Minor should consist of, we should have a much different definition to that of 1911-12. Further, benauso that rufe was lain down at a time when tho spliming of compositions and methods was practically unknown, is it any renson why changing conditions should not be met? It woutd be a sorry diay for the Exercise if such a peal as the Camhytage Is. to hor bunned for feat of opening the door ta that peal-faking by int scrupulous conductors that rou foursolf, Mr. Editor, seem to he afraid of. We should have more faitl ith nembers of the Exercise than tliat.

Members of the Council who were carriea away by Mr. Willson's eloquence and his extraordinary illustration of heer and walier mixing would do well to read very carefully tho cighth paragrapls of Mr . Grover's letter in this week's 'Ringing World.' That gentlemnn's quostions are, indeed, very pertinent ones, but are quipp justified Our anthority is, of course, that we are menabers of tho Cenlaral Gouncil, electad by onr Firious associations. But are we justified in using onr votes to candemn a composition, that has been rung 56 tines, as "hopelessly false ' when six-belI mingers bave slown that they want this peal by ringing it more times than they have rung the "seven true and complete ' 720 's of Canluinge Minor during the periox that has elapsed since the Bankes James' peal was first pulhisiner? - Fours faithftillv.
C. T. OOJES.
P.S.-Will Mr, C. Severu please mublish (wilh your kind nermission) the figures of the neal of Cambridge Minor rang at Kithamarsil on Fehmiaty 18th, 1928, described as 'including Bankes Tamer and Severn's arrangments '?

## RINGER RETIRES FROM PUBLIC SERVICE.

PRTSFNTATIONS TO M1R, F. W. THORNTON AT GRERNWICH. Mr. Frederick W. Thornton, well known in ringing eireles in Kent, has fust retired after 40 years' puhtic service. He succeeded lis faller ns unassenger to the old Grechwich Vestry, and, upon the incorporation of the borgugh in 1909, he was appeintex Mayor's attondant a mal mace beater In this post he has served ander eightcen Mayars, of whom eleven are still liviag. These have joined in making a presentation to $\mathrm{Mr}^{2}$. Thornton on his retirement, anal on Wednegrlay of last week at Greenwich Town Hall Mr. Thormion was the recipient of a gold liunter watctr.
The Mayor of Grecnwich (Mr. R. F. A. Purkis) paid a warm tribute to Mr . Thementon's long and faithful services, and added that for punctilious rectitude and quiet decorum, which added so nawh to civic dignity, Mr. Thornton would be dificult to beat.
In tho absence of the oldest living ex-Mayol' of Greenwich, Sir Fat Hamilfon Benn, the presentation was mave by the next senime ex-Maynr, Alderman Jackson, who was present when Mr. Thormbon was appointed messenger to the old vestry in 1889.
Mr. Thornton, in acknowledging the gift, recalled that throughont his service he hat only been absent from one meteting of the oht vestry find one of the Conneil.
rom the Town Clerk Mr. Thuluton has received an illuminater clock, and from the Town Fall staff an oak clock.

## WELDED BELLS.

## To the Editsr.

Dear $\operatorname{Gir}$,-We have read with great interest your report of the discussion on welded bells that took place at the meating of the Central Council, because the two bells mentioned are amongst the number tuat have been successfully repaired hy the Barimar process during tho last few years. We rofer to the bell at st. Mary-le-Tower, Ipswich, and the bell mentioned by Major Eesse.
We think that we can safely say that everyone who has respect and regard for objects lrallowed by time regrets the breaklag up andi recasting of an ancient bell, because it is, of course, a new bell of no historic interest that comes back from the foundry
Realiy wo cannot undergiand why so many damaged bolls have been dealt with in this way, when they could have been repaired by modern scientific welding metheds at a much lower cost. Tho beauty of many an ancient church has been destroyed by 19th century 'Testaration,' and it is distressing to think of the old bells which have been ruthlessly broken up and melted down, merely because of a slight crack which could easily have been welded at trifing cost.
Wo reatise, however, that some of your readers may be more intarested in the tone of bells and the technique of change ringing than in the history of clel bells, and we would like to point oxt that tho welding of eracked belles should be as attractive to them as to the entinurifian. All enthusiastic bellringers must deplore the fact that so many bells are not rung owing to one or more in the peal being cracked and discoudant. The cost of re-casting has been too often quite profibitive, and, as it result, the hells hang in idencss. On the other hand, the cost of welding the bells could no doubt have bean raised, and if the belle had been repaired by this means, they would have been in constant use today
Experienco shows that a welfed bell stands up to contimusi ringing as well as a new bell, and we say withath fear of contradiction that the tone of the boll is restored. This, we think, is proved without a shadow of doubt by the repair carriod out to No. 7 in the famous peal at St. Mary-le-Tower, Ipswich.
It, therefore, appears to us that from the paints of view of both antiquarian and bellringer, the repair of eracked and damaged bells by scientific welding is a policy bighty to he recommended.-Yours fnithfully,

> BARIMAR, LTD.
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## DEATH OF MR. YORK GREEN

VETERAN COMPOSER PASSES AWAY AT CANBRIDGE.
Wo regret to mnnounco the denth of Mr. York Green, who passed awny at his residence in Cambridge enrly on Sunday norning. The deceased gentleman, who wns 77 years of age, had been in failing bealth for some considerable time, and had done no ringing for over twelve montios
He camo to Cnmbridge in the carly seventies, joining the Cambridge Touthes in 1875 , hut soon afterwards left for London, where he was omployed at Stratford Watks until his retivement.
Tn London the became associated with many prominent ringers of the day, mado many frieuds amongst the Colloge Youths, and rang several peals for that society. Ho was a cornposer of considerable ability in various metlods, and many of his compositions still find favour amorigst peal ringers.
Retiring to Camhridge in 1922, he rejoined the Cambriage Youths and rang, al few peals for the कhy Assaciation, his last boing ati Fulbourn in 1926. Always of modest and obliging disposition, he was over ready to help the heginmer and to take o rope when his health permitted. He will be much missed.

## SUNTAT GERVICE TOUCHES

LEATHERHEATY, SURRFY.-On Sunday, Twne 30tb, for evening service, 1,239 Stedman Caters: A. Dean 1, J. Hoyle 2, Miss 1. Hastie 3. J. Bernett 4, A. W. Coles 5. J. White E, A. Harman (eonductor) 7, GLFEDOY S STPFOT 9, Garriner 10.
FLPEDON, SEPFOTK.-On Sunday, June 23 ct , at the Parish Church Memarial Towor, for evening service, a ouarter-peal of Bob Major (1,280 rhanges) in 48 mins. : F. Levett 1, B. Roper 2. T. W. Pan 3, W. Panl 4, T. Brown 5, W. Bowers 6, J. J. Davis 7, E. Brett (conduntar) 8
OASTLE CARY, SOMERSET,-At All Saints' Chureh, on June 16th, for Avening service, a nuarler-peal of Graudsire Doubles in 48 mins: J. Newnort 1, G. Fodelntel 2, F. Hunt 3, Harold Creer 4, E. H. Chned (conductor) 5, G. Crect 6. Wirst quarter-pal hy the 3rd and 4 th ringers.
NORTHFIBLD, WOORCESTERSITRE. - On Sunday, June 16 hh, at the Church of St. Laurence. n quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes) in 47 mins. C. Welsb 1, P. O. Talin 2, J. Turner 3 , I. Wilhers, sen., 4, C. Wheeler 5, FI. Withers 6, A. Chambers (conductor) 7, A. Fobbis 8. Firgt quatter-poal of Stedman by ringer of the 3 ri
TMRMTNGFAM.-At SI. Chat's Clurch, on Sunday, Tune 16th, for evening service, a auarter-peal of Gradsire Triples ( 1,260 changes) in 45 mins.: H. H. Frarn 1, C. Mackenzie 2, F. J. Steele (Manchester) 3, గ. Hazelfen (Guillfintl) 4, T. George (composer and conductor)

## NOTICES.

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637 ).-Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on July 18th, *St. Paul's Cathedral on the gth, Southwark Cathedral on the irth, *St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 23rd, St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 25 th; all at $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. *Business meeting after-wards.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Maidstone Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Wrotham on Saturclay, July 6ith. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30 , followed by tea and business meeting. Alf ringers welcome.-C. H. Sone, Dis. Sec., Bungalow, Linton, Maidstone.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Nottingham District.-The second quarterly meeting of the above district will be held at Bottesford on Saturday, July 6th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m.-Fredk. W. Bailey, Local Sec., 42, Rupert Street, Nottingham.

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch.

 - The next meeting will be held at Clitheroe Parish Church on Saturday, July 6th. Bells (a new peal of 8 by Gillett and Johnston) will be available from 3 p.rm. Meeting 6.30 p.m. Business very important, including nominations for vice-president, treasurer, ringing secretary and Central Council representatives. Every member is expected to make an effort to attend. Other ringers and friends also welcome. - F. Hindle, 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD. The next quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, July 6th at St. John's, Cburch, Cefn Coed. Ringing at 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and meeting at 5 p.m. Tea kindly provided by the Vicar and churchwardens.-F. E. Thomas, Dis. Sec., Belle Vue, Brecon.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755).-Quarterly meeting at Great Barr, near Birmingham, on Saturday, July 6th. Bells available at 3 p.m. and after the meeting until 8 p.m.-Thomas H. Reeves, Hon. Sec., 136, Newton Roarl, Sparkhill, Birmingham.
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Western District.-Next meeting. Apsley, Julv 6th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Tea and service as usual All welcome.-W. Ayre.

Sheffield And district society. - Next me:ting will be held at Ecclesfeld, Saturday, July 6 th. Bells open early.-R. Harrison, Hon. Sec., 45 , Baltic Road, Sheffield.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis trict.-The autumn meeting will be held at Lyminge on Saturday, July 6th, by kind permission of the Rt. Rev Bishop Knight. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service a p.m.-Percy W. Smith, Fair View, Littlehourne, Canterbury

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Summer Festival at Haslemere, Saturday, July 6th. Bells (Jo) available from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.45 , followed by meat tea (is. gd. per head) in the School Room. Chiddingfold bells (8) also available from 2.30 to $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$, and 7 to 8.30 p.m., Godalming from 7 to 8.30 p.m.-J. S. Goldsmith, Hon. Sec., Southover, Hockering Gardens, Woking.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GLILD.-A special meeting will be held at Winchester on Saturday, July 6th, to celebrate the Jubilee of the Guild, when it is hoped that all members will make an effort to be present. Bells at Cathedral (I2) and St. Maurice (6) available for ringing from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., and again after service. Tea in Masonic Hall, Parchment Street, at 4 p.m. Service in Cathedral at 5.15 p.m. Immediately after service the Master (Mr. G. Williams) will arrange for cars to convey ringers to the following towers, where the bells are available for ringing: Bishopstoke (8), Hursley (8), North Stoneliam (8) and Twy ford (8)- -G. Pullinger, Hon. Sec., I7, Stoke Park Road, Bishopstoke, Eastleigh.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - Northern Division. - A meeting will be held at Colne Engaine on Saturday, July 6th. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Short service at 4.30 . Earls Colne bells (8) available during the evening.-W. Arnold, Hon. Dis. Sec., Holt Street, Earls Colne.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-The summer festival will be held at Barton-le-Cley on Saturday, July 6th. The bells (8) will be available from 2.45- Short service at 4.30. Tea at 5. Everybody welcome-A. E. Sharman, Hon. Sec., 199, High Street N., Dunstable.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Sonning Deanery Branch. - Combined practice at Finchampstead, near Wokingham, Saturday, July 6th, from 6 till 9 p.m. All ringers welcome. -W. J. Paice, Branch Sec.

LADIES' GUILD.-The annual general meeting will be held at St. Clement Danes', Strand, London, W.C., on Saturday, July 6th. Bells available from 2.30. Service at 4.30 , folfowed by tea and meeting.-Edith $K$. Fletcher, Hon. Sec., 45. Walsingham Road, Enfield.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckley District.-The next meeting will be held at Sharnford on Saturday, July 6th. Bells available from $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. A sood attendance is requested, all ringers being cordially welcome.-W. A. Cope, Smockington, Hinckley.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Burton District.-The next meeting will be held at Netherseal (at the invitation of the Rector) on Saturday, July 6th. Bells (8) ready 3 p.m. Special meeting at Lullington on Saturday, July zoth. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Good attendances requested at both meetings. Further particulars from John Leach, Hon. Dis. Sec., 4, Vernon Terracc, Victoria Street, Burton.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Devizes Branci. -The half-yearly meeting will be held at Trowbridge on Saturday, July 6th. Bells (ro) ready at 2-30. Guild service 4.40 . Tea 5. Business meeting follows tea. All ringers welcome.-F. Green, Hon. Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes.
I.ANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Wigan Branch. The next meeting will be held at Aughton on Saturday, July 6th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Business meeting at 6 o'elock.-James Grounds, Sec., 8, School Lane, Stanclish.

SUFFOLK GUILD.-Saxmundham District.-A meeting will be held at Leiston on Saturday, July 6th. Belis ready at 2.30 . Tea will be provided at the Junior Schools at $5 \cdot 3$.-C. F. Bailey, 20. Haylings Road, Leiston.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.The annual meeting will be held at Taunton on Saturclay, July 6th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Evensong (St. Mary's) 4.30. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. A supply of 'Shearn' pamphlets is now available, and a futher quantity of badges is being ordered.-J. T. Dylve, Hon. Sec. Chilcompton, Bath.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHFWARK DIOCESAN GUIED. - Southern Dis-trict.-A bye-meeting will be held at Beckenham on July 6th. Ringing 3 o'clock. Service. Tea (by kind invitation of the Rector) at the Parish Hall. Only business: Votes of thanks. Ringing after tea. May I beg you to send naea post card? It really does help.-J. Herbert, Hon. Dis. Sec., i7, Grimston Road, S.W.6.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Peak Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held on July 6 th at Castletorw'(St. Edmund's Church, 8 bells, tenor' is cwt.). Tea and meeting 5 p.m., is. Gd. Bells available afternoon and evening. The bells of Hope St. Peter's ( 6, tenor about $I_{5}$ cwt.) will also be available. A good attendance is hoped for.-J. E. Lewis Cockey, Hon. Dis. Sec., Learnwood, Dore.

DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.-Monthly pracLice at Dudiey, Monday, July 8th, 7.45.-Herbert Sheppard.

HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION will hold their annual meeting, and a six-beli contest, at Meltham on July 13th. Draw to take place at $2.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. A tea will be provided, is. 6d. each, to all who send word not fater than July Sth to L. Hargreaves, Hon. Sec., 30 , Bankfield View, Halifax.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. - Western Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Suckley on Saturday, July i3th. Service at 4 p.m. prompl. Business meeting afterwards. The bells will be available. Tea will be provided for members who notify Mr. Ranford, Suckley, by July roth.-J. Rowlatt, Branch Sec., Old Street, Upton-on-Severn.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch. The next meeting will be held at Tarleton on Saturday, July 13th. Bells available from 2-30. Business: Nominations for officers, also for Central Council representatives. Will those intending being present please notify the Rev. L. N. Forse, Tarleton Rectory, not later than July roth? -Fred Rigby, Hon. Sec., 8, Carrington Road, Chorley.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Chew Deanery Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Wraxall on Saturday, July 13th. Bells available from 3.30 p.rn. Tea at the Battle Axes at 5 o'clock, with business meeting to follow.-Percy G. Yeo, Hon. Local Sec., Long Ashton.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Eastern District. The next quarterly meeting will be held at Hatfield, near Doncaster, on Saturday, July i3th. Service at 5, followed by tea in the Victoria Hall, at is. 6 d . per head. Names to be sent to Mr. H. Crowe, Town End, neat Doncaster, not later than Wednesday, July roth. Al] ringers welcome. - A. B. Cook, Hon. Dis. Sec. 58, Wyndham Street, Hull.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Western Division.A meeting will be held at Orsett on Saturday, July r ith. Lells (6) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea, 5.15, at Whitmore Arms. Will those intending to be present advise the undersigned by Wednesday, July roth? - E. J. Butler, 3. Eustace Road, Chadwell Heath.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.--South-Eastern Division. The next meeting will be held at Sandon on Saturday, July 13th. Bells ( 5 ) available 2.30 . Usual arrangements. Danbury bells (5) from 2 till 4 and after the meeting. Cheap tea to all who let me know not later than Wednesday, the 10 th. -H. W. Kirton, Hon. Dis. Sec., Longmeads Cottages, Writtle, Chelmsford.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West District.A meeting will be held at Ruislip on Saturday, July 13 th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Tea arranged as usual. Cheap lares on the District Railways. All ringers and friends welcome.-Wm. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W. 4.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. - West Dorset Branch.-The quarterly meeting will be held at Lyme Regis ( 8 bells) on Saturday, July i $3^{\text {th }}$. Ringing from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow.-Reply to T. Hervey Beams, Bradpole, Bridport.

GUIIDEORD DIOCESAN GLIIID.-Guildford Dis-trict.-District meeting at I Prbright on Saturday, July ${ }^{1} 3^{\text {th }}$. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service 4.30, followed by tea and business meeting. Numbers for tea to me please by July 8th.-G. L. Grover, Merrow Cottage, East Clandon, nr. Guildford.
ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North-Western Division.A meeting will be held at Elmdon on Saturday, July i3th, at 3 p.mm. Service at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at $5.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., followed by business meeting. Those requiring tea kindly advise me.-C. Beeston, 5 , King Street, Bishop's Stortford.
BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Quarterly meeting of the Frome and Midsomer Norton Deanery Branch at Leigh-upon-Mendip on the 13 th inst. Service at 4 p.m. Tea and business at 5 p.m.-R. T. Clark, Hon, Sec., Timsbury, near Bath.
BEDFORDSHIRE AND HERTFORD COUNTY Associations are hokling a joint meeting at Dunstable on Saturday, July I3th. The bells will be available from 2.30. Short service at 4.30 . Tea in the larish Hall, near the Church, at 5 p.m. It will be a great help in arranging the tea if a card is sent a day or two previous as to how many we may expect. There is a good bus service. So we hope to have a large gather-ing.-A. E. Sharman, 199, High Street, Dunstable, and W. Nash, North Mymms, Hon, Secs.

ONIORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Reading Branch. The summer meeting of the Reading Branch will be held at: Netucherl on Saturday, July $\mathrm{a}^{\text {th }}$. The bellis will be available from 3 p.su. Visitors entertained to tea at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$, and a ringers' service at $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All ringers welcome. Please notify me by Wednesday, July roth. lus service from Reading. - F. W. Hopgood, 75 Kensington Road, Reading.
1.LANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-The next meeting will be held at Monmouth on Saturday, July $3^{3}$ th. Bells ( 8 ) available. Service at 4.30. Tcazand meeting to follow.-John W. Jones, Hon. Sce, Cartref, Barrack Road, Newport, Mon.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northampton Branch. - A special mecting will be helkl in Northampton on Saturday, July 13th. Bells of St. Giles' (ro) before tea, St. Sepulchre's after. Service at St. Giles' at 4.15. Preacher: His Worship the Bishop. Tea 5 p.m. in St. Giles' Buildings. Will all ringers and friends make an effort to attend, and all who require tea ploase notify me not later than Tuesday, July $9^{\text {th }}$ ?-T. Teblruu, West Street, Moulton, Northampton.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GLIILD.-Ross Branch.The next quarterly mecting will be held at Lipton Bishop min Saturday, July $3^{\text {th }}$. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service + p.m. Tea (kindly given by Vicar) 5 p.m. All ringers welcome. Please notify me not later than Wednesday, July roth.- J. Clark, Hon. Sec., Fernlea, Chase Road, Ross, Hercfordshire.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.-A meeting will held at Everton (3 miles from Ranskill and Bawtry Stations), Saturday, July rith. Bells (5) recently rehung, Tower upen early. All those who require tea please notify the Rev. F. S. Curtis, Everton Vicarage, Doncaster, not later than July Ioth. Good bus service to and from Retford: ' Reliance,' $12.40,12.55,3.30$ p. $171 ., 4.45$ p.m. ; Lincolnshire Car Road Company, $12.15,2.15,3.5$, 4.15 p.m. A good attendance is requested.-Robert W. Stockdale and H. Revill, Hon. Secs.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION. Swindon Branch.-The monthly mecting will be hield at Lydiard Millicent on Saturday, July r3th. Bells (5) available at 3 p.m. Tea at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. for those who notify me by Wednesday, July roth.-S. Hopper, Branch Hon. Sec., 79, Edinburgh Street, Gorse Hill, Swindon, Wilts.
BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Axbridge Deanery.-The quarterly meeting will be held at Winscombe on Saturday, July 13 th. Bells (8) open 2.30. Divine service 4.3 , tea following. Please notify L. C. Tanner, 5 r , Locking Road, Weston-super-Mare. LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester Branch.-The rext meeting will be held at St. John's, Miles Platting, on Saturday, July i $3^{\text {th }}$. Bells ready 3.30 . Meeting 7.30 . A good attendance is requested.-J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bediord Dis-trict.-The July meeting will be held at Bromham (6) on Saturday, July 13th. Bells available 2.45. Tea at 5 . All ringers will be welcome, and it is hoped that the gathering will be a record one for the district.-J. T. Newington, Dis. Sec., 32, Grafton Road, Bedforcl.
NORTH STAFFS AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. $=$ A meeting will be held at Stone on Saturday, July ianl. Tea, at 3.30 p.m., for all who notify Mr. A. Rowley, 88 , Church Street, Stone, before July irth.-C. S. Ryles, Hon. Sec.

NAVENBY, LINCS.-The opening of the peal of six bells, recast and relung by John Taylor and Co., Loughbough, will take place on Monday, July $55^{\text {th, }}$, at 3 p.m. Visiting ringers welcome.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Torbridge District. The next meeting of this district will be held at Westerham on Saturday, July zoth. Tower open at 3 . Service at 4.30. Tea (free) after service, followed by business meeting. Members requiring tea must notify the district secretary not later than Tuesday, July i6th--
W. Latter, Hon. Dis. Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge W. Latter, Hon. Dis. Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tumbridge Wells.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-The annual festival will be held at Oxford on Saturday, July $20 t h$ (D.v.). Service in Cathedral at II.15. Preacher: Rev. R. H. A. Bullock, Vicar of St. Laurence, Reading. Business meeting in Chapter House immediately after service. Dinner in Christ Church Hall at I.30. Tickets, 2s. each, to members who apply for same, with remittance, by Tuesday, July 16th; 2s. 6d. on day of festival; 3 s. to nonmembers. A collection will be taken at the service for the Guild Restoration Fund. I earnestly beg that all members who intend coming will send for tickets, as it will help easy working for organising officers and caterers. -Richard T. Hibbert, 69, York Road, Reading.

SUFFOLK GUILD AND ESSEX ASSOCIATION.A joint meeting will be held at Sudbury on July 20 th. Bells available from 2 p.m. : All Saints' (8), St. Gregory (8) and St. Peter (8). Tea at W. Suffoll Tea Rooms $4-30$ p.m., is. each. Meeting follows. - Stedman Symonds, 78, Church Street, Lavenham; Walter Arnold, Earls Coine, Essex, Dis. Secs.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Ashford District. -A bye-meeting will be held at Appledore on Saturday, July 2oth. Tea will be arranged. All ringers welcome. -A. C. Kay, Dis. Sec., 6, Sturges Road, Ashford.

SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD. The sixth annual festival will be held at Tenby on Saturday, July zoth. Tower of St. Mary's Church (S beils) open for ringing from $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. to $2.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. and $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. to 8 p.m. Service at 3 p.m. Preacher: The Lord Bishop of Swansea and Brecon. 4 p.m. : Tea at Church House, by kind invitation of the Rector of Tenby. Business meeting to follow. Numbers expected for tea should reach the hon, secretary (Mr. W. R. Howells, N.P. Bank Chambers, Neath) by July isth without fail.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Ely Arcidea-conry.-Meeting at Bourn, Cambs, on Saturday, July 20th. Bells ( 8 ) 3 p.m. The service will be taken by Rev. Duffitl. Please notify for tea, Postcard will do. Come and ring some of Taylor's best. All welcome. F. Wartington, Longstanton, Cambs.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Central Divi-sion.-A meeting will be held at Hartfield ( 6 bells) on Saturday, July 2oth. Tower open 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea, 5 o'clock, by kind invitation. Those who intend to be present please notify the undersigned not later than Wednesday previous to meeting. Half rail fare (maximum is. Gd.).-A. D. Stone, Hon. Divisional Sec., 16, Belgrave Street, Brighton.

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Moreton Corbet on Saturday, July 20th. Bells (6) available 2.30. Tea about 5 o'clock, followed by meeting. All requiring tea must send number to the Rev. F. Temnison, St. Alkmund's Vicarage, Shrewsbury, before July $\mathrm{I}^{\text {th }}$.

ALDENHAM, July 27th. Bells open 3.30. Cheap tickets from all stations to Bushey (nearest station). Buses to church.-C. H. Horton, 53, Aldenham Road, Bushey. Tel. City 4270. Herts Association meeting.

## APARTMENTS.

BOARD RESIDENCE or Bed-Sitting Rooms, vacant now onwards.-Mrs. Birch, 9, Vale Road, Ramsgate.

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## BENEYOLENT SCHEMES IN THE EXERCISE

The question of how best to deal with cases of extraordinary sickness amongst inembers of the Exercise was one of the subjects which came before the Central Council, but as will have been seen from the report in our last issue, even the appointment of a committee to investigate the matter did not find approval. Unhappily there arise occasionally instances in whicin ringers fall upon evil times; when sickness or incapacity leads to a more than ordinary drain upon domestic finances and inflicts a hardship which the man's means are unable to meet. In such cases ringers have constantly shown themselves ready to lend a helping hand, but the help is largely of the haphazard kind, with little or no organisation behind it. In Kent and in Sussex, the associations have established benevolent funds which have done some extremely valuable work, by acting independently, or by being able tr supplement, at the moment when it is most necessary. any effort made in local circles. There may be one or two other associations which do likewise, and it was obviously the feeling of the Council that this is the direction in which any aid for distressed ringers should be organised.

The difficulties of a more centralised scheme would, of course, be considerable. In the mass, ringers are an apathetic body, and while they would in all probability resent anything in the shape of a per capita levy for a benevolent fund, they would by their very lassitude make the collection of a voluntary contribution, however small, an almost impossible task, and one for which few if any association secretaries would care to make themselves responsible. We believe that a grood deal of the funds which are already in existence has been accumulated from offertories at meetings. It is a well known fact, of course, that association meetings, for the most part, are attended by a limited circle of the more enthusiastic members and consequently the swelling of the benevolent funcls is largely dependent on the generosity of a comparative few. And that is most likely what would happen in the case of any larger fund of a voluntary kind-its maintenance would devolve upon a minority of the Exercise.

The only effective way to finance such a fund, so that all contributed, would be by an annual proportionate charge upon each association and to propose that, or anything like it, would, as the secretary of the Middlesex Association pointed out, be treading on a very tender spot. A central benevolent fund, supported by the associations, could only be set up by whole-hearted co-operation and good will throughout the Exercise, but the (Continued on page 434.)

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motion which stood in Mr. Ayre's name did not go as far as asking for such a fund, or, indeed, of suggesting any scheme. It merely asked for a committee to investigate the best method of dealing with extraordinary cases, and we are inclined to agree with the proposer (Mr. E. A. Young) that the Council would not have gone very far wrong if it had adopted the motion to see what the possibilities were.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

FAIRFORD, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
gloucester and bristol diocesan association. On Monday, May 20, 1929, it Cwo Fowrs and Fifty-Eight Minutes, At the Cbitch of Si. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;
Parker's Twelve-part.
Tenor 17 cwt .

Tgomas Bacdwyn $\ldots . . . . . \quad 3$ Joe Smith $\quad . .0$
George J. Winter ....... 4 Edmend T. Gardener ....Tenor Conducted by John Hope.
First peal on the bells since they were recast and hung in balt bearings. All the band are local Sunday ringors except the ringer of the third, who hails from Gloucester.

MEASHAM, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND GOUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Weduesday, June 25, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes, At the Chorce of St. Lawrence,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, B090 CHANEES;
J. J. Parker's Ten-part, No. II (Variation No. i). Tenor 10 cwt.
John H. Swinfield ... ...Treble Charles Draprr ..." ... 5
Rickard C. Belton ... .... 2 Epbraim W. Rands ... ... 6
Madrice Swinfield ... ... 3 James George ... ... ... 7
Josbpr Balley ... ... ... 4 John Curtis... ... ... ....Tenor Conducted by M. Swinfield.

GRAVESEND, KENT.
THE EENT COUNTY AפSOCIATION.
On Saturday, June 29, 1929, in Three Honrs and One Minule, Ay the Chdrch of St. George,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDEE SURPRISE MAJOR, 505A GHANEESI

Middeeton's.
Tenor 18 cws .
Charles W. Robiris
...Treble Edwin F. Pikz John H. Cheesman ... ... 3 Wileiam H. Hewitt ... .... 4

Frederick M. Mitchell... 5 Willam R. Madgwick ... 6 Harry Parkes
James E. Davis... Conducted by Johs H. Ceresman.

PULEAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORFOLK GUILD.
On Wednesday, July 3, 1929, ill Thyec Hours and One Minute, At the Churce of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANEES: Tenor $13 \frac{3}{3} \mathrm{cwt}$.

Ernest Whiting ... ...Tveble Herbert Fcicher ... ... 5 Frgderick R, Borrett ... 2 Grorge Gower ... ... ... 6 | Charles Cutting | $\ldots .$. | ... | 3 | Rossell Riches.... | ... | ... | 7 |
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| Cbarles Baker | .. | ... | $\cdots$ | 4 | Townsend Adcock | ... | ... |



PINNER, MIDDLESEX.
TEE MTDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
Un Saturday, July 6, T929, in Thyee Houps and Etght Minutes, At the Catrch of Si. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANPES;
Carter's Twelve-part.
Tenor 19 cwt .
-Robert H. C. Colyer ...Tpeble
"Suarles Lord ... ... ... 2
Grorge M. Kilby ... .... 3
Harry Kilby ... ... ...
†Thomas Collins
Conducted by George R. Pye.

* First peal. † First peal of Triples.


## MARGATE, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCLATION
On Satarday, July 6, 7929, in Thyee Fonys and Fourteen Minutes,
At the Church of St. John-the-Bapist,
A FEAL DF DOUBLE MORWICH EDURT EOE MAJUG, 5072 GNAMGES
Tenor 22 cwt. I qr. 23 lb .

|  | Treble | - |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| William Bionall |  | Charles W. Pra |  |
| Witliam Rr. Drage |  | T. Reginald De |  |
| Kenneth Pa |  | Ernest Buniface |  | Composed and Conducted by Frank Bennett.

* First peal in the method; nlso first in the method on the bells. Rung to celebrate the anniversary of the wedding of their Majesties King George and Queen Mary. Messrs. Drage and Dennis were elected members previous to starting.


## SIX BELL PEALS

UP"ON-ON-SEVERN, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(Western Branch.)
On Salurday, Juna 22, 1929, in Two Hauy and Fifly-Nine Minutes,

## At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES

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

Tenor $17 \frac{1}{2}$ cirt.

Conducted by Charezs Camm

* First peal in seven methods. The band met for Triples, but owirg to the indisposition of $\mathbf{M r}$. R. G. Knowles, Minor was substibuted, Mr. H. Bishon also standing out.


## KEEVLL, WILTS

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

## On Sunday. June 30, 5929, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

At the Charch of St. Lzonard,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, EOGO CHANGES;

Scren different 7e0's.
Albert Siokes Wilifar Loed James Bilay

Tenor 21 cwt.

| .... | ..Treble |
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Conducted by C. F. Andrsws.
ST. ALBANS, HERTS.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, July f, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty Minhles,
At fhr Chorch og St. Micharl

## A PEAL OF BOE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven different extents.
Thomas J. Hell.
Treble
Ernest Hent
John Malyan

ShmereJ. Hector Cameres F. Andraws Norman V. Andrews... ...Tenoy

## GRANDSIRE TRIPLES IN U.S.A

## To the Editar.

Dear Sir, - I an glad of an excuse to sead a message from onf small group of American ringers to the many frieads in England who encourage us to ketep the Execeses alive in flis country. The excuse is to report a pleasant trip to Groton School by four members of the Boston band, who, witl ringers fron the school, rang for morning sarvice, and afterwards brought mond severfl well-struck touches of Grandsive Triples.
The Boston wen were R. Newton, J. R. Fenson, J. Goodlead and W. Bashford, while members of the school who stood in wilh them were F. Potter, A. M. Rrown, S. Whitney, S. W. Sturyis, f. I. Sturgis and W. Sturgis,
The 'go' of our bells is now excellent, since a year ago, when Wo shipped the leadstock to Eughand and lad ball beirings instalied by Messis. Menrs and Stainhank.

Groton, Mass, U.S.A.
June 14th, 1929.

## DOVER RINGER'S SLDDEN DEATH.

We regret to record the death of Mr. Richard Stevens, who was for over 16 , jears a prominent menther of St. Mary's Bellringers; Dover. 'Dick,' as he was familiarly called in the town, was well known in the Canterbury and Ashford distriets, where he bad rung many peals in various methods. He was also a dever handbell ringer. His death occurred surdenly at Southampton on Thursday, June 20th. On Friday, June 28th, tha bells at St. Mary's, Dover, wert rung half-muffled in three of his farounite methods.

## EVERCREECH RINGERS' OUTING.

On Saturday, Tune 22nd, the Evererecell ringers, under the leadme ship of their estecmed captain, Mi'. R. Whitehead, and accompanied by the Vicar and friends, had their eleventh anmal outing. The party left Evercreech at 7 p.m. for Torguay hy charabanc. At st. Thomas', Exeter, a touch of 630 Grandsire Triples was rung. Prignton was reached at 1.15 and at Dellers' a lot Iunch was partaken of Arriving at Torquay, a trip by motor launch to Brixham and hack was much enjoyed. After tea the return journey started. At Taunton a broak was made for supper, and hove was reached slortly after II p.m. The weather thrmugnut the day was ideal. Many thanks are due to the captain for his untiring encrgios in naking this outing so delightfully enjoyable.

## BRAINTREE RINGERS VISIT SUFFOLK.

The ringers of St. Michael's Church, Eraintree, hat their anmual anting on Saturlay, Jume 29th. when they visited some of the churches in Suffelk. Lavenlam was the first slop, and these fine old bells were set going to Double Norwich and Cambridge Surptise. Then ou to Stonham Aspall, where Grandsire and Stedman Caters were brought round.
Faye was the next stopping place, and, after more Double Norwich and Cambridge, luncheon was partaken of. Wiahy, with its bells recently angmented to eipht, came noxt on the list, and here an excellent tonch of Superlative Srarnde was rung. Thence to Framlingham, where Stedman Triples. Double Norwich ant Cambridre were each brought rounk. Ipswich was reached about 6 p.m., and after ton St. Mary-le-Tower was visited. There, with the nid of some of the loeal momany, Grandsire anci Sterman Caters, Stedman Gngues and Kent Treble lizoh Maximus wete zung. A very nujoyable day wrs spent, and the ringers wish to thank the incumbents of the churches visited for the use of the hells, and also all the loral ringers who helped to make the onting such a success,

## MILNROW RINGERS AT LGUGHBOROUGH.

The ringers of Minnow Parish Clnurch, Tancs, ard a fow friends visited Longhhorough for their-anninal outing. Messrs. Taylos and Co. have in hand the retnaing and rehanging of the Mincow bells. and the inspection of the celehrated foumdry therefore, had special interest for fhe prity. Travelling by shloon coach via Stockport, Buxton rnd Matlonk, breakfast was served at Belper. Toughbornargh was reached by 11.30 and at, the foundry the risitors were received hv Mr. C. Hartison and Mr. J. P. Fidler, representing Messrs. Tavlor and Co., and conducted through the works, where the Milnrow bells, now returacd, were an object of special interest. Another "job" which atrtracted special attention was a earillon. The ringers then turned their attention to the foundry peal, hut the lightness of the bells defeated their attempts to bring round a touch. Visiting the Parish Church. however, they brought round tauches of Grandsirn and Stedman Triples, Bab Major and Kent Treble Bib on the fine bells. On the retarn journey a stop was made at Derby for thea and ringing on the bells at the Cathedral, and the journey home was then resumed win Ashbowmu, Ieck. Macelesficki and Manchester Milnrow being reached rboust 11.30 pm . nftor a splendid day. The ringers desier to thank Messys. Hprti=nil ant Preller for ennductiom them throngl the fonnolve, and the anhoritine it Jenghboming Chureh mod Derby Catherlmal for permission to ring.

## THE NATIONAL THANKSGIVING.

## CHURCH BELLS PLAY A TRADITIONAL PART.

Wherever there was a ringable peal of bells and a band of ringers to handle them, the bells in the churches throughout the land joined on Sunday in the " national thanksgiving to Almighty God for his good Providence whereby our Most Gracious Sovereign has been dehivered from severe illness to the comfort of the whole Realm, and for the signal love and loyalty of his people made manifest in the time of trouble.' For centuries the church bells of England have played a part upon great national occasions in expressing the feelings of the public and on Sunday their notes resounded over city and hamlet, hill and dale calling the people to join in the service of thanksgiving or adding by some peal or touch a special distinction to the day.

Ringing in many jinces began on Saturday with a peal, and here are the iecords of some of the peals specially rong in connection with the Thanksgiving:-

## TONDON.

THE SOCILTY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.
On Salurday, July 6. 7929, in Thre Hours and Thirty-One Minutes,
At the Cherch of St. Lyonard, Shorzditch,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES;

Tenor 28 cwt.
Edwh Barnett, sen.
John H. Chersman.
Tyeble Teomas Bevan ...
2 William H Tarobald ... 8
Herisert E. Addsley ... 3 Stafrord H. Green ... ... 9

- Heribrat Shemming... ... 4 Harky Shar-. ... ... .... io Edwin Batenett, jon. ... 5 Edward D. Smith ... ... it Igaac J. Attwater ... ... 5 William Bottrill ... ...Temor Composed by John Carter. Condacted by John H. Ceresman. * lirisi peal of Cingues. It whs also rung as a compliment to the Vory Rey. II. R. L. Gheppard, D.D., late Rector of St. Martin'a-in-the-Fiolds, and a member of the Royal Gumberland Youtbs, who wats insin]led Dean of Canterbury Cathedra! an July 1st. Also to Mr. Oecil J. Mathews of the lirth of a son and beir. E. Barnett's 50tI peal on twelve bells.

EVESHAM, WORCESTERSHIRE
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTE ASSOCIATION. (Southern Branch.)
On Saltuday. Ju'v 6, 1929, in Threa Hours and Twenty Minutes,
At the Brli Tower,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 6067 CHANGES|

 Tenor $3 \mathrm{I} \pm \mathrm{cwt}$.| - Miss Amy Johnson | Tyehte | arbert Jordon | 6 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Joseri D. Johnson. | 2 | *Frederick jordon ... | ... 7 |
| Fred W. Goodfello | 3 | *Frederick J. Johnson | 8 |
| Inmes Hemming |  | Harry Middleton | 9 |
| Jodn Hall... | 5 | Ggoffrey]. IIEmming | Tenar |
| omposed by James li |  | Conducted by Josera | inso |

CRICH DERBYSHIRE
EAST DDRBYSHIRE AND NOTTINGHAMSEIRE ASSOCLATION On Saturday. July 6, 1929, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes.

At reg Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, E12D CHANGES; Tenor 12步 cwt.

 Wilsos Alein, sen. .. ... 4 Josgph Lord... ... ... ...Tonor Composed by F. Hopgoov. Conducted by Joserf Lord.

* First peal of Major. First peal of Major on the bells. Also a birthday compliment to the treble ringer

NORTON, DERBYSHIRE
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOGIATION.
(Sheffired District Socigiv.)
On Sathday, July 6, 1929, in Three Hours and Eteven Minutes.
At the Chorce of St. James,
A PEAL OF BOE MASOR, EO24 CHANGES;
Teror $15 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Arthor Knigets ... ...Tyeble |Charies Bates ... ... ... 5
Miss Nofl Cawthorne ... 2 William Biggn ... ... ... 6

- Jor Brrridge ... ... ... 3 Arthor Pashley ... .... 7
*Bert Suaw... ... .... ... 4 A. Percrval Knights ...Teno
Composed and Conducted by A. P. Knigers.
* First peal. Also rugg as a welcome to the new Reclor, the Rev Pegg.

LONDON
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GULLD.
On Saiurday, july 6.1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minuies,
At the Cefrci of St. Giles-in-the-Figlds, Bloomsbory,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5050 CHANGE8;
Teqratans' Four.part.
Edgar Humphrey
Arther H. Fuclweil
Wilejam J. Ellis

## ...

Trable Wulam Pye Tenor 18 cwt . HMNH ESSEX
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
Or Suturday, July 6, 7929, in Three Hours and Truenty-Four Minutes, At ter Cathrdral.

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5040 GHANGES;

 Tenor $34 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.-Edwarij Kgmp ... ...Trable
"Arthor Saltmarsh ... ...

- Herbert Devenish... $\begin{array}{r}6 \\ \hline\end{array}$
Trimor Saltmarsh . William Lincoln 7
Thomas Lincoln
- Richamd C. Clark

Grorgr Grren. $\qquad$ 3
... 5 Lesliz J. Clark ... ... 8 Artari Head ... ... ... 9 Composed by H. Johnson. Conducted by L. I. Clazk. * [ifist pual on ten bolls. Finst peal on ten bells as conductor. TROWBRIDGE, WILTS.
THE SALISBURY DIOGESAN GULLD.
On Smalay, Jmiy 7, 1929. in Thre Hours and Seven Miruites, At the Chergh of St. James,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANGES; Tenor 24 cwt.


Composed by the late]. Cartrr. Conducted by C. F. Andrews.

* First peal of Caters.

ThOMas Lock

* Firat Conducted by William Pye.
Firat peal and first attempt.
ERITH, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Salurday, July 6, 1929, in Three Howrs,
At tar Caurca of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;
Tenor 15 cwt in G .
- Heary H, Flower ... ...Trable †P.C.Charles Davis ... 5 Herbert A. Hol.den $\quad . .{ }^{2} \quad 2 \quad$ Robert Breit-Smith.. .6 JOHN J. Lamb Jim Horrell $\quad . .$. Composed by F. Braneit. Conducted by Fredi. T. Coleqm, jon
* First peal. + Tirst peal of Major. Rung also to celebrate the 36 th anniversary of the wedding of their Mujesties, the King antil Queen.


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矿LLENHALL, STA TTFORDSHRRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE AROHDEAGONRY OF STAFFORD. On Safurday, Jwly 6, 1929, in Thyee Hours and Fite Minufes,

At the Chorch or St. Gilles,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, G0』0 GHANGES;
Thorstans' Fodr-part.
Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cw}$.
Isame Evans
Ernest W. Tacbshiaw
Robert Pigkering ...
...Treble
Benjamin Godgr .... ... 5 John T. Davies ... ... ... 6 Cbristopher Wallater ... 7
Arthdre. Rged... ... ...Temoy

Aropher Waleater.
Also rung as a peal of welcome to the Rev. Edward Harrison, M.A. who was instituted Vicar of St. Giles the same evening. * Pirst peal.

BLLLINGBHURST, SUSSEX
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Swaday, July 7, 1929, in Ttro Hours and Fifty-Sewen Mirwtes,
Ai the Ceurch of Si. Mary.
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BQB MAJOR, 508B GHANGES; Tenor 12 cwt I qr. II lb . in F. starp.
Walter Charman ... ...Treble
Arfred H Winch
James Burdera
James Burdieqd $\quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 3 \quad$ John H. B. Hetse $\quad . .$.
Composed by the late York Grern. Conducted by A. H. Winch.
This composition is without the 2nd before the tenor at any one lead.

## BRIGHTLING, SUSSEX.

THE SUSGEX COUNTY ASSOOIATION.
On Suthay, July 7. 1929, ins Twa Hours and Fiffy-Nine Minntes,
At the Chorch of St. Thomas-a-Brcket,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGESI Groves' Transposition of Parker's Twelve-part. Tenor 13 cmb .

James Croft
....Trabie Grorge Dann
Albert Holden
Albert holden $\quad$ -
Perlif S. Thompson
 Grorge Pont ... ... ...Tenot Conducted by A. E. Eowards. STALYBRIDGE, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUTLD. On Sunday, Jwiy7, 1929, in Threa Hours,
At the Ceqreh of the Holy Trinity (Castle Hazl),
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANEES;
"Robert Lee
... ....Treble -John Simister Alfred Roberts … 6 frane Hodge ... ... ... 3 . Whltre W. Wolsitencrofi 7 Arigor jackson ....... 4 •Percy Wallon.... .... ....tomoy Composed by J. Carter. Conducted by W. W. Worstencrort. The Ist, 2nd, 5th, 6th, nad lemor ringers are from St. Paul's, Stalybridge, the 3rd and 4th are local.

> LAVENHAM, SUFFOI_K.
> THE SUFFOLK GUTLD.

On Sunday, July 7, 1029, in Three Howrs and Four Minntes.
At the Cherch of SS. Petbr and Pagl
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:
Rgevgs' Variation.
Artiti Symonds

| .Treble |
| :---: |
| $\ldots$ |
| .. |

Matrice T. Symonds
Frederick L. Leeks..
Strdman H. Symonds

Tenor 23 cwt. in D fat.
Frederici Borfham ... Frederick F. Morilock . Lawrence Poglson ... Frank A. Torner
H. Symonds.
'Giles E. Shaw... ... ...
Alfred Roberts
e from St. Paul's,

Conducted by S. H. Symonds.
The quickest peal on the bells. The tenor man has now 'comploted the circle' in this tower.

BOURN, CAMBRIDGESFIRE.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION.
On Sunday, Tuy 7, 1929, in Threa Honrsand Fourteen Minutes, At the Cefech of SS. Mary and Helena,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES; Tenor $14 \frac{1}{5} \mathrm{cw}$. in $F$.


Composed by J. Reeves. Conducted by F. Warrington.
Mr. H. J. Bright, a local man, stood out to ellow a visitor to ring, and his kindness was much appreciated. BEDFORD.
TBE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCLATION.
On Tuesday, July 2, 1929, im Two Howirs and Farty-Five Minntes,
At tee Cherch of St. Peti:r-de-Merton,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANEEX;
Baing 720 each of Cambrifge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent
Treble Bob, Double Court, Oxford Bob and Piain Bob.
Kennetif Bowyer .... ...Treble $\mid$ Miss Evilyn Steel...
Miss Ebith K. Knight ... 2 H
*John Potter ... ....... 3 Williab Stapleion ... ...Tenoy Conducted by Wheliam Stapleton.

* First peal in seven methods. Rung on the nearest date that was possible.

BURSTOW, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOGIATION.
(Somthern Branch)
On Saturday, July 6, 1929, in Two Hours und Forty Mintucs,
At ite Cevrcef of St. Bartholomew,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, bO40 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Supprisc, Woodbine, Osford and Kent,
Treble Bob, Oxford Single Rob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob. Tenor 1 It cwt.
Robrri Swift ...........Twhbe Bernard Wrlls...
Wicliam D. L. Ashdown... 2 Oliver Sippetts... ... ... 5
Fznneth Snelling ... ... 3 Alfrod J. Bell ...
Conducted by O. Sifpetts. BRADWELL, HUCKS.'
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GULD. (Nortr Bucks Bmanch.)
On Salurday, July 6. 1929, in Two Howrs and Fifty-Eight Minhies,
At tre Chorgh of Si. Lawrence,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, E040 CHANGE8;
With ten different callings.
Tenor 7t cwt.
Charles G. Aiderman ...Trehle Ephraim Lathall ... ... 4

Thomas C. Waltbr ....... 3 Archie Jathall
Conducted by Edwand Whitcock.

* First peal of Doubles. Also rung as a birthtay compliment to Mr. Harry Sear.

YARDIEY HASTINGS, NORTHANTS,
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Snturday, Jwly 6. 1929. in Three Fours ard Fiar Minutes,
At the Charch of St. Andrew.
A PEAL OF MINOR, E040 CHANGES:
Being 720 of Woodbine, two 720's each of Oxford and Keut Treble Bob and Plain Bob.

| ... | $\ldots$ Trable | Alberi Minney |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\cdots \cdots$ | ... | 2 | Amos Smari... |
| $\cdots$ | $\ldots$. | 3 | Harry Peifit |

Wileiam A. Balley
. $\quad .$. ... 4
Harry Wooding...
Conducted by Amos Swart.
Also rugg as a birthday compliment to W. Perkins.

THE NATIONAL THANKSGIVING SOU'1'H WINGFIELD.
FAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTINGHAMSHIRE ASSOCLATION. On Salurday, July 6, 1929, in Two Fours and Forty-Two Minutos, At the Parish Churce,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES; Being seven 720's.

Conducted by F. W, Knowles.

* First peal of Minor.

LAMBERHURST, FENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOOIATION.
On Suturday, July G, 7929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes, At the Chorce of St Mary,

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 594D CHANGES;

Bring 720 each of London, Primose, Norfolk, Cambridge, Ipswich, York and Norwich.

Conducted by aleber Relfe.

* 1001 h peal. Also a farewell peal for A. F. Smith.

WHTMNEY-ON-WYF, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Studav, Juiy7, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Peter and Pade,
A PEAL OF DOUELES, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 of Cnnterbury Pleasurc, and 4,320 of Grandsire. Tenor 9 cwl .
-David Timbers... ... ...Tyeble $\mid$ treginald Morris ... ... 3


> G. James R. Price ......Tenoy
> Conducted by J. P. Hyett.

# * First peal. $\dagger$ First peal inside. $\ddagger$ First peal in two methods. MARKET DEEPTNG, LINGOLNSHIRE. THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. <br> On Sunday, July 7, 1929, in Tyo Hoars and Forty-Eight Minutes, At the Cafrca of St. Guthlac. <br> <br> A PEAL OF MINOR, 5090 CHANGES; 

 <br> <br> A PEAL OF MINOR, 5090 CHANGES;}

Being 720 cact of St. Clement's, PIain Bob, Double Court, Single Couri, Oxford Boh, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 16 cwt. Iames H. Messon ... ...Tyebla Cdthperet T. H. Bradley Harry Gibbard ...... William H. Waldron ... 3 Horace M. Day ... ... ...Temor Conducted by H. MI. Day.
This was also the choir and ringers' annual festival.

## SOME OF THE THANESGIVING TOUCHES.

In many places circumstancos did not permit of peals being attempled, but long touches were scored. In the Guildford Diocese an organised effort was made to secure the riaging of the bells at distinctive limes, in addition to the usual service hours, and at many places there was ringing after the manniag or evening service, or in the rflernoon. At several churches, alsa, following out the suggestion made in these columes, the Bells were rung for two or three minutes tid a central point in the thanksgiviag service itself, and where this was done the effect was most impressive.
Among the records of Sunday's lesser performances were the fol-lowing:-
For Thanksgiving serviee at Brewood, Staffs, a quarter-peal of Stedruan Triples ( 1,260 clianges) in 46 mins. : F. I. Blewitt 1, H. Hood 2, J. Yarrold 3, A. E. Winterton 4, G. Warner 5, P. Bill 6, J. Perry (conductor) 7, T. Perry 8.
At Worplesdon, Surrey, after the Thanksgiving service, 720 Bob Minor: T. Soholjield 1, Miss K. Avenell 2, S. Petter 3, G. Chandler 4, C. Feather 5 , H. Btackenan (conductor) 6 .

At Forley, Surrey, for cyensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) in 47 mins. 'W. Sluughter 1, F. Sadler $2, T$. Whitmore 3, S. Kenward 4, P. Etheridge 5, G. Illman 6, A. J. Bull (concluctur) 7, G. Woodman 8.
At Si. Botolph's, Bishonggate, London, for evensong, 1,248 Camhristge Surpise Major: R. A. Post (Oxford) 1, G. 13. Cole 2, W. H. Hewetl 3, W: R. Madgwiek 4, E. A. Reeve S, F. F Like 6, R. F. Denl 7. ©. W. Roherts (conducter) 8 .

At Margale, Kent, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: Bennete (conductor) 1, T. R. Demis 2, K. Pattenden 3, C. W. Player $4, *$, . Blythman $5, W$. $\mathbb{R}$. Drage 6, A. Saxby 7, ${ }^{*}$ F. Gadsden 8. * First quarter of Stedman. The visitors desire to thank Mr. A. Saxby for having the bells in readiress for this and the peal on the previous eveniag.
At Christ Church, Ottershaw, Surrey, after evensong, 720 Grandsire Doubles: Stephen Sleet 1, F. J. Chaffey 2, C. Sleet 3, Miss M. Thompson 4, D. Sleet 5, G. Sleet 6.
At St. Bernabas' Church, Linslade, for afternoon service, a quarterpeal of Grandsire Triples in 48 mins.: W. Insloy 1, F. Jeffs (firsi quarter-peal of Grandsire) 2, W. Jeffs 3, F. Vickers 4, R. Oliver 5, J. E. Arnold (eonductor) 6, J. Nicholls 7, A. Whitney 8.

At All Saints' Church, Leighton Buzzard, after evensong, a guarterpeal of Plain Bob Major in 50 mins. * A. Whitney 1, ${ }^{*} F$. Jeffe 2, $F$. Wiekers 3, W. Botsford 4, ${ }^{*}$ F. Plummer 5, W. Jeffs 6, J. Nicholls 7, J. E. Arnold (conductor) 8. * First quarter of Major.

At Leatherhead, Surrey, a quarter-poal of Grandsire Caters (1,259 clarnges): W. Messam I, A. C. Otway 2, Miss I. L. Hastie 3, A. Harman 4, A. H. Winch 5, J. H. White 6, G. Smart 7, W. Newbury B, A. Dean (conductor) 9, G. Marriner Io.

At Ashtead, Surrey, two touches of Stedman Triples conducted ty J. Hoylo and A. W. Coles respectirely, 416 Double Norwich conducted by A. Dean, and a course of Superlative Surprise, the following taking part: W. Cook, G. Cook, J. Hoyle, A. L. Brown, A. W. Coles, A. Dean, Miss Y. L. Hastie, G. Marriner, and W. Newbury.
On Sunday ceoning, it St. Matthew's Church, Bethnal Green, for special Tharksgiving service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 ehanges) in 46 mins. : W. W. Stevens 1, J. F. Parrott 2, J. H. Parrott 3, I. J. Attwater (conductor) 4, F. Smith 5, H. Hills 6, J. Martim 7, H. O. Taylor 8. The service was attended hy the Mayor, Borough Council and representatives of the local branch of the British Legion. At Haslemere, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1,260 changes) in 47 mins. : $H$. Furlonger 1, W. E. Taylor 2, Mrs. F. Bowden 3, R. Hayes 4, R. Overy 5, T. Bowten 6, G. Gilbert (conductor) 7, W. Fildridge 8. Rounds and Queen's were rang before and after the quarter on the ten bells.
At Watford, Ferts, a quarier-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes) in 52 mins. : E. Jones 1, C. F. Surridge 2. H. Milton 3 , H. Long 4, S. Edwards 5, R. Bell 6, F. Edwards (condnctor) 7, G. Seaman 8.
At Hounslow, on Sunday morning, 1,260 Grandsire Triples in 45 mins. : C. Collins I, F. G. Goddard 2, C. J. Tricker 3, F. E. Haw thorne 4, W. F. Ellinglam (conductor) 5, J. Kent 6, TR. Martin 7, $\mathbf{H}$ Gasil 8.
At Tring Parish Chareh, a quarter-peal of Grandsite Triples in 49 mins. : H. Bishop 1, F. Keen 2, J. Puplett 3, H. Bull 4, F. C. Reerd 5, C. Badrick 6, F. J. Reeve (conductorl 7, N. Brackley 8. First quarter-peal by the ringers of 1st und 6th, and rung by an entirels local band.
At Cirencester, Glos, for tho service at the Parish" Churci, Grandsire Caters: F. W. Bond 1, A. Parsons 2, H. L. Cook 3. A. Bond 4, T. C. Eden 5, F. J. Lewis (conductor) 6, H. C. Bond 7, H Lewis 8, W. H. Hayward 9, F. Edwardis 10; and after the service 287 Grandsire Caters.
At the Parish Church, Buckingham, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 45 mins. : H. Cashmore 1, T. Read 2, F, Case 3, E. Lambert 4, L. Smith 5, T. Roberts (conductor) 6, J. Green 7, G. Foddy 8.
8. At Ash Priors, Taunton, for evensong, 720 Bob Minor: E. C. Thomas 1, J. Branchfower 2, H. Sealy 3, A. Tout 4, J. Newick 5, B. T. Jeanes (conductor) 6.

At Wolverhampton, on Sunday morning, at St. Peter's, a quarter peal of Grandsire Caters (1,259 changes) in 55 mins.: W. E. Maddox 1, T. Roden 2, T. Smith 3, G. A. Baker 4, F. Brotherton 5, F. T. Piper 6. W. H. Lawley 7, H. Moswell 8, W. A. Cooper (conductor) 9, H. Knight 10. First quarters Caters 'inside' for ringers of 4th and 8th. Immediately after service the 12 bells were fired. 6 times-once for ench year of His Majesty's age, G. P. Smith and J. Williams taking part with the above.
At Fairford, Glos, for 8 a.m. special service, 720 Grandsire Doubles G. Law 1, I. Hope (conductor) 2, J. Peyman 3, G. J. Winter 4, T. Smith 5, Cooper 6. There was also the usual morning and evening serviec ringing.
At All Saints' Church, Newport, Mon, prior to the morning service, to distinguish the day from an ordinary Sunday service, the hells were a number of himes 'fired,' interspersed with Queen's Touches of Triples were then rung. For the evening service a quar-ter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) in 44 mins. : H. Ridout 1, T. Fori 2, W. Millard 3, H. Forhes 4, A. Thomas 5, G. Day ${ }^{6}$ J. W. Jones (conductor) 7, F. Amos 8. All are Sunday service ringers at this chureh.
At St. Margaret's, Ipswich, 420 Grandsire Triples: C. Cracknell I, J. Smith 2, F. G. Welhan 3, Roy Woadard 4, F. Bowell (St. Clement's) 5, J. Rose (conductor) 6, G. More 7, H. Cowey 8. For evensong, 224 Roh Maior by: C. Cracknell 1, Sid Moss 2, O. Barnard 3, J. Rosn 4, R. Wondard 5, H. Welham (candueter) 6, J. Smith 7 G. More 8.

At Slaveley, Derbyshire, after morning serviee, 720 Bob Major in 28 mins.: A. Markwell 1, L. G. Palmer 2, F. Dyble 3, F. Parsons, jun., 4, S. Smedley 5, F. Parsons, sen, 6, W. T. Palmer 7, A. E. Parsons (conduotor) 8 . All ave Sunday service ringers at this church.
At Cranford, Northants, 720 Oxford Bob Minor was rung after the Thanksgiving serwice ou Sunday evening: W. Fellowes (irst 720) 1, Miss Sylvia Thurgfield 2, F. Pene 3, E. Palmer 4, F. Lewin (conductor) 5, J. Lewin 6.

At St. Andrew's Churcl, Uxbridge, for evening serwice, a quarterpeal of Oxferd Bob Triples in 44 mins.: W. L. Gutteridge $\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{G}}$ G H. Gutteridge 2, J. H. Lueas 3, R. Warneit 4, E. Hancox 5, F. Corke (conductori 6, R. Carter 7, G. Nicholls 8.

At Rochester Cathedral, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1,259 changes) in 57 mins, by the Cathedral Society: W. Eaigh (conductor) 1, J. Kidd 2, H. Springato 3, E. A. G. Allen 4, F. Belsey 5, H. Poulter 6, W. Easter 7, C. Norris 8, J. Haigh 9, A. Haylor 10.
At East Eagbourne, Berks, before the service of Thanksgiving, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1,260 changes) in 47 mins.: $A$. W. Cox 1, J. Butler 2, W. V. Webb 3, A. H. Webb (conductor) 4, H K. White 5, F. H. Abbott B, J. Sawyer 7, W. A. Goodenough 8.

At St. Clement's, Ipswich, 720 Norwich Surprise: J. G. Harvey 1, A. V. Middeditcli 2, W. Prime 3, H. Shemming 4, V. E. Waters 5, 1. J. Long (conductor) 6. Also 720 Annable's London Surprise by: D. Bruming 1, A. V. Middieditch 2, W. Prime 3, H. Shemming 4, F. Bowell (conductor) 5, F. F. Long 6.

At Beckenham, Kent, on Salurday, July 6th, at a London county meeting, on the eve of Thanksgiving Day, in 46 mins., a quarterpeal of Stedman Triples (Carter's Odd Bob): C. F. Winney (conduator) 1, W. A. Martin 2, H. Dyas 3, J. H. Crampion (first quar-ler-peal and first attempt) 4, R. Wackrill 5, E. A. Reeve 6, J, Herbert 7 , W. Meek 8.
At Putriey, orn Sunday, July 7th, for Thanksgiving Day, and in bomour of the visit of the Lord Bishop of Sonthwark, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 44 mins.: E. Cassel, jun., 1, T. Bolton 2, C . E. Collis 3, W. H. Ball 4, E. Cassel 5, J. Herbert 6, W. T. Eison (composar and conductor) 7, A. I. Williarns 8.
At St. Andrew's Church, 'Farnliam, Surrey, for 7 a.m: Holy Commanion service, 566 Grandsire Triples: H. Rurningham 1, J. Read 2, F. Kemp 3, S. Meadows 4, T. Upshall 5, C. Enwards 6, R. Hasted (conduclor) 7, G. Upshall 8. For the 11 a.m. Thanksgiving service 1,008 Stedman Triples: C. Edwards 1, G. Upshall 2, J. Read 3, S. Meadows 4, T. Upstiall (conductor) 5, C. Wells 6, R. Hasted 7, A. E. King 8. Also 168 Oxford Boh Triples, and for evening service 504, Grandsire Triples.

At Northfield, Birmingham, at the Parislı Church ofter evensone 1,280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: F. B. Yates 1, J. Withers 2, P. O. Lafin (conductor) 3, A. Chambers 4, C. W. Wheeler 3, T. George 6, A. Walker 7, H. Withers 8 .
At Sibsey, Lincolnshire, after evening service, 720 Bob Minor. Thes Louth 1, W. E. Glarke 2, F. Dewey 3, S. Lovell 4, W. Wilkinsurn 5, ㅍ. Harper (conductor) 6.
At St. Peter's Church, Ashton-under-hyec 720 Bob Minur in 25 mins. : Mrs. W. Wolstencroft 1, Miss Ida Wolstencroft (first in the method) 2, Miss Ethel Grimshaw 3, J. Giayion 4, E. Johnson 5, W. W Wolstencroft 6.

At the Parish Church, Juton, Beds, for moraing serwice, a auar-ter-peal of Cambridge Surprise Major in 46 mins.; F. Blackhourn $1_{1}$ A. King 2, B. Wilson 3, A. Sraith 4, F. Burton 5, F. Hunt 6, 1 . Kendall 7, L. A. Goodenough (conductor) 8.
At Aberavon, Glam, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1,260 changes) in 44 mius. : $G$. Chappell 1, W. Williams 2, F. E. Stone 3, W. J. Nurton 4, O. Jones 5, A. J. Pitmen 6, E Stitch (conductor) 7, J. Weathersby 8. For ceming service, a quar-ter-peal in the same method: 0 . Hughes 1, W. Willinms 2, A. J. Pitman (conductor) 3, W. J. Nurton 4, C. Mathers 5, F. E. Stone 6, E. Stitch 7, J. Weathersby 8. Ali the ringers are Sunday service ringers, and it is the first time two quarlar-peals have been rung on a Sunday.
At Holy Trinity Church, Old Fill, Staff, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 47 mins. : B. Mason 1, D. Pearson 2, W. E. Fendail 3, F. Johnson 4, J. Price 5, B. Price 6, W. Green (conduclar) 7, G. Swallow 8.
At Swanmore, Hants, in the afternoon, 720 Canterbury Pleasure Minor: E. Jacobs, jun., 1, A. Millard 2, A. Waison 3, E. Jacobs, 5en., 4, H. Ainsley 5, W. Linter (conductor) 6. Also 720 Oxford Bob Minos:

## A RECORD FOR THE KING.

## To the Eutiar.

Dear Sir, I desire to remind those affiliated to the Central Council that it was decided to tabulate the peals rumg in celebration of the King's recovery, and send His Majesty the sfatement with tho expression of our gratitude to the Almighty. This was to be done as soon after Thanksgiving Day as would be Cound possible,

In view of the above, I would suggest tlat any such peals be rung within the next fortuight mad published in "Tlie Ringing World.'Yours faithfully, E. ALEX. YODNG.

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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Mr. J. C. Cherry son of the late Lord Chief Justice Cherry, of Dublin, lias recently taken his medical degrec, and is now holding an appointment in a Loudon Hospital. Mr. Glerry has scored several peals, but his pursuit of ringing has, of course, been restricted by his studies.
Mr. Ermest Morris has just bees appointed as hon. consultant on bells, etc., to the Advisory Committee of Leicester Diocese, and has already been called upon to report on one ring of bells.

In addition to lis ringing activities, which inelute the secretaryship of the Midland Cotunties Association, Mr. Marris is a member of the Leicestershire Archmologieal Soejeby, and has written a mistory of St, Margaret's Church, Leicester (transcribed from three ancient registers). He has also revised North's 'Chuwch Bells of Leicestershire up to date, and is now engaged upon a "History of Change Ringing.
At Pinner, Middlesex, four of the local band, who have been under the instruction of Messrs. G. and H. Kilby, scored their first peal last Saturday, and another rang his firse peal of Triples. The 'first pealers' included Mr. T. Humphreys, who js 67, and rang the tenor; and Mr. Charles Lord, who is 72. Mr. James George is a native of Pinner, and it seems, even now, that he will brve to look to his laurels.
A correspondent writes to bsk whether the Londaners who wisited Birmingham on Saturday now thoroughly understand what is meant by 'yo Nelson Touch,' and whether it is a fact that one distinguished visitor found it necessary to take off his coat so as thoroughly to enjoy the said "touch'?
Mr. Tr, E. Dawe, who recently visited Yuverness, found the bells in the Cathedral in a very dilnpidated candition.
The first peal of Erin Caters was rung 20 years ago to-day at North Shields.
The opeñing of the ring of twelve bells at St. Chad's, Slutewsbury, took place on July 18th, 1798, and on that occasion the College Fouths rang a peal of Grandsire Cinques.
The rimer of the fourth in the peal at East Peckham was Tom, not Sam, Saunders.

The bells of St. Martin's, Birmingham, will be broadcast on Sunday cveniug, from 7.50 to 8 p.m.

## SECESSION OF GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL.

To the Editor.
Sir, Mr. Guise's long letter calls only for one or two vemarks.
The idea that the Central Council is cin existonce to create Surday service church belfringers is quite new to me. I always looked on this as being the work of the associations, the work of the Council being to give advice to the associations, aud through them to their members, who are slieady vingers.
'You are not here as a delegate.' It seems uscless to try and explain to $\mathrm{Mr}^{\text {r }}$. Guise, as I thought and hopad that I had done in my last letter, that these words of the president do not, and neither the president nor amyone else can, prevent a momber of Commeil from considering himself, and acting in all respects as if he were, a delegate. By doing so, he merely lowers his own status quite gratuitously. In his alusion to the discussion on diplomas at the jubilee meeting of the Gloucester and Bristol Association last year, Mr. Guise accuses me of putting an and to the subjact ' without full discussion.' I must leave my conducd in the chair to the judgment in general of those who were present. There is certainly no nint of such action on my part in your veport of the meeting in "The Ringing World' of June 1st, 1928, and your correspondent was within fo couple of yards of the chair throughout the mecting. I adhere to your report of what $[\text { did and said.- Yours faithfull }]_{\text {f }}$

GHARLES D. P. DAFIES.

## APPEAL FOR ECKINGTON RINGER

In response to the appeal made in our columns a fortnight ago on behalf of Mr. Alfired West, a ringer of Eekington, who is totally incapacitated, and who has a young family dependert upon him, the following contributions have been received:-

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& \text { Windermere Parisl Chumeh Ringers } \\
& \text { W. Pole Routh (Reakling) } \\
& \text { Win. Pickmorth } \\
& \text { W. (Southgate) } \\
& \text { W. H. Fussell } \\
& \text { (Slough) } \\
& \text { A. W. G. } \\
& \text { A Ringer }
\end{aligned}
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These gifts are thankfully acknowledged by Mr. T. A. Howes Smith, The Yews, Eckington, near Slieffich, to whom any subserip tion should be sent.
Mr. West has heen a sunday serviee ringer for nearly forty years, and his present illaess follows upon a serious injury in a conl mine some years ago. The eireumstances of the case and the pressing need make this an instance in which mentuers of the Exercige ena render invaluable help by a gererous respouse to the appeal.

## BELLS OF HATHERLEIGH RECAST <br> A DEVON RESTORATION.

The old eight bells at Hatherleigh, Devon, cast by Thomas Bilbie, of Cullompton, have been recast by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, of the Whitechapel Bell Foundry, and relrung with all new fitings in the old frame. The work, together with the provision of a new clock, has been chrried out at the expense of the Misses E. and $H$. Churchward in memory of thein hwother, Mr. George Gould Churehward. The bells, with tenor of 14 owt. in $\vec{F}$, are timed on the five tone harmonic priveiple, and are hung with the latest type of fittings. The onk frame, which was only about forty years old, has been reconstructed and strengtiened and mounted on a double foundation of steel girders, The rimging chamber has been restored to its original position, ahout halfwry up, thereby reducing the draught by about 30 feet. The inscription on the tenor bell is: "Thomas Bilbie, fecit, Cullompton. Revd. G. Glascott, Vicar. John Seutheombe and John Thurner', jun., Churchwadens, 1813. These eight bells were recast and rohung in memory of George Gould Churohward by his sisters Elizabeth and Heroine. A.D. 1929. J. C. Rossiter, Vicar; F. W. Down and S. Palmer, wardens.;
The other bells bear' the insorjption: 'T.B. 1813. Recast by M. and S., 1929, of Londou.' The work of erecting the cloek, which is to have Westminster chimes, will be begun shortly.

The dedication of ihe bells was performed by the Bishop of Exeter in the presenoe of hery large oongregation, and following the dedicatory prayers the bells were rung while the Bishop and clergy returned to the chancel from the ringing chamber. The ringers were Messrs. E. Palmer (captain, who has beel a ringer at the Parish Chureh for elose tupon 60 years), W. Ellacott, I. Short, A. Luxton, G. Weeks, S. Causeley, G. Short, and Tuck. All were agreed that the recastimg and rehanging liave effected a marked improvement. Everybody spoke very enthusiastically about the tone and "go' of the bells.

In his address, the Bishop spoke of the early uses of towers and bells, and said that he understaod that in Devonshire at the time of the Spanish Armada they were get ringing in all the towns and ril lages in the counly to uall men to arms. The bells were used for different purposes. They were rung not only to give the alarm in denger, but also at festivals. Their most important use, however, was to call the people to worship. "The hells called us tegether in a
body,' said the Bishop; 'don't let us think of ourselves only as a parish, but remenber we all belong to one another. Do noi regard other denominations as outsiders. Remember that a great army has many regiments with lifferent forms of discipline. We are all lighting the same great enemy. When we hear the bells it is a call to arims. We must remember that we Christians are a great hody, and we have a great eneny, and in the end we shall win the Kingdom.' After the service the bells were rung hoth by the lacal men and visiting ringers. The Town Band also geve selections at intervals in ike Market Square.

## WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

quarterly mecting of the Andover District was held at Laverstoke and Whiohurol on Saturday, June 29th, members attending from Andover, Binfield, Overton, North Stonelam, Higholere, Winuhester, Woolton Hinl, Wootton St. Lawrence ane Laverstoke. A serrice, with mal excellont address, was conducted by the Reotor, Rev. W, Wragge, who welcomed the members to the tower. Tea was served 9i. Laverstoke Mills canteen, followed by the usual business meeting, at which the Rector presided.
Although quite a number of towers were representext, the number of members was small. However, good use was made of the belis, especially for the junior mernbers, who lud their first touch in ravious methods. It often happens that where a large pathering is present the younger members do not get so much opportunity to ring, anr so get discouraged.
During the afternoon and evening touches of the following methods were rung: Grandsite and Stedman Doubles, Plain Toh, Kent Treble Bol, Cambridge Surprise Minor at Laverstoke, and Grandsive and Stedman Triples at Whiteliurch.

## A SEVENTEEN HOUR TRIP

On Saturday, June 22nd, the annual outing af the St. Mary-lcTower Society of Ringers, Ipswich, took place. Seventeen mombers starled at 6 a.m. in a motor satoon, and by eight o'clock breakfast was lueing partaked of at the Blue Bonr Fotel, Maldon. Ringiag was indulged in at the triangular stecple of All Saints' Church, and also on the six bells at St. Mary's. Other towers visited were Galleywond, Widford, Writtle, and, after ringing at Writtle, the company hati the pleasure of witnessing a cricket match in progress, also of lishening to a well-struck attempt for a peal of Superlative Surprise Major by officers of the Essex Association
Wpon reaching Great Waltham a splendid dinner awaited the company at Yo Olde Six Bells Hotel, which gave them rellewed vigour to manipulate the ropes attached to the heavy bells there. The last place was Chelmsford Catherral, where a good course of New Camhridge Surprise Maximus was rung. The ringing throughont the day included methods up to London Surprise Major. Tlie society wishes to fhank all steeplekecpers and others who helped to make this 17 hour outing so successful.

## ST. COLUMB'S CATHEDRAL, LONDONDERRY, IRELAND

The bells of this Cathedral were probably the oldest peal of eight in Ireland. One was 'vecast for Londondery steeple' in 1614. Another was given in 1630. Five more wera added by King Charles I. in 1638, aud the last was the gift of the citizens in 1671. These have now been reoast by Messrs. Gillett and Johaston, of Groydon, with five additional bells, the tenov weighing 32 cwt., and the tatal weight being 7 tons 13 cwt.
 p.m., when the Bishop of Derry will officiate, and tho preacher will be the Lord Primate of All Ireland (Dr. D'Arcy).

After the sorvice the bells will be rung by uingers from St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin. The B.B.C. will broadeast the dedication and bells from $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. titl $7.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Those who hear the bells on the wireless are invited to commumicate their impressions to the hon. secretary of the Cathedral, James Trimble, Chapter House, Derry Cathedral, Londonderry. Their letters will be pueserved amongst the records of these historic bells.
The collcction at this service will be for the purpose of providing a memorial tablet to lwo heroes of the siege of Dery who lie side by side in the North Aisle, Colonel Baker, ono of the governors of the city, and Crptain Browning, captain of the 'Mountjoy,' killed at the breaking of the hoom when the city was relicved. For two hundred and forty years their graves havo remained withatit so much as their names baing inscribed over them. Those who have read Macaulay know how much the Empire owes to these men, and it is loped that within the next year a memorial worthy of the Empire, and of such loyal and devoted service as they gave, may mank their resting place. Ringers able to attend will be lieartily woloamed.

## ESSEX ASSOCTATION

A very successful meeting of the Northern Division of the Essex Assaciation was held at Colne Engaine on Saturaay. A short service was hela in the Parish Church, at which the Rector, Rey. J. W. Dumpe, officiated, and trave an excellent attress. Tca and mieeting followed at the Five Bells Inn. Mr. A. Satunders, the District Master, presided, supported by ihe Roctor, Mr. G. H. Howard (Master), Mr. W. J. Nevard (District Master, N.E. Division), Mr. E. J. Buller (hon. sec., S.W. Division), and mpwards of 30 members from Earls Colne, Colnc Engaine, Halstead, Greenstead Green, Braintree, Sible Hedinglam, West Bergholt, freat Bentiey, Great Yelaham, Thickham St. Paul, and Romford. The whole of the yanng local thani, eight members, whonm receivigg instruction from Mr. Flajdon, of Farls Colne, and maling rapid progress, were electer members of the association.
It was decided to hold the next, meeting at Gestingthorpe carly in September, and the annual distiot meetine at Braintroe in Novenber.
A vote of thanks was passed to the Rector for the use of the bolls fud his adtress, and to the organist for his services, also to those who provided the tea.
During the evening a risit was paid ly Miss Courtauld, by whose genmosity the tower has been restored anel the ring of six relanag. She expressed herself delighled with the enihusiasur of the ringert and her appreciation of the handbell ringing arranged especanly for her benefit.
Touches in various methods, ranging fron Bols Minor to London Surprise, were rung during tlie dny

## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. <br> EASTERN DIVISTON.

A most suceessful meeting of the Eastern Division was helit all Ringmer on Saturday, Jtue $29 t h, 35$ memhers ationding, reprosenting Brighton (St. Peter's, St. Nicholas', and Chumeh of the Gount Shepherd), St. Saviour's (Easthoturne), Heathichd, Maydeld, Merstham,
Sonthover, Christ Shurch (St. Leonards), and members of the local hand. Mr. I. H. Shepherd, of Swindon, was also pretent. Tho tower was opened for ringing at 2.30 , and the bells were kept going morrily nutill ahout 7.30 p.m. in methods ranging frum Grandsite Triples to London Surprise Major.

Owing to a prior pigagement, the Rector (Rew. the For. Campbell Doblas) was not present, and thercfore there was no sorvice. the Rarish Romm, Mr, provided Ep wendid tea for the mombermsing ard the wives of the local ringers pery kindly waiting wpon the gathering.

At the business meting which followed, Wr. Winthlarst occupien the chair, and on behalf of the Rector and lamself offered an enthusiastic weleome to the members of the assomation-The Finn. Secretary, in tesponding, ihanked Mr. Wilmshutst for bis kiad remarks, and asked him to convey to the Rector the best thanks of the members for the ise of the halls and for the sploudid tea which had been provided.
Mr. W. D. Smith, supporting the motion, niso thanken Mr. Wilnshurst for his kindness in coming amongst them, and also for presiding at; the tea and mecting; he also thanked the ladies who so kindly waited upon the members at lea.
At the close of the meeting the sum of 12s. Bd. was collected for the Bencvolent Fund.

## GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

 A MESSAGE FROM THE KING.the Eting kincerely thanks the inembers of the Guidford Thiocestun (atid of Church Bellringers assembled at their an unal festival for their kind and loyal greetings.
Thhis royal message was reecived by tho Master of the Guildford Diachan Guith during the summer festival at Haslemere on Eaturday in response to a telegrath sent liy the members of the Guild monveying their ingpectful greetings la His Majesty upon his recovery This was one of the interesting felstares of an extremely successful. patiering altended by overt n hundred memberg and visilors, Who came from, among other places, Aldershot, Bagshot, Bramshoti, Cobham, Dorkmer, Farmiam, Guildford (Cathedral and S. Nicolas'), Gorlalming. Tashmere, Fawley, Lomion, Leatherhead, Ofter'shaw, Walton, West Clandon, WFoking, etc. The beantiful peal of ten hells, the tenor of whieh is only 13 cwt , and which onm be beard perfeclly batla insirle and outside ithe tower, were kept husily engnged in the afternoon, in rounds for the least experienced and Grandaite Doubles, up to Cambritge Suptrise Royal, so that everyone whe desired mighl ring. Quile a large proportion of the members travelled by road, and risited Chiddingfold on the way, where the eight bells were ubilised riuting the aftermoon.

Waslomere Charch, which has associations with Tennyson, was the centro of the procedings, and tho festival service was well attiended. In the absence of the Rector: the Rev. O. S. Walford officiaterl, and tho singing of the hymus was led by a piano, the organ being a prement thater renomstruction. $A$ RJNGING LESSON FROM THE PTTLPIF,
The preachor was Canon G. F. Coleridge, president of the Cenlimal Counnil, and his homply ndalress was as from one ringer to others. Fin text was, 'I was glad when they said mito me we will go ince the House of the Lord' (Palm exrii. 1). He spoke of the
 Their skill, their intelleck and their slirenth to serving God in His
Thouse. Ringing, he said, whs not as vely easy thing to lesrn, sud it took a lifetime to become perfect in it. He emplasised the need for bergeverance and punctuality. A ringer was mot worth much, in his rpininn. if he was content to liog the same old thing week by: week. God had fiven him a hruin and hands to worte and the nbility to do somathing better than he har done before. There was n. duty of punctuality due from every vinger. No band conld ever excel muless every member of the bent was pulaciual on the stroke nf the limis.
The proacher next refered to a conversation which the liad had linfore the sorvice withe at yonlinfisl ringer, and then, auite spanfaneously, there came froms him a simnle lesson to other foung ringers present upon how to master Stendman. He added that they musl not expect to leap before they could walk, and they mast grasp the simplt things thotoughly They must be persevering at home with pencil and paper, and prosevering and princtual in the tawer nt practine. Tf they would excel at mractice it would be the greatest jov of their lives, Sunday hy Sumday, to know that it whs their Lins eand ring. Int neen not he in a very intricate bethod-he wobld somper hear rounds struck merfeclly than a five thousand with false blows in it. Tspecially on the mortow it would be a privilege ton fool llat they were amone those who wauld voine the joy and thanksyiving for the restoration to bealth of their Sovereign Lord the King.

After serview, " sulstantinl ment tea was served in the gehoalmom The Rotr. O. S. Walford, who is a great friend of the Haslemere ringers. presided, supported hy Major T. F. B. Hesso (Master) Admiral ri. P. Walker (hon, treasurer), gud Mrs. Walker, Mr. Walter Fhrrison (wice-president), Camon G. F. Coleriage (president of the smitls (hona secrol Rev. A. W. Armitstead (Hawley), Mr. J. S. Goldsmill (hon. sectelary), etc.
The Fon. Gearetary subsequenty said there was no business to transact at that meeting, but there were one or two things he wanled to mention. As the day of their summer fostival was the rre of the Thanksging for the King s recovery from his serious
illness, the Master of the Guilr, the hon treasurer, and hon. secrelisery came to the conclusion that it wonld be a fitting onportumity for then to sena a masaee of congratulation to Fis Majesty. Acenrdingly that afternoon they sent hrm, Buckinghnm Palace. Londnu. The members of the Guildford Wionesan Guila of Clumeh Relwingerg mow assembled at Haslemere Col oun' anmual feslifal. hmmbly smbmit to Fis Most Gracions Majesty the King our lnval and reaneelful grectings upon the recovery of His Majosty from his recent grimpons illyess. We slatl ioin in the celo Thations in-morrow by specind heltingine, so that the charch bells ull orer this diocese shall plas their traditional part in the great nationth thamksering. Maior .T. F. B. H.esse Master of the (iuilu). Admiral T. $\mathbf{P}$, Wralker (treasurer). I. S. Goldsmith pecretaryi.' (Applange.) Mr. Goldsmilh said he would like to add that theme was a certaity meprsmal loucle in one of the sienatures to that lalmams. Admiral Walkor lind heen a shipmate of His Maicsty, and he helieved that whon tha Kinge, as Duke of Yovis, toured in Abstralial waters, Admiral Walker was on His Majesty's staff. FIe
hoped the King would recognise the tame again when lie saw it on the telegram (applause).

The reply, received lster in the evening, is quoted above.
THE WTNCHFSTER GUILD JUBDTEE
Wr. Goldsmith went on to suy that as many of them knew the old Winchester Diocesan Guidd, now the winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guid, fram which the Guidford Diocesan (fuid sprang,
was that day celebrating its juluilce. Il was most unforhuate thint the two events clasher?. Origimally they had hoped tile two festivals would hava been a joint affair, but the Wiaclsester Guild begar to have same qualms as to the wisclom of having to luring their members acoss Hampshire to place which was ralher inatecssinle to them. The result was that the Wiachester Guild decided to gite up the suggeation for a joint festival and were halfint theit juthilee at Winchester. Unforfunately they fixed it for the same day as the Guildford Guild festival, which had already been fired. He was sorry that the Winchester Guild hat mot choset nnotlier day, as many members of the Guildford Guid would like to have been with them. But as they could now be with them in person they wantert them to know that they were with thern in spirit. They han therefor sent this telegram to the Master: 'Guildford Diocesan Guild assembled at summer festival, send hearty greatings and congratulations upan iuhilee, and hest wishes for continuen sumcess and prosnerity of Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild.-Fesse, Master.' (Applausc.)

In connection with the Winchester Dincesan Guild, some of them knew that a memorial was erected to the memory of the Rev. C. E. Matthews, a former Master of the Guild. That momotial taok the shape of new bells at his old ahtreh of Miford-on-Sct, and Mr. Pullinger, the searetary of the Winelaster Guild, had received from the founders of those bells two excellent photagraphs. He had sent bim a letter with one comy of the photograph, in which he said the would like to offer it to the Guildford Guild as a small token of nappreciation of the help which lo recejved from the members in raising funds for the memorial to the Rev. C. E. Batthews. If the picture was accepted, he suggesterf, subiect to the approval of the guthorities, that when framed the platograpli should be placed in the Cathedral chamber or some ollzer tower prominontly associated with the old Guikl. MI'. Goldsmitla assumed that the Guild would bo pleased to ateent this nieture, and that the arrangements as to its destination be left to the officers of the Guild and the nuthorities of the Calhedral or some other chatreh. In conclusion. Mr. Goldsmith referred to the illness of Mr. Thernard Clark, until recently secretary of the Farnham District. He was now in hospital having been involved in a severe motor accident which would probably keep him from work for more than six months. Fie har a fractured thigh and other injuries. With the approval of the meeting he mraposed to send a letter to Mr, Charle expressing their regred it his inability to be present and their hest wishes for his speedy recovery (a) plause

Mr. Walter Harrison aaid he dirl not propose ta make a speech bui in obedience to instructions he had to mronose one or tw
votes of thanks, if thoy were roing to do their duty as g Guild First of all, to the Rev. P. P. Pelloe, of Chiddingfold, and the Rev G. S. Richards, of Godalming. to whom they owed thanks for the 1350 of their towers in connection with the festival that day. They vegretted the absence of the Rew. J. M. La F. McAnally, Rentor of
Haslomere, who was. unforimately for lhem, away in Seatland, but they welcomed the Rev. O.S. Waiford, who, he learned, was an assistant priest in Haslmere some 50 verrs ago. Fithey were very pleased to pract hirn, and to see him in the chair. Thev also wanteril to voice their thanks to Major Hesse and Mr. Richard Hayes for the excellent local arramements they had made for the festival up from the station he whs mach struck by the heandiful tone of the bells. Thny really sounded most delightful, as they enme acros the country. They owed one other expression of thanks, and that wa very grateful to him, and. finallp, lie had to mention kheir o friend, Canon Coleridge, hoth for his presence and for his address They rejoicen to see him fully restored to health after his serious illness.
Major Hesse sconded the vate of thanks, and said he was pleased ta see such a good attendance at the festival. Fe was sorry that few lie had expecten had not arriwed, but he hopen that all wh were prosent had thoroughly enjoyed themselves. He was particu
larly glan to see his old friend, Mr. Walford. He han had a grea trouble fo get him to sit where be was, but he had always bee internsted in bolls and bellingers wherever he had been, and all then were pleased to see him in the chair. -The motion was carrien by acelamation.
The Rev. O. S. Walford, in reply, said it had heen mentioned that he was a parish mriest in Haslemere 50 years ago. He was afraid was sorve even 58 years ago that he first came to Haslemere. Ho he plensel to lyon of the sucecss of the fostival when he told him rbout it.-Canon Coleridge also replied. and said he was plensed lo
see so many young rimgers present. Some of then were old nad (Continued in nest coltumn.)

## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD

LINK WITE HONOURED NAME RENEWED.
The quarterly meeting of St. Martin's Guild for the Diocese of Birmingham was held on Saturday, July 6th, at the Parish Church of. St. Margaret, Great Barr, uear Jirmingham. The church has soveral interesting features connected with it. The poreh and tower were restored in 1892, but built into the wall of the porch there is a stone which shows that the original was erected by George Merihust in 1677. In the church are many fine stained glass windows; and in the chaucel and on the wall of the north aisle preserved in glass cases are some almost priceless tapestry altar frontals. The fuwer contains a light peal of six, the front five cast by Edward Arnold, of Leicester, in 1796, and the tenor recast by Garr, Smeibwioh, in 1824. The ringing chamber bas recentily been painted, and is a credit to the authorities and the young band of ringers who ring there. It is bere surely where the most ancient hadder in existence is in regular use. In ofder to reach the bells ono has to ascend by it, and engraved on the side is the date 1715 b.c. The writer of these notes, however, was unable to obtain any reliable information to vouch for its accuracy.
About 24 members sat down to an excellent tes at the Beacon Tru, and this was followed by the business meeting. In the unavoiaable rbsence of the presidicg Ringing Master, Aiderman J. S. Prifehetf, M.A., Mr, Vice-President Paddon Smith propase that Liftt. W. H. Hallsworth, of the Indian Army, now at home on loave, should take the chair. He remarked that the name of Hallsworll was an honoured one in commection with the St. Martin's (ruild, Matthew Hallsworth, grandfahler of Lieat. Hailsworth, having rung many peals in the Bull Ring.-Lient. Hallsworth, in accepting, statert that although he had not done any ringing on tower hells in this country for 32 years, he was, however, keenly interested in the art of change ringing, He was happy to be preseut that afternoon, and would also like to beame an honorary member of the Guild. On the proposition of Mr. Smilh, seconded by Mr. Johnson, and supported by the secretary, he was unanimously elected an honorary member.
Owing to the absence of the Deputy Ringing Master, Mr. Albert Walker, who was engaged in 'fathering' a company of London ringers to the city, the Secretary reported that toe scheme for the restoration of Aston bells, although not to be put in hand immerliafely, had not been dirapped, but would be proceeded with as soon as a small remaining deht on the organ fund had been aleared off.
It was decider to linld the next quarterly meating at Edgbastan Parish Church on the first, Saturdoy in Ootober.

Votes of tharks to the Viear for the use of the bells, to Mr. Merriman for having everything ready, and to the chairman for presiding, concluded the meeting.
A return was makie to the tower, where some excellent touches in Hurious methous from Grandsire Doubles to Cambridge Surprise Minor were successfully brought round, four lady ringers talring part.
Lieut. Halismorth also took pare in the ringing, and although he bat not liandled a rope for so long managed to ring the treble
hrough a touch. Although the attendance was not ali fiat could be wished, yet the meeting was a most enjoyable onc.

## NEWCASTLE'S 'GREAT RINGER ' DAY

To-morrow will be a great hay at Newcasile, when members of the Dionesan Guild and Ingers from all over the North of Englady will the the guests of the Newuastie Eqening Chronicle, and Messrs. Gillett and Tohoston at the Norbla-East Goast Exhibition, where they will inspect the Welliugton (New Zealand) cavillon, whioh was cast at the Croydon Foundry. PIr. Clifford E. Ball is to give a demonstration, and afterwards the risiting ringers and their friends will be entertained to tea, and will he wolconch by the Lord hayor. In the evening there is to be in musical gathering at the 'Chronicle' Hall.

## LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.

The June monthly meeting was held at Rothwell, and members were present from Armley, Batley, Headingley, St. Chad's, Lindley, tuiseley, Drighlinglon, and the local company. Four now members were elected. The methods rung were Plain Bob and Little Bob Majer, Kent and Oxford Treble Bab Major, Stedman Triples and Dathle Norwich Major. Special attompts were made on the lasiuamed mothod hy various ringers, and it is again to be the special practice" methorl at the rext meting at Calverley.

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grey ind feeble, and they looked to the roung ringers to carry on the work. If, as he said in church, they wore punctual and persovering, they would not go very firl wrong.
In the evening there pas further ringing at Haslencere, and some of the members also visited Godalming, where, by contrast, the bells wo very heavily. One party patd a visit to Privett.
The message to the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild was acknowledged by the Master, who reciprocated the good wishes aprossed in the telegram.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
A combined meeting of the Cheltenham and Tewkegbury Branches of tho Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association was held by special invitation at Alderion on Saturday, June 29th. The company had tho honomr of welcoming their new Master (Rev. I. S. Selby), who had motored soms 30 miles to be present. The weather being fine, members Eurned up early, and the nice lighat right of six were soon going.

Service was conducted by the Rector (Rev. A. D. Pennington), who had the assistance of a full choir. The lesson was read by the Rev. E. G. Benson, of Tewtesbury, and the Master (Rev, E. S. Selby) gave a most intercsting address.

After the service, all adjourned to the Village Hall, where the members were the guests of the Rev. and Mrs. Pennington, who liad a very efficient staff of heipers.

The busimess meeting of the Gheltenham Branch was hedd afterwards, and was cut down to the minimitm.
The branch chairman (Rer. A. D. Pennington), was in the chair, supported hy the Master, the Rev. E. G. Benson, Rev. W. W. Baker, Mr. W. J. Smith, and over 40 odd members from towet's in the Branci.

The Chairman woloomed them all there that day, but he was sorry to inform them that that miglat be his last chance of offeriog hijs hospitality, as he expecteci soon to resign his living on account of his advaned age.

Chariton Kings was proposed as the place for the anmal meeting, Which was left for the secretary ta arrange.

Mr. H. Wakeford, in a happy speech, proposed a vote of thanks to their host for all he had done for the ringers that day, and mestioned that Mr. Pennington had two hobbies-ringers and railwaymen (applause).-The motion was seconded by Mr. Wm. Hale, and carried with acelamation. The tower was again visited, and good practice obtaincd.

## 'GREAT RINGING DAY' AT SAFFRON WALDEN.

The 306th amiversary of 'Great Ringing Day' at Saffron Walden was held on Thuraday. June 27th. There whs a good attondance of visitors, manong whom were Canon Ridout (St. Alhans, Johanaeshurg), Messrs. C. H. Howard (Master of Essex Association), W. and G. R. Pye, E. J. Pnitler (Leytonstone), G. B. Lucas (Walihamstow). T. Groombridge, sen. (Chislehurst), G. W, Faulkier (Barking), E Duflicid (Colehester), C. H. Fippin, D. Cooper (Beddington), W. H. Lawronec (Litile Munden), G. and T. Jordan, T. Watte (Stadsted), Dr. E. Taylor (Sevenoaks), san of the late Mr. E. Taylor, J.P., of Saftron Walden (a former Master of the Saffron Walden Society), and others. The Jocal ringers tiaking part were Messrs. Spar'ow, R. Strong, W. Parish, F. Ridgwell, A. Simmonds and H. Sketehles.
The day was opened by the society ringing Cambridge Surprise Major, and the bells were kept going all the molnillg. At noon, an excellent tonch of Stedman Cingues was rung for the service, Which commenced at 12.30 p.m., the sermon being preached by the Yicar, the Rev. Dr. L. Hughes.
After ilhe service all weat to the Rosn and Crown Eotel, where an excellent hot luncl was serven, the Vicar presiding. At the con-
clusion, M4. A. Eitstow, on bmalf of the Snifron Wulden Society, welcomed the risitors, and sain he was ploased to see so many present. In roply, Mr. W. Pye said lie was pleased to be able to attend another amimersary of this ancient sociely. It was 37 yerrs sinee he first visited the tower, anri in thase days lue came to practice Donhle Norwich and Smporlative. Jt was the first time he had been to Safton Walden since the funmal of the late Mr. F. Pitstow. and he ruissed him very much. He looked to the other mombers of that family to koep up the traditions of the Saffron Walden Society Other specehes were made by Mr. G. H. Howard, Dr. W. Taylor and Canor Ridout, who gavo rin interesting acconnt of bellioging in South Africa.
The ringers then ratarned to the tower, and the bells wore kept
going the afternoan and nwoning, the methods including Stedman Cinques, Cambrige Royal, and the Major Surprises.
I. E. P.

## A LEAD TO WEST SUFFOLK RINGERS.

Ou Wednesdry, Tune 26th, a practice meeting was held at tho Monks Eleigh Church, when ringers attended from Bideston, Laven-
ham, Little waldinefida and the loen band. A visitor from Shipley, liam, Little Waldinefield and the loes hand. A visitor from Shiplez,
Yorks, was also present. Tauches in the following methods were rung on the âne peal of six: Plain Boh, Kent and Oxford Trehle Bots ineluding 720 of Oxford Treble Bob Minor, by: A. Symonds (Tavenvham) 1. T. T., King (Shiples, Yorka) 2, K. Whittle (Bildeston) 3, w. Head (Litule Waldingfeld) 4, A. Kecble (Monks Fleighi 5, S. H. Symands "Lavenlami (conductori 6 . It ts hoped that other districts in West Suffolk will follow this lead by nrranging other combinewd practige meetings, which
this part of the country

## OLD GROUND REVISITED.

Thirty years aga St. Joln the Brptist Association, Leytonstone, -tarted on their series of anmal outings, Bury St. Edmunds being the place selected. Thas year it was decided to revisit this ancient pluce, qud on Friflay, June 14th, ten members left Liverpool Street hy the $7.10 \mathrm{p}, \mathrm{m}$. train. On arrival they were met by Mr. W. J. Nevard, of Great Bentley, and Mr. 'J. Failkner, of Barking, and Mr. Chimbry and another of the local luad conducted them to headyuartera, tho White Lion Hotol. Noxt morning, after an carly break finst, fehnrabane tour to a number of towerg was embarked nipon. Mesars. Durrant and Lots juired the party at Ixworth and Walsham-le-Wiltows was rached at 8.45 a.m. Goou the bells (a good peal of gix) were going to Cambridge- It was found, however, that the hells sudly need tile attention of a bellhinger, and very little could he done on them. Making their way to Rickinglall, the ringers cond things in toon order, and on this handy rier 720 Fork was ncoomplished. After wolles in other mothorls to give everyborly st mull, si reve was made to North Jopham. Here is a handy peal eight, recontly augmented from an old peal of fint by Messrs Mear's and Stainbank, the tone and go being exeellent. Touches of Superative sumpise, Stedman and Grandsire Iuples were rumg L'he chtureh at Chiloldishan was reuthed at 12.30 . This place is very intaresting to Minor ringers. Two stome peal tablets in the tower racoral parals rutig by ringers in lygone days. One relates to a peal ol (irandsire Bol rimmg in 2773, another rung in the year 1822 contrinige a poat of 5,040 , being 720 efth of Cambridge Surprise. Plain Tublo. Oxford Treble Bob, New Ireble Bob, Norwich Court Bob, Donble Rob and Tomplon Court Bob, conducted by J. Mellows. "This giat and masterly performance wis perfectly completed in 2 hours 54 minutes.' Tlarre is also a list of Vicars dating from 1305. A 720 Bewerley surprise was rung, also in masterly style, and a tonch of Carabridge. Then at the Fox Inn a substantial hot lunch awaited tho party. On the way thoy passed the grand old tower of South Lropham, where their late lriend, W. Doran, used to say hangs tho best peal of six in Norfolk, but, alas, they sre How in tho bida a conlition to ring. At Hapton, an anotler handy ring of six, a good 729 Norwich and a tomel of Wells wore tapped off. At Bardwell the ringers weve ugain disoppointed, for this peal of six sadly need attention, nurl nothing move than a counse of Plain Bibl could be athempter on them. Iyworth was next Jeached, and on the splendid peal of six (tenor 16 ewt.) in this fower a 720 London Surprise, stirictly silent, was attempted, hut came to grief after two parts had bect excellently rulte. A 720 Cambridgo followed, by No. 2 band, conducted by, P. E. Avoy. After tion at the Grown Hotel the grand akt peal of five (tenmy 17 owt.\} at ]rakenlam was visithed, and geveral 120's of Stedman and firandsire where rung. The last place of eall 01 Squarday was Routon, whore a faultless 720 Ipswich was mine on the lifht neal of six. Other short touches followed and tracks wore then made fou headquarters, where a social hour with local ringers was spent in handbell ringing, etc.
On Sumdaw pemision hat benn obtained to ring on the fine meal of ten at the Korman tower, but fimo allowed only for two short touches of Gramative Cators. After lireakfast the party took a drive of twelve miles to Lomem Melford, and were amply rewavied by ringing on a grand peal of eight, recently restored by Messrs. Taylor and Co., Grandsint, Stedman and $n$ long tolth of Superlative being mag. Everyone regretted not being able to inspect this very old chutch, one of the largest and most historimal in Suffolk. After lunch there was a trip to Tlvedon, where arrangements lad been mide la ring at the memorial tower for an hour. On the way tho party visited the war memorial, which stands in threa parishes and chil be sem for several miles slanding high above the many trees in the district. Reaching Flvexton bell tower, they found one of the latest prodicts from the Whitenhapol Foundry, a grand peal of dight, and the "gn' perfoct. Donble Norwiel and other methods were Iurlar. The last churoll to ho visited was St. Mary's, Bury, where on this well-known Ting of cieht, (teror 2 e cwt.) Cambridge and Stedman weye funt. Thosm whe toak part weve Messis. W. Miller and J. Monlo (whe went to the first outing 30 years agol, and $W$. Theobald, A. I'rinu, T. Smith, P. F. Aver, E. J. Thatler, F. Farbank, G. Dawson, PR Molton and the two visitors nhove mentioned, and all wisll to renord their best thanks in the clergy for so readily granting permission to ring. to the local ringerg for their assistance, and to Mr J. Cinnery, of This, Ene the nurungements made.

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES

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 servise ith St. Petor's Churcł, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples Temainfs $3_{,} W$. J. Simons 4, T. Morris S, F. C. Bencel (confltetor) B, W, T. Menger 7. T. W. Smith 8 . Arranged for Mr. Josinla Morris, of 1 यicester, and Mr. ©. F. Innniams, of Wyke Reqis. Thete is rimeing in this dowcr every Sunday it $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. , and visitors are welentio FADESOWEN.-For Avensong, on IMm 50th, a cunarter-neal of Denthe Norwieh Maior (1,280 ehanges): F. B. Yates I. H. Willinma 2. R. Mathows imnduotnry 3 , $\mathcal{H}$. Sianley 4 , J. Vaton 5 , C. Webb 6,

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## NOTICES.

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637 ).-Mectings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on July 18th, ${ }^{*}$ St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 2 grd , St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 25 th ; all at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards. - William 1 . Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W. 4.

HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION will hold their anmual meeting, and a six-bell contest, at Meltham on July $13^{\text {th }}$. Draw to take place at 2.45 p.m. A tea will be provided, is. 6d. each.-L. Hargreaves, Hon. Sec., 3o, Bankfield View, Halifax.

## WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-

 TION.-Western Branch.-A quarteriy meeting will be held at Suckley on Saturday, July inth. Service at 4 p.m. prompt. Business meeting afterwards. The bells will be available. -J. Rowlatt, Branch Sec., Old Street, Upton-on-Severn.LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Brancl. The next meeting will be held at Tarleton on Saturday, July $13^{\text {tht }}$. Bells available from 2.30. Business: Nominations for officers, also for Central Council representa-tives.-Fred Rigby, Hon. Sec., 8, Carrington Road, Chorley.
BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION -Chew Deanery Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Wraxall on Saturday, July E 3 th. Bells available from $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at the Battle Axes at 5 o'clock, with business meeting to follow.-Percy G. Yeo, Hon. Local Sec., Long Ashtor.

## YORIKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Eastern District

The next quarterity meeting will be held at Hatfield, near Doncaster, on Saturday, July 13th. Service at 5, followed by tea in the Victoria Hall, at 15. 6d. per head. All ringers welcome.-A. B. Cook, Hon Dis. Sec., $5^{8,}$ Wyndham Street, Hull.
ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Western Division. A meeting will be held at Orsett on Saturday, July $13^{\text {th }}$. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Service 4.3 . Tea, $5 \cdot 15$, at Whitmore Arms.-E. J. Butler, 3, Eustace Road, Chadwell Heath.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Eastern Division. The next meeting will be held at Sandon on Saturday, July 13th. Bells (5) available 2.30. Usual arrangements. Danbury bells (5) from 2 till 4 and after the meeting.-H. W. Kirton, Hon. Dis. Sec., Longmead Cottages, Writtle, Chelmsford.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LON DON DIOCESAN GUILD.- South and West District. A meeting will be held at Rusislip on Saturday, July r $3^{\text {th }}$ Ringing from 3 p.m. Tea arranged as usual. Cheap fares on the District Railways. All ringers and friends welcome. -Wm. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road W. 4 .

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. - West Dorset Branch.-The quarterly meeting will be held at Lyme Regis ( 8 bells) on Saturday, July i $^{\text {th }}$. Ringing from 3 p.m. Service $4 \cdot 30$. Tea and meeting to follow.-Reply to T. Hervey Beams, Bradpole, Bridport.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Guildford Dis-trict.-District meeting at Pirbright on Saturday, July $1^{\text {th. }}$. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service 4.30 , followed by tea and business meeting. - G. L. Grover, Merrow Cottage, East Clandon, nr. Guildford.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North-Western Division.A meeting will be held at Elmdon on Saturday, July 13 th, at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea at 5.15 p.m., followed by business meeting. Those requiring tea kindly advise me.-C. Beeston, 5, King Street, Bishop's Stortford.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Quarterly meeting of the Frome and Midsomer Norton Deanery Branch at Leigh-upon-Mendip on the I3th inst. Service at 4 p.m. Tea and business at 5 p.m.-R. T. Clark, Hon. Sec., Timsbury, near Bath.
BEDFORDSHIRE AND HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATIONS are holding a joint meeting at Dunstable on Saturday, July izth. The bells will be available from 2.30 . Short service at 4.30 . Tea in the Parish Hall, near the Church, at 5 p.m. It will be a great help in arranging the tea if a card is sent a day or two previous as to how many we may expect. There is a good bus service. So we hope to have a large gather-ing.-A. E. Sharman, 199, High Street, Dunstable, and W. Nash, North Mymms, Hon. Secs.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

- Manchester Branch.-The next meeting will be held at St. John's, Miles Platting, on Saturday, July 13 th. Bells ready 3.30. Meeting 7.30. A good attendance is requested.-]. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northampton Branch. - A special meeting will be held in Northampton on Saturday, July 13th. Bells of St. Giles' (10) before tea, St. Sepulchre's after. Service at St. Giles' at 3.30. Preacher: The Lord Bishop. Tea 5 p.m. in St. Giles' Buildings. Will all ringers and friends make atn effort to attend?-T. Tebbutt, West Street, Moulton, Northampton.

LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOClATION. - The next meeting will be held at Monmouth on Saturday, July i3th. Bells (8) available. Service at 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow.-John W. Jones, Hon. Sec., Cartref, Barrack Road, Newport, Mon.
BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Axbridge Deanery.-The quarterly meeting will be held at Winscombe on Saturday, July I3th. Bells (8) open 2.30. Divine service 4.30 , tea following. Please notify L. G. Tanner, 5 r, Locking Road, Weston-super-Mare.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Ross Branch.The next quarterly meeting will be heid at Upton Bishop on Saturday, July r3th. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea (kindly given by Vicar) 5 p.m. All ringers welcome.-J. Clark, Hon. Sec., Fernlea, Chase Road, Ross, Herefordshire.
BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bedford Dis-trict.-The July meeting will be held at Bromham (6) on Saturday, July 13 th. Beils available 2.45. Tea at 5 . All ringers will be welcome, and it is foped that the gathex̂ing will be a record one for the district.-J. T. Newington, Dis. Sec., 32, Grafton Road. Bedford.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Reading Eranch, The summer meeting of the Reading Branch will be held at Nettlebed on Saturday, July isth. The bells will bu available from 3 p.m. Visitors entertained to tea al 4.30 p.m., and a ringers' service at 6 p.m. All ringers, welcome. Bus service from Reading.-F. W. Hopgoad, 75, Kensington Road, Reading.

NAVENBY, LINCS.--The opening of the peal of six bells, recast and rehung by John Taylor and Co., Loughbough, will take place on Monday, July 15 th, at 3 p.m. Visiting ringers welcome.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Tonbridge Dis-trict.-The next meeting of this district will be held at Westerham on Saturday, July 2oth. Tower open at 3 Service at 4.30. Tea (free) after service, followed by business meeting. Members requiring tea must noify the district secrelary not later than Tuesday, July r6th.W. Latter, Hon. Dis. Sec., ir, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Weils.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-The annual festival will be held at Oxford on Saturday, July zoth (D.v.). Service in Cathedral at ix. 5 . Preacher: Rev. R. H. A. Bullock, Vicar of St. Laurence, Reading. Business meeting in Chapter House immediately after service. Dinner in Christ Church Hall at 1.30. Tickets, 2s. each. to members who apply for same, with remittance, by Tuesday, July 16 th ; 25.6 d . on day of festival ; 35 . to nonmembers. A collection will be taken at the service for the Guild Restoration Fund. I earnestly beg that all members who intend coming will send for tickets, as it will help easy working for organising officers and caterers. —Richard T. Hibbert, 69, York Road, Reading.

SUFFOLK GUILD AND ESSEX ASSOCIATION.A joint meting will be held at Sudbury on July 20 th. Bells available from 2 p.m. : All Saints' (8), St. Gregory (8) and St. Peter (8). Tea at W. Suffolk Tea Rooms 4.30 p.mr., 1s. each. Meeting follows. - Stedman Symonds, 78, Church Street, Lavenham; Walter Arnold, Earls Colne, Essex, Dis. Secs.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Ashford District. -A bye-meeting will be held at Appledore on Saturday July zoth. Tea will be arranged. All ringers welcome. -A. C. Kay, Dis. Sec., 6, Sturges Road, Ashford.

SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD. The sixth annual festival will be held at Tenby on Saturday, July. 20th. Tower of St. Mary's Church (8 bells) open for ringing from $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$, to $2.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. and $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. to 8 p.m. Service at 3 p.n. Preacher: The Lord Bishop of Swansea and Brecon. 4 p.m. : Tea at Church House, by kind invitation of the Rector of Tenby. Business meeting to follow. Numbers expected for tea should reach the hon. secretary (Mr. W. R. Howells, N.P. Bank Chambers, Neath) by July 13 th without fail.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester Branch. - The dedication of the new bells of Eccles Parish Church will take place on Saturday, July zoth. Service in church at 3 p.m. Tea will be provided at Is. 6d. each for those sending their names to Mr. J. T. Potter, 33, Cecil Road, Eccies. Bells open for ringing after service--J. Hall, Sec.

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-A quarterly mecting will be held at Moreton Corbet on Saturday, July 2oth. Bells (6) available 2.30. Tea about 5 o'clock, followed by meeting. All requiring tea must send number to the Rev. $F$. Tennison, $S t$. Alkmund's Vicarage, Shrewsbury, before July 13 th.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Central Divi-sion.-A meeting will be held at Hartfield ( $6^{\circ}$ bells) on Saturday, July 2oth. Tower open 2.30. Service 4.30. 'Tea, 5 o'clock, by kind invitation. Those who intend to be present please notify the undersigned not later than Wednesday previous to meeting. Half rail fare (maximum is. 6id.).-A. D. Stone, Hon. Divisional Sec., 16, Belgrave Street, Brighton.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Southern Branch. - A quatterly meeting will be held on July zoth at Horbline. Bells (a new peal of 6 by Taylor) and also at Billingborough (6) will be available during the afternoon and evening. Service at 4 p.m. at Horbling. Tea and meeting at Tateson's Café, Billingborough, at 5 p.m. Those members requiring tea please send me a postcard by July rith.-C. T. H. Bradley, The Lodge, Folkingham, Lincs.

LADIES' GUILD. - Lincolnshire District.-A combined meeting with the Grimsby District of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild will be held at Bigby on July zoth. Bells (6) available from 2 p.m. Service at 4.15. Tea, 5 p.m., in the Schoolroom, at a moderate charge. Those requiring tea please notify Rev. H. T. Parry, Bigby Rectory, Barnetby, not later than Wednesday, July 17 th. - A. Richardson, Hon. Sec.

WARWTCESHIRE GUILD. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Stoke Coventry, on Saturday, July $20 t 1$. Committee meeting at 4.45. Tea at 5 o'clock, is. each, in St. Anctrew's Hall, Binley Road. Meeting to follow. -D. E. Lewis, Gen. Hon. Sec., Firholm, King Ediward Road, Nuneaton.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Wellingborough Branch. -The annual meeting will be held at Castle Ashby on Saturday, July 2oth. The arrangements will be as usual. Permission has been obtained to view the grounds of the Castle. A special bus will leave the Market Square, Wellingborough, at 2.40. Return fare 15. Will those who wish to travel by bus and require 1ea kindly notify me not later than Tuesday, July rath? F. Barber, Branch Sec., School House, Gordon Road, Wellingborough.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION:-Hinckley and Leicester Districts.-A joint meeting of the above wilt be held at Stoney Stanton on Saturday, July zoth. Bells (8) available from 3.30 p.m. Tea provided for those who notify Mr. A. Ballard, Hinckley Road, Stoney Stanton, ncar Leicester, by Thursday, the 18 th. A good attendance is hoped for, all ringers and friends being welcome. - W. A. Cope, Hinckley District; A. Disney, Leicester District.
1.ANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Rossendale Branch. - The next meeting will be held at Bury Parish Church on Saturday, July 2oth. Bells ready at 3.3o. Meeting at 6.30 . Tea will be provided for all those sending in not later than Wednesday, July I7th, to Joshua Ramsbotton, 336, Hornby Street, Bury. A good attendance is earnestly requested.-Reports, diagrams. etc., to hand.-John H. Haydock, 8, Oaklands Road, Edenfield.

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.-A necting will be held at Cawthorne on Saturday, July 20th. Belis ready early. Tea 5 p.m. at the Cafe. All :ingers invited. It is hoped there will be a good meeting at this charming old village. Please write for tea to Mr. H. Crossland, jun., Darton Road, Cawthorne, near Barnsley. - C. D. Potter, Sec.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Daventry Branch.-A special meeting will be held at Welton (6) on Saturday, July 2oth. Will members requiring tea kindly notify the hon. secretary by Wednesday, July 17th? - W. C. Moore, Braunston Road, Daventry, Northants.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Ely Archalca-conry.-Meeting at Bourn, Cambs, on Saturday, July 20th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. The service will be taken by Rev. Duffil. Please notify for tea, Postcard will do. Come and ring some of Taylor's best. All welcome. F. Warrington, Longstanton, Cambs.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Dunster Deanery Branch.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Carhampton on Saturday, July 2oth. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 4.15 . Tea in the Village Hall at 5. Dunster bells will be available for ringing-Geo. Stacey.

LADIES' GUILD.-Northern District. - A special meeting for the unveiling of the Ladies' Peal Tablet will be held at Handsworth, Sheffield, on Saturday, July 2oth. Service at 4 p.m. Tea to follow, if per head, to all who notify Mr. J. Garth, School House, Handsworth, Sheffield. A good attendance is requested.-H. F. Jacques, I-Ion. Dis. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Boltor Branch. The next meeting will be held at Newchurch, near Warrington, on Saturday, July 27th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m. Business: Nominations for vicepresident, treasurer, secretary and Central Council representatives. The Bolton Borough Police have placed their bowling green at the disposal of ringers and their friends on Saturday, Aug. 1oth. Usual arrangements. Names, please, by Aug. 6th. - Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., 203 Devonshire Road, Bolton.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION (N. \& E District) AND HERTFORD ASSOCIATION (St Albans District). -Joint meeting at Harliey, July 27 th . Bells from 3 p.m. Short service 5 p.m. Tea at 5.30 Barnet bells available during evening. Members and friends of both associations are cordially invited, but please advise your district secretary by July 24 th if you require tea, for which is. will be charged.-C. T. Coles ${ }^{21}$, Vincent Road, E.4; Wm. Nash, North Mimms, Hatfield.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. - Elloe Deaneries Branch.-The quarterly meeting of the above will be helkl at Surfleet (ro bells) on Saturday, July 27th. Service all $3.3^{\circ}$ p.m. Tea at 4.30 . Business meeting afterwards. Those requiring tea must let me know first post Wednesday, July 24 th. -Geo. Ladd, Hon. Sec., Church Street Pinchbeck, Spalding.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Lewisham Dis-trict.-The quarterly meeting will be held at SS. Peter and Paul's Church, Shoreham, on Saturday, July ${ }^{2} 7^{\text {th }}$. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. Tea aust business meeting to follow, Further particulars nexs week. Half fares up to 2s. paid at this meeting.-A. (i. Hill, Hon. Dis. Sec.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Marshland Branch.-A meeting of this branch will be held at Mar ham on Saturday, July 27 th. Tower open at 2 o'clock. Tea, is. Gd. each to members and friends, who must send to me their names not later than Wednesday, July $24 t \mathrm{~h}$. -W. G. Cross, Hon. Sec., 16, St. James' Road, King's Lymn.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Bath Branch. - The next meeting will be held at Bathampton on Saturday, July 27 the. Bells (6) 3.30 . Service $4 \cdot 30$. Tea to follow. Numbers for tea by July 22nd. -Theo. Grant, Hon. Sec., Swainswick, Bath.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis-trict.-A bye-meeting will be held at Sturry, where the six bells have recently been relang, on Saturday, July 27 th. Bells available fromil 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. Will all those intending to be present Findly notify Mr. Ernest Slingsby, Park View, Sturry, on or before Thursday, July 25th? -P. W. Smith, Hon. nec.

ALDENHAM, Saturday, July 27 th .-C. H. Horton, 53, Aldenham Road, Bushey. (Tel. City 4270.)

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## TEN BELL PEAL.

 LONDON.THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sathrday. July 13, 1929, in Thyed Hows and Seven Minutes,
Ai fhe Church of St. Magnes the-Marty, Thames Streer,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5019 CHANGES; Tenor 20 ewt.
Eggar Hemprey ... .Treble
Gilbeat Reodship ... $\quad 2$ Jack A. Wadgh... $. . . \quad . . . ~ 6$
Grorgr R Pyb
Charles T. Coles


| .. |
| :--- | J. Armiger Trollope … 8 jamis Benneti ... ... 9 Composed by Gabriel Lindonf. Corducted by Cbarles t.... Colers

* First peal on ten bells.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

BRADING, ISLE OF WIGFT.
THE WINGHESTER AND PORTSMODTE DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sathraby. July 73. 1929, in Two Howrs and Fifty-Six Minutes,

## At xhe Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, BO4O CHANGES;
Rby. C. D. P Davies' Variation of Thorstans'. Tedor iol cwl. Frgderick S. Bayley ...Tyeble Harry I. Aitken ... ... 5 Alfrgd T. Gregnwood ... 2 Hzary Jennings... .... ... 6 Frederick A. Bornett ... 3 Erederick W. Rogers ... 7 Frederick W. Bornett ... 4 Edwin J. Harding, sen. ...Tenor Conducted by Frederigk W. Rogrrs.
THURCASTON, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Sundry. July 14, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes, At ihe Cherch of All Sanis,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, s 0 a C CHANEES;

## Thorsians' Fodr-part.

Tenor ro cwt. 7 lb ,
Tonby Price ... ... ...Treble Alpren Ballard ... ... 5 E. Haray Stonelry ... ... 2 "Williah I\&, Madgwick ... 6 William A. Stote .... ... 3 Wileiam H. Clarke ... 7 Redvers F. Elkington

Conducted by E. Harryst Morris.
Eight towers were represented, wiz.: Shoulĭham, Norfolk; Stoke Golding, Leicestershire; Coventry; Anstey; Stoney Stanton; Edmonton; Leicester, St. John's; Leicester, St. Margaret's. "50th tower for a peal.

## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS. <br> FELKRKK, YORKS. <br> BARNSEEY AND DISTRYCT SOCTETY.

On Fyiday. Jwne 27, 1929, in Two Houys and Fifty Minules, At the Parisia Cherch.
A PEAL DF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES; Being 720 each of Crowland, St. Werberg, Fale Royal, Combermere Campanilla, Gladstone and Cbadkirk.

Tenor 10 cwt
A. Kelsall.
A. Cole...
M. Prary


CADOXTON, NEATH
THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DKOCESAN GULLD.
On Saturday, July 13, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minktes, At the Parish Churce,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 50a0 CHANGES;

Being seven difierent 720's.
T'enor 7 ewt . 2 qr .
John E. Blonlam ... ...Treble "John T. Williams ... ... 4
 Conducted by T. I. Lewis.
First peal of Minor.
DAVENHAM, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Suturday, Jriy 73, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes, At the Cherch of St. Wilfria,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, GOSO CHANGES;

Being three 720 's of Plain aml two 720's each of Oxford and Kemt Trebie Bob. Harold G. Smith ... ...Treble Alberi Booth ... ... ... a George H. Crawley... $\begin{array}{ll}\ldots . . \\ \cdots & 2\end{array}$ Algert Booth ...
Harry Howard 4 David Smith $\quad . .4$ Conducted by A. Crawley.
Kung to celebrate the completion by Canon G. R. Sancers of 25 years as Rector of Davenham.

KIRKBF-IN-ASHEIDLD, NOTTS.
EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTINGHAMSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(In Saturday, Juiy 73, 7929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,
At the Church of Sx. Wilfred.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor 9 cmt . 3 lb .
G. H. Jocland
-Madge C. Jolland

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { Treble "Daisy Taylor ... } \\
& \text { W. W. Gardner ... Core ....... } \\
& \text { Conducted by T. Core. }
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* First peal. First peal as conductor.


## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. <br> MEETING AT HARROW WEALD.

The North and East District of the Midelesea County Associationt and Lonton Diocesan Gaild paid its annual visit to the north-west corner of the county on June 29th, the lower chosen on this occasion boing that of Harrow Weald, with a pretfy peal of six bells. In spite of the absence of several prominent nambers, including the lon. secretary and vice-president, on holidays, there was a good attendance, snd $M \mathrm{M}$. Albert W. Coles saw that the methods rung suited all tastes.
The Vicar (Rev. C. S. Durlam) condneterl the service at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., and also presided at the meeting, which followed a very excellent tea in the Institnte. Mr. Goodship made an efficient secretary.
Eleven new members was aclomitted, whilst it was announced that jointi mectings with neighbouring associations had been arranged a.t Hadley on July 27th (Herts and Middiesex), also at Broxbourne on August 24h (Essex, Herts and Middlesex). It was left to the hon. seeretary to arrange the next mecting of the district. Fotes of thanks to the Vicar and the Rector of Stimnore (Rev. W. A. Hewelt) concluder the business.
Stanmore tower was wisited in the evening, wherc Mr. G. A. Hughes mot the mombers, and the ringing ineluded a variety of methads up to London: Surprise Major. Mr. W. Pye, as usual, made
a wery capable Ringing Master. In ail, some 30 menbers attended a very capable Ringing Master. In and some

## LEICESTER MEN AT LINCOLN.

The members of the St. John-the-Divine Society, Leicester, accompantiod by their wives, held their hanual summer outing on Satirday, June 2gth, when they risited the city of Lincoln. The party, numbering 24, were net at the railwny station ly Mr. George Chester, of Sit. F'etar-at-A rclies and the Cathedral, nud piloted by himi throumh the qusint old sireets. A first-rato ment tea was provided at the Cimeoln Co-operative Cafe. Fiye-thirty saw the party at the Cathedral-in the opinion of the writer, the premier Cathedral of Great Britain-where the new ring of twelve bells were soon mouth upwards. Touclies of Triples, Caterg and Cinques were rung to the =atisfaction of all concerucd, while the ladies were shown around the interior of the edifice. Frain time canne sll too soon, and the company reached Leirester ahout 10 p.m. The best thanks of the society are herewith tendered to the Prccentor and tite Catheiral authorities for the kind permission to ring, and especially to the veteran Mr. Feorge Chester (who, with the writer, yang in the last peal on the old eight in 1896, with Messrs. Lindoff and Craven) for his invaluable help in fiting the role of "guide, plitosopher awl triend."

## THE NATIONAL THANKSGIVING.

The following peals, in addition to those which appeared in our last issue, have been rung in connection with the National Thanksgiving for the King's recovery

## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

 LIVERPOOL.THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION,
On Sahwiay, July 13, 1929, in Fow Hours and Tua Minutas,
Ai fhe Churcy of Si. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF CAHRRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS, 5280 CHANGES; Tenor $30 \frac{3}{3}$ cwt.

## Edwart Jenhing ... <br> Richard eangrord ...

Teelle - Richard T. Holding | - Richard T. Holding |
| :--- |
| Thomas Hammond... |

- Rohert Sperring
- Henry W. Wilde
?
- Thimas B. Worsley

Gegrge R. Nbifion... $\qquad$
William Bisby

- Titids liarlow ...

James C. E. Simpson ... if
Composed by J. Carter
Edward Caunce ... ...Tenor

* Firsl peal of Cambridge Surprise Maximus. Also first of Cambridge Maximus as conductor


## TEN BELL PEALS.

LEICESTER.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION
On Sathrday, July 6, 1929, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,
On the Memoriaf Belle of St. Jorn-the-Divine,
A PEAL OF GRANOSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES;
Tenor 21 cwt in E .
Tgomas H. Vallance
.Treble Harry L. Smith
William Willson, jen
2 William H. Clar7
alfred Ballard...$\quad$... 3 Percy Harrison.. Kr ... Rgdvers Eikington ..... .4 Wieliam Willson 4 ... Ermest Morris ... ... ... 5 Composed and Conducted by Williams Witlson.
Also rung to commemorate the royal wedding anniversary of their Majesties the King and Queen. First peal in the method on the bells.

BURTON-ON-TRENT, STAFFORDSEIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES AGSOCIATION.
Un Weinesday, Juty 10, 1929, in Thee Hours and Thirty-Seven Minutes. At far Churgh of St. Paul,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5005 CHANGES; Tenor $28 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
James Paget
...Trebie
Madrice Swinfield ...
John H, Swinfielid ...
$\cdots 3$
Josbph Bailey ... ...
Charles Draper... ... ...
Composed by James Georgr.
E. Harry Stoneley...

James S. Hotchby ...
James Gborge ... ...
William Willson
Grorge F. Nbwman ... ...Tenar Conducted by Madrice Swinfigeth

## EIGHTBELL PEALS <br> \section*{OXFORD.}

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Oxpord Society.)
On Sunday, Inly 7, 1929, in Two Hows and Fifty-Nine Minutes.
At the Cherch of Ail Saints.
A PEAL OF STEDHAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Hzywood's Transposition of Therstans' Four-part.
Vicior J. F. Benneit ...Treble Wilelam G. Colletx
Harby Miles ... ... ... 2 †Frbderick A. H. Wilking
Miss Margaret Reynol.ds
Francis Taylor
Conducted ${ }^{4}{ }^{-}$Franeis Cooprer
Conduted by walter F. Jodge.

* First penl. $\dagger$ First peal in the method.

BOLTON, LANCASFIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Konday, July 8, 1929, in Three Howers and One Minntl.
At the Chorca of the Holy Trinity,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

## Thurstans' Five-part.

Frank Morbis
Edward Webster Petbr Crook, jun. Gborge Pincott.
..Treble
... 2
John Enwin Markzand Peter Crook Wilifari Pensington Arthur Burton.

PORT SUNLIGHT, CHESHIRE.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(Wirral Branch,)
On Monday, July 8, 7929. in Thyse Hows and Two Minutes, At Christ Chorch,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGESI
Tenor If cwt. 3 q̧. is lb. in $F$.
 John Breese... Composed by A. J. Pitman. Conducted by J. C. E. Simpson. * First peal of Surprise. † First peal of Surpries Major inside.

HEMEL HEMPSTEAD, HERTS.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Mouday, July 8, 1929, in Thyee Hours,
At the Parish Churce,
A PEAL OP BOB MAJOR, 6008 CHANGES;
Tenor 1978 owt.


| Francis Tompkins | $\ldots$ | ...Tyeble |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Thomas J. Hull | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$. | Adgdsim V. Good ... . Fredericr J. Spicer Composed by C. W. Robrrts. Geore W Debenham 6

Henry Golding ......
Walter Ayre ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by Walter Ayke.

* First peal of Bob Major.

MACEEN, MON.
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOOESAN ASBOCIATION. On Monday, July 8, 1929, in Two Hows and Fifty-Eight Minates, At the Parish Chorch,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;
Groves' Transposition of Parkir's Twelve-part.
Телог 15 cwt . (approx.).
Ivor Davibs...

| , | ...Treble | G. H. Martin | $\ldots$ | ... |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ... '... |  | Prrgy jones... | ... |  |  |  | 6 |
| .. ... |  | A. E. Slattrr |  | ... |  |  |  |

Conducted by A. E. Scatrer.
SURFLEET1, LINCOLNSHIRE. THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. (Ellog Deaneries Branch.) On Tuesday, Juity 9.1929 , in Three Hours and Eleven Minatos, At the Cerrch of St. Ladrence, A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 505B CHANGES; Tenor 12 cwt 9 lb .
Freperjcr J. Flower
Treble Mrs. Rupert Riceardson
-Miss Doris Clay ... Alhbry E. Buscey ... Joseph W. Flowers
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { … } & 2 \\ \cdots & 3\end{array}$
. 4 Rupert Ricrardson ... ...Tenor
Composed by J. R. Pritchard. Conducted by Ropbrt Richardson * First peral.

HENJEY-ON-THAMES, OXON.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thesday, July 9, 1929, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Groves Transposition of Parker's Twelve-part.
Tenor $22 \frac{t}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$. in E flat.

Ernest Nash ...

| - Sambel Coventry | ... | $\ldots$ | 3 | $\ldots$ | William Appleby | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Frederick | ... | 7 |  |  |  |  |

Conducted by William Appleby.

* Thrst ous eight hells. + Wirst of Grandsire. $\ddagger$ First peai, All are local membors except treble and scend ringer. After the peal the lingers were congratalated by the Vicar.

NOHBURY, CHESHIRE.-On July 8th, a quarter-peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major ( 1,248 changes) in 45 mins.: R. E. Janes .J. Fernkr, jun., 2, W. Fentiley 3, J. Fernley, sen., 4, T. Wilde 5, W. Harilley 6. E, Bemett (first louch in the methoti as conduc(ur) 7, W. W. Wolsieucroft 8 .

POOLE, DORSET.
THE SALISBUTY DIOCESAN GUJLD.
On Wednesday, July 10, 1929, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes, At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;
Thorstans' Four-part.
George Williams ... ...Tybble grorge Williats ... ...Tybble Percy Witham ... ... ... 5 James P. Davis ... ... ... 2 Harold C. Bavbrstock ... 5 Anthony Y. Dent $. . . \quad . . .3$ Wilitam E. Cheatzr 3 ... 7 A. Martin Stewart ... ... 4 Ernest J. Whitfield .. Tomop Conducted by Georgr Williams. HESTON, MIDDLESEX.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCLATION AND LONDON DIOGESAN GULLD.
On Wednesday, July 10, 1929, in Two Hours und Fifty-Seven Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Leonard,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 6024 CHANGES; Tenor 13 cwt.

 Charles S. Bird
Composed by W. Sottanstall. ${ }^{4}$ Conducted by C. W. Rozerts.
Composed by W. Sottansiall. Conducted by C. W. Rozerts. an "inside" bell. This was the first peal on the bells since rehanging by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank.

LAWTON, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GULLD
On Thursiay, Juby 11, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes, At tae Cherch of All Sainis,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Taylor's Six-part.

- Reginald Harper

Grorge Bideuipa
$\dagger$ Robret Arrowsmith
Edward EIARpBr

Tenor $8 \frac{7}{6} \mathrm{cwt}$.

* First peal away Conducted by W. Rigby inide first peal G. Biddulph's 25 th peal for the Guild. First peal by a Sunday eirvice band at this church since 1905 .

EDMONTON.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCTATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, July 13, 1929, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
At the Churca of All Saints,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES: Tenor ${ }_{7} 7^{3} \mathrm{cw}$ cht.
Wiley J. Hazell ... ...Tyebls | Edward H. King ... ... $\quad$ j Mrs. Edith K. Fletcher 2 Alick Cutler ... ... .... 6
 Walter J. Bowdea ... ... 4 | George W. Fletchrr …Teno Composed by Henry Dains.

Conducted by Mrs. E. K. Fletcher

* First peal in the method.


## GILLINGHAM, EENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, July 73, 1929, in Three Hours and Fiva Minutes.
At tee Parish Ceurca of St. Mary Magdalene,
a feal of mounle manwigh count mon major, berg cmameis



Composed by G. Limborf
Conducted hy W. Haigh.
Arranged for W. Spice, Tunstall. F. Brety and F. Wellor, of Cazs terbury, the rest belong to Rochester Cathedral Society.

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## EWELL, SURREY

THE GULDFORD DIOCESAN GULD.
On Sahrday, Tuly 13, 7929, in Three Hours and Elcuen Minutes,
At ine Chorce of St. Mary,

## A PEAL DF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 OHANGES;

Pitsiow's Variation.


William M. Stone ... ... 2 C. Ernest Smitg $\quad . .$. Jobn Beams...

Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qr. 20 Ib.
Clarence H. Dobeir... ... 5 George W. Sieer ... ... 6 Charies E. Read $\ldots . .$. William T. Beeson ... ...Tenor Conducted by Alfred H. Peling. NORTHFIELD, BIRMINGHAM.
THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BLRMTNGHAM.
On Saturday, July 73. 7929, in Three Hours,
At the Parish Cherch.
h PEAL CF BOUDLE NOFWICN EOURT BOE MAJOR, 5024 GHAMEES, Tenor 14 ewt.
Erani B. Yatas ... ... ...Ttuble |Fred Price ... ... ... ... 5
Parcy O. Laplin ... ... 2 Frank Parvin...
Erank Prerins ... ... ... 3 Aithor Cbambers ... ... 7
Jobn Withers ... ... ... 4 Jamas Grorge ... ... ...Tehor
Composed by A. P. Heywood. Conducted by P. O. Laflin.

## SIX BELI, PEALS.

THORINGTON, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOGIATION.
On Sunday, July 7, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes, Ay tee Church of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANEES;
Seven 720's called differently.
Percy Almond ... ... ...Treble William j. Nevard ... ... 4 Alan R. Andrews ... ... 2 Grorgh A. Andrbws... .... 5 Stanley G. Dayry ... .... 3 CearlisfA. Anderews ...Texoy Conducted by G. A. Andrews.
Alan R. Andrews is 12 jears of age, and is believed to be the youngest menber to ring a peal on toway hells for the association.

## LIMPSFIELD CHART, SURRET

THE SURREY ASSOCLATION.
(Southern District.)
On Sunday, July 7, 1929, in Two Hours and Thirly-Eight Minufes, At the Cegrch of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Wnodbine, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent, Cazterbury Pleasure, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 10, cwi.
William G. Paternostra Troble James Kniget, sen. ..
Gborge Ellis ......
Edward E, Tidy... ... ... 3 Leonhbd A. Tidy... ... ...Tehon
Conducted by Leonard A. Tidy.
FELKIRE, YORES.
BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.
On Sumday, July 7, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
At the Cherch of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Willesdels, College Exercise, Burton, Overton, Eingston, London Scholars' and Sandal Exercige. Teoor 10 cwt . A. Kelsall .....H. Citant ... ... 4
A. Cole... Conducted by D. Smitg J. T. White.
 COMPTON MARTIN, SOMERSET
TEE BATH AND WELLS DIOCEEAN ASSOCIATION. On Sunday, July 7, 1929, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michabl and All Angels,
A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 50A0 CHANGESI Tenor I5畨cwt.
John Hoves. .Trebla
ab... ... ... ...Trabla Jrfprev Tossell $\qquad$
$\qquad$
Charles Firld ......
Ernest Bath ... ...... 3 - Samuel Davis ... ... ...Tenor
Conducted by J. Tosserl.

* First peal. First peal as conductor. All the above are Sunday service ringors at this charch.

SHENFIELD, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, July B, 1929, in Two Honrs and Twenty-Two Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANEE8;
Being 3,360 of Grandsire and 1,680 of Plain Bob. Tenor 3 cwt . Wieliam H. Poole ... ...Tyoble| Harily Turner John W. Leggeti ... ... 2 Wilifam D. Leggext ... 5 Cgarles J. Brackley ... 3 Edwabd W. Palmer ... ... Temor Conducted bv H. Torner
Two extents of Grandsire, and one of Plain Bob were rung alternately. This was the guickest peal on the bells, and all aro Sunday service ringers at this clzurch.

BLRTON-ON-STATHER, LTNCS.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Northern Branch.)
On Thusday, July 71, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Tivo Minules,
At the Chorch of St. Andrew.

## A PEAL OF MINOR; 6040 CHANGES;

Being one 720 of Canterbury Reverse and two eacl of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt. 28 lb . Arthor Thornton ... ...Treble Georgr Hobelns ... ... 4
 Charles H. Bird ... ... 3 | Jack Bray ... ... ... ...Temar Conducted by J. Bray.

* First peal "inside." First in 4 methods for all except ringers of 4th and tenor.


## SHOULDHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORFOLK GULD.
On Thursday, July 17, 1929, in Two Howrs and Fifty-Five Minutes. Ay the Chorch of All Sahats,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;
Being one 720 each of Double Court, Oxford Bob, St. Clement's, Onford and Kent Treble Bob, and two 720's of Plain Bob. Tener 12 cwt . in $G$.
 James H. Rapre
 Conducted by Tony Price

- Tirst peal. ROFDE, NEAR DEVIZES. THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Friday, July 12, 1929, in Two Hours und Forty-Fius Minutes,
At the Cherch of St. Matthew,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Forty-two six-scores, ten different callings. Temor l13 cwt. in A fat.
- Ernegt A. Perrett... ...Treble Frank Green

Gborge W. Engeand ... 2 Wilciam C. West
Sidmey Hillier $. . . \quad . . . \quad 3$ Cuhrles D. Hzgineothom Tenor Conducted by Wilitam C. West.
First peal. First peal on the bells. Also rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Henry Brownlec-West and Mr. Sidmey Hilliter.

OVER, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
(The Oybr Society.)
On Friday, Juy 12, 1929, in Two Hours and Forly-Six Minutes,
At the Parish Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGESURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Harry Robinson
Francis G. Gleaves ..-
A. William T. Ginn.... enar $15 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Treble Frid C. Ginn Conducted SOUTH NORMANTON, DERBYSHLRE.
EAST DERBYSEIRE AND NOTTINGHAMSHDE ASSOCLATION. On Sunday, July 14, T929, in Two Hours and Forty-Fiae Minules, At the Chorch or St. Michael,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being sevon different extents.
Tenor 9 cwt.
*Harold Dodghty ... ...Tveble Arthor R. Judge Wilson Allin, sin.... ... 2 Ernest A. Wilson Harold Fradgley ... .... 3 John W. England Jonn W. Engl

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


## HANDBELL PEAL OVER，GAMBRIDGUSHTRT <br> THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCRATION．

## （The Ovra Society．）

On Studay，July 14，1929，in Two Hours and Thiriy－Six Minutes，

## At the Reploence of Mr．A．J．Ginn，

## A PEAL OF BOB WINOR 5 E4日 CHANGES；

Mansfirlla Ginn
Dennis Abams
William Bayin

Trable

Conducted by Frank Warrington．
＊Aged 15 years．Jongest length by all on handbelis．

## SOME THANKSGJVING TOUGETE

Among the towhats rung for Thanksgiving services were the fol lowing：－
At Litile Mumasa，Ferts，for morning service，a quarter－peal （1，260 changes），besing 720 New Lomion Pleasuic， 240 each of Oxford and Kent Tueble Bob，and 60 Plain Bob：W．Williams $I_{2}$ S．Carter （conductar）2，W．I．Lawrenee 3，A．Phillip 4，A．Woolston 5，G．H． Carter 6．After service， 720 Campridge Surprise：W．Williams $1, \mathrm{~S}$ ． Garter 2，W．H．Lawrence 3，A．Phillips 4，G．H．Carter（conductor＇） 5，A．Wollaton 6．For ovening service， 720 Woodbine：W．Williams 1，W．S．Lawrence 2，W．FZ．Lawrenee 3，G．H．Carter 4，S．Carter 5，A．Phillips（conductar） 6 ．
At Rawmarsh，Youks，for the Thanksgiving service，a quarter－peak of Grandsire＇Triples（1，260 changes）：A．Firth（first quarter－peal）1， T．Gooper 2，R．Fletcher＇ 3 ，C．Wilson 4，E．Pammeuter 5，T．Picker－ ing 6，立 Movimore（conductor）7，B．Ingle 8．The same quarter－ penl was rung in 42 mins．for evonsong，with $S$ ．Walker 2nd and R． Macfarlane 8 ith
At Chester Cathedral，for morning service， 640 Kent Treble Bob Major：H．Lewis I，W．Sconce 2，M．Harris 3，J．Swindley 4，Q． Gerrard 5，G．Sconen 6，P．Swindley 7，S．Jones，jun．（conductor） 8. －At St．Mary＇s－without－the－Walls，for evening service， 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major in 48 mins．：H．Lewis 1，J．Hayes 2，M．Harris 3， A．G．Watkin 4，J．Swindley 5，G．Gervarl 6，P．Swindiey 7，San Jortes，jum．（conductor） 8.

At Holy Trinity Church，Bolton，for the Thanksgiving service，a quarter－poal of Grandsire Pripleg（1，260 changes）in 47 mins．：R． Fislawiek 1，A．Sewart 2，P．Crook，jun．3，G．Tyson 4，W．Ksy 5， E．Edwards 6，P．Grook（conductor）7，R．Lindley 8.
At．St．Illyits Chutrh，Bridgend，Glam，a guartel：－peal of Grand－ sira Triples（ 1,260 clanuges）im 45 mins．：E．Snith 1，W．H．Evans 2， B．J．Toby 3，R．Davies 4，C．F．Perry（conductor）5，A．W．Wright 6，D．R．Jartes 7，W．James 8.
At Midsomer Norton，Somergeb，before evensong，a quarter－peal of Grandsire Triples in 47 mins．：E．J．Wills（first quarter－peal）1，E． Ropars 2，L．Gunning 3，1．B．Holmyard（conductor）4，G．Gunning 5，I．G．Hambleton 6，W．Keevill 7，W．Ford 8.
At Sevenoaks，for evening sorvice，a quarter－peal of Grandsire Triples（ 1,260 changes）in 49 mins．：Dre E．I．Taylor 1 ，W．Turley 2，H．D．Ford 3，13．Turley 4，H．J．Ford 5，F．Paige 6，H．V．Baker （first quarter－peal as conductor＇）7， S ．Comber 8.
at Christ Church，Swindon，Wilts，for morming service， 1,301 Sted mull Caters in 50 mins．：W．W．T．Daniells $1, \mathrm{R}$ ．W．Hyner 2，N． Alluatt 3，W．B．Kymaston 4，B．W．Bishop（conductor）5，J．Berry 6，S．Paliner 7，F．A．Hearl 8，C．J．Gardiner 9，A．E．W．Smith 10. At tho Church of St．John－the－Evangelist，Deptford，for the marn－ ing service，th quarter－para of Granतsire Triples（ 1,260 changes）in 37 mins．：E．J．Rivet 1，W．A．Murtin 2，E．B．Growder 3，R．A．
Fosdike $4, ~ W . ~ J . ~ J e f f e r i e s ~(c o n d u c t o r) ~ 5, ~ P . S . ~ R . ~ S t e e r s ~ E, ~ P, C . ~ C . ~$ Davies 7，A．F．Bennington 8 ．
At St．Andrew＇s Churel，Plymouth，a quarter－peal of Bob Major O＇Shaughuessy 3．Alt Mitclielmore 4，W．Famlyn 5，A．W．Myers 6， A？G．Myers 7，G．H．Myers（conductor）8．Longest length of Major for troble rimger．

At Bath Abbey，for marning service，a quarter－peal of Grandsire Galors，in 51 mins：T．Grant 1，Miss N．G．Williams 2，H．W．Brown 3，C．Bell 4，A．Prince 5，W．Grocker 6，W．J．Prescott 7，T．F．King （conductor）8，G．H．Harding 9，J，Hallet and F．Merrett 10.
At．St．Michacl＇s Church，Bishop＇s Stortford，Herts，on Sunday morning，a quartor－penl of Grandsirc Triples（1，260 changes） 46 mins．：V．Matthews 1，W．T．Prior 2，F．Springham 3，F．M． White 4，F．Buld 5，W．W．Tucker 6，F．Bird（conductor）7，H． Wacey 8．The bells wate again ring after the service．
t Tunstall，Kent， 720 Bob Minor：J．Draper I，W．F．Spice 2 ， R．Aylett 3，W．H．R．Wilkins（conductor＇）4，G．H．Spiee 5，W． Spice，sen．6．In the evoning at quarter－pent of Stedman Triples：G． H．Spice 1，G．Kenwat 2，W．E．Spice 3，W．H．B．Wilkins 4，S． Tuylor 5，\％．W．Walkor 6，W．Spice，sen．（conductor）7，G．Webh 8．On Moniay eveling，July duh，a peal of 5,056 Bob Major was atteapted，but，unfortunately，throutif a mistake the bells ran into rounds at 4,900 shanges．

At All Suints＇，Maldon，a quarter－peal of Grandsire＇Triples（ 1,260 changes）before morning service：H．J．Mansheld（conductor）I，S． R．Limet 2，Miss A．E．Walclock 3，E．G．Fllenger 4，F．White 5 ，A South 6，$F$ ．Chalk 7， 7 ．Ford 8.

At Christ Church，Armley，Leeds，a quarter－peal of Tent Treble Bob Major（ 1,280 changes）in 48 mins．：G．Grimwood 1，J．Hey 2，H．Loflhouse 3，Miss O＇Renton 4，A．G．Gatmi 5，A．Fieldhouse 6，J．Tliackray 7，G．Moorhouse（comiluctor） 8 ．
At Swinton，Lancs，a quarter－peal of Stedman Triples（1，260 elhanges）in 48 mins．：J．Denner 1，5．James 2，A．Waliwork 3，J Howarth 4，C．Gudgeon 5，J．H．Ridyard（couductor）6，J．Pottel 7 A．Burton 8.
At Ienhow，Monmothlishire，a quarter－peal of Gumdsite Dotbble （ 1,260 changes），called ten different ways：A．Flook 1, T．Morris 2 T．Edwards 3 ，J．Richards 4，A．Freebury（conductor） 5 ，S．Flook 6 At Hoole，Cheshire，a quarter－peal of Bob Minor jn 45 mins．：J Bedyof i，G．R．Jones 2，A．Nowali 3，P．Swindley 4，W．Weetman （conductor）5，J．Benyon，juin．， 6
At Killamatsh， 720 of Gambridge Surprise Minor and 720 o Netherseale Surprise Minor：F．Par＇r 1，A．Parr 2，H．Greaves 3，G Bumbam 4，W．H．Tarton 5，G．Severn（coaductor） 6.
At the Parish Chureh，Eyam，Derbyshire，on July Bth，an athempa by the Iocal band for a peal of Minor failed through an unfor tunate trip near the end of the hifth 720，after 2 hrs． 5 mins．＇excel lent ringing：$V$ ．Dane 1，J．Facer 2，F＇Barker 3，W．Barber 4，Rev W．P．Wright（conductor）5，K．Facer 6.
At Allesicy，Coventry， 720 Cambridge Surprise for eveasong at tho Parish Chureh：C．S．Aylett 1，C．J．Hunt 2，H．G．Summers 3，W A．Stote 4，J．W．Taylor（conductor）5，G．Garduer 6.
At Cardiff，for evening service，at St．John－the－Baptist＇s Chureli， 1，260 Stedman Trjples：W．Richards 1，Y．Heatlı 2，Miss D．Ricliards 3，J．Devies 4，F．Chamberlain 5，W．Heath 6，J．W．Moorlonse（con－ ductar）7，य．R．Barker 8
At Al！Saints＇Clurch，Foole，on Sunday，July 7ul，for afternoon service， 1,260 Bob Minor：J．Jenyon，sen．， $1, G$ ．A．Joncs 2，A Newald 3，P．Swindley 4，W．Weetman（conductor）5，J．Benyon， jun．， 6.
At Iyminge，Kent，for mornme prayer，a quarter－pen of Grand fire Triples in 45 mins．：G．Sheppard 1，A．Webb 2，E．Hobden G．Webb（conductar）4，A．Tenton 5，J．Reeves 6，L．Head 7，R Webb 8．For evening pruyer，a quarter－peal of Grandsire Triples G．Sheppard 1，A．Webb e，E．Fobieu 3，G．Webb（conduetor）4 A．Tanton 5，J．Skeer 6，⿹勹口 Reeves 7，R．Webl 8.
At Edinburgli，on Sunday moming，July 7th，at St．Mary Gathedral， 377 Girndsire Triples：G．Marshall 1，Miss Taylor 2，Mis Whitson $\frac{1}{3}$, C．Olevoland Ellis 4 ，W．B．Sampson 5，Stephen F．Woor （eanductor）6，J．Marshall 7，C．Raine 8．－At St．Gulhbert＇s D．F． Chureh，for evensong，a quarter－peal of Stedman Triples ${ }_{1,260}$ changes）in 47 mins：Miss Taylor 1，Misa Whitson 2，J．Adam 3，C Cleveland Ellis 4，F．Mann 5，W．C．G．Jintims 6，Steplien K．Woor （conducfor），7，D．Stocks 8.
At Newhiry，Berks，after evensong．a quarter－peal of Grandsir Triples（1，260 changes）in 48 mins．：W．H．Adkins，sen．，1，S．Quin－ tin 2，C．Pearce 3，L．Batting 4，R．Rex 5，E．W Smith 6，E．W Curtis（conduetor）7，C．Oggood（first qualter－peal）\＆．The ringer No． 4 had not rung a quarter－peal for 15 years．Tirst guarter－pen on the bells since rehanging and retuning lyy Messis．Mears and Stainbank．This quarter－peal was also a hirthday compliment to tho conductor

At Great Badrlow，for morning service，quarter－peal of Grand site Triples（ 1,260 chamges）in 45 mins．：Winnie Lewis 1 ，G．Groct 2. G．Watkins 3，Dr．Spencer Philip 4，P．Green 5，W．Tssay 6，H． Mance（conductor） $\boldsymbol{r}_{1}$ F．Skinner 8．For evening service，a quartel peai of Granmire Triples（1，260 changes）：F．Dawsan 1，W．Rice 2 H．W．Mance 3，Percy Green 4，H．F．Muace 5，G．D．Nicholls Dr．Spencer Phillip（conductor）7，A．Richell 8．St．Luke＇s，Chelses tellingers were on their outing for the week－and at Great Baddow and memhers took part in bolh quarter－peals．
At Llangibby，Mon，an attempt for a peal of Grandsire Triptes forbunately came to grimf after two hours：$G$ ．Kniolit $1, G$ ．Fawkins 2，E．W．Luff $3, D$ ．G．Clift $4, A$ ．Hawkins $5, G$, Popmell $6, W$ ．Wil liams 7，J．Mathlhews 8.
After the Thanksgiving service on Sunday evening，at Sacreal Trinity Ghurch，Salforl，Manchester，a quarter－peal of Grandsite Triples in 44 mins．：H．S．Kellett 1，Thos．Jones 2，W．Moss 3 Lees 4，H．Jones 5，E．Stonely 6，＂．Timperley（first quarter－peal P．Cross 8.

At St．Andrew＇s，Der＇by，a quarter－peal of Cambridge 堅urprise Major（1，2B0 changes）in 47 mins：F．Inckle 1，Gea．Ward 2，Chas． Hart 3，Geo．Freebrey（conductor）4，F．Glarke 5，A．H．Ward E． W．Wallace 7，P．F．Tate 8.
At Springfield：Essex，a quarter－peal of Minor（consisting of 720 Oxford Troble Bob， 3 Bo Double Court，and 180 Plain Bob）： Myhill 1，t．Poulton 2，Wm．Hawkes 3，A．Davis 4，W．Praili 5，E． Kemp（conductor）G．Also rung as a birthdey compliment to wil liam Howkes，who was 84 on the following day，and was one of the first to join the Essex Association when formed at Writtle ir 1879. He rings for service nearly every Sunday morning al the abope church

At Hayes, Kent, on Sunday, July 7th, 1,320 Cambridge Surprise Minor, taken from Rev. Bankes James' arrangement: G. Harwood 1, H. Rearler 2, J. Fack 3, O. Gilbey (conductor) 4, F. Keech 5, J. Brown 6.
At Nuwhall, for evensong, in 45 mins., 1,260 Bob Minor: $\mathcal{X}$. Paling 1, H. H.urdman 2, W. Redfere 3, H. Dawson 4, H. Brealey 5, J. Hough (conductar') 6.

At Si. Mary-le-Tower Church, Ipswich, for matins, 720 New Cambridge Surprise Royal; for evensong, 265 changes of Stedman Cinques and half a comse of Superlative Surprise Maximus; after evensong, 330 and 254 qhanges of Stedman Cinques, by thr following: R. H. Brandle, W. P. Gurrett, C. A. Catchpole, C. J. Sedgley, F. J. Tillett, G. E. Symonds, A. Fleming, G. Fleming, H. R. Roper, W. Tillett, IS, Shenming, J. F. Tillett, W. J. G. Brown, E. E. Symonds and $A$. Dur'rant.

At St. Maytin's Church, Gospel Oak, 720 Boh Minor: W. J. Harwin (Grst 720) 1, R. Newman 2, F. Bonfield 3, E. Young 4, E. Bonfield (conductor) 5, A. Bonfield 6 .
At Stratford-on-Avon, at the conclusion of the Thanksgiving serwice, at Holy Trinity Ghureh, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes) in 45 mins. : A. W. Wright 1, N. Bartlett 2, V. Hunt (conductor) 3, H. Rawhone 4, 亘. Brooks 5, A. Preedy 6. First quarter-peal by a local band.
At Barley, Herts, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Daubles in 43 mins. F. Finyes 1, W. Mansfield 2, W. A. Tack 3, H. Foward 4, R. Howard (concuctor') 5, WT. Chapman (first quarter-peal) 6. For evening service, a quarter-peal of Doubles ( 480 Plain Bob, 480 St. Simon's, 300 Grandsire), in 42 mins.: N. Hayes 1, w. A. Tack (first quarter-peal as conductor) 2, W. Mansfield 3, H. Howard 4, R. Howard 5, W. Chapman 6.
At St. Jolan's Clurch, Whittle-le-Woods, a quarier-peal of Oxford Treble Boh Mrjor ( 1,248 clanges) in 45 mins. H. Nelson 1, J. Charmoch 2. Adam Bloga 3, E. B. Coxlead 4, F. G. Bradles 5, A. Hartloy 6, E. Lawson 7, Alfred Blogg (conductor) 8.

At Great Bark, near Birmingham, after evening scrvice, 720 Bab Mittor in 27 mins.: G. Merriman 1, Miss E. M. Ludlow 2, Miss B. Pollington 3, R. C. Ingram 4, J. R. Terrs' 5 , W. Terry 6.

CHESTER.-For the 42 m anniversary of the opening of the Church of St. Mary-withoul-the-Walls, on July 3rd a quarter-peal of Bob Major: A. Watkin 1, R. Sperring 2, H. Lewis 3, M. Harris 4, J. Swindey 5, G. Gerrard 6, S. Jones, jun., 7, P. Swindley (first (inarter as conductor') 8 .

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. MEMBERS STILL ON THE INGRESSE.
The annual meetiog was held at Lichfield on Saturday, June 29 th. The bells at the Cathedral were available from 3 p.m. to $3.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., atrd again from $6.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. to $7 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. This privilege was appreciated, as it is only possible to have tho use of these bolls in alternate jears. At St. Mary's and St. Michael's Chutches ihe bells were kept going, with intervals, from 3 p.m, tutil the evening.
Thea was served at the Minster Cafe, where upwards of 70 mombers and friends refreshed themselves. While tea was in progress the Bishop of Lichficld (Dr. J. A. Kempthorne) entered the hall and welcomed the members to Lichfield, at the same tima kindly inviting the company to inspect his gayden and grounds.
The general meeting followed, presided ovor by the Archdeacon of Staffow (Ven Hugh Bright). The Chairman congratulated thu memberg upan the satisfactory statement of accounts and report of the yerr's work. The officers were re-elected, with the exception of Ringing Master, to which office Mr: John Periy, of Brewood, was elected in the place of Mr. John C. Adams, retired.

The following places have bech selceted for meetings to be held during the jear: Wombraume in September, St. Peter's, Wolverhampton, in January, Camoek in Aprit, and Jichfieid for the innual) in June.

The sum of 玉l Is. was voted to the Peun hell restoration fund.
Wiren the busiress was disposed of, the Chairman invited his hearers to visit his garden and to have a 'roll-up' on his bowling green. Those who took advantage of this and the offer from his his lorkship were well repaid.
The committee, in their report, wore happy fo state that the society was financially sound, and the number of members still on the increase. Bell restoration in the Archdeaconry was still on the move, the latest additions to the list being tho rocasting of the ten at Welsall, with two trebles added. This brought the number of rings of twelve in the Archdeaconry up to threc, which was unique for 50 comparatively smah an area. The ring of eight at Pattingham had been rehung, whilo those at Lapley (four') were being rehung, two recast, with the addition of a new troble. The eight at Penu were about to be recast and hung in a new iron frame, ready for opening in the coming autumn. the following peals had been rong during the sear: Grandsire Doubles 4, Grandsire Triples 7, Grandsire Gaters 2. Stedman Triples 7, Stedman Gaters 2, Sledman Cinqnes 1, Doutbly Norwich Court Boh Caters 1, Bob Minor 1, Bob Major 1, Kent Treble Bob Major I, Gambridge Surprise Majar I: total 28 . 'lhe commit tee regretted to record, through aleath, the loss of Albert Addison, of Bushburs, and Eric Lownes, of Kingswinford.


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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

A meeting of the Northern District of the Londoz County Association is to he held tut St. Bepulchre's, Holborn, to-morrow. The notice of this meeting reached us too late to appear in our last issue, and we woull remind socrelaries that all notices must reueh us on 'luesday to ensure insertion in the following Fridny's issue.
There was Bob Major in a pal of Grandsire Triples at Lawton, Cheshire, last week, yet the tonoi was always liept behind. The solution will be found in our peal columns.
Mr. Willian Hawkes, who took part in a quarter-peal at Springfield, Essex, on Thanksgiving Sundry, is 84 years of age, and still a regular service ringer:
The first peal by a band of ladies was rung at Cubitt Town on July 20th, 1912.
Sunday is the anmiversary of the peal of 77,280 Kent Tueble Boh Major rung at Over in the year 1923. The peal occupied exactly ten hoturs.
Forly years ago next Thursday eight James's rang a peal of Granalsire Triples at St. James', Clerkenwell, for the St. James' Society.

## THE ATTEMPT ON THE MAXIMUS RECORD.

As has alveady been mentioned in these columns, an attompt is to be made on August Bank Holidiay to set up a new reend on twelve bells, and the following notice is now formally given:-
*An attempt will be made on Monday, August 5th, to ring 15,312 Cambridge Surprise Makimus at Ashton-under-Lyne Parish Church, starting at about 8 a.m., under the auspices of the Lancashive Associatioll and the Ashtan-unfer-Lyme Society
'Compesition, Jev. H. Law James' 29 courses.
'All concerned please note.'

## A HERTFORDSHIRE PEAL REHUNG.

The six bells at King's Walden, Herts, have been rehung in ball bearings, by Messis. White, of Appleton, the treble having been recust by Messis. Mears and Stainhank. The greater portion of the cosi has been horne by Major Fartison, of King's Walden, Bury, within whose beautiful groumels the chnreh is situaterl.
The first change ringing on the bells simce the rehanging, toak place an July 10th, when a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles was rung in 44 misutes by $A$. Gillings (conductor) $1, T$. Cann 2, D. C. Mears 3, H. W. Anstee 4, H. Fellows 5, J. Parkyn 6. This was the first quarter-peal by the tenor man, who is one of the local ringers, and the first on an inside hell by D. C. Mears. Mr. H. W. Anstec hopes to form a band of change ringers at his tower in the near future.

## LADIES GUILD.

## CENTRAL DTSTRECT TO BE REVIFED.

The fiftecth annual general mecting of the Ladies Guilul was held at St. Clement Danes' Church, Loudon, on Saturday, July 6th. The attendance was small, anly nineteen members being present. Ringing took place in the afterneon and cevening, and several memhers had their first mperjence of tem-hell ringing.
A short service was conducted by the Rector, the Rev. W. Perrnington Bickford, who gave a very interesting and helpful address. The members were afterwards cordially welcomed to St. Clement's hy the Rector and Mrs Ponnington Bickford, who both take a very keen interest in the Guild nud its work.

At the business meeting, held in the choir vestry, Miss Steel, the president, took the chair. Five new members were elected.
The pecounts showed a surplus on the year's working of es 14s. Ild., whicl is a very gratifving state of affairs.
The Secretary (Mrs. F. K. Fietcher) reported that the year had heen a very quiet obse, no peals having been rung. Kwen interest Was shown in most districts, but the attendance at some of the meetings was not all that conld be desired. The Southern Distriet secretary had met with a serious accident while on holiday, and had been unable to carry on for same time, but was now much better and able to neamo her valuable work for the Guitd. The Central District had lapsed tempararily, but was heing revived in the near future. In all other districts yegular meetings had been held. and all district secrefaries were thanked for their miming work. Death had elnimed Ltree mimbers, viz, Mrs. A. W. Clark, of Croydon, Miss N. Jolnson, of Finton, near Evesham, and Miss B. Stilwell, of Yateley, all keen ringers and snpporters of the Guild. Mernbers were aghin urged to forward their subscriptions as they became due, anc] save the secretaries time and expense in collecting them.
Miss Steel was unanimously re-elected as president, and Mrs. Fletcher as hon. secretary and treasurer.
The revised rules were discussed and aclopted. It was decided to issue reports this year, and to include under iheir respective districts the ammes and addresses of all merahers
The next annual meeting was lixed to be held in the Western District, at a ceutre ensily accessible, and it was left to the gemeral and district sceretaries to make the nepessary arrangements.
The thanks of the Gimid are aue to the Rector of St. Clement for his kindness in nllowing the meeting to be beld, and to Mr

## RINGING CONTEST AT MELTHAM

## NINE TEAMS TEST THEIR SKILL.

Tlae IIalifax and District Association's annual meting aud six-bell contest took piace at Meltham on July 13th. It was a glorious day, andi nine sets hall entered the contest. It was decided by the consmittee that each band shauld ring 600 changes, any method, and to do away wilh the usual practice of three leads. The duaw was as followg. No. 1, Thorthill; No. 2, New Mill; No. 3, Sandal: No. 4, Friczlatid; No. 5, Shelley; No. 6, Huddersfield; No. 7, Liversedge; No. 8, Holmlirth; No. 9, Baticy; and all the companies selected Treble Bob.

An excellent lea was provided in the school, to which aboui one hundred naci twenty sat down. Ringing was completed at eight oclock, and the meeling followed immediately afterwards. The president, M1. E. Earnshaw, oceupied the chair. The balance sheet was presented and adopted, ou the proposition of the charman, seconded by Mr. Lawson (Lightcliffe). It showed a sligltt increase on the ycar.
Mr. J. E. Carter proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar of Meltham (Rev. II. F. T. Barker) for the use of bells, also to the churchwarclens and ringers, and to the ladies for providing such an excellent ten, Mr. W. Ide seeonded the motion, which wns carried unanimously.-The Victr acknowledged the thanks, and said he thought that belringing went a long way towatds this country getting its name of 'Mersio England.' "I'he mother church of that parish was the proud possessor of ane hell, and the same bell was thent for ower ane lundred years. Fe said the people of Meltham weat as far as Mursden to meet the lorry which brothent the present peal to the church in 1836 , and he thought that great ercelit was clue to Messers. Taylor, the bell founders, hs if was still a 'virgin peal.'
The officurs elected for the present year were: Prosident, Mr. E. Earnshaw (Meltham); treasurer, Mr. F. Salmon (Halifar); eecretary, Mr. L. Hasgreaves (Halifas).
Tile judges (Mr. J. Broadley, Bradford, and Mi. E. Whitely, Melthara) gave their decision on the vontest as follows:-


Holnofth were therefore deelared wimers of the cup. Tb shoald he panted out lhat Tharnhill drew No. 1, but were umahle to ring and therefore, according to vule, liad to ring last.
The Viear presented the cup to Mr. चु. 33. Booth, of Holrifirth and congratulated them, as ft was the first time they had won it. Mr. Booth suitabiy replied.
It was decided to have the next six-bell contesil at Fricaland, nean Oldham, as the nuthorities had kindly offered the use of the bells It was resolved that in future two six-bell conteste be held to one eight-hell.
A vote of thanks to judges and chairman closed the meeting.

## THE DISTRICT SECRETARY'S PROBLEM

A meeling at the Guildford Districh of the Guildford Diocesan Guild was helr at Pirbright on Saturelay, July 13ths. As the hells arc rung from the ground floor it proved an ideal place for a meet mg on fot day, as not only wats it cool in the ringing roon, but just outside the roor in the churchyard is a shaty tree, under which hose not ringing rould sit. Menbers were present from Old Wok ing. Werblesdon, Pirbuight, West Glamon, Whe Cathedral Churet and S. Nicolas', Guildford, and visitors fronn Croydon, Aldershot Leatherlead and Beddington. The light ring of sis were kept going all the aftemoon and in the evening to rounds and methods from Grandsine and Bah Doubles to Londou Surprise Minor:
The Viear of Pirbright (the Rev. H. S. Talsry) conducted the service, and in the course of his eddress referred to the fact that althongh the music of the bells could he heard outsithe the church the ringers producing it were hidden from wiew, so that the genern publie had very little idea of what was really lappening in the finging room. At least one of the members present could not help but think that if the people of Pirbright ro not know how theit bells are rung it is beceuse they do not want to, for eren the oldest inbabitant sifting in his hath ehair could see into the ringing room from the churchyard ante. Oue of the things the District Secretary is sure the ringers did not see is the said secretary a fow dags before the mecting scrateling his head in the mitdle of the following problem: "If six mentherg notify you of their intention of attenting the meeting, will the weather be fine, fod, if so, how many wisl eudeavour to find a place at the dea table?" Forturately, this time the answer at which he artived was faialy sccurate, for there was ample tea for the 34 who sat dewn to it
The Viear mresided at a short busimess meding. One new member was elected, and the election of one compmonding memben was anlirmed.

## THE RINGERS' RALLY AT NEWCASTLE

Between 500 and 600 ringers and frieuds retenderl the great gathering of rilugarg at Neweasile min Saturday, when they were the guesis at the North-East Coast Exhahition of the proprietors of the "New castle Chronicle' and Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, founders of the great Wellington Wia Bemorial carillon, whel is one of tho outstanding features of the exhitition.
A full report of the procechings will appear iu onl rext jasue.

## A TRAGEDY OF THE ROAD

OLANLPIGE RJNGFR'S DEATR FROM MOTOR ACCIDENTI.
A distrossiug fatality has occurred to one of the Cranleigh, Surrey, compary of bellringers, Mt. Elwin Charman, a member of all olal ringing family, baving been knocked down by a motor-can athol dying as a result of his injuries
It appears that on Saturday Mr. Clarman was jushiug his bicycle up a hill in a rather harrow road near Cranleigh. He pansed at the entrance to Hall $r^{3}$ lace Drive and beekoned ont a nostor-cycle combination. Fefore the combination could come out of tile drive a motor-car came ever the brow of the liill. The two velicies collided and the motor-car erushed Mr. Charman aganst a pillar-box. He was remowed to the Contrity Hospital at Guildford, hut suceumbed to his injories on Sumbly. An inquest was leld on Tueshay, when a verdich of "Death from misadventure" was returned. Re leaves a widow and fanily, with whom the greatest sympatby is felt.

Mr. Charman had becu assaciated with khe helfy at Cuanleigh for many years. He was an old member of the Wincluester Diocesal Guid, and became one of the foumdation members of the Guithform Diocesan Gruild.

## LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

most succossful quarterly meefing tras held at Monmoth on Saturday, when members mustered well from botla Monmonthshime and Glamorganshire. The bells, a ring of eight by Rudlaall, were recast, it is stated, from the origimal bells brought over from Frame ant prosented to Manmanhl, after his stlecessive victories, by Hemry V., who was horm at Mommouth. Very welcome visitats were the Coseley (Staffs) ringors, who were on their anmand oultag, nnd who, miur to the servicu, look purt in thr ringing. Sortice was lamel al 4.30 , boula the Yical aind curate taking paut, whe lation giving a very interesting address.
Following lise meeting, lea, whith had hech tery geatrously prow vided, was served in the Church Room. The busimess meating followed, the Rew. C. K. Smith presiding.
Augmentation, restoration, and inslructors' yeports were received ancl the reptescnatives to the Central Comacil meeting at Cluelms. ford proseated their report.
ogress siuce the last meeting in warious ways was repnted by the hols. secretary, and it was fecirlon th liold flee next Mommeuth meeting at Cafticot in Semtmber, the acst Glamorgan moting th
he held at Llanfrisant. New mombers were also elected. After the usurl voke of thanks to all whon had helpod to make dar meeting such a pleasant one, special mention was made of Xir. Konnayd Jones, the local leader, for ali he had done
The bells were then rung antil late, and brought a most successful and pleasathe galliering lo a close

## MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. <br> SPADE WORK IN EJAK DISTRTCT.

A mecting of the Peak District was held al Hope and Castledol on Saturday, Juty Eth. Ringiag commenced an the heavy penl of six at Hope (tenor repated to be 197 cw e.), and some amasing anties were witncesed as ono aiter another fried their fands at keping lier going, not the least interested being the renernhle and Ecuial Vicar, who seemed quite tickled at the iden that his bells should presenl a probiem ta experts in the art. A plossabt ehat with the Vicar and lowal rimgers completed the procecdings, tlen thestion of the rentration of the helle and the fakiug up of change
 a. litule variation

Arrived at Casiletan, a very well-going but rather tunatatial pon. of eight awailect the party, with a tenor ahout 15 cwt., surd Enod use whs made of the bells" by hingers from Allou-under-Iron. Bran well, Castleton, Dare, Hope and Sineffield Cathedral, a wricome addi tion in the gathering being 3Fr. W. W. Wolstencroft and party from Ashlon, who were an a motar tour

A subsiantial tea was proviled at the residence of Mr. Payne, that peniol venger and steeplekecper, and a slont business mpeting fol lowert.
 R. Somers:, of Hopo, wrs elected, alll Ewam was suguested as the next meeling place an the secomb Saturdiny in August. Fitetient tinging took place till ahoul $8 \mathrm{pm} . \mathrm{m}_{\mathrm{g}}$ pleuty of opportunity being given to the Casteton anrl Tape ringers, several of whom expressed their intention of altmaling future meetings.

## JUBILEE OF THE WINCHESTER GUILD.

FEPTY YEARS OF GROWTHF,

'Ibs: jubilee celebration of the Winehester' Diovesan Guild, which Lesak plince at Winchesier on July Gth, was a greal suctess, over a hanulted members and friends being present. The Guild was established at a meeting at l3asingstoke on Jane 26th, 1879, Iavgely as the mitethen of efforls that latd beetr mate by the Rev, A. Du Boulay Flil] When of Winchester College and now of Berkhampsted), and the Jis. Canon Madge (Winchester). Jlotli these gantlemen, happily, survive, but a number who were actively associated with therr arce no longer with as. The diocese ft that time wan a huge sul, daking in the county of Hampshire, a hig pare of Sumey and tha Isle of Wight. Change ringers were fow and fan between, and the means of intercammanication limited. Bat the spirit of belfry rod'on'm was abroad the enthusiasts worked unsparingly. Various evilres became rallying points, and anong the practical ringers who Whal sume wonlerfal spadework were men whose names should ever retmain amblazoned on the records of tha Guidel, like the late Henry Whate, tho late John W. Whiting, George Willians and others, Mr. Willianas linving, since lis return to the diacese, filled the offices of hom secretary and Master. Other mames which have been prumineratly associated with the progress of that Guild have heen the the Fev. H. Warponter, who was secrelary for fon years.
fhr division of the diocese in 1987 led to the towers in the new Gualdord Diocese fomming their own Guid, bat the reorganisation oft ilie remaining tersitoty into the Windsester and Portsmonth Dioursan Cinild has given new life and growth to the old organisation, whinh toway is more vigorous than ever. Interest in the jubilee
cumonemoration was shown by ringers thoughout the area, and cumbenoration was shown by ringers throughout the area, and
representatives were present at the gathering from the following fowers: Basingstoke, Bishopstoke, Blacknoor, 13rockenhurst, Chisichameh, Farehnm, Freshwater, Highelere, Hursley, King's Somborne, L, miugion, Micheidever, Milfordon-Sea, Narih Stoneham, Portsmomsth Cathedral, Portser, Romsey, Ryde, Sherborme St., John, Southampton, Stockbridge, Swannore, Tiehborne, Titchficld, TwyFout, Wickham, Whitchurch, Woolton Hill, Winchester, and Xateley. Artong the visitors wern Ms. E. Alex Ynung, hon. seeretary of the Contral Coumail, Mr. E. C. Mermett (BrighLon), representing the Sussex County Association, Mr. C. T. Coles, ionn secretary of the
 (quintirs (Newbury), iund Mi. G. Bull (ISinfield). Canon Madge jained the members at the serviee, but was nots able to attend the tha. The two next oldest members present were Mr. (T. Williams, whe jeined it Soberlon in February, 1880, nat Dry. Beales, who juined ah Werbridge in June, 1880. The twalve bells at the Cathehram nut the six out St, Marices Churel were rung during the all'lemoon, nud the members then sat down ta tea together in the
Ansonic Hall. Canou Braithwaite presided, supported loy the Moster (Mp. (i, Willinms), Rev. N. C. Woods, the hon. secretary (Mi', G. Pullinger), the Rev. Canon Goodman, He Rrv. S. M. Watson (St.
 I:. Alexamer Young, Mr. J. W, Elkins, Mr. Wilfred Andrews, etc. After ten, Mr. G. Willinms mmoneed upologies from severni, incuding the Rev. B. C. Thylor (Binsted, Rev. F. O. Scar (St.
Mraty lourne), Lhe Rev. W. $H$. Thomas (Ronsey), the Rev. Evan dones (Hedge Eand), M1. A. H. I'ulling (Guildford), Mr. H. Barton (Ventmar), find others. He also road letters from the Rev. A. D. Hill regreting that, owing to rheumatism, the was anahle to be proseth and conveying his congratulations. Fe wrote that the was aroul tor see that the Guila had grown and prospered so well. The Waster also rend a lelegram of greeting, congratulation and good wisher sent by membors of the Guildford Dioensan Guild at their a!ाนal festival.

## TARLY HISTORY

Mr. Wi:linnons then wout on to say that the Gnild was foumied on Ithe 26th, 1879: he was elected a member on February 25th, 1880, rurl wis probably the oldest, member present that afternoon, There wis very little ringing and yery few ringers in those dajs, and one had fo tuat all over Fimpshite and Sumey to ext motigli men to fing a peat. Ihe firsl peal way rung by the Guild on December 27th, 1881, HL S. Nicolas Churelt, Guildford, ant was touducted by Stephes Brooker. Of the eight who took part ia the peal, Mr. George Sayers, of Ashtond, and Mr. ©. Dudley, of Dorking, were the maly survivors. The second peal rung by the Guild, and the first in Fampshice, was at Soberton, on Jaumary 17th, 1884. That wits his lirst peal, and he was the only survivor, Not till September 24th, 1887, was a pent of Shethman rumg hy the Guild-the tower
 peal of Siedman wis by a resident hand on Auptist 26th, 1899, also at Stu Peter's, Fareham. This was the 50 th peal by the Guild in a perion covering just over ten ymars. It was only in reent times that peals in more advanced methods latcl been rung in Fampshire lye resident bands. He would like to sae mom of the entlusiasm of Whe old duss shown twe the youger mombers in turuing up for practices and for sunday service ringing. In this connedion, fie
passed on to therr the remarks which he read recenty in the annual report of the Stisex County Association, remiuding nembers that their first duty is to maintain the level of service ringing at the highest possible standard, sparing no pains to atiain this ond by purctuad and regular attencance: Mr. Winliame gave the mames of the secretnries of the Guild during the 50 years of its existence as follow: Rev. A. 1D. Hill, 1879-81; Rev. H. A. Spyars, 1881-90; Rev. … C. M. Harver, 1890-98; Rev. C. H. Matthews, 1896-1902; Rev. E. W. Carpenter, 1902-06; Rev. C. W. Scott, 1906-0. Rev. W. E. Col chester, 1908-12; Mr. G. Williams, 1912-19; Rev, Siv John Hetschel 1919-21; Rev. N. C. Woorls, 192I-23; Mr. G. Pullinger, 1923 to the present time. The Master coneluded by extending a liearty welcome to visitors from otleer districts.
The Rev. N. C. Woods said be had two messages to give. One was from the Bishop of Portsmoulh, their co-presideult, who rang lim up that afternoon to give his very best wishes and blessing to the Guid, and the other was from Canon Robinson, who also sent his very best wishes (applause).
Canon Braithwaite, who was greeted witi applasie, said they were grateful to Mr . Williams for the information he had giveu them. It was always interesting to know the history of any society, beande they built their future on tie history of the past. They saw the great progress that had heen made in the ringing in the diocese, and were glad to see such a large number of young men present on that jubilee day: He did not want to make a specoh, fint in his position as chairman he wished to give a toast-that of "Prosperity to the Winehester and Portsmotath Diacesaz Guild of Church Bellringers. Fo did this with all his lieart, and he hoped that the towers wisited that day would be pleased with their wark, and that they would go on giving more and more advanced touthes as they werg able, commencing with simpler ringing and going on further and further. He appealed to the younger members to regard the advice Mr. Williams had given with reference to regular and punctual attendances, by which they would learn more mat more of the great and beautiful art of bellringing (applause)
Mr. E. A. Young said it was very kind of Mr. Williams to mention him as a visitor. As secretary of the Central Council, he felt he was there in a representative capacity, and, ou behalf of the great body of bellringers throughout the countro, he cordially endorged all the good wishes thas had been expressed by the chairman Mr. C. T. Coles (Midnleser Association) warmly congratulated the Winchester Guild-whicla was one of the first in the dautry-on its
success during the past 50 years. In listening to what larl been success during the past 50 years. In listening to what hard been
said about those early days, one conld but fed that the Guild me a long-felt want. In cangratulating them on the past, he wished them even greater prosperity in the years to come (applause). M1. E. C. Merritt (St. Peter's, Brighton) alsn expressed the
pleasure it gave bim to be present, nun added his congratulations ou the juhrile
Fev. S. M. Watson and Mi', F. E. Dawe also spoke. The latter en dorsed what Mr. Williams had stated as to bellringing in the days when the Guild was started. There was a difficulty in getting prae tised ringers in those fays; the was living in Devonshire at the time, and they had to go all the way to Oxford to get a man to make up a paal of Gramdsire Triples.

THE DEVELOPMENT OF RINGING SOCIETIES.
The mernhers then attended evensong in the Cathedrat, wlete the bells-Holy unto the Lord." He spoke of the first importance of everything which concempe in any way the worship and prase of Almighty God, and said liat by no means the least important itern was the belfry. Fe therefore made no apology for addressing them on the subject of bells, beilingels and bellinging ont the 50th shippers,' he said, 'have, from time immemarial, been summoned to church by the ringing of bells; indeed, the churela bells werc, for centuries, the ouly means by which the people knew the time of day. The ghtuly of hell love is an intensely fascinating one. It is so full of romance, num takes has bank to early times in a way which canmot fail to hold 118 enthralled. Who does not know conntry rillages-and, indeed, cities and tovns, too-where very ancient customs still prevail in connction with hellunging? What memories bells bring tanck to us! What associations they have with important events in our lives! As time goes on, and people become
romantic in a utilitarian age, these old customs drop out one one; but we, in this city, have at leasl one such ancient custom te-maining-that of ringing the chrfew at 8 o'elock each night.'
The preacher wont on brichy to sketch the ovolutiou of clange Schalars of Cheapside, formed in 1603, and the Ancient society of College Youths, established in 1637. The 181n century and the earlier part of the $19 \mathrm{th}_{\mathrm{l}}$ century, he said, 'are well known as times when matters eeclesiastical were not as we would bave them to be, and it is not surprising to read that yingers and ringing were greatly prejudiced in the eyes of the public. Howerer, ibout half-way througln the 19tly century things began to improve, and in our own
diocese we dind on Cathedral ringers heing taken in liand by two dorgy, one a Minor Canan of this Cathedral, and the other are
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## DEATH OF A YOUNG LANCASHIRE RINGER.

On Friday, July 5th, there was laid to rest in the grapepard of Halsall Parish Ghurch, Lancashire, the body of James Whitaker, one of the local band of rivgers. The deceased was only 19 years of age, and was respected by all with whom he came in contact. Fe was a most promising young ringer. Fonl members of the belfy acted as bearers, and shorty after the interment 720 Treble Boh Minor was rung with the belis half-muffled: J. Gardner 1, T. Prescott 2, A. Mawdesley 3, W. Huyton (conductov) 4, H. Serjeant 5, E. Mluudell 6 .

## VISIT TO YORK

The ringers of St. Ignatius' Church, Sunderland, accompanied by the Ficar (Rey. G. H. J. Baily), the curate (Rev. G. D. John), the chumehwardens, and by their wives and ladg friends, a company of 32 in all, had their annual outing on June 26 th, when they visited York. An early start was made, anm, aruiving at York at 9.20 , the visitors were welcomed by two of the Minstel ringers, Messrs. Fearnley and Ricketts, who kindly acted as guides, and after a most interesting walk along the city walls a visit was paid to Mossrs. Rowniree's Wurks. The great chocolate makors have very complete arrangements for the entertainment of visitors, and five lady conductors slowed the party through the various departments. After dinner at the White Swan, a visit was paid to Escrick, a lovely model village six miles south of Yark, with a beautifut claucly which has been restored after being hurrt down about live years aga. The helfry is very well appointed, and lage enough to have accommodated the whole of the party, and the lovely bells were goon set going in tonches of Stedman Triples, Double Norwich and Superlative. A real Yorkshire tea followed at the Black Bull Hotel, and full justice was clone to it, Hearty thanks woro then necorded to the clurchwardens for their presence and their contribution to the expenses, $\left\{\begin{array}{c}\text { welcome }\end{array}\right.$ givell to the visitors, and thanks to the Dern of York and the Rector of Escrick for the use of their bells, and the secretary for his services iu making all the arrangements, in which Mr. Imeson, of the Minster, liad rendered valuable assistance. The party were then photographed hy Mr. Frank Ainsley, and the visitors mat ladies had a walle though the beautiful gardeus of the Rectory, by kind invitation of the Rev. Trollope, and the ringers returned to Fork for a ring on the middle eight of the Minster, hut unfortunately they found there was not sulficient time for a ring. They, however, had the pleasure of secing Great Peter' (10X tons), and learnt with amusement that lie is
half-raised every day at noon, and continues to sound for 7 oy 8 man-rased every day at noon, and contimues to sound for 7 or 8 then made for the station, and the party arrived home at 10.45 , after an almost "perfect day.

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assistant master at Winclester College, who conducter a practice in No. 4, The Glose, on Decenmer 5lin, 1878. In the following year, 1879, we find the same two enthusiasts organising a meeting at Basingstoke on Jume 26th, at which the Winehester Diocesan Guild
of Ringers was actually established. In these early days of the Guild transport was very difficult, and we find that in order to attend a committee meeting at Basingstoke these two men had to walk from Winchester to Micheldever to eatch a Arain to Basingstoke. We alsa lind abizen members of the Guild walking or bicycling on the old-fashianed high bicydes, all over the dincese, lo attend meelings, ting peals, and teach would-ive ringers in a way which compels admiration. We even find one carly member givimg up a good appointment altogether in order to attend a tower to take pari in ringing a peal, because bis employer wonld not allow him ta leave off for the day! It is a pride and joy to us who are celebrating the 50h anmiversary of out Guild's foundation to know that Whe two clergy, who were virfually our founders, are alive to-dayindeer, one of them is actually here this afternoon. It would mot hr possible to mention by manie all those to whon the Guild has reason to be grateful, but I feel that it is onfy just and proper that the naphes of Francis Thomas Madge and Arthur Dur Joulay Hill shoula be mentianed, as it is to them we owe the inspiration which brouglat our Guild into existence; and it was in great part their infueuce, encouragenent and enthosiasm which inspined the eavly members, and caused the Guild-small at first-to become the flourishing institution it is to-day. In conclusion, I would say to the clergy, "Know your ringers, and appreciate the part flacy take in the worship of the sanetuary": and to the ringers I cannot do better than quote the words of their piesent Master (himself one of the very enrliest members of the Guild): "I always make a point of turning up to rinur for each servico on a Sunday, just in the same way as g go to my daily occupation; and I Elank it is mo less than nny incumbent an expect of his ringers, that they should endeavan to atitenk at least one of the services. If a ringer is a consoientious thinker, he will feel it his duty, ou prineiple, to do this." God, Who hes frought us through the lizst 50 yenrs of our existonee, hless and keep an1. Cuild, now and in the future; and of His merey pardon our hortcomings, and accepi what we have done, what we do, and what we hope to do to His honour and glory.'
In ihe evening the bells of the Cathedral and St. Maunice's Church were again rung, and parties were made up to visit Bishopstoke, Furgley, North Stoneham, and Twyford, there being a ring of eight th each of these churches.

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

A very successful meetiug of the South-Eastern Division of the Essex Association was held at Sandon on Saturday, Iuly 13k. The balls ware set going just after 2.30 p .nn., and at the subsequent service the Rector (the Rev. J. W. Williams) officiated ancl give an rddress. Mr. G. I. Howard (Master of the Association) read the lessun.

A splendid tea was served at the Crown Ina. Mr. Geo. Green (District Master) presided, supported hy Mr. C. H. Howard, the Rector, Mr. 8ad Mrs. J. M. Williams, Dr. Speucer Phillips and Mr. H. W. Kirton (District Secretary). Three new nembers were elected from Danbury and two from Sandon were re-elected. It was ay ranged to visit Southminster and Tillingham in September, also to hold the annual mocting on November 16th at Gilleymond
Mr. O. H. Eowatd thanked the Rector for bis address, and Mis. Williams for playing the organ.-The Rector said that he felt very proud to have an association meeting at his church, as thev had only five bells. It was thie first time there had been an meetng at Sandon, and he hoped that it would not be long before there was another.
There were 31 present, inoluding five lady yingers from Grest Badidow and Galleywoot. Grandsine and Stedman Doubles were rung on the bells, and the tower at Dambury was also opert in the afternoan and evening.

## SOCTH-WESTERN DIVIRION

Althougl rather difficult of access, over 40 members and friends put in an apperrance at the meeting at Orsett on Saturday, line weather now being at its best. This was the association's first visit to Orsett since the rebuilding of the church, which was partially detroyed by fire in 1926. The bells were raised at 3 p.m., and were soon going to Kent, followed by tatheles in rarious methods till 4.30, when service was eondtucted by the Rector (the Rex. H. Dewhurst), who, in the course of his address, remarked how pleascil he was to see such a fiue gathering, and expressed the hope that the association would soon pay another wisit to this beautiful church aud rillage. A splendid tea was served on the lawn of Whitmorn Amas, to the accompamiment of gramophone records. Tea over, business was soon disposed of fout new ringing and oun honorary member being elected, and Barking was selected for the place of mext meeting, to be held on September 21st. Other district secretaries are asked to kindly note this date.

The mecting conclucted with a vote of thanks to the Rector for allowing the use of the tower and balls, and conducting the service, to the organisti and organ blower, and to Mr. Kerling snil nembers of the local band for liaving everything in readiness.- The Rector and M1. Kealing suilably replied. Leytonstone, 'Tithury, Romford, Barking, Maldon, Woodford, ede., were the towers represented, and touchos of Stedman and Grandsire Doubles, Plain Bob, Double Contr, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, London, Carlisle, Canluyidge and Spliced York and Durham, Cambridge, lpswich, Ringers' aud Primrose Surprise were rung. The afternoon weat all too guick $\mathrm{y}_{\mathrm{y}}$, and all enjoyed themselves at this well-known hul mather out-af-theway village and church.

## NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION

a very successful meeting was held at Everton, near Bawtry, on aturday July 13th, when the weather favoured the atteulance. The bells were ready early for the visitors. The Rev. F. S. Curis presided over the tea, served on he ficarage lawn, and the meetha;
Ho was supported by Mr. F. Haigh (hon. treasurert, Mr. H. Revil] (hon. assistant secretary), aud 24 members fron Anston, Bar] borough, Gainsborough, Sulton-on-Trent, Gamston, Warsop, Treeton, Worksay, West Retfort, Cucknes, Edwinstone, Scotter, Ordsall, and the local company. It was decided to hold the next meeting at Tast
 tioned that the Crawford cup would be competed for at this meeting He said that he would like to see a Iarge entry for this trophyThe following now members were elected: Axthur Ashby and Fidger Fggelston (Barlborogh). H. Brunt (Worksop), d. Jonainsath, sen. d. Tomlinson, jun., C. Randald and R. Bromer (West thetford). E. ber, hud Rev. E. Robersou, Vicar of East Markham, a vice-president. A rote of thanks was hecorded to the Vicar for line use of the bells, making armamements for and presiding oret leal sud meeling. out the motion of Mr. Haigh, seconded by Mr. Barker.

The bells were kept going until 9 a.nn., the methods ratoing from Boh Minbr to Londou Surpuise Minor

## FAMILY RINGERS

At St. Wichael's, Yorktown, Surtey, ous une $30 \mathrm{H}_{1}$ for evening was rung in 44 nins. F. Hunt 1, F. J. Ewens 2, ? Majelant 3, $H$ J. Hunt, sen., 4, B. Hawkins (conductor) 5, Edward Hunt E, H. Hunt 7, A. Hunt 8. AlJ are Sunday service cingers except 5th and
7th, who are attached members of the band. F. J. Hunt is father of Edward and A. Hunt (twins) and F . and F. Funt \{twins\}, whide F. J. Ewens is a son-in-daw.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

DEVLZES BRANOH AT TROWBRIDGE
The quarterly meeting of the Devizes Branch mas beld at the beauliful Church of St. James, Trowbridge, on Saturday, July 6th. Ringing kmmenced on the fine ring of ten bells about 2.45 p.m., and continued till 4.40 p.m., when the Guild service was held and was conducted hy, the chairman of the branch, Mr. D. G. Heginbothom, the Rectory being vacant, and the priest-in-charge having nnother cogrgernent. Mr. Howell was the organist. Later, 23 sat down to lea
A short business meeting followed, at which the chaimmn referred to the gmall number present, considering the pesition Trowbringe held in the Branch. He extended a hearly welcome to the visitore from Swinden.
Wr. Waltor J. Piley, of Burton, was elected a life ringing member. A communiation was read from the general Becretary, the Rev. 7. LI. Edwards, respecting peals for the King's Thanksgiving Day. Mr. S. Hillier gave a report of the procoedings at the Ceatral Council meeting.
On the motion of the Vice-Chairman, Mr. B. Cook, a vote of thanks wate passed to Mr. Hillier for lis report, to the chairman for conrlucting the service, and to the organist.
"hoc visiters present included Messrs. G. Gardiner, H. Bishop, S. 13nmet, W. R, Kymasion, N. Allnott and R. W. Hyner, Swindon, Mr. L. A. Wilson, Wootton Basselit, and Mr. E. Coward, Mere, and innubers were present fram Trowbridge, Devizes, St. John's and St. Mary's, Hratton, Bredford-on-Avon (Holy Triniby and Chrise Church), Holl, Rowde, Warminster and Melksham, Tonches in various slandard mothods were rung during the afternoon and evening.
The poet Crabbe was Rector of Trowbridge from 1814 till his death in 1832, and it monument to his memory, inscribed as follows, is on the north wall of the clameel: 'Sacred to the memory of the Rev. G. Crabbe, LJ.B., who died on the 3rd of February, 1832, in the $78 t h$ rear of his ate, and the 18tlt of his services as Rector of this parish. Born in humblo life, he made himself what he wre, breaking througl the obscurity of his birth by the force of his genius; yet he nover ceased to fcel for the less formanate, eptering, as his works can testify, into the sorrows and wants of the poorest of his parishioners, and so dischateling tha duties of a pastor and a magigprate as to endear himself to iull around him. As a wriber he cannot be better described than in the words of a great poct, his contemportry, 'Tho' Nature's sternegt Patnter, yet ler best.' This monument was ereobed by somo of his ufectionate friends and farialzonters.
It was during Crabbers Rectorate that the first recorded peal (Halt's) on 'Mrowbridge bells (which hat beer made a peal of eight in 1800 by Jumes Wells, of Aldhourne) was rung by Trowbridge men,

March, 1826. And if their spirite ever visit Trowbridge belfry and see the achievements of Sam and his companioas, how pleased they must he to see the good work still going on.

WORSLEY, LANCS.-With the bells half-muffled, on MLonday, July $81 h$, $\quad$ quarter-peal of Stedman Triples was rung at St. Mark's Chureh, as a token of wespect to the hate Mr. P. Burgess, of Worsley: C. Gurlgeon 1, W. Jones 2, M. Berry 3, D. Clarke Congest length of Stedman) 4, J. H. Ridyard 5, F, Grundy 6, J. Potter (wnductor) 7, T. Kıight (longest length of Stedman) 8.

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637 ).-Meetings for practice will be held at *St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 23 rd , and St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 25 th ; both at 7.30 p.m. "Business meeting afterwards.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Claphan, S.W.4.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Tonbridge Dis-trict.-The next meeting of this district will be held at Westerham on Saturday, July 2oth. Tower open at 3 . Service at 4.30 . Tea (free) after service, followed by business meeting.-W. Latter, Hon. Dis. Sec., ir, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-The annual festival will be held at Oxford on Saturday, July 2oth (D.v.). Service in Cathedral at 11.15 . Preacher: Rev. R. H. A. Bullock, Vicar of St. Laurence, Reading. Business meeting in Chapter House immediately after service. Dinner in Christ Church Hall at 1.30. Tickets 2s. 6d te members on day of festival ; 3 s. to non-members. A collection will be taken at the service for the Guild Restoration Fund.-Richard T. Hibbert, 69 , York Road, Reading.

SUFFOLK GUILD AND ESSEX ASSOCIATION.A joint meeting will be held at Sudbury on July 2oth. Bells available from 2 p.m. : All Saints' (8), St. Gregory (8) and St. Peter (8). Tea at W. Suffolk Tea Rooms $4.3^{\circ}$ p.m., is. each. Meeting follows. - Stedman Symonds, 78, Church Street, Lavenham; Walter Arnold, Earls Colne, Essex, Dis. Secs.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION,-Ashford District -A bye-meeting will be held at Appledore on Saturday, July 20 th. Tea will be arranged. All ringers welcome. -A. C. Kay, Dis. Sec., 6, Sturges Road, Ashford.
SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.
The sixth annual festival will be held at Tenby on Saturday, July zoth. Tower of St. Mary's Church ( 8 bellis) open for ringing from to a.m. to $2.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{mm}$. and $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. ${ }^{10} 8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Preacher: The Lord Bishop of Swansea and Brecon. 4 p.m. : Tea at Church House, by kind invitation of the Rector of Tenby. Business meeting to follow.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Central Divi-sion.-A meeting will be held at Hartfield ( 6 bells) on Saturday, July 20th. Tower open 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea, 5 o'clock, by kind invitation. Half-rail fare (maximum is. 6d.).-Ǎ. D. Stone, Hon. Divisional Sec., 16, Belgrave Street, Brighton.

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Moreton Corbet on Saturday, July 2oth. Bells (6) available 2.30. Tea about 50 'clock, followed by meeting.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOLTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Basingstoke Branch.-The quarterly meeting will be held at Yateley on July 2oth. Bells available from $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Meeting in follow.-D. L. Board, Hon. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester Branch. - The dedication of the new bells of Eccles Parish Church will take place on Saturday, July 2oth. Service in church at 3 p.m. Tea will be provided at is. 6d. each for those sending their names to Mr. J. T. Potter, 33, Cecil Road, Eccles. Bells open for ringing after service.-J. Hall, Sec.
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Southern Branch. - A quarterly meeting will be held on July 2 oth at Horbling. Bells (a new peal of 6 by Taylor) and also at Billingborough (6) will be available during the afternoon and evening. Service at $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. at Horbling. Tea and meeting at Tateson's Café, Billingborough, at 5 p.m. -C. T. H. Bradley, The Lodge, Folkingham, Lincs.

LADIES' GUILD. - Lincolnshire District.-A combined meeting with the Grimsby District of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild will be heid at Bigby on July 2oth. Bells (6) available from 2 p.m. Service at 4.I5. Tea, 5 p.m., in the Schoolroom, at a moderate charge.-A. Richardson, Hon. Sec.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Stoke Coventry, on Saturday, July zoth. Committee mecting at 4.45 . Tea at 5 o'clock, is. each, in St. Andrew's Hall, Binley Road. Meeting to follow. -D. E. Lewis, Gen. Hon. Sec., Firholm, King Edward Road, Nuneaton.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Weilingborough Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at Castle Ashby on Saturday, July 2oth: The arrangements will be as usual. Permission has been obtained to view the grounds of the Castle. A special bus will leave the Market Square, Wellingborough, at 2.40 . Return fare is. - F. Barber, Branch Sec., School House, Gordon Road, Wellingborough.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.--Hinckley and Leicester Districts.-A joint meeting of the above will be held at Stoney Stanton on Saturday, July zoth. Bells (8) available from 3.30 p.m. Tea provided for those who notify Mr. A. Ballard, Hinckley Road, Stoney Stanton, near Leicester, A good attendance is hoped for, all ringers and friends being welcome. - W. A. Cope, Hinckley District; A. Disney, Leicester District.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Rossendale Branch.-The next meeting will be held at Bury Parish Church on Saturday, July zoth. Bells ready at 3.30 . Mecting at 6.30. A good attendance is earnestly re-quested.-Reports, diagrams, etc., to hand.-John H. Haydock, 8, Oaklands Road, Edenfield.

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.-A meeting will be held at Cawthorne on Saturday, July 2oth. Bells ready early. Tea 5 p.m. at the Cafe. All ringers invited. It is hoped there will be a good meeting at this charming old village. Please write for tea 10 Mr. H. Crossland, fun., Darton Road, Cawthorne, near Barnsley.-C. D. Potter, Sec.
LADIES' GUILD.-Northern District. - A special meeting for the unveiling of the Ladies' Peal Tablet will he beld at Handsworth, Sheffield, on Saturday, July zoth. Service at 4 p.m. Tea to follow, i/m per head, to all who notify Mr. J. Garth, School House, Handsworth, Sbeffield. good attendance is requested.-H. F. Jacques, Hon. Dis. Sec.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD. - Northern District. - A meeting of the above will be held at $S$ t. Scpulchre's, Holborn, on Saturday, July zoth. Bells (10)
available from 3.30 p.m. until 8.30 p.m. Service, tea and meeting at 5 p.m. All welcome.-J. A. Waugh, Dis. Sec., 8, Fullers Road, E. 8.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Ely Archdea-conry.-Meeting at Bourn, Cambs, on Saturday, July 20th. Bells (8) $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. The service will be taken by Rev. Duffill. Please notify for tea. Postcard will do. Come and ring some of Taylor's best. All welcome.F. Warrington, Longstanton, Cambs.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Dunster Deanery Brancb.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Carhampton on Saturday, July zoth. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 4.15 . Tea in the Village Hall at 5. Dunster bells will be available for ringing-Geo. Stacey.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.-A meeting will be held at St. John's Church, Wilton Road, Victoria, on Monday, July 22nd. Ringing commences at 7.30 p.m.S. C. Moye, Gen. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-BoIton Branch. The next meeting will be held at Newchurch, near Warrington, on Saturday, July 27 th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m. Business: Nominations for vicepresident, treasurer, secretary and Central Council representatives. The Bolton Borough Police have placed their bowling green at the disposal of ringers and their frtends on Saturday, Aug. Ioth. Usual arrangements. Names, please, by Aug. 6th. - Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., 203 Devonshire Road, Bolton.

MiDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION (N. \& E. District) AND HERTFORD ASSOCIATION (St. Albans District).-Joint meeting at Hadley, July ${ }_{2}$ (th. Bells from 3 p.m. Short service 5 p.m. Tea at $5 \cdot 30$. Barnet bells available during evening. Members and friends of both associations are cordially invited, but please advise your district secretary by July 24th if you require tea, for which is, will be charged.- $C$. T. Coles, 21, Vincent Road, E.4; Wm. Nash, North Mimms, Hatfield.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. - Elloe Deaneries Branch.-The quarterly meeting of the above will be held at Surfleet (io bells) on Saturday, July 27 th. Service at 3.30 p.m. Tea at 4.30 . Business meeting afterwards. Those requiring tea must let me know first post Wednesday, July 24 th.-Geo. Ladd, Hon. Sec., Church Street, Pinchbeck, Spalding.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Lewisham Dis-trict.-The quarterly meeting will be held at SS. Peter and Paul's Church, Shoreham, on Saturday, July 27 th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. Tea and business meeting to follow. Further particulars next: week. Half fares up to 25, paid at this meeting.-A. G. Hill, Hon. Dis. Sec.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Marshanet Branch.-A meeting of this branch will be held at Marham on Saturday, July 27 th. Tower open at 2 o'clock. Tea, is. 6d. each to members and friends, who must send to me their names not later than Wednesday, July ${ }^{2} 4$ th. -W. G. Cross, Hon. Sec., 16, St. James' Road, King's Lynn.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Bath Branch. - The next meeting will be held at Bathampton on Saturday, July 27th. Bells (6) 3.30. Service 4.30 . Tea to follow. Numbers for tea by July 22nd.-Theo. Grant, Hon. Sec., Swainswick, Bath.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis-trict.-A bye-meeting will be held at Sturry, where the six bells have recently been rehung, on Saturday, July 27 Lt . Bells availabte [roml 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea at 5 p.nn. Will all those intending to be present kindly notify Mr. Ernest Slingsby, Park View, Sturry, on or before Thursday, July 25th? -P. W. Smith, Hon. sec.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUT1.D. - Dorchester [3ranch. The quarterly meeting will be held at Wyke Regis on Saturklay, July 27 th. Bells (8) available at 2.30 . Service 4.30, followed by tea and meeting.-C. H. Jenmings, Hon. Sec., Sunnyside Road, Wyke Regis, Weymouth.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOLTH DIOCESAN GUII,D.-A quarterly mecting of the Southampton District will be held at Dibden on Saturday, July 27 th. Bells from 2.30. Service at 4 p.mi. Tea at 5 o'clock. Numbers for dea by July azrd.-W. T. Tucker, Dis. Sec., 7I, High Street, Eastleigh.

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. - The next meeting will be held at Sprotborough on Saturday, July 27th. Bells (6) ready early. Will all ringers please make their own arrangements for tea. A good attendance is requested. - Percy Gledstone, Hon. Sec., 34, Silverwood View, Conisborough,

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Lewisham District. -The quarterly meeting will be held at SS. Peter and Paul, Shoreham, on Saturday, July z7th. Bells available at 3 pm, Service at 5 p.m. Tea and business meeting to follow. Tea at Ye Olde George Inn at is. 4d. per head. Members requiring tea must notify me by first post Tuesday, July 23 rd. Half fares up to 25 . paid at this meeting.-A. G. Hill, Hon. Dis. Sec., 53, Hengist Road, Erith, Kent.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Derby and Chesterfeld Districts. - A joint meeting of the above will be held at Crich, Derbyshire, on Saturday, July $277^{\text {th }}$. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. Business meeting in the belfry at 4.30 p.m. A good attendance is hoped for. All ringers and friends welcome. Tea may be obtained in the village.-Geo. Ereebrey, 81, Roe Street, Derby, John P. Tarlion, 26 , Bright Street, North Wingfield, local Seces.
BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Fiumton Deanery Branch. - A meeting will be held at North Curry on Saturday, Juty 27 th . Service $4 \cdot 30$. Tea and business after. Will those requiring tea notify me by previous Tuesday.-P. Merson, Bishop's Hull.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-A joint meeting of the Elloo Deaneries and Eastern Branches will be held it Surfeet (ro bells) on Saturday, July 27th. Service at 3.30. Tea at 4.30. Names for tea must be sent to Mr. ]. 1'hillips, The Schoolhouse, Butterwick, Boston, or to Geo. Ladd, Pinchbeck, Spafling, not later than first post Wednesday, July 24 th.-Geo. Ladd, Pinchbeck.

ALDENHAM, Saturclay, July 2 'th. Ringing from 3.30. Tea (Village Club) $5 \cdot 30$. Cheap tickets from all stations to Bushey (nearest station). Buses to church from Bushey to Watlord. Number for tea by 23 rd.-C. F. Horlon, 53, Aldenham Road, Bushey (Tel. City 427o).

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District.-A meeting will be held at Clifton on Saturday, fuly' 27 th. Bells ( 8 ) available at 3 p. m . Also Henlow, if able to arrange. Tea at 5. All ringers welcome. A sood company is requested.-C. J. Ball, Dis. Sec., 2, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

GLOLICESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION. Bristol Branch.-The mext meeting will be hold on Saturday, July $z^{-1}$ th, at Olveston. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service (probably) 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. Will members make a special eflort to attend, advising me not later tian the $z$ zrd inst. ?-Harry Bennett, Branch Hon. Sec., Highfield, Runswick Road, Bristington,

WINCHESTER AND POR'SNOUTH DIOCESAN Glill.D.-Portsmouth District. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Bramshott on Saturday, July 27 th. Bells (6) availabie 2.30. Service at 430 . Tea (by kind invitation) in the adjoining grounds. Will those intending to be present kindly inform me by Tuesday, the 23 rd '' All ringers heartily welconed.- F . W. Rogers, Hon. Sec., 52, Samuel Road, Portsmouth.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Guilsborougrh Branch. - A mecting will be held at Long Buckley on July $27^{\text {thr }}$. Usual arrangements.-R. Adants, Hon. Sec., East Haddon, Northants.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION, - Rochester Dis-trict.-. The next meeting will be held at Newington on Saturday, July 27 th. Tower opened at 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m., followed by tea (by kind invitation) and business meeting afterwards. Will all ringers who intend to come please let me know not later than Tuesday, July 23rd?-Stanley J. T. Shellock, Hon. Dis. Sec.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Marlborough Branch.-The next meeting of the branch will be held on Saturday, July 27 th, at Preshute, half-mile from Marlborough. Ringers requiring tea kindly notify the secre-tary.-Cyril Hussey, Hon. Sec., East Leaze, Baydon, Marlborough.

ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD.-The next meeting of the above Guild will be held on Saturday, July $27^{\text {th }}$, at Kingsnorih, in conjunction with the church fete. Meat fea for Guild members at 1 s , per head. Bells available 2 p.m. Short service 4.45 . Tea 5 p.n. It is hoped as many members as possible will attend and heip forvard the church and bell restoration. A card to Mr. H. Parkes, Lynton, Kingsnorth, by July 24th for tea will oblige.-A. J. Battin, Hon. Sec.

OAFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - E. Berks and Bucks Branch. -The next monthly practice has been a ranged at Lane End, near High Wycombe ( 6 bells), on Saturday, July 27 th, at $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. . Tea, at is. 3d. per head, at 5.30 p.m., for those who notify by zund. - A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexharn, Slough.
ESSEX ASSOCfATION.-North-Easteru Division. A meeting will be held at Ardleigh on Saturday, Jul $27^{\text {th }}$ (by kind invitation of W. E. Neuth, Esq. and thi Vicar). Service at 4.30 . Tea at 5.15 p.m. All intenciing to be present please notify me by Tuesday, July $23^{\text {rd }}$ -R. W. Stannard, 12, Ireton Road, Colchester.
gulidmord diocesan guild.-Farnham Dis trict.-A meeting will be held at Farnborough on Saturday, July 27 th. Bells (6) available at 2.30 p.m. Service at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., followed by tea and business meeting. those requiring tea please notify by Wednesday, Jul 24th.-C. W. Denyer, Hon. Sec., 120, Ash Rd., Aldershoi
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Hunts District -A meeting will be held at Great Staughton on Saturday, July 27 th. -Tea at $5 \cdot 45$ p.m. Service 6.30. Will those requiring tea please send a card to Mr. F. Lack Great Staugbton Post Office, St. Neots, or let me know by Wednesday, July $2 f^{\text {thi ? }}$ ?C. Fields, Dis. Sec., High Street, St. Neots.

DURHAM \& NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-ClATION.-The Summer meeting will be held at Darlington on Saturday, July 27 th. The bells of St. Cutbbert's, St. Jobn's and Holy Trinity will be available after 2.30. Committee meeting at 4.15 and tea (is. 3 d. per head) at 445 at Hunter's Cafe, Prebend Row. Will members intending to be present please let me know not later than the 25 th? -Geo. S. Taylor, Secretary, I49, St. Leonard Street, Sunderland.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Rochdale Branch. -A meeting will be held at Shore on Saturday, July 27 th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. -Wm. Horan, Branch Secretary, 2, Greenhirst Hey, Todmorden.

LEEDS \& DISTRICT SOCIETY.--The next meeting will be held at Calverley, on Saturday, July 27 th. Bells available at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea can be obtained near the church. Buses leave Leeds every hour and 40 minutes past each hour.-H. Lofthouse, Hon. Sec., 8, Wortley Road, Armiey, Leeds.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-A general meeting of the Guild wil! be held at Bridgnorth on Monday, August $5^{\text {th }}$ (Bank Holiday). Ringing from 2 p.m. Service at St. Leonard's 4 p.m. Tea (free to Guild members) 4.30 p.m. Fuller details next week.-H.S.T. Richardson, Hon. Sec.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.--Peterborough Branch. - The annual meeting of the above branch will be held at Peterborough on Monday, Aug. 5th. Service in St. John's Church at 4 p.m. Tea, 5 o'clock, at Woodcock Café. Business meeting afterwards. The bells of St. John's, St. Mary's and Woodston will be available during the day. Tea will only be provided for those who let me know by Tuesday, July 3oth.-W. H. Waldron, Hon. Sec., 137, Scotney Street, Pelerborough.

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But it is not in advice and persuasion alone that the Guild has taken a part in getting belis put in order. It is taking its share in a practical way as well, and one of its most important developments is the financial assistance which it gives to these schemes. The Guild has established a restoration fund which seems almost to have the characteristics of the widow's cruse. A steady stream of grants goes out to churches where restorations are undertaken, yet the fund scarcely seems to diminish. This, of course, is due to the ingenuity of the treasurer, to whom the fund owes its inception, and although last Saturday five grants, amounting to nearly twenty-five pounds, were voted, Mr. Wright will probably come to the next annual meeting with a balance almost if not quite as large as he showed this year. The Guild's contributions to bell funds are not, however, limited to these votes from the general meeting. Each grant from the central fund follows a similar amount from the coffers of the branch in which the restoration is proceeding, so that this year the Guild will provide nearly $£ 50$ for this good work.

It is a wonderful example to other societies and it demonstrates to the authorities and to the public that ringers are not only ready to give their time to the service of the Church, but that they are also prepared, when need arises, to dip into their own funds to help to restore to proper order the bells which they ring. It is not every ringing organisation that has money to devote to this purpose on the same scale as in the Oxford Guild, which has over two hundred affiliated towers, but everywhere
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## THE NATIONAL THANKSGIVING.

The following further peals have been rung in connection with the Nationsl Tlunksgiving for the King's restoration to health:-

## EIGHT BELI. PEALS.

TEITENEALI, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

- On Wednesday. July 17, 1929, in Twa Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes, At the Collegiate Churce of St. Michatl And All Angels, A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES; Groves Transposition of Parker's Twelvr-part. Tenor I5 cwt.
Roberi Pickering ... ...Tyeble Thomas E. Taylor ... ... 5 Herbert R. Pickering ... 2 Kenneth C. Tayeor... Jack W. Taylor... ... ... 3 "Harry Roswell ... ... 7 Herbert C. Piper ... .... 4 Francis Brotegrton ...Temor Conducted by R. Pickrking.
* First peal of Triples 'inside.' Also rung as a birthday peal for T. E. Taylor.


## PORTSMOUTH, HAMPSEIRE.

THE WENGEESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. On Saturday, July 20, 1929, in Thyee Hawrs and Eleven Minutes, At the Cherce of St. Mary, Porisea,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJDR, 5056 GHANEES; Johnson's Variation of Midderton's.

Josiam D. Harris ... ...Tveble Tower R. Taylor
Grorge Wiclians ... ... 2 Frederick S Bayiey ${ }^{-\ldots}$ b
Jack M. Cripps ... ... ... 3 Frederick W. Rogers ... 7
Abpred T. Greenwood ... 4 Edwin J. Harding, sen. ...Ttho Conducted by Frederick W. Fingers.
Also rung for the jubilee of the Winchester Diocesan Guild, which was celebrated on July 6th.

USK, MONMOUTHSHIRE.
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sathday, July 20, 1929, in Two Howrs and Fifty-Ito Minntes,

At the Parist Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6090 CHANGES; Tenor 14 cwt .
Donald G. Clifi

- Grorge Hawkins

Ebward W. LuFf
$\begin{array}{ccc} & \ldots & \ldots \\ \cdots & \text { Treble } \\ \cdots & \ldots & 2 \\ \cdots & \cdots & 3 \\ \ldots & . . . & 4\end{array}$
Composed by H. W, Tayloz.
Arther Hawhins

Fiponducted by W. Williaws.
First peal 'inside' on eight bells. + First peal on cight bells.
CLALNES, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
(Western Brange.)
Un Saturday, July 20, 1929, in Threc Hows and Eight Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Joen-tge-Bapisist,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 505日 CHANGES;

Johnson's Variation.
Gordon W. Ceecketrs ...Treble
Sidney T. Holt ... ... ... 2
Frank Lawrence ... ... 3 Whin $\quad$ Cyril Tansell... ... ... 7 William Ranford ... ... 4 Charles Camm... ... ...Temoy Conducted by Sidney T. Holy.

* First peal of Surprise.

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THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, July 20, 1929, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
At the Cherch of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Honf's Ten-part.
Tenor 14 cwt


| Albert E. Jones | .. | ..- | 2 | William R. Nash | ... | ... | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Wiliam J. Beniams ... | ... | 3 | Francis Evans | ... | ... | .. | 7 |

John J. Price ... ... ... 4 Aathur C. Nason ... ...Tenor
Conducted by Francis Euans.
Ringers of treble, 3 rod. 6th and tenor are from Ladlow, 2ad, 4th, 5th, and 7th from Knighton.

## SIX BELL PEALS

HALSALE, LANCASEIRE.
THE LANCASHTRE ASGOCLATION.
On Monday, Jrily 15. 1929, in Two Howrs and Thirly-Two Minutes, At tez Chorch of St, Cothbert,
A PEAL OF MINOR, sOAO CHANGES:
Being three $720^{\prime}$ s of Plain Boh and two ench of Oxford and Kent Treble Bah.
Jamit Marsb ... ... ...Tyeble William Hoyton ... ... 4
Josefy Ridyard...
Thomas Rofewell ... ... 3 Harry Parker ... ... ...Tenor
Conducted by Harry Parker.

* First peal of Minor. Mr. F. Parker was made a member of the association previous to starting.

THORNHAM MAGNA, SUFFOL耳.
THE SUFEOLK GUIED.
On Wednesday, July 17, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes, At the Cherch of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGE8;

Comprising seven different extents, two each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 9k cwt. in G. Grorgr Cattermole ...Tyebla Nolan Golden ... ... ... a Albert G. Harrison... ... 2 David Weiting ... ... ... 5 Conducted by Nolan Golden
Mr. Ted Youngs, the well-known local ringer, met and entertained the company after the peal.

CROFTM, LETCESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Thursdity, July 18, 1929, in Two Fiours and Thity Minutes,
Ait the Parish Chorch,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 42 six-scores, with diferent callings.
Jonn Bajless ... .. ...Treble M. Edward Watsun

- William Lomas $\quad . .$.

Fratio Bailess... ... ... 3 Alfred Warwick ... .... ...
Conducted by M. E. Warson.

* First peal with a boh bell. First peal ns conductor.


## CORSERY, WILTS

TEE SALISRURY DIOGESAN GUILD
Das Saturday, July 20, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,
Ai the Cedree of St, Margaret,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven different exilents.
irese Francts
mese Francis
veble †Frnest F. Wuate ... 4 Edward G. Coward... ... 3 William C. Wzst ... ....Tenor Conducted by Wm. C. West.

* First peal. + First peal of Minor. First peal of Minor as connetor.

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## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

WELLINGTON, SHROPSHIRE. THE SHROPSHIRE COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Tuesday, July 2, 1929, in Three Howes and Nine Minhtes, At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGEG; Groves' Transposition of Parker's Theive-part. Tenor 16 cwt I qr. 2 lb .

- Harry Whalley ... ...Tyede William A. Fietcher ... 5 Wicliam Satnders......$\quad 2$ †Jorn H. Hayward ... .... 6 Arthor Pritchard ... ... 3 Edifard V. Rodeshorst 7 -George E. Oliver ... ... 4 Joseph L. Stainer ... ...Temoy Conducted by E. V. Rooenacrst.
* First peal of Triples. $\dagger$ First peal of Triples with a boh bell. The conductor's 200th peal. First peat on the bells since they were retuned and relung by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank. Rung with the bells half-mufficd as a token of respect to ilve late Mr. A. M. Barber, who wes inderred on the above date.

WRAXATLL. SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCTATION.
On Wednesday, July 17, 1929, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At the Cburch of Ael Saints,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MASOR, 505日 EHAHGEEI Tenor 23 owt.

Alfred E. Reqves ... .... 2 Joseph T. Dyke... ... ... 6
 Composed by C. Midderton. Conđucted by Alfred E. Revves. STONEY STANTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCLATION.
On Thursday, July 15, 1929, in Three Howrs and Two Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michaee,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, E184 CHANGES;

 Tenor 14 cmt. Composed and Conducted by Redvers F. Eekingion.

* First peal on eight. + First peal in the methol. First peal in the method as conductor. Rung with the bells half-muffled to the memory of Mr. Charles Howe, J.E., who was 77 years a chorister ab this church. He passed away on the I5th at the age of 87 yeare, and was interved at the above churchyard on the 18th. He was the father of Mr. F. Howe, of St. John-the-Divine, Leicester. CHEST1ER
THE CHESTER DIOCFSAN GUILD.
Or Satwrday, July 20, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minetes,
At ter Crorch of St. Mary-witgin-the-Walls,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Rogrrt Spzrking ... ...Trebte Edward V. Rodenhurst... 5 Gerorge R. Jones ... ... 2 James Swindley ... ... 6
Jobn Haybs... ... $. . . \quad . . . \quad 3 \quad$ Sam Jones, jun. ... Harry F. Holding ... 4 James H. Riding .Tenor
Composed by Joserf W. Parker. Conducted by Robert Sperring Rung on the 6th anniversary of the 17,280 of Kent Treble Bob Major at Over, by the same band.

> PENWORTHAM, LANCASHIRE,
> THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCTATION. (PRESION BRANCH.)

On Saturday, July 20, 1929, in Tuw Hours and Fifly-Eight Minutes, At taz Church of St. Mary
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANEES; Tenor 9 cwt.

- William Taylor ... ...trebic John Richard Taylor ... . James Miller ... ... ... 2 James Armstrong ...... | II. W. Gayton... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | William Sharples | ... | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Fred Rigby | $\ldots$ | ... | $\ldots$ | 4 | Brajamin A. Knights | ...$T e n o r$ |



* Tiftieth peal. The peal was specinlly atranged for Mr'. H. W. Gayton, of Harrold, Jedfordsine, who was on a wisit to the fistriet. Mr. Gayton was electeri n non-maident member of the associntion prior to commencing for the peal.

SWAFFHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORFOLK GUILD.

## On Saturday. July 20, 1929, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

## Ai the Chorch of SS. Peibr and Patl,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREELE BOB MASOR, 5184 GHANGES;


William J. Wasey Y $\quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 4$
Composed by Arthor Knights

Conducted by W. B. Duncan.

TOUCHES RUNG FOR NATIONAL THANKSGIVING.
At St. Mary' Clarch, Great Bardlield, Essex, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1,260 changes), also 704 Kent Treble Bob Major: G. Hilla 1, A. Piper 2, G. Piper 3, F. Suekling 4, W. Piper 5, H. Hills 6, E. Tounsend 7, J. Jenniugs (eonductor) 8. First quarter-peal by all except the ringers of the $2 n d$ and 6 th.

At the Parish Church, Beaconsfield, Bucks, on Wednesday, July 17 th , in 52 mins., a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1,260 changes) : Miss D. R. Fletcher 1, Miss K. E. Fletcher 2, J. Harrison 3, F. W. Buckland 4, H. Wingrove 5, J. Blackmove 6, Th. Brekland (eonductor) 7. W. II. FIptcher 8.

At Truro Cathedra], on Sunday, July 7ih, a quarler-peal of Grandsire Triples in 53 mins., after the evenind service: W, T. Minors 1, Shemar 6, W. H. Southeard (conductor) 7, K. C. James 8.

At All Saines, Farmborough, Somersel, quarter-peal of Graad sire Doubles, on'Sunday, July 7th: A. Oantle 1, A. E. Gould 2, E. Flower 3, W. Shore 4, W. Rosewell (conductor) S, F. Humphreys 6. Ab St. Peter's Church, Soutli Weald, on Sundey, July 7 th , a quar Ler-peal of Grandsire Doubles in 44 mins.: E. C. B. Siurplin 1, J Farridge 2, F. Wood 3, G. Miles (conductor) 4, A. Benbow 5, F. Everibif 6.
At St. Pefor's, Newrligate, Surrey, after thanksiving service, 720 Bob Minor in 22 mins, G. A. Brett 1, Mrs. W. Spooner 2, W. Spooner 3, Miss H. Darville (first 720), 4, C. Witchell 5, R. Brott (conductor) 6 .

At Holy Trinity Church, Darlington, hefore the service, 840 Wells Surprise Minor, aitd after service 720 of London Surpwise Minor, the following Luking part: R. Busby, J. T. 'Iitt, R. W. Gay, G. W. Park, W. N. Park, R. Park, and W. H. Porter, conducted by G. W. Park. For evorsong, 840 York Surprise Minor: R. Busby 1, R. W. Gay (first extent of York) 2, G. W. Parle 3, R. Patk 4, W. N. Park (condurtor) 5, W. H. Porter 6.
At Remhum, Berkshire, for thankgiving service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Douljes ( 1,260 changes) in 40 mins: F. Wigmore 1 , *W. Churchill 2, B. Richardsor 3, B. Ohturcinill 4, A. Arlott (conductor) 5 , *G. Hizzey 6. * First quarter-peal. This is thought to be the first quarter-peal [or 32 yenrs at this charel.
A SL. Hary's Church, Newmarket, Suffolk, 720 Bob Minor: O. A. Mooty 1, It. ILeath $2, \mathrm{M}$. White (first 720 on an inside belly 3, L. Moon 4, $L_{\text {. Warnel (first }} 720$ as conductor) 5 , R. Sharp 6 .
At St. John-ilue-Baptist's Church, Elinaci, Eent, on Sumday, July $7 \mathrm{~h}, \mathrm{n}$ tharter-paal of Bob Major ( 1,260 changes) in 44 mins. : $H$. ' 4 '. Enimedon 5, J. Hurell 6, H. Wond 7, O. A. Bines (conductor') 8 .

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATEON

A highly successful meeting of the Easlem Distritet of the York shire Association was held in delightful weather at Fatield, near Doncuster, on Saturdny, July 13th, and was attinaded by upwards of inirty members, representative of Lowerg at Yoole, Hawden, Hull. Fermingiougl, Fhome, Pontefuct, Selby, Eastrimgton, and members of the local bathl. A short service was lichl in the Prish Church, ans address being delivered by the Viear (Rev. J. Haythoruthwaite) who took as lis text the last verse of the last Psalm. He commented that tho nvurage nee of ringers was mitheh higher than formerly, and deplored the [act that the younger men did not offer themselves for ringing as provolusly, owidy to the greater mumber of attractions whish now nbounded.
Tra wan afterwards sorved in the Victoria Hall, and was followed by the husinesg menting, the Yicar presiding. Apologies for absence wore ronived from the vice-president, IT. F". Cryer (Selby), nat Mr. F . W. Dute (ITull). An invitation received frome the Vicar of St. Aprustine's, Fidon, noar Hull, to hold the next meeting at ihat place, was umammously nceppted. The peal of sir, at presentinnder regtoration, will be augmented to eight, and it is hoped will be
ready for the meeting. The Viear was elected an lan. member, and Messrs. H. Crowe and G. Wilburn ringing members of the associa-
A furtrly vole of thatas was acoothed the Fiear for the use of the halls, for service and address, to the organist, to the ladies who sorved lea, and to Mr. H. Crowo and the local hand for their excellent arrangementis.
A few short touches in the tower brought to in close another delightful meeting.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL. MEMBERS, NOT DELEGATES. <br> To the Editor.

Sir,-Through the kindness of Rev. F. LI. Edwards, hon. secretary of the Sulisbury Biocesan Guild, who sent me a cutting from the 'Daily Mail' of 4 th inst. (a paper which I do not usually see), containing an article lsy Viscoun Brentford (Sir W. Joynson Hicks), entitled 'Advice to a Young M.P.,' I amenmbed to quote from it a passage which my fricud, Mr' Guise, and any ofhers whom it may concerm, would do well to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest.
He says: "There is one point in regard to which I am increasingly allious as years go on. .... When every constituent conds what you have said the next morning, and writes to warn you that you mustn'b say it again, there is a tendency to become a delagate and not a representative. Burke was right when, in returuing thanks for his election at Bristol in 1774, be said: "Your representative owes you not his industry only, but his judgment; and he betrays, instead of scrving, you if he saclilices it to your opinions. When is a member of Parliament." I am satisfied that we should all try more and more to realise this point. We are not members Twickenham or for Manchester; we are members of the great Pa liament of Great Britain, with the interests of the whole nation in our hands, and with a responsibility to the whole of it.
[ commend not only what Lord Brentford says, but the voice Burke, coming, as it dit, from 13ristol, to Mr. Guise, himself Bristol man, and to any of his friends who hitherto have thought as he does.
The Central Council oansists, not of delegates, but of members, each supposed to do his best, not necessarily for the association that sends him, but for the Exercise as a whole

CIARLES D. P. DAVIES.

## DULY CONSTITUTED RULES WANTED

Sir,-Where is the consistency of a body whose position should be above even criticism?
Rev. Canon Coleridge, president of the Ceatral Council, to a menber, May 29th, 1928: 'You are not here as a delagate but as a member of the Council.
Rev. C. D. P. Davies: 'That these words of the president do no and neither the president nor anyane can, prevent a member of the Council from considering himself, and acting in all respects as if he were, a delegate. By doing so, he merely lowers his own status gratuitously.

I think Mr. Guise is right. We want duly constituted rules understand our position, nob haphazard methods which result ahove.-Yours fathfully,

JOSEPF GOUJD.

## Shiteliampton, Bristol.

## APSLEY AND HEMPSTEAD RINGERS' OUTING.

The Apsley end Hempstead ringers, with a few visitors, bad onjoyable day among the bells on June 15th. Lenving Apsley 7.15, and picking tip at the Ringers' Rest, and Boxmoor, the joumney was made to Monks Risborougl, where hangs a peal of six. Thesc were rung to various metiods for nearly un hour, in spite of the old juts and brooms that were continutly getting mized up with the rinpers' fect! After a raid on the postcard slop, a move was mady to Watlington, where the peal of eight were soon going. Lowering the bells about 12 oclock, the next thought was dinuer, arranged a Henley, so another move was made. sorme real giant mushrooms being encountered ou the way. If the dinner dicl not provide grea thrilts, it did one thing, and that was to supply "ball bearings' the bells. Fenley Parish Church was then wisited for an hour, the journey resumed to Bray, with its 27 cwt. tenor on the ent six. Here the greatest ambition, in at least one person's life, accomplished in due course, when the tenor was turned in, in masterly manner, whinout 'stopping.' However, after just over hour's stay, this nice bell had to be left behind, and the journey sumed to Wiudsor, stopping hy the roadside for the 'annual came parade.' After tea, an hour's ringing was enjoped at St. John Churcu, finishing the day with a spleudid touch of Stedmant The rest of the evoning was spent in various ways, some with the locit ringers, until 9.30, when a move was made for home, the journey heing enlivened, as ringers know how, with songe old and now. Th party take this oppertunity of inanking the various incumbents fo the use of the bells, and the vergers and ringers who met them ing the day, thas makiag the auting a success. Touches in the lowing methods were runk: Grandsire Doubles and Triples, Bol Minor rad Major, Kent Treble Boh Minor aud Major, Oxford Boll Minor and Oxford Major, Camberdge Surprise Minor, Stedran Tripira a method known locally as 'Leverstoek Green Surprise,' and Litile Bob Major.

LEW1SHAM.-At St. Mary's Church, on July 18th, 1,312 Double Norwich Gourt Bob Major: *H. Warnett, jun., 1, H. Warnett, gen. 2, J. Lamb3, *J. Dafters F, C. W. Roberts 5, E. Garard B, J. Berl $^{\text {E }}$ nett 7, J. E. Davis (conductor) 8. * Langeat lengeth in methodi.

IN THE GARDEN OF ENGLAND.

## (Continued from page 422.)

After the peal at Harrietsham a homely tea was enjoyed at the Bell Inn, kept by Mr. Owen Hodges, who was formerly one of the Biddenden bund. Mr. Hodges saved the ringing book, once the property of John Fermar, an old hand at Farrietshnm, who died about eight years ago, aged 82 years. In this book in Fermar's handwriting were some doggerel lines, probably copled by him from the original in 1781, describing a peal of 5,040 of Bob Major and the ringers thereof. Here are some of the verses:-

## In seventeen hundred and eighty and one,

To begin the hew rear, as the old one was gone,
Eight sprightly young striplingg were met in Leeds steeple,
All ringers of fame, and I'll tell you the people.

## Crorvs:

Hi, Derry down, ring away, Derry down day.
These active Leeds youihs who accomplished this peal
Went to it like lions, with hearts true as steel;
In measure and time made the clappers to beat,
Five thousand and forty-Boh Major complete.
To each ringer is devated a verse, giving his name, age and occupation. One of these runs:-

The seventh, a Barham, of very great fame,
A noted bob-ealler, and James is his name
His age, fifty-five, and he bohs them about,
Aud keeps lis bell right till the peal is rung out.
Such a noble performanee has never been done,
Their ages four hundred and ninety and one;
You will ne'er find their equal I venture to tell,
If you search the worde through they will still bear the bell.
So, now, brother ringers of every degree,
With your bells and your bottles be merry and free;
Thlien fill up your glasses, for here ny song ends,
Drink a health to brave Fairfax and Martin and friends.
Hi, Derry down, ring away, Derry down day.
The Hon. Robert Fairfax was owner of Leeds Castle, and gave the troble bells to Leeds Parish Church in 1751.
A heautiful May moruing gave good heart to the company on their way by roni from Ashford to Appledore, where two attempts for Superlative and a change to Cambridge Surprise met with suecess for the "third time of asking." The Vicar kindly met the party at the church, and Mr. F. White, of Cranbrook, spliced a faulty rope. At the churchyard gate stands a heavy oak settle, newly made, which hus just been installed for the use of the parishoners-it reeds the words 'Rest and be thankful' carved upon it, and the date, yimilar to such a seat in Twyford parish. It may be noted here that the ringers were the first (prohably) really to make use of it. A cold lumeh at the adjoining inn, with redueed 'malt, allowance, was partaken of bofore departing for the "big job" on hand for the flernoon.
Tenterden Parish Church, sometimes called the 'Cathedral of the Harshes, stiands upon a rising plaieau and forms with its handsome fower a landmark for miles around. 'the oldest record of the building diates from the reign of Henry II. In 1180, the Archbishop of Carterbury instituted Fugla Norman, and as late as 1240 it was found that he was still Rector. Henry de Wynglam wis nominated to the living in 1252, the parishioners objecting to his appointment. An affair took place in the church in which one Heary de la Smaleide (Henry of Smalliythe) was so wounded that lo died. Wingham was a native of the parish of that name near Canterbury, and was a man of some merit: the King not only pardoned him and others tabout 20 names are given), but eventually he became Bishop of London, and died in 1202 .
The earlier registers have heen lost, and not until 1311 does the name of a Vioar of Tenterden appear in the existing records. The dedication of St. Mildred is very uncommon. There are only three other churches in the whole county which have the same name-Greston, Nurstend and Canterbury-and it first appears in the registers of 1479 . In the Abbey registers of St. Augustine's it is recorded that Tenterten helongs to the manor of Minster, in Thanet, and as St. Mildred was very closely connected with that Abbey (being second
abbess), her name follows ownership. Tha architecture of the oldest mortion is Early English and Lancet, the ceiling of the nave is waggon shnped, panelled and liandsomely carved, but the period is unknown. The roof is covered with shingle, an unusual method of rinfing. These werr renewed at the last restoration, but their first use goes back to 1584 . The porch and doorway appear to be $14 \mathrm{th}_{3}$ century work, also the font, which is decorated style. In 1798 a dreadful hailstorm broke every pane of glass in the south and southwest sides of the church.
The tourists arrived at the church at three o'clock, and were met by the verger and head ringer with 'Riglit away, and the bells were taised. The ringers were instructed not to take notice of anyone going un and down the staircese, as the place was open for any risitors to ascend to the top of the tower to get a view of the dis.
tant scenery. However, someone duriug the peal gol iuto the clock ronm and interfered with the ropes; several tried the belfry door and called to the ringers, but still the changes rolled up in regular sequence until the condactor called "That's all. Tenterden bells form the heaviest octare in the county, und few peals of Major have been rung upon them siece Plilip Hodgkin fist turned in the tenor single-handed in 1912. On the present occasion the band realised that the honowrs of the aftermoon were due to the excellent compass of the three 'backenders' throughout the peal.
How ilie party enjoyed a Tenierden tea, and rode lightheartedy on air'-mentally and physically-back to Ashford, and parted hastily at the station for their respective homes, is a Kent recollecfion that will stand for some time in their ringiag memory. There is an excellent little booklet destribing the church, hy A. H. T., 1927, of which a copy was sent the writer by lames Hayward, and here are some extracts of the chapters on 'The Tower' and 'The Bells," but the author does not disclose the fact that a ring of eight bells was prowided by voluntary subscriptions in 1769, and the whole were cast by Pack and Chapman at Whitechapel
Another fact which sppears to have no record left to tell the tale is the risit to Tenterden of the Leeds Youtlis in 1771-on May 20th, toa, by a coincidence, wher thoy rang 5,184 changes of Oxford Trable Boh Major in Shis. $27 \mathrm{mins}$. , conducted by James Barhaw, who rang the 7th. The tenor bell of that time weighed 33 ewt., antl "lhomas Lacy, who rang itw, had to hava a little lielp to complote the peal. How many ringers are there to-kiay who rememijer Teaterden fenor as a 'handful' that wante ringing?

## (To be continued..)

## LONDONERS IN BIRMINGHAM AND DISTRICT

St. Andrew's, Falborn, Guild speat their anmual outing in the ueighbourlood of Birminghan on Saturdny, July thb, and sone 24 elathasiastie members of the Exercise thole part in the excursion,
which was favoured with fine weather. Biminglam was reached at which was favoured with fine weather, Birminglam was reached at
11.15 , and the party was weleomed at the plaform by the "arand Ola Man, Mr. Janies George, who acted as guide to the Bull Ring. Here they fonmd Mr' Albert Walker in his usual humorous form, and soon everyone was listening to the glorions peal of twelve that 'Brum ' is now able to boest of. Touches of Stelman Cinques unt Treble Twelve were brought zound, and everyone was delighted with these benutiful bells, and was of apinion that great credit is due to the Whitechapel Foundry for this excellent piece of work, and many eongratulations were showered an Mr. A. A. Hughes, who was a guest of the Guild. A splendid repast was served at the Nelsen, and the party went on by train to King"s Norton. The train wes a few exclamations when memhers of the Metropolitan Police, who played their part by looking after the 'heavy end,' forcen themselves and the rest of the party into the compartments. On the very musical ring of ten at King's Norton methods ranging from Grandsire Caters to Cambridge Royal and London Major were rung in good style, duriug which time several games of bowls were enjoyerl on the lawn across the road,' where, later, all sat down to a meat tea, which was greatly appreciated, especially as the compasy inwluded severnl lingers from Birminghan and distmict. The social which followed was commenced by tunes on the handbells hy J.
Bulloch, E. Russell and J. Jawkins. Piann selections and songs were rendered by J. Bulloch, A. Walker and G. Dowding, a most entertaining item being lanthell tumes by the afore-mentioned, accompanied by Mr. A. Walker at the piano.
Mr. Choet proposed a vote of thanks to all the Birmingam ant King's Norton geatlenen who luat assisted to make the outing a happy one. This was seconded hy Mr. J. Bulloch.-In reply, Mr. A. Walker mentioned that the Flimingham mon themselpes had lud si dolightful. day, ind he would look forward to the time when they would come again. The ringing han been first cless, which proved that London had several hands of experts. Mr. Walker went on ki sey that although Mr. Reeves, the secretary, was unable to be present owing to a ringing meeting of st. Martin's Guild, they had present Mr. Smallwood and his "bebier half,' also Mr, A. Ward, of
Derby, who joined with him in extending best wishes and prosperity to the Holborn Guild
Returning to Birmingham, a further social hour wound up the happy proceedings, and a toast was duank to the health of St. Martin's ringers and to Mr. J. S. Golrlsmith, Editor of 'The Ringng World, to whom a card, aulographed by all present, was sent Happy farewells were the parting gifis as the Londoners stonned out on the homeward journcy. $A$ final toast to Mr. J. Hawkins, the secretary, for his wonderful organisstion of the auting, and the general management of the ringing, which was the last word in excelience, followed by cheers, and "For he's a jolly good fellow. Paddington was renched just after ten o'clock, afler a most sute cessfu] day.

## THE F. G. NEWMAN FUND

Previously acknowledged, 221 Ss. Bi.; Mr. Thomas Faulkner, 2 . Ed.; Mr. Cormelius Charge, 5 s. : total, éel 13s.

## SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD <br> ANNUAT. METHING

A large comptry assembled al Temby an Saturday, July 20th, to pardicipale in the sixtil annual festival of the Swansea and Brecon Diocesan Guidd. The weather was delightial, and ringers attended from Brecon, Jalaselly, Aberavan, Llansteplan, Ilandilo, Corseinon, Morriston, and Neath, and, with the local ringers, kept the bells of St. Mary's Church (eight) going from 10 a.m. onwards, the Rector of Tenby (Ganon B. C. Edwards) lhaving kindly given permission for the hellas to be rung.
Service was held in SL. Mary's Church gt 3 p.m., the Rector offiaiating, whilst the Rev. F. A. Oswell presided at the organ. The festival sermon was areached by the Lord Bishop of Swansea and Brecon, frum the text, 'God laveth a cheerful giver:" The members aftowards adjourned to the Church House, where a sumptnous tes was jrovided ot the kind invitation of Mr. Oswell and a band of lady holpers. The ladies were warmly thanked on the molion of Minor Ginon H. Gomer Davies (Breconl. The Rector of Tenby was present, and the Lord Bishop afterwards joined the party to preside ore the annual meeting which followed tea.
Thu: Jord Bishon spoke in apprediative terms of the interest taken in the Guild by the late Rev. David Williams, B.A., Vicar of Talgartls, and it was resolved that the sympathy of the Guild be convoyed to Mrs. Williams in her bereavement. J'he motion was carried by the members standing in silence.
$7^{\prime}$ he hon. treasurer (Mr. Charles Powell) presenten the accounts for the past year, and, subject to their being audited, they were adopted. The Hon. Treasurer asked for the meeting's opinion as to the deairabilidy of investing some of the balonee at present in hand, and it was decided that he be empowered to invest a sum of $£ 15$ in Savinge Certifeetes.

## OFFIGERS RE-TLECTED.

The election of officers for the ensuing year was then proceeded with, and on the proposititon of Mr . F. Stitelr, seconded by Mr. T. T. Williams, the following were ve-clected en bloe: President, the Lord Bishop of the Diocese: vice-presidents, the Archdeacon of Brecon, tive Arelideacon of Gower, Rev. Canon E. A. T. Roberts (Sub-Dean), Rev. Canon H. J. Stewart (Sketty), \&ev. R. M. CbleFamilton \{Llangntiock?, Rev. Jolum Simon, R.D. (St. Devid's, Brectn), Rev. W. J. Thomas (Garseinon), and Rev. W. D. G. Wilkinson (dioresan missioner)
Tho Master of the Guild (ML. A. J. Pitman) asked to be relieved of his duties, as it was, in his opinion, an honour which sluould be passed to sonie oliber members, but he was prevailed upon to eontime in office on the praposition of Mr. Charles Powell, seconded by Mr. D. J. Williams.
Mr. Charles Powell, 3, Nortl Road, Brecon, was re-elected hon. hreasurer, nad Mr. W' R. Howels, N.P. Bank Chambers, Neath, was re-elected hon. seevetary.

Tha following committen members were re-elected: Morristan, Mr. George Lewis: Builth Wells, Mr. R. F. Sparkes; Llangattoek, Mr. Charles Poweli; Jalgarlh, Mr. W. D. Gljfiths; Skety, Mr. Chatles Morse; Gorseimon, Mr. D. J. Williams; Aberavon, Mr. E. Stitel; Glashury, Mr. James P. Hyett; Llansiephan, Mr. George Morris; Cadoxton, Mr. D. J. Lewis: Linnelly, Breek, Mr. S. T. Tackham; St. Mary's, Brecon, Mr. F. E. Thomas; Tenhy, Rev. F. A. Oswell Bnglant, Miss Luey Thomas; St. David's, Brecon, Mr. Wm. Williams; Neath, Mr. Harry Boyce; Swamsea, Mr. Fred Curtis; Landilo, Mr. Marcus Davies; Llanelly, Carmarthenghire, Mr. Chris Hawkins; with Mr. A. Hunl, the new menber for Cefn Coed, and the Rev. I. R Tanes, Gwmdauddwr.
Mr. Jack Combe and Mr. Leo Havard were elected hon. auditors. The Lord Bishop extended the Guild a hearty invitation to hold the 1930 festival at Brecon, with an invitation to tea al Ely tower (the Lord Bishop's residence).
The Hon. Eecretary reported that he had received communications from soveral towers as to the advisability of changing the date of the ringing competition in 1930 owing to the difficulty of several ringers being mable to obtain permission to leave their work, and was afterwards resolved, on the proposition of Mr. E. Stitch, seconder hy M.. John T. Williams, that the competition be beld on the first Saturday in Mr
The hon. secrelary was asked to enquire whether an invitation could be extended to the Guild to hold the competition at Llanelly, Carmarthenshice.
At a commitice meeting held after the annual meeting it whs decided that the rules of the competition be the same as in previouts tests, with the nddition that the ringers taking part must be Sunday service ringers.

## DTSTRTBUTLON OT DISTRICT FUNDS.

Avising out of the minutes, the Hon. Secretary also reported that ati, a nommitiee mealing licld at Brecon on Mray 25 th , to consider the question of the distribution of the balnace of district funds, it was resolved that the rosolution as now appearing in the minute book shoult he minended to read as follows: "That two-thirds of the balnuce in the luads of districts at the end of a year, after paying all expenges, pte., bist exoluting inse halanom in hand at the comnomement of the yeat, be hatistioned to the gratial funt of the Guid.

- After reading a notice of mation by the Northern District, that "half of all subseriptions for the year he paid to the genernl fund," and a motion by Elhe Southern District, that 'two-thirds of the balance in hand at the end of year be paid to the general fond," it was resolved that the commitiee's proposal he confrmed.
Mr. E. Stitch raised the question of the Nouthern District having anticipater the meeting's confirmation of the committee's decision, hy bringing into the balance sheet such money as would be due to the general fund under the new resolation, and the district was requested to adhere to the original resolution for the year ended June 30 i last. The new resslation will take effect from July $1 \mathrm{st}, 1929$.
The meeting's attention was drawn to the fact that Mr. Pitman's term of office as tho Geild's representative on the Centeral Council had now expired. It was unanimousiy resolved that he be re-elected for a further period of three years.
Mr. Pitman gave the meeting n very full report on his wisit to the meating of the Central Council beld recently, and le was herrtily thanked by the chainman,
The Hon. Secretary reported as follows. Peals rung for the Guild up to the period ending December 31st, 1928, were: 1923, 2; 1924, 1925, 3; 1926,$10 ; 1927,14 ; 1928,12 ;$ total, 42. Methads rung were Doubles 21 (Grandsire 19, 2 methods 1, 7 melhods 1), Minor 10 (Plain Bob 8, Kent Treble Bob 2), Triples 7 (Grandsirc 5, Stedman 2), Major 4 (Plain Bob 1, Double Norwich 1, Gambridge Superlative 1, Superlative Surprige 1). The rimging competition was hold at Sif Dawid's, Breonn, in May lass, and resulted as follows (maximum points 240): Llanelly. Breck, 215; Cefr Goed, 208; Brecon, St. Mary's ' $\mathrm{B},{ }^{\text {' }}$ 192; Llangattock, 195; Cadoxton, 232; Baglan, 217; and Brecon, St. Mary's 'A, 208 posilions, 3, 4, 7, 6, 1, 2, and 5 respectively' Gadoxton were entitled to an additional 5 points for ringing Sted mant, bringing their total to 237 .
A suggestion was made at the meeting that the lon. secretary should receive some honorarium for having noted iu the oapacity for five pears (since the formation of the Guild), but the official concerned refused to entertain the suggestion.
The meeting concluded with votes of thanks to the Rector of Tenby for the use of the bells and Church House, and also the Lord Bishojx for his adduess and for presiding over the gnumal meeting.


## BEDFORDSHIRE \& HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATIONS

A very enjoyshle meeting of the Luton and Sb. Albats Distriets
the nobove associations was held at Dunstable on Saturday last, the fine ring of bells being enjoyed by several ringers for the first time A short service was beld, conducted by the Rector, assisted by the Rev. S. Dye (curate). The service was wery bright and brief, and appreciated by all, the singing of several well-known hymms being the feature.

A short address was given by Canor W. W. C. Baker, president the Beds Association.
In giving a lantly welcome to the ringers, he praisen the idea he two associations meeting together, saying that although th were separate bodies they were both members of one diocese
Tea was provided by local churchworker's in the Parish Hall
No busimess was transacted, but several excellent spocehes we made. The Rector (the Rev. G. C. Rolfe) was in the chair, supported by Canon Eaker anki Mr. H. Golding (president of the Herts Association), and Mr. G. W. Gartmel, hon. secretary.
Canon Baker gave a warn welcome to the wisitors, and Mr. Cart mel replied in a cordial speech of thanks.
The usual potes of thanks were passed, and the tower agrin isited.
This was the first joint mecting in Bedfordshire, but from expe sions heard on all sides it was loped it would not be the last.

## SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION

A very successful raceting of the Shronshire Association was holl at Moreton Corbet on Saturdny, July 20th, in icleal weather forty members were present from Market Drayton, Nalinslee, Wran, Coalbrooktale, Ruyton-eleven-Towns, Clive, Prees, Slieriffhnes, Stanton, Whitchurch, Alberbury, Slirewsbury, and the local company. The members were also very pleased to see Mr. Faulkner, who lives at Dawlish, Devousbire. He formerl, resider at Iglatfield, Whitumrch, and was a regular attendant at the meetings of association.
Ringine on the fine peal of six bells commenced at three o'clock and while some were ringing, others inspected the beatiful grounts of the Ficarge and played bowls on the lawn.
At the business meeting, witla Mr. W. Sanners presiding, sever new members were elected, and it was decided to hold the next meeting at Whitchurch in October.
Tea, which had been generously provined by the Rector, was serma on the lawn, iu frout of the charel. At the canelusion, Mr. Fewint proposeci a vole of thanks to the Rector, who is away from hocie ato present, for lis hospitality. This was seconded by the Rev. F. Tenmison, aud carried with applause.
Some of the members then retumed to the lower for further ing, while ouners walker zround the gariens and played gatme on
 Sterlman Doubles, Plain Bob, Oxford and Ken! Treble Boh Mint

## LADIES' FIRST PEAL OF MAJOR

COMMEHORATIVE TABLET DEDTCATED.
An evenh of outstanding interest took place at Handsworth, Sheftield, on Saturday, when a bandsome white marble tablet, recording the first peal of Major ever rung by ladies, was unveiled and dedicaled at a meting of the Northerm District of the Ladies' Guite. The tablet, which is mounted on a black marble base, is beautifully insombed in gold and black. Mrs. Baker, wife of the Vicar, performed the ceremony of unveiling, while the Rev. Bater solemaly dedicated it 'To the Glory of God and the inspiration of all whose eves may rest upon it.' The service was continued in the church, to which the ringers descended, and the Vicar gave a most interesting adilienss.
Shurtly afterwards a very happy company sat down to tea in the schoolroom, the tables being tastofully decorsted with flowers. The presence of the late secretary of the district, Mrs. Powell, and the Rev. E. 5. Powell, added greatly to the pleasure of the occasion.
I'wo or three items of business made it necessary to hold a short meeting, over which the Vicar's wife presided, while the gentlemen relumed to the tower, but not before the most sincere and hearty thanks had been expressed to tho Vicar and Mrs Baker for their valuable assistance.
Tlue time and place of the September meeting was discussed, and it was finally decided to hold a combined meeting with the Peak District, details of winich will be notified later:
The mext item was the resigation of tho secretary (Mrs. Jacques), aud the election of Miss Cawthorne to fill the vacancy was unanimonsly cartied.
The meeling wiskes to take this opportunity of thanking the local company for their great interest and genevous assistance, which played so great a part in making the meeting such a success. Special refurence migint here be made to Mr. Tred Watkinson, without whose untimg ofionts that object could not lave been attained,
Solng very good ringing in methods ranging from Cambridge to Hlain Bob, was thoroughly enjoyed during the evening, a wouch of the latter being rung entirely by ladies.
'The anmual meeting of the Northern District was held at St. Mary's Ghuth, Nottingbam, and members attended from vartous parts. The ten hells were wade good use of with the aid of the gentlemen on the heary end. At the business meeting, which iollowed tea, two new ruentiers were elected. The date and placo of the next meeting were left open. Votes of thanks to the local band for having everything iu readiuess, and readering the necessary assistance, were unanimously passed. Further ringing during the evening brought at liappy meeting to a close.

## GRANDSIRE CATERS BY FATHER AND SONS.

## Ta the Editor

Dear Sir, - It reply to jour correspondent, re the peal of Grandsire Caters at Dudley, a peal of Crandsirc Caters was rung at St. Mary's, Reigate, Surrey, by the Reigate Society on Saturday, September 23 ri, 1899. The band included a father and two sons, viz., F. T. Hoad, sen. (conductor'), F. T. Hoad, jun, end G. T. Fioad. It was ihe first peal on the bells after rehanging, with two new trobles added, it was rung at the first attempt, and was the first attempt on ten bells by all the band. - Yours faitufully,

GEORGE THOMPSON.

## PORTSMOUTH RINGERS' OUTING

The St. Mary"s Portsmouth, ringers and friends held their annual outing on June 15 th . Leaving beadquarters shortly after 1 p.m. they jourueyed via Fareham (where they were joined by Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Bayley) to Twyford. Here they were in timie to witness a fireman's wedding, complete with fire engine, firemen and other equipment. As soon as the ceremony was over, z visit was paid to tho tower, where touches of Grandsire, Stedman, Bob Major and Cambridge Surprise were rung. During the vinging one of the company met with an accident in the churchyard, which necessitated removal to Winchester Hospital, and this unfortuate incident rather spoilt the enjoyment for the remainder of the trip. However, Mr. and Mrs. George Williams, who had met the party here, continued the jozrney with them to whitchurch, whore a very pleasant ring of eight was found, and some very nice touclies were brought round At Basingstoke, an excellent meat toa was partaken of at the Crown Festanant. Mr. H. Horne hindly conducted the party to All Saints' Church, where there is an excellent, but rather noisy, peal of eight. Strictly speaking, there is a ring of nine here, tha other bell onabling a ring of eight in the minor key to be constituted. Some good touches of Stedman, Bob Major, Double Norwich and Yorkshive Surprise were rung, after which Mr. and Mrs. Williams left the party, and the journey was convinued to Alton. The Ficar kindly met the visitors. The bells here are indeed a magnificent peal, recently vecast by the Croydon Bell Toundry, aca after touches of Grandsire, Stedman, Double Norwich and Cambridge Surprise bad been rung, they were lowered in peal. Home was oventually reached about il p.m., aftor a most successful trip, save for the unfortunate accifent earlier in the afternoon. The company wish, through these columas, to flank the clengy and ringers who kindly met tham en route, and helped to contribute so largely to the success of the outing.
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The report of a peal at Marcham has been sent without the name of the conduetor.
Joseph Henry Daynes, youngest son of Mr. G. H. Daynes, Gienwich, has graduated as B.Sc. with honours, and has been recommended for the diploma of associato of the City and Guilds Institute, Imperial College, Lonton University, in the Faculty of Engineering. He was the youngest student to sit for this examination, and canes seventh for the whole college.
In reference to the footnote ta peal of Stedraan Triples ruug at Thurcaston, Leicestershire, on Sunday, July, $14 \mathrm{th}_{\mathrm{h}}$ which read that eight towers were represented, we ave asked to point out that Edmonton was not represented by any member of that tower.

There is to be a ringers' opening of the hells at Tideswell Cluureh, Derbyshive, known as the 'Gathedral of the Pank,' on August Bank Holiday. Messrs. Taylor and Co. have recast the temor ( 121 ewt.), put in a new 6th in place of the old 4th (a pre-Reformation bell now placed in the church), and added two bells to complete the octave.
Something like a "week of Taylor reopenings has just taken nlace. On Monday, the 15th, the recast peal of six (tenar 13 cwt ) in a new frame was opened at Navenby, Lincs. On Tuesday, the 16tli, a re cast ring of six (tenor 9 ewt.) in a new frame at Horbling, Lincs. On Saturday, the ringers' opening of az recast peal of ciglit (tenor $10 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.) at Halewood, Lancs, and the openimg of a recast peal of dight (tenor 20 cwt.) in a now frame at Eccles, Lancs. On Sunday there was the consecration by the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Liverpool of a carillon at St. Helens, Lancs.
A peal board has been unveiled in the tower of St. Peter's Church, St. Albans, commemoratime a pat of Bob Major, rung on May 18th last, on the occasion of the dedichtion of n new lych gate, erected at the western entrance to St. Peter's churchyard, by Mr. and Mrs. W. C. B. Giddins, in memoty of their son, William Craven Giddins, who died in 1911.
The ring of eight at Wateyford Cathedral were opened on July 26tl, 1872, and the first peal on thetr, which was the first peal in Ireland, was rullg on the following day.

A peal of 7,552 Grandsive Major was rung at Aston on August 30th. 1793.

## CRANLEIGH RINGER'S FUNERAL

The tragic cleath of Mr. Alwyn Charman, which was reported jo our last issue, has made a sad breach in the ranks of the ringers at Cranleigh, Sutrey, where lie whs the conductor of the Parish Church company. He was the type of man who cotuld always be reliad upon to be in his place boil for service and practice ringing, and although not keen on peal ringing was wholeheartedly attached to the tower and the duties devolving upon him. His father had been ar ringer at Cranleigh hefore him: his hrotier, who preceded him as conduc tor, and two nephows are also memhers of the band.
The funerai look place an Tlursday afternoon, and a considerable number of parishonens and workmates of decmand attonded. The family mourners meluded the wiflow, the deecased's four datugters, his brother and other relatives. The Guileford Dinensan Guild was repregented by Mr. and Mrs. R2. Whittingten, and Messrs. Tidy and L. Warner, of the Cranleiglz band, Messrs. C. Hazleden, A. H Pulliug and W. Melville (Guildford) and J. S. Goldsmith, hon. secretary. The first part of the service was said by the Rector in the Churel, and the interment took plase at the cemetery, where, nver the open grave, a course of Grandsire Triples was rung on Landbells. Afterwards a touch of Grandsire Triples was rung on the tower bells with hatr-mufled clappers. Among the many wreaths was one sent by the Guildford Diocesan Guid.
Mr: Chiurman was 57 years of age.

## AN ANNIVERSARY PEAL.

A peal of Kent Treble Foh Major was rung on Saturday at th Church of St. Maxy-within-the-Whalls, Chester, on the sixtl ammer sary of the record peal in the melhed ( 17,280 changes), rung ai Over, Cheshire, in 1923. The band was the same as that which rathe the long peal, and they stood in the same order. The composition was specially arranged by Mr. T. W. Parker, the last eleven course being the fifth parl of the 17,280 . Whis was the first accasion on which the band harl beem able to meet for a peal since their recomb performance, and this commemoration was the 100 th peal whicls ifessis. R. Sperring and John Hayes lave rung together.

## MR. E. V. RODENHURST'S 200 PEALS.

Doubles ( 1 to 4 mothods) 7 , on handuells 1 , Winot ( 1 to methods) 7 , Grandsire Triples 38 (tonducted 13), on haneibels 3 Stedman Triples 30, Bob Maior 18 (conducted 1), Oxford Treble Bol Major 6, *Kent Trehle Boh Major 32 (conducted 1), Double Norwich Court Boh Major 36. Superlative Surprise Major I, Cambridge Sur prise Major 2. Grandsire Caters 3, Stedman Caters 7, Bob Royal 2 Kent Treble Boh Royal 5, Spliced Kent and Oxford Treble Boh Royal 1, Gramisire Cinques 1, Stedman Cinques 2. * Including 7.488 $9.344,10,400$ (lomgest peal- in Wales), and 17,280 (Kent Treble Boh Record). Rung in 80 towers, in 13 counties and for 13 associations.

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

## THE ANNUAL FESTIVAL

Oxford, even on a broiling hot day, has many attractions, and on Saturday the members of the Oxford Diacesan Guild showed in no uncertain fashion that the city still appeals to the majority of them as the best of nil places for the annual festival. There have been persistent endenvours in recent years to move the festival to other places, but on every such oceasion Oxford received an oworwielming preponderance of votes. The meeting on Saturday attracted nearly two hundred members, and despite the tropical conditions, mosl of them spent of thoroughly enjoyable day. The heat did not deter a great deal of ringing on the many peals of halls which the city possessos, both in the parish churches and colleges, and there were fow who did not have as much exercise in this direction as they desired. Chiof interest in ringing in the morning centred in the twelve at Christ Cliurch aud the ten at Magdalen College, while later in the day the ten at New Gollege, the light rings of eight at St. Ebbe's, All Saints' and St. Giles', and the bells at St. Aldgate's, Holywell, St. Mary Magdalene's, St. TThomas' and Carfax, were all available, as were Merton College eight, but the reputation of the last-named daterred any attempt, under the atmospbarical conditions, to ring them.
The festival service was held as usual in Clurist Ghureh Cathedral, where the Viear of St. Laurence's, Reading (Rev. R. F. A. Bullock' preached an eloquent sermon.

The business meeting, attended by memhers from many towerg of tho widespread diocese, was held in the Chapter House, the Master IRev. C. W. O. Jenkey presiding, supporied by Mr. A. J. Wright (hon. treasurer), Mr. R. T. Hibbert (hon. secretary), and Canon G. F. Coleridge, while among the numerous vigitors were Mr. J. S. Pritchatit, Presiding Master of St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham.
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The first husiness after the disposal of the minutes was the officers' reports. The Master's report referred to the loss the Guild had anstained by the death of the Rev. R. H. Fart Davis, who had served for many years in the capacitics of secretary and treasurer, and who, though not a ringer himself, bad at heart the welfare of the ringer and the success of the Guild. The peal total was a. better one than Tast year, and it would be interesting to know how many peals bad been attempted and well nigh ring. Fo liad personal knowledge of a good mally. It was, however, hardly possible to gow attribute failure to the bad 'gaing' of thm bells, and the work of vestoration
was still going on. The Master had visited to report and advise at was still going on. The Master land visited to report and advise at
Banbury, Stecple. Clayden, Fawley, Goring, Nettlebed, Newbury. Oakley, Radley, Reading St. Mary, Somerton, Stoke Mandeville and Winklow. Wort has loen carried out sucessfully at Ambroseden, Aston Tirrold, Bray, Henley, Finton Waldrist, Maids Moretou, Nettlebed, Stoke Mandeville, and Sumningwell. At Caversfield a new bell replaces the famons eally 1 Jth century bell, which is now luung down in the church. Two trebles liave been added at Ambroseden, and the tenor has been recast, and a fine ring of eight replaces an indifferent ring of six. Stoke Mandeville also rejoice in tro new trebles and a niee litile ring of eight. The work of tuning and re-
hanging the rings at St. Marw's, Reading, and St. Wicholas', Newbury, is now in hand, and before the year is oul there is promise of a great work being done at Banhury. Not the least encouraging sign of the times is the way in which the more experienced ringers
in many branches are co-operating with their secretaries in real in many branches ale conperating with then secretaries in read their regular meetings and peal attempts. In conclusion, the Master referred with gratifieation to the vecovery of Ganon Coleridge, and expressed the hope that he might long be spared to be what he isnot, only to the Oxford Guila, but to tha whole ringing fraternity.
The Mrster foded to his venort that, they had lost ant old friend
and it grent lelpes of the Guild, Mr. A. H. Goeks, of Marlow, who had passed away. Many of the older members of the Guild would remember the excellent work Mr. Cocks did in the towers at Marlow and Hugheuden. He was treasurer of the Guild for a time. and was festival secuctary for some years, and in those capacities he served the Guild well. But perlaps Mr. Cocks was best known to ringers as the author of 'Church Bells of Buckinghamshire.' Whenever he the speaker) veferred to that volume, as he ofters did, he paused in admiration of the man who in those days, when lacomotion was not ansy, travelled all over the country and mate an analysis of the bells of Buckinghamshire, aud gave such wonderfal information of the hell founders all over the country. It was not until about six months after Mr. Cocks died that he (the Master) know he had been omitted from his report.
The Master said, further, thet there had heen honded to him througlh the Misses Hart Davis a peal of handlolls, left ta him, to conmittee ggreed with him that lie shoulfi get the bells put into riecent order, and lhat they should be lent out to towers who wanted to borrow them for a time for the instruction of young members. Those who wanted the use of the bells should weite to him.

FLOURISFING FUNDS.
The Matev's report was adopted, as was also that of the treasurer.

19s. 5d., as compared with $£ 138$ 7s. 8d. the prerious year. The income was 5118 8s. 50 ., a decrease of 88 10s. Jd. This was accounted for by a reduction in the donations to the Restoration Fund, a smallev number of reports sold, and a smaller collection at the testival. The net cost for the year was 89014 s . 8d. This was $£ 14$ less than last year. The nmount received from the branches was £84 3s, 6t. This was the largest sum received in the listory of the Guild, and it was a good testimoujal to the excellent work done by the branch treasurers. There was also an increase in the number of hon. members. The balance in the hands of all the branelies amounted to $£ 193$ 7s. 4d. Tlisere were stilI some branches whicii had not opencd a banking account. Fe hoped before next year they would have done so. The halance shects showed that the money appeared to lave been expenderl very wiscly. He expressed a hope that more moncy would be spent on insiruction. Some balance sheets had not been audited, and he asked all treasurers to see that all their accounts are certified as correct loy an auditor. During the year two grants had been macle from the Restoration Fuud amounting to $\mathbf{f 6}$. At the last annual meeting it was decided to transfer 25 per cent. of the amotmt received from hon. members to this fund. He catimated that this would be E25, and the actual amount was S24 15S. The amount transfermed was E6, which jugt paid the two grants. There was now a balance in hand of E36 19:. 3ả. Grants had been promised to Deddington atud Bathbory.
Mr. Wright ndded that the report did not show the exnet posilion, as in addition to the balance in hand flrey actually had sho more than shown, this being the sum invested in Government stock, which appleared in a separate account. Since the ent of the year they had purchased another $£ 30$ of stock, sa that next yenr they would have a clear interest of 85 to place to the restoration fund.

The report was adopted.

## AN EXCELLENT SPYRIT OF BROTHERHOOD.'

In bis report, the Secretary said a review of the year 1928 contd not bring any thoughts but of thankfulness that progression was ithe trend of the Guild. The general tone was good and sonnd in all districts, and most of the branches were growing. Sunday service ringing was well maintained, peal ringing had been more successful. Although the lotal was hut 57 penls, it wauld hear analgsis; London, Bristol, Cambridge and Suporlative Major were scored by tha siakwrts of thr Fast Berks and South Bueks Branch, and two peats of Cambridge Minar were rung, making 22 Surprise peals in all. Stedman, from Cincues to Donbles, nambered 16. The romaining 29 peals embraced Treble Bob, Plain Bab, Double Norryth Major and Grandsire Triples and Doubles. A great mang peals were attempted and lost towards the end. The nembership had juncensad slightly: Hnn. members 209, ringing members 1,806-total 2,015. The towers affiliated were more than the Guid had ever had before, 201. This was due to the energy of branch secretarjes. Restoration work had been carried out in several towerg with great suncess and satisfaction. He had sisited most of the hamehes during the Fear, and had fomme, as before, an excellent spirit of brotherhood, which was the great thine if the objects of the Guild wete tu be reached and madotatued. Fe again tondered his thanks to all brancli seccetaties for tho fielp they gave him during the yedr

The report was adopted.
The Rev. C. W. O. Jenkju was re-elected Master by acelamation, his name being proposed by Canon Colenidge and secouded hy Mr. 4. P. Routh

Mr, A. F. Wright was unamimously re-electen laon. scenetary,
Mr. R. 'T'. Hibliert hon, secelary, with thanks for their services. M1:. Ja. Humfrey resigned from the committea, having gone to live outside the diocese. The other plevers elected members worf remppainted en bloe, viz, Miss V. Robinson, Messes. J. F. Burlow, T. Frans, G. CandwelI, G. Holifield, W. Hibbert, sen., G. Martin, R.
White, A. D. Cullum, H. Sear and J. W. Wikins. Miss Stella Davis (Newbury Branch) was elected to fll the wacancy

The four representatives of the Guild on the Central Council werc re-elected, viz., the Master, Cainon G. F. Colevidga, Mr. F. W. Hopgood and Mr. John Evans.
The meeting was asked to confirm the elention of 166 new members, who had been admitted during the yoar. The How. Secretary, in making the proposal, said this did not macan that the Guild had grown to that axtent, neither was the whole of the difference necounted for by members who had died.
The Master: We don't want members to die, but we wish mote would stick.
The committee recommended that the festival in 1930 be bold at Oxford. They suggested, if an altermative was desired, that Slough should be chosen.
Mr. Hopgood thouglht it would he rine thing if they made a cluange and visited some other place than Oxford. That was an Oxford Dioshouln aid and over the diocese with their festival. There was no better way fhan to follow their former eustom of vigiting the three counfies in succession. He proposed that next year's festival he helr at Slough.-Mr. A. D. Barker seconded.
On being put to the meeting, Slough received 15 wotes and Oxford 61. Oxford will therefore be the wentuo in 1930 .

Ou the motian of the Master, the Ref. Dr. Archer Houblan, for merly Archdeacon of Berkshire, whs elected a vice-president of the Crnitu.

## RESTORATION GRANTS VOITED.

The Hon. Tressurer brought forward the committee's recommendations as to restoration grants. He said he was proud of the Restoralion Find. It was a chila of his. They had spent close on f50 in grants, and illoy now had e42 19s. 30, in tho fund. They were Hltumly commitfea to grants at lanbury and Geddington, and if they rime the grants tecommented that dhy the balance would be droluced to 813 . Ho was, however, going to move later on that they mantintie for this year to take 25 jer cent. of the hon. members' subseriptions, which would mean ef for the fund, and this with es 16 s trors interest would increase the balanes upon which they whuld bo able to draw next year. Fie proposed the following grants bu made: Arnhroseden £5 55., Newlury fis $58 .$, St. Laureneo's Reading, £5 5s, 'Ihatcham f5 5s, Hampstend Norris $£ 3$ 3s. Similar grats liad been made in each enso by the branches concerned.
The Wister said this was a tremendous change compared with what if pas when lie jomed the Guild, when they used to deal with two guifers here and flierty shillings there. He thouglat the wark they were now doing was perfectly splendif.
11 r . Hopgood proposed that the grant L St. Eaurences, Reading, should bo ten guineas. This was seconded by Miss Rohinson, who snirl thelp was hadly meeded.

C'amon Golerirge suggested that $2 t$. Laumen's should have five gtuinetts for the restoration, but if they embarkerl on a twelve-bell sulherre then lef them lave thair ten guineas- Whis proposal, seronded lyy Mr. A. D. Cullum, was errvied with only one rlisseatient, amil, with this amendment, the tzeasurer's list was adopted.
I! was also resoived that 25 per cent, of the lion. members' sub soriptions which came in to the treasmer should be devoted to the Resteration Funcl.
proposal that all applications for restaration grants should be
line liands of the general seoretary hy Marel 31 st each year, in wider that thoy miglit he considered first by the commititee, was drefeated by 24 votes to 14.

Conon Coleridge gave, as usual, an interesting account of the prowowling of the Central Council at Chelmsforc. He remarked, how"wa, that it ought not to be necessiny, hs everyone should lrave read the very full report of tho meeling in the puges of 'The Ringing

The Master, snid they were vory muel privileged in that Guild to lave that mart from tha prosicient himself, The Central Council wis prosided over in a most efficient manner, and diffeult situations which ft limes arose were carried through by fle well-known persomality of Canon Coleridge. He proposed a vote of thanks ta him for los report (applause).
The Master also proposed a vote of thanks to the Dean and Chaplou far granting the use of the Cathedral, the Chapfer House, and thi, dining liall for lunch; also to the preacher and to the organist.

S1:. Fowler, in senonding, suggested that the key of some of the axceptionally high-pitched hymus might be transposed for their services.
'the motion was replied ta by the Rev. R. F. A. Bultack.
Mr. Barker mentionen the loss to the Gnild by death of Mr. G Ahicer, ancl also that Mr. J. J. Parker, of Farnham Royal, who was Wha of lhoir vice-presidends, had recently bern beveaved by the death of his wift, and sine then had met with an aceident, faving beon knexked down by a motor-car.

The mecling concluded with a woto of thanks to the Master for prositringe
"The company then adjourned to tho handsone and historic dining thall of Christ Church for lanch, at the conclusion of which, on the call of the Master, the toast of 'Glutch and King, was honoured. An infumal vate an the question of the hymu tunes revealed that tho 1 majority were satisfied will the seltings used.

Altorwats the members dispersed for ringing at the warious towers.

## WARWICKSHIRE GUILD

Hhatherty meting of the Warwickshire Guitel was held at Stoke, Cownhfry, on Saturday, July $20 h_{1}$, in delightful weather, members attinuling mons Allestey, Bedworth, Bulkinglon, Chilvers Coton, Nuneaton rum Shilton. During the aiternonn ringing was interspersed with long and frequent periods of rest, and everyoate was pleased when it was lime In auljourn to St. Anulew's Hall for tea, kiudly arranged by ladimy of the parish.

Tho Redor (Rev, Frank Burnedi) gave the members a cordial welcome, and sat rown to tea with them. Afterwards, the Rector insing anarlien meeting to abtend, Mr. TI. W. Ghapman (Ringing Mnster) prenithet at the business meeting.
It wis decided to hold the next quarterly meeting at Colesinill, the Angusi mecting to bo held at Fillongley, and the Scptember one at Hrinklow. Sprentecn new memhers were elected, including twelve ringing motrocrs (nime from Fedworth and three from Bulkington), "nu" homentry member nind four non-resident members.
Aflos the nteeting. the mombers refurned to the tower, where the stumbrl methods ip to Dotable Norwich Majov were rung.

## ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

A mecting of Lite Ely Arelideaconry was held at Bourn, on Saturday, in ideal weather. Members were present from Barley, Herts, Cambidge, Dry Drayton, Great Staughton, Hemimgford Abbotts, Long Stanton, Ňewton, Melbourn, Over, Royston, Stapleford, St. Neots, Trumpington, Willingham, and local tower. Messrs. H. Barrebt and Shephard were also there from Gloucestershire. The servite was haken by tho Vicar (Rev. Tas. Duftill).
The Viear kindly enterained the company to tea, 27 sitting down. $H_{r}$ also presided at the business meting
Willingham was voted as the place of next meeting
It was noticed filat several prominent ringers weve absent from the meeting, and the secretary wishes to stato that he cannot arrange meetings on free Saturdays without knowing the fixtures of neighbouring associafions.
The ringing was well up to standard, Superlative, Cambridge, Kent, Oxford Double Norwich and Bab Major, Grandsire and Stedman Triples being rung during the day.

Votes of thanks to the Wicar for the use of the bells, for taking the service and for his hospitality, ancl to Mr. H. J. Hazell, A.L.C.M., as organist, broughtio happy meeting to a close.

## WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION

 THE NEED FOR MORE YOUNG MIEN.A successful meeting of the Wrestern Branch was licld at Suckley on Saturclay, iluly l多h. An hour's ringing in the alternoon was followed by service conducted by the Rector, Rep. O. II. Healher, who ghve fon interesting arldiess, in the courso of which he spoke of bells and theit messages. 'The nssociation's form of service was used. An excellent tea was served in the school, ahout 60 sitting down. The husiness meeting followert, with the Rector in the chair, stipported by Mr. R. G. Knowles (Assomiation Master), Mr. S. Ti. Frit (Branch Master), and Mr. J. Rowlath (branch secretary). The towers represented were St, Peter's, Droitwith, Fanley Castle, Madresfield, Tiplon-an-Severn, Worcester Cathedral, St. Jolin's, Woreester, Claines, Leigls, Upton Snodsbury, Crowle, Malvetit Link, Fallow and Grimley. There were also several wisitors present. Tho Rector welcomed the ringer

Mr. W. Lewis reportad that the guarterly peal had been rung at Kempsey. Mr. W. Jlanfurd was appoinded conductor of the uext guarterly peal, to be rung at Suckley-Fanley Castlo was chosen for the next quarterly meeting, with Madresficld as altemative.
Soveral new members were elected, and it collection far Madres field Bull Restoration Jiund realised £1 ls .
Mr. Knowles ursed the yoanger riagers to corac forward and do their best to enconrage olifer young men to ring as the future of change ringing lay in their hands.

A vote of thanks was passen to the Rector for the usn of the bells and conducting the service, to Mr. Ranford for providing rin exeellent ter, and to the Misses Tanford and Miss Mitton for preparing tes and attending to the needs of everyone.
The meeting concluded, the vingors returned to the town fo further ringing. Iondon, Wells and Cambridge Surprise, Treble Bob Oxford Boh and Plain Bob, Stcdman and Grandsite Doables, werf among the rrwehods rung duting the day

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

## A MPRSAGE FROM THE KING

A meating of the Soulh and West Districh was held at Ruislip on Saturday, July i3th. Aithough the temperature was rather high, over forly mingers and fricuds attended. Methods. from Grandsirn Triples up to and including Cambridge Surprise Major, were prac tised dating the meeting.
A short service tas beld, condtucted by the Rev. Canon E. Cornwell Jones (Vicar), who gave the association a most licarty welcome to Ruislip.
After the service the company adjourned to Fabb's Restaurnat fo a refreshing cup of tea. The vice-president (Mr. C. S. Bird) p sided over a merty party, supported by the holl. secretary (Mr. H. Hollier $)$ and olher well-known ribgers, Messrs. G. R. Fardon,
Fiunt, W. E. Tayloı, E. H. Godfrey, H. Wingrove, J. W. Kelley at F. Kelley, and repuesentatives frons Acton, Ealing, Isleworth, Hes lon, and Tuislip, Bcaconsfield, elc. The ladies present were the Misses Fleicher, Miss Lidbetter and Mrs. Taylor.

Two now inembers were clected for the local bant. A vote of con dolence was passerl to the fartily of the late Rev. Maithand Kelly, the respected "father" of the Devori Guilrl.
A vote of congratulation to the King on lis recovery from his long flongs was passed, and at the reauest of the meeting was forwarded to Fis Mnjesty. It was duly acknowledged in the follow ing terma: Puekingham Falace. The Private Secretery is com-
manded to. convey an expression of the King's thanks to the mome bers of the South and West District of the Middleser County Asso ciation and Loudon Diocesan Guild of Ghange Ringers for the kind and loyal terms of their messitge. July 18th, 1929.
Vates of thanks were acconded to the Vicar, the vice-presidents Messus. W. Bunce and A. Hunter, of the locai band, and to all mem hers ant friends for thein hearty suppart. Ringing took place agaits iv the evening.

## THE 'RALLY' AT NEWCASTLE.

## GREAT GATHERING OF RNGGERS ENTERTAINED.

 THE WELLINGTON GARILLON ON FIEW.The great 'rally' of ringers at Neweastle-on-Tyne on Saturday reek brouglit together the largest gathering of ringers which has uver assambled in the North of England. The object of the wisib was to herv and inspeot the Wellington (New Zealand) carillon installed by the enterprise of the Neweastle "Evening Cliranicle" in a specially rrected campanile in the North-East Const Exhibition grounds, and ringers and their friends foregathered from places as far apart as Helby and Edinburgh and Paisley. The visit, was on the invitation of the propristors of the 'Evening Chronicle' and Messrg. Gillett and Joheston, the founders of the now famous bells, and the 500 ringers who accepted invitations spent a thoroughly interesting and enjoyable day.

The beauty and chanm of the bells was impressively revealed to the critical visitors during a special demonstration givon by Miss Nora Johnston, now one of the foremost of carilloncurs, and unquestionably the most skilful woman carillonneur in the world.
Tlue recital was composed of the well-known ummiyers which have become so populat with the crowds which collect regularly in the Exhibition groumis and on the adjacent Town Moor, aud the beilringers were thrilled with the musical splendour of the bells and the consumaate skill of the expert lady who manipulated them

It was with the simplest melodies that the carillonmeur cast the assembled hundreds under the irresistible spell of the bells. The impression created by numbers like 'Londonderry Air,' 'Old Folks at Home," 'Home, Sweet Home,' and "Lithle Grey Home in the Wesi:' was portrayed in the crowd's attentiveness.


THE BTLI TOWER AT THE EXHIBITJON.
Miss. Johnston proceeded to illusirate the scopo of the bells by enterigg itens of such a diversity ol' character is 'Chanson 'ryiste, - Here's a Health anto His Majesty,' 'Drink to Me Only,' and 'Little Bo I'eep." Tha heat made Miss Jolnston's job much more fatiguing thare exsual.
The visitors were conducted into tha bell tower in batches for an inspection.
One of the most interested of them was 17-yeat-old Ephraim Wenaiggton, of Gateshead, who, pralysed and only able to get about with the aid of crutches, had to be carried tup the steep steps (4 a man's back.
The recital condutect, the visitors adjourned to Carvick's pavilion is the Exhibition grounds, and, after parraking of ten ous the invitation of ilse proprietors of the 'Lvening Chronicle' and Messrs. thillett and Johnston, they were accorded a welcome hy the Lord Mayor of Neweashle (Celr. A. W. Lamahert) and the Assistant Bishop of Newrastle (Dr. Cecil J. Wond)

A USEPUL COMMUNITY.
'the Lord Mayor said the estecmed hellingers as members of a most useful commmity engaged in remering an inspiring service to their fellows from the belfries of the eonntry's charches. 'We in Noweastic,' he proceeded, "greakly apprecinte the Wellington carillon is one of the greatess attractions we have here, and I num very prond of the fact that the Lady Mayoress berself was the first lady to play the bells. I would express the hope that it may be possiblo Lo abtain the services of some of those great carilloaneurs from Belgiam while the wonderful bells are still on 'l'yneside; and Ifeel that a hint to the "Newcastle Clironicle," who have rendered us sueh great scrvices in secriring the bells for the Exhibition, may result in ho futher treat [ have mendioned ling provided us.

Mr: Cyrii $F$. Johnston, of Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, said he believed that afternoon's gathering was the largest meeting of bellrisgers ever organised in tho North.

An assurance that the 'Newcasfle Chronicle would do their utmost to carry out the suggestion of the Lord Mayor to secure the services of a scries of eminent Zelgian carillonneurs was given by Mr. C L. White, publicity manager, representing the divectors of tho ' Newcastle Chronicle.
At the request of tho change ringers, Mrs. A. W. Lambert, the Lady Mayoress, gave a recital on the carillon on Saturday night.
For tell minutes slie siat at the keyboard by which the bells are manipulated ly the electro-pneunatic syztem, and, without nusic, gafe a skilful rendering of several airs which the carillon bas made popular on Tyneside.

When the pressman supgested to the Lord Mayor that the city should have a carifon of its own, after the Wellington bells are re moved, he observed, 'I wish some gemerous citizen would proride the money to buy one.

The day closed with a social and coneert in the Chronicle Hall Pudding Chare. An excellent, musical programme, arganised by Mr. C. L. Routledge, was provided by a number of popular local artistes.

In the absence of Mr. Eriward Teblnott, managing director of Newcastle Chronicle, Ltd., Mr. Routledge took the chair, and was supported by Mr. E. Ferry, presidenl of the Durhan and Newcastle Diocesan Association. On behalf of the proprictors of the 'Chronicle, 31\%. C. L. White welcomed the members and their ladies, and explained that refreshments were to bo had at any time in the vaults below the hall.

Quartets and solos were given by the Cabiedral Quartette, Messra. I. J. Gibson, J. F. Gilfespy, W. Haydu Hobkirk and Mr. Jenry Frater, Mr. Edwatd Newton actilig as accompanist. Miss Nora Johnston gape a surprise turn, 'Never Mind,' introducing a most amusing verse about the carilion and herself. Ono of the most entertaining numbers was that of Mr. Martin Fienderson, the blind concertina player, whose elforts were greeted with e cholus of applause. Mr Gyril. Johmston had also brought his 'carillon' of 23 haudbells, from which he tapped delightful melody-all popuhar airs, even in cluding the Tymeside anthem, "Blaydon Races.
A course each of Stedman and Grandsire Caters whs given by mixed buads, and tunes on the handbells by Messis. Tora and James Gofton were also enthnsiastically encored. At eleven oclock the National Anihem was sung after votes of thanks had been carried by storms of applause to the hosts of the evening, and to the antistes, which went to prove that all had a fery happy and ontortaining day, with the Exhibition thrown in as a distinct asaet to a day of glorious weather

TOWER BUILDING RECORD.
The carillon which was on view was that which attracted considerablo attention a few months ago at Croydon Bell Foundry, sud is to form the memorial to the men and women of Wellington, New Zealand, who died in the service of the Empire. The complete curillon consists of 49 bells, the largest weighing 5 tons, the total
weight of bells being $31 \frac{1}{\text { t }}$ tons, but owing to considerations of space it was not found practicable to instal tho two largest bells at Newcastle. The Wellington War Memorial Carillon Commitice, through the kind intervention of Sir James Parr, K.C.M.G., High Commissioner for New Zealand, arranged for the loan of $\$ 7$ of the bells fo which two trebles were added in order to give four completef octapes) to the North-Fast Coast Exhibition during the summer of 1929. The largest of the 47 bells weighs $3 \frac{1}{2}$ tons, and its note is B firt.

When it was found that there was no suitable building for these bells in the Exhibition grounds, the Newcastle "Evening Claroniche," with the characteristic enterprise which raarks the comduct of this great journal, at once instructed Messrs. Mauchlen and Weightman, architects, of Newcastle, to design a special campanile, the erection of which was entrustect to Messrs. Henry Kelly, Lte., contractors.

Within thee weeks the tower was designed, the foundationg pre pared, the steelwork fabricated in the yurds of Messrs. Wright, Anderson and Co., Ltd., Gateshead, the bells and mechanism dismantlecd in the Croydon foundry of M[essis, Gillett aud Jolunston, despatched br sea, erected in place and inaugurated on The opening day of the Txhibition by F.R.H. the Prince of Wales, in the presence of the Hegh Commissioner for New Zealand, the Lord Mayor of Newcastle, the Duke of Northumberland, and tho Marquis aut Marchioness of Landondery

The inaugural recitals, given by Mr. Clifford E. Ball, Mus.Bac., of Bournville, a coused the greatest enthusiasan, audiences of more than 100,000 people collecting on the Town Mroor to hear the hells.
The bells are luned on the five tone larmonic principle to equal temperament and to international piloth, The clavier for band operation by a carillonneur has a range of $4 \frac{1}{4}$ clramatic octaves, the lowest 25 keys being attached to pedals as well as to the manuals.
Each leell has an inscription bearing the name of some battle on engagemenr, whose names have now become houschold words: "The Somme,' 'Jutland,' 'Gallipoli,' 'Ypres,' ete. Five of the loells have hadges or symbols-No. 34 , the hadge of the New Zenland Ritle Brigade; No. 35 , the New Zoaland Army Nursing Sorvico Srmbol: No. 36, Special Morical Serrice Symbol: No. 44 , the Arms of the (Continued in next column.)

## TO WINDSOR AND STOKE POGES

'The amual outing of the bellringers of All Saints' Church, Maldon, Tissex, took place on Saturday, June 22nd. Twenty-one people left Maldon at 7 a.m. upon what proved to be a most interesting excursion, though a little rain met with early in tha day necessitated the hood of the charabonc being put up. As was the casc last year, each member was provided with a programme and gutde, which gave a short history of aly the places to be visited, with a time-table. A fow rourses of Grandsire Triples and Gaters were zing en route to WaItham Abbey. At Forest Lodge, in this parish, a call was made for freakfast, where, amid seenes of jdeal natural benuty, on the edge of the forest, a hearty and substantial meal was enjoyed by the enmpany. A short journey then boought the party to Waltham Abbey Clurch, whera arrangements liad been made to inspect the grand old building. Witll the help of an official guide, a comprehensive tour wns made. Though probably still the grandest ecclesiastical buiding in Essex, the clutch is litule in comparison witla the magaificence of the Abbey in the days of the monks. A long ride hrough Enflel, Barnet, Flstree, Harvow and Blourh brought the party to Windsor, tha main objective of the day. So much of inferest was to be seen herre that little hope was entertained of including everything. Tlin tich mud majestic loveliness of St. George's Clasel whe the first attraction, and the party was takel round the inferior by a ghide, whose explanations were of much interest to all. Anather guicle thon took a section of the company up the curfew tower, where lang diglat heavy holls, the tenor of which is the curLew belf that Gray used to hear from Stoke Poges, a few miles out. A chiming apparatus, which has been functionimg for many years, then played some hymn tunes, ronnds, and Queens on the bells, which are also ocossionally rung. After a walk vound the balcony uf the castle, a move was made for the Parish Church (St. John-theTaptist), where some goon tonches of Grandsire and Stedmin Triples were rung, and also some Bob Minor. Mr. T. Smith, the stecplekeeper, who had fixed up tea for the company, theat led the way to tha lea tooms, where the party was joined by Mr . J. Amos, who, before moving to the Lomdon district, was an entlusinstic member of the Maldon band of ringers. After tea, a move was made for Stoke Poges. Fere the Ficar, the Rev. Mervin-Glare, and the steeplekeeper, Mr. T. G. Hawkins, welcomed the ringers. An unusual slonight glaircase outside the towor is the wny to the ringing chamhuter of this helfry, And when, some good touches of Bob Minnr and Stedman Doubles had heen vung on this delightful and musical pabl, filse Viear guided the party ronnt fite durch, fully explaining the many interests of the heautiful building, whare Gray useri to worship, where he is huvied, and in the churehyard of which he is supposed to have written hia immortal clegy. A verg fitting fimal nermony was performed by wrif. W. Giak, when, far from the shate, where lienves the turf in many a moutritring heap,' he ably recided Gray's Elegy, the members of the party grouped nomong the fombstones of which Gray wrote, the church forming a colourful bankround, and the quiet evening calas making the scene impressive. The homewnal ronte was through the city, and during the journey some connse of Rob Minor, Grandsire 'Triples fund Caters were rung an handbells. Fome was reached at about 11.30 p.m., after sixteen and a half hours of yeal pleasure. The incumbents at the places of ringing will bo writton to nad privately thanked, for it greaty adds fo Ihe day'g enjoyment to have welcomes surh as were received on this trip.

## APPEAL FOR ECKINGTON RINGER.

The following further subsuriptions liave heen received in response it the appenl for lielp for Mr. Alfred Wegt, of Fekingtan, who is Cholrismith (Woking), 10s.; W. Eale (Dewsbuty), 2s; R. K. Knight (Lrytonshone), 2s. Grl.; Bakewel! (All Saints') wingers, 13s; totai, E3 14s. Contributions to help this descrving case shoukd be sent to Mr: 'I'. A. Howes Suriti, Eekington, nenx Sheffield.

Royal Navy ; and (Continued from previous page.) 49 , the Bourdon, is ormomented with the feru leni from the hader of the New Zealand Contingents, and also the leaf of the Naw Zenland flax, a staple product of the province of Wellington. Frie frame weighs 34 tons, andi is constructed to carry 53 bells ventually, ns the intention is to add fotur lower bells, the lergest to weigh 10 tons.

The clappers of the bis belis are comterbalanced to ease the work af the cars and intermanliate cranks is of the latest design rabory of improvements tio ensure atcumate striking of the bells and delicacy of tonch on the little trebles.

In addition to the carillonneur's clavier, the firm's patent electropreumatic meelanism is attechen, fand has a duel function. One
 wnerdatism being zelcased hy a clock at any intervals desired in the day. True atjer commens sulu vory leyboand similar to that of a pinhe, This ann ho fred in any part of the tower for use by a muticina who is sol necessarily a carillonnent.

## CHURCH OFFICIALS LIVE LONG IN NORTON.

On Saturday, July 6th, the parishoners of Forton, in Derbyelime (the birtliplace and the last resting-place of Clantrey, the greatest of English sculptors), gave a parochial welcome to their newly-appointed Rector, Rev. T. Stanton Peffe, M.A. Io celebration, the ringers, under the conductorship of Mr. A. P. Knights, rang on the belis of the ancient Church of St. James, a peal of Bob Major ( 5,024 clanges) in 3 liss. 10 mins.

After a public tea in the schoolroom, adjoumment was mate to the Oakes Park, where exhibitions of dancing were given by the scholars of Forton and Greenhill Schools, other games and sports were indulged in, and comnunity singing, concluting with the National Anthem, brought to a close a ved-letter atay in the anuals of Norlon Church history.
How rarely such occasions can have offered is revealed by the fret that the span of years from 1763 to 1929 has been covered by fout incumbents only. Speaking of long tenure of office, it is interesting to note that the people's warden, Mr. Ernest Hunstone, has serwed jir this capacity for 32 continuous years, the recent doath of the parish clerk; Mr. J. Shaw, leuminated '40 years' service, while the learter of the ringers, $\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Wm}$. Biggin, has completed 50 yearg of serviee fs a ringer at this ehurel.
Norton Church was built ahout 1180 by Robert FitaRanulpla, the founder of Beauchicf Abbey (nearby), and up to the time of the Reformation was served by the Canons of Beauchief.
Its parish registers commence with the year 1559, the first yoar of the reign of Queen Elizabeth. Originally ihe tower leld six bells orly, hut in 1896 these were recast by Taylor's, of Lougliborough, and opportunity was taken to bring the peal up to eight in mamber, the tenor being 154 ewt. The ringers at this church are also skited exponents in handbell ringing.

## AMONG ESSEX TOWERS

The Foxearth singers, augmented hy friends from Glemsford anil Long Meltard, had a short ringing tour, arranged hv Mr. Evans with his usual organising ability. Great Tey was the first hait, and his nice peal of eight were soon going to Tueble Bob and appreciated by all at Kelvedon. Mr. Elliot met the ringers, and a treat on these heavy six was essayed. The heavy end man of the party, Mr.' T . Slater, found no oppasition for the tenor, and be just revelled in it. After a tatich or two, the party made for the fectory, where, as guests of the Rev. and Mus. Groft, tea was partaked of. Feering was The next tower visited, and liere the party had the pleasure of meetims and ringing with Mr. W. Keehle. A pull at Earls Colne terminated the ringing part of the programme. The thanks of the party are aue to all those who helped to make Wle twip successful by having bells ready for ringing, and especially are they indebted to the Rev. and Mrs. Croft, of Kelvedon, for their kindness in providing tea.

## HASTINGS RINGERS' TRIP TO ROCHESTER

Oit Saturday, June 29th, the bellringerg, memberg fond iriends af the Borough Cliurch of Hastings assembled for their anaual outing. The bells of St. Clement's were rung, and the company, numbering forty, left in the 'Village Belle' motor coacles shortly after 8.30 a.m. for Rocbester. Passing through Cranbrook, the party arrived at Maidstone well on time. Hero a very enjoyable time was spent for about an hour in boating on the Merlway. The company then made their way to zochester, which was reached after a glowious liour's rum. Sone of the party visited the Castlo ruins, whint the ringors made their way to the Catlodral, where thoy lramped up the old steps under the onk beams supporting the roof, aud arrived in fhe ringing room. Here at one o'clock they cang the Cathedral bells. tho Dean laving kindly granted permission. Leaving Rochester at 3.30, they made their way to Tunhridge Wells, wher'e tea was partaken of, and, later, they proceeded to Colemans Fatch, where they were welcomer hy their late Rector (Rev. H. B. Foyster). The Rector conducted a pnrly over the Vicarage and surroundinge, and
during this time the ringerg enjoyed a fine wing on this qery light during this time the ringers enjoyer a fine wing on this qery light peal. Hastings was reached at 11.15 , after a brief stop at Dekfield. abovennentioned towers and any others who helped them to enjoy a splendid day.

## MEMORIAL TOUCHES.

Af St. Peter's Church, South Croydon, on Sunday, July 14th, for evensolıg, 1,157 Stedman Gaters in 47 mins.: D. Wright (condretor')
1, E. J. Trimmer 2, A. J. Trappitt 3, W. J. Joiner 4. W. Butpitu 5. W. S. Smith 6, A. W. Clarke 7, F. Deuham 8, F. E. ColEins 9, R. F. Dove 10. Rung to mark the anmiversary of the fatal accident to In commemoration of those who foll in the
In commemoration of those who fell in the Great war, nurd espocinally of the mon of the local batialion who wore killeal in the Battle of Somme, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples ( 1,260 changes) was rung al Handsworth, Stiefield, on July 1st by: F. Cardwell Miss E. Hopkin 2. Miss N. Gawthorne 3, I. Garth 4, T. C. Taylor F. Trylor 6, F. Watkinson (confluctor) 7 , A. Pashley 8 .

## NOTICES.

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LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Boiton Branch. The next meeting will be held at Newchurch, near Warrington, on Saturday, July 27th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m. Business: Nominations for vicepresident, treasurer, secretary and Central Council representatives. The Bolton Borough Police have placed their bowling green at the disposal of ringers and their friends on Saturday, Aug. roth. Usual arrangements. Names, please, by Aug. 6th. - Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., 203 Devonshire Road, Bolton

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION (N. \& E. District) AND HERTFORD ASSOCIATION (St. Albans District).-Joint meeting at Hadley, July 27 th. Bells from 3 p.m. Short service 5 p.m. Tea at $5 \cdot 30$. Barnct bells available during evening. Members and friends of both associations are cordially invited.-C. T. Coles, 21, Vincent Road, E.4; Wm. Nasiı, North Minms, Hatfield.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. - Elloe Deaneries Branch.-The quarterly meeting of the above will be held at Surfleet ( $y$ o bells) on Saturday, July 27 th. Service at 3.30 p.m. Tea at 4.30 . Business meting afterwards. - Gco. Ladd, Hon. Sec., Church Street, Pinchbeck, Spalding.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-A joint meeting of the Elloe Deaneries and Eastern Branches will be held at Surfleet ( 10 bells) on Saturday, July 27 th. Service at 3.30. Tea at 4.30.-Geo. Ladd, Pinchbeck.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Marshland Branch.-A meeting of this branch will be held at Marham on Saturday, July 27th. Tower open at 2 o'clock. Tea, 15. 6 d . each to members and friends.-W. G. Cross, Hon. Sec., 16, St. James' Road, King's Lynn.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Bath Branch. - The next meeting will be held at Bathampton on Saturday, July 27th. Bells (6) 3.30. Service 4-30. Tea to follow.--Theo. Grant, Hon. Sec., Swainswick, Bath.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis-trict-A bye-meeting will be held at Sturry, where the six bells have recently been rehung, on Saturday, July 27 th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. lea at 5 p.m.-P. W. Smith, Hon. Sec.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Lewisham Dis-trict.-The quarterly meeting will be held at SS. Peter and Paul, Shoreham, on Saturday, July 27th. Bells available at 3 pm . Service at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea and business meeting to follow. Tea at Ye Olde George Inn at is. 4d. per head. Half fares up to 25 . paid at this meeting.-A. G. Hill, Hon. Dis. Sec., 53, Hengist Road, Erith, Kent.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North-Eastern Division. A meeting will be held at Ardleigh on Saturday, July 27tli (by kind invitation of W. E. Neuth, Esq, and the (icar). Service at 4.30 . Ten at $5 \cdot 15$ p.m. - R. W. Stannard, 12,1 reton Road, Colchester.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District.-A meeting will be held at Clifton on Saturday, July 27 th. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Also Henlow, if able to arrange. Tea at 5. All ringers welcome. A grood company is requested.-C. J. Ball, Dis. Sec., 2, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Derby and Chesterfield Districts.-A joint meeting of the above will be held at Crich, Derbyshire, on Saturday, July $27^{\text {th }}$. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. Business meeting it the belfry at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. A good attendance is hoped for. All ringers and friends welcome. Tea may be obtained in the village.-Geo. Freebrey, 8I, Roe Street, Derby, John P. Tarlton, 16, Bright Sereet, North Wingfield, Local Secs.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Taunton Deanery Branch. - A meeting will be held at North Curry on Saturday, July 27th. Service 4.30 . Teiz and business after.-P. Merson, Bishop's Hull.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.--Portsmouth District. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Bramshott on Saturday, July ${ }_{2} 7^{\text {th }}$. Bells (6) available $2 \cdot 30$. Service at $4 \cdot 30$. Tea (by kind invitation) in the adjoining grounds. All ringers heartily wel-comed.-F. W. Rogers, Hon. Sec., 52, Samuel Road. Portsmouth.

KENT COLINTY ASSOCIATION. - Rochester Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Newington on Saturday, July 27 th. Tower opened at 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m., followed by tea (by kind invitation) and business meeting afterwards.-Stanley J. T. Shellock, Hon. Dis. Sec.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Marlborough Branch.-The next meeting of the branch will be held on Saturday, July 27 th, at Preshute, half-mite from Marlborough. Ringers requiring tea kindly notify the secre-tary.-Cyril Hussey, Hon. Sec., East Leaze, Baydon, Marlborough.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Farnham Dis-trict.-IMPORTANT NOTICE. The meeting, adverlised for Saturday next, July 27 th, at Farnborough, will now be held at Aldershot. Sickness temporarily prevents ringing at Farnborough.-C. W. Denyer, Hon. Sec.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Hunts District. -A meeting will be held at Great Staughton on Saturday, July 27 th. Tea at 4.45 p.m. Service 6.30 . - C. Fields, Dis. Sec., High Street, St. Neots.

DURHAM \& NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-ClATION.-The Summer meeting will be held at Darling. ton on Saturday, July 27 th. The bells of St. Cuthbert's, St. John's and Holy Trinity will be available after 2.30 . No committee meeting Tea (is. 3d. per head) at 445 at Hunter's Café, Prebend Row.-Geo. S. Taylor, Sec.

## 49, St. Leonard Street, Sunderland.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Rochdale Branch. -A meeting will be held at Shore on Saturday, July 27 th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. -Wm. Horan, Branch Secretary, 2, Greenhirst Hey Todmorden.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch. - The next monthly practice has been arranged at Lane End, near Higll Wycombe ( 6 bells), on Saturday, July 27 th, at 4 p.m. Tea, at is. 3d. per head, at 5-30 p.m. - A. D. Barker, Canbridge, Wexham. Slough.

LEEDS \& DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meetfing will be held at Calverley, on Saturday, July 27 th. l'ells available at 3 p.m. Tea can be obtained near the church. Buses leave Leeds every hour and 40 minutes past each hour.-H. Lofthouse, Hon. Sec., 8, Wortley Road, Armley, Leeds.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. - Annual meeting will be held at Bebington on Saturday, July 27th. Service 4 p.m., followed by meeting and tea.-Edward W. Elwell, Sec., Capenhurst.

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RUARDEAN, GI.OS.-The dedication of the 8 bells ( 1 recast, 1 replaced and the other 6 rehung lyy Messrs. Gillett and Johnston) will take place on Thursday, Aug. 1 st , at 6.30 p.m. Ail ringers welcome.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch. The annual meeting of the above branch will be held at Chorley Parish Church on Saturday, Aug. 3rd. Bells available at both the Parish and St. Mary's (R.C.) Churches from 2.30. Tea, is. 6d. a head, to all who notify me not later than Wednesday, July 3 ist. A good attendance is earnestly requested. - Fred Rigby, Hon. Sec, 8 , Carrington Road, Chorley.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Devizes Branch. The monthly meeting will be held at Keevil on Saturraty, Aug. 3 rd. Bells (6) ready at 3 p.m. Guild service 4.40. Tea 5. Short business meeting follows tea. Steeple Ashton bells ( 6 ) also available from 6 p.m. All ringers welcome. - F. Green, Branch Sec., 53, Avon [Road, Devizes.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION,-The next meeting of the Bedford District will be held at Elstow on Aug, 3rd. Bells (6) available 2.45 p.m. Tea at さ.-J. T. Newington, Dis. See., $3^{2}$. Grafton Road, Bedford.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Hereford District. - A quarterly meeting of the district will be held at Euyas Harold on Saturday, Aug. 3rd. Bells (6) available 3.30 to 8.30. Service 5 p.m. Tea $5.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Please notify me not later than July 2gth.-A. Gwynne, Dis. Sce., Deanery Cottage, Castle Street, Hereford

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch.

 A ringing day will be held at Milnrow, on Saturday, Aug. 3rd. These bells, which have just been re-hung in a thew frame, on ball beariugs, will be available from 3 p.m. Tea will be provided at a reasonable charge for all those who send in their names to Mr. J. H. C. Massey, 40, Buckley Hill Lane, Milntow, not later than Wed., July 3 rst. - Wm. Horan. Tranch Sec., 2, Glen\#irst Hev, Todmorden.
## PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Peter-

 horough Branch. - The annual meeting of the above hranch will be held at Peterborough on Monday, Aug. 5th. Service in St. John's Church at 4 p.m. Tea, 5 o'clock, at Woodcock Café. Business meeting after?ards. The bells of St. John's, St. Mary's and Wood-ston will be available during the day. Tea will only be provided for those who let me know by Tuesday, July 3oth.-W. H. Waldron, Hon. Sec., 137, Scotney Street, Peterborough.

NORFOLK GUILD.-General meeting will be held at North Elmham on Bank Holiday, Monday, Aug. 5th. The ring of bells at the Parish Church (8) will be available. Dinner at the George and Dragon (2s. 6d. per head) at i. 30 p.m., followed by the business meeting. Members requiring dinner please notify the secretary not later than Thursday, Aug. ist. - Arthur L. Coleman, Sec. High Croft, North Walsham, Norfolk.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-Next meeting will be held at Wortley, Bank Holiday Monday Aug. 5th. Will intending visitors please notify Mr. Ed Booth, Wortley Arms Hotel, Wortley, near Sheffield for tea before Aug. ist. All visitors will be welcome.R. Harrison, Hon. Sec.

TIDESWELL, DERBYSHIRE.-Ringers' opening on Monday, Aug. $5^{\text {th }}$, of the restored and augmented ring of eight by Taylor. Bells available io a.m., short service $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Those requiring tea must notify Mr. G. Chapman, Belmont House, Tideswell, near Buxton, by Thursday, Aug. ist.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-A generai meeting will be held at Bridgnorth on Monday, Aug. 5 th (Bank Holiday). Ringing at St. Leonard's (8) and St. Mary's (6) from 2 to $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service at St. Leonard's p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m. at the King's Head (free to Guidd members, non-members is. 6cl.). Those requiring tea please write by Aug. ist to Mr. I-I. O. Baker, Hon. Dis. Sec., 14, Whitburn Street, Bridgnorth.-H. S. T Richardson, Hon. Sec.

JOINT MEE'TING of the Middlesex County Associa tion (South and West District) and the Guildford Diocesan Guild (Chertsey District) will be held at Sunbury-on Thames on Saturday, Aug. Ioth. Ringing from 3 p.m. Will those requiring teas send card to 29 , Duke Roakl W. 4 , not later than Thursday, the 7 th? Wm. W. Hollier 29, Duke Road, W.4, H. Hancock, 3, Chobhan Roarl, Ottershaw, Chertsey, Hon. District Secs.

LANCASHJRE ASSOCIATION. - Liverpool Branch -A meeting will be held at Hale on Saturday, Aug. 1oth. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service 5 p. ni. Tea, is. each can be arranged for all those who notify me before Tues day, Aug. 6th. Jast chance for paying annual subscrip tions for current year: Business: Election of brancl secretary and committee representatives.-Claude ] Davies, Branch Sec., Caerieon, Dunbabin Road, Waver tree.

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A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANEES;
Carter's Irregular Ten-part.
Albert Stowell ... ...Tyrble
Alfred E. Reeves
 Fhed Lambetb ...
. ... ... 4 William Knight Cent Pansey ... ... ......$\quad 4 \quad$ †Victor R. Raymond Swift Tenoy Conducted by Arthor Pringe.

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..Tyeble
Jack Bray.. .6 Frank Lorb... Bernard Gillatt ... ... 4 A. W. Hoodless ... ... ....Tekof Composed by J. R. Pritchard. Conducted by A. W. Hoomless.

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Tenor int cwt. in G.
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Miss Norl Cawthorne ... 2 "Нbzekiah Thorpe ... ... 6 Artadr S Robinson... ... 3 "Ernest A. Tgorpg ... ... 7 Walter Bingham ... ... 4 Agteur Pashley ... ....Tehay
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Robert Anderson ... 2 |Henry B. Taylor ... $\begin{array}{ll}\text { … } & 5 \\ \cdots & 6\end{array}$ John Anderson ...... -Kennetb A. Nicholson ... 4 Adam Deas... ......

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$\qquad$
Ghorge R, Pye jogn T. Kentish Charles W. Robert Cecil W. Pipe

This peal was arranged for the ringer of the 4th, on a visit to London from Durham. He was elected a member prior to starting. ROMFORD, ESSEX.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tuesday, July 23, 1929, in Two Howrs and Fifty Minwtes, At tar Cegrch of St. Edward,
 Tenor 15 civt.

Willian H. Johnson... ...Tyeble Ernest J. Botlerr ... ... 5 Alfred Prior ... ... ... 2 James E. Davis ... | Grorger R. Pye | ... | $\ldots .$. | .. | 3 | Charles W. Roberts | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| James Bennety | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 4 | Edward P. Ddfrield | ...$T$ hor | Composed and Conducted by C. W. Romerrs.

The rimger of the treble is from Durbam. COMPTON GIFFORD, PLYMOUTE.
On Tuesday, July 23, 1929, in Thete Hows and Three Minutes, At Emmanuel Cburca.

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGEB;

Holy's Ten-part.

- Robert W. Pugsley

Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 12 Jb . in E fat
...Treble Rriest W. Marsh ... ... 2 John O. Pook ... ... ... 6


Conducted by E. W. Marse.

* First peal. hung as a farewell to the Vicar (the Rev. A. C. Champion, who is lesving to take the living of Christ Church, Olifton, Bristol.

NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHTRE.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOGESAN GULLD.
On Wednesday, July 2t, 1929, in Thvee Houys and Four Minutes,
At the Cedrce of St. Nicolas,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

 Parker's Twbluz-part.-Hargy Aingley... ... ...Treble †Wazter Liater
*Capt. William Liater, c.a. 2 Frederich S. Bayley :.. 3 Wileiam Linter ... ... 4

D Cecil Wieliam....
D. Czcil Williams... 5
6 Wileiam Linter ... $\quad$.... 7 Conducted by D. Cecil Wireiams, F.R.C.O.

* First peal. $\dagger$ Eirst peal of Triples. Rung to celebrate the jubilee of the Guild. After the peal the band were eatertained to ten by Capt. Linter on the lawn at the Fleming Arms.
KNIGHTON, RADE.-At St. Edward's Church on Wedresday, Jume 19th, \& quarler-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1,260 changes) in 42 minates : W. 'T. Gough 1, W. J. Beniams 2, T. F. Preece 3, E. W. Watkins 4, J. J. Prico 5, G. Ct Abley 6, F. Evans (conductor) 7, R. H. Wellings 8 . BUSHEY HEATH, HERTS.-On Monday, June 24 th, a quarter-peap of Grandsite Triples ( $1(260$ changes), ia 47 minutes: W. J. Simons (first muarter-pea] as conductor) 1, F. Ashby 2, \&. Hoare 3, C, Cook 4, J. Rootes 5, F. Edwards 6, A. Deamer 7, H. J. Cochran' 8

BUSEEY, HERTFORDSHIRF.
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. (Late the St, James' Society.)
On Si. Jantes Day, Thursilay, July 25, 1929, in Two Kours and Fifty-Ttwo Mirktes,
At the Churce of St. James,
h PEAL OF DOUBLE MORWICH GOURT BOE MAdOR 5088 GNANEES: Tenor 13 cwt.

| S H. Romley |  | reble | James G. Dunham |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| James Bullock |  |  | James H. Shepherd |  |  |
| James Benneit |  |  | James R. Mackian |  |  |
| mes George |  | 4 | J $\quad$ m |  |  | James George ... ....... 4 James E. Davis ... ... ...Tchor

Composed by James Hont.
Canducted by James E. Davis.

Rung on the fortieth anniversary of what is believed to be the only 'James' peal previonsly l'ung, viz., Grandsire "rriples, at St. James', Clerkenwell, in 1889.

## BECKENH\&M, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, July 25, 1929, in three Hours and Fouy Minkies,
At the Church of St. George,
A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;
Walter Smith ... ... ...Treble |Oscar Gicbey ... ... ... 5
Jorn ]. Lamb ... ... ... 2 Thomas Flint ... ... ... $\quad . \quad 6$
Wilehed Hollamby ... ... 3 Percy J. Spice ... ... Wileiam Martin ... ... 4 Wicliam \}. Rawlings ...Tehor

Composed by J. W. Parker. Conducted by Walier Smith.
Peal No. 9 in C.C. 'Collection of Major and Cater Metlods.' First peal in the method by all the band.

## DEBENHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Thursday, Juby 25,1929 , in Three Hours and Two Minvies, At tee Cherch of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRIBE MAJOR, $505 E$ CHANFFB; Tenor ig ewt. 2 qr. If lb.
Wileiam J. Groom ... ...Tyeble Leslie C. Wiehtman
James Betts... ... ... .... 2 ERNEST F. Poppy... ... ${ }^{2}$... 6
Lefsif G. Brett $\quad . .$.
Ronald H, Bollen ... ... 4 Thomas W, Last ... .... Tamor Composed by Arituer Knights (Author's No. 65). Couducted by Wachiam C, Remsey.
Arranged to oblige the ringer of the 4 th, alse as a compliment to Nos. 2, 6 and 7, whose respective birthdays occur mithin a week of each atler.

## CRAYFORD, KENT

THE KENT CUUNTY ASSOCIAIION.
On Friday, July 26, 1929, in Two Hohrs and Forty-Three Minuth,
At the Chorch of St. Paglinos,
4 PEAL ©F DOUALE MORWICN COURT BOE MAJOR, 5008 CHANEEB Tenor izs cwt .
*Harry Hovero...
Edwin Barnett, sen.
Miss Freda E. Orr.

Gegrge H. Cross | Trable | John H. Chersman ..." | ... | 5 |
| :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | Thomas Groombridge | $\ldots$ | 6 |
| 3 | Hrrmert E. Audsley | $\ldots$ | 7 |

Composed and Conducted by Ceos Roberts
Tenoy Cuarles W. Roberts

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First peal of Major. This composilion, containing singles only, is the first rung in which cach working bell makes a gingle.

EARL SHILION, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIELAND COUNTIER ASSOGIATION. (Hinckley District.)
On Saturday, Tuly 27, 1929, is Two Hones and Forty-Five Minuias.
At ine Church of SS. Simon and Jode,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
PhRKER'S TWEEVE-PART.
-Hector A. Knights... ....Treble| |Ernert Riviti
Thomas K. Dracon ... .... 2 ... $\quad$ Geores A. Newton... .... 5 Alerbo Ballard $\quad . .$. Cgarles H. Webi .... .... 4 tArthor Pefg

Conducted by G. A. Newron.

* Virst peal away from the tevor, $\dagger$ First peal of Grandsire Triples. $\ddagger$ First peal. Rulgg us it birtliday compliment to Erenest Morris, hon. secretary of the M.C.A.
HATTIELD, HERTS. - Ou Monday, Jtme 3rd, in honour of the King's biphday, 1,280 Kent Trente Rob Majar in 50 mins: A. Sheqhempl, G. F. Austin 2, J. G. Dumban 3, W. Naslı 4, J. T. Kenlisla (bont diwtor) 5, L. Shopheri 6, A. J. Lawrente $\bar{F}$, Sergt. A. Jitwrence 8.


## ECKINGTON, DERBYSHIRE

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCLATION.
(Sheffirld Distrigi Society.)
On Saturday, July 27, 7929, in Three Hours and Elewen Mintes.
At the Chorch of SS. Peiter and Padl,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOE MAJOR, 5024 GHANGES; Tenor 164 cwt.
Arthor Jinights... ... ... Treble
Miss Catherine Bircgnael. 2
Miss Grace Birchnall ... 3
Percy ] Jerve
Composed by Alethor Knights. Conducted by A. P. Knighis.
PATTINGHAM, STAFFS.
GOOIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.
On Suturday, July 27, 1929, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Chad,
A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Groves' Transposition of Parker"s Twelve-part. Tenor 14 cwt .
William Saunders ... ...Trebie| Christopher Wallater ... 5 Hrrbert T. Piper ... ... 2 Francis Brotherion ... 6 Arthor Pritchard ... ... 3 Edward V. Rodenedres ... 7 Jack W. Taylor ... ... ... 4 Rohert Pichering ... ...Temot Conducted by $E$, V. Rodenhorst.
Firat peal on the bells since they wero rchung on ball benrings by Messre. Giilett and Johnston.

CROWLE, WORCESTERSHLEE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOGIATION. (Western Branch.)
On Saturday, July 27. 1929, in Two Honts and Fify-Five Mintes,
At the Chorch of St. John-the-Baftist,
A PEAL OF COURT BOB TRIPLES, 5040 GHANRES;
A. B. Carpentea's Six-part

Tenor socwt

- Thomas W. Lewis ... ...Tyeble
- Deneis R. Morris ... ... 2

Cvril Tansell.......... 3
Frank 3 Charles Camm ... ..... .7

* First peal in the methon. First in the method on the bells. PULHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORFOLK GUILD
On Saturday, July 27, 1929, in Theeo Hours and Thyou Minutes,
At the Chofeh of St, Mary Magdaeere,
A PEAL OF gUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANPES;
Tenor $133^{3}$ cwe
Grorge Howleti
...Treble
Frederick R. Borrbtt ... 2
George Mayrrs...
Cyarlbs Baker...
... 4 Ernrst Whiting ... ...Temor
Composed by Gabrizz. Lindoff. Condacted by Ernast Whating
barion gurney, somerset.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sathrday, Tuly 27, 1929, in T tuo Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,
At the Chorch of the Beeseed Virgin Mary, St. Edward,
Ki. and M., and Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 50q0 CHANGES;

Parker's Twelve part.
*Thomas Gunning ... ...Treble
James E. Lilley ... ... 2
H.

H, H. ebates ...

## Tenor 15 cwt .

. ... 3 Wilelan Givight ... 6
Conducted by Heruera Le. Leveit...

* Tirst peal. James E. Lilley was proposed a member of tho associbtion for the penl.

CHEPSTOW, MONMOUTHSHIRE
LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOGATION
On Saturday, July 27, 1929, in Three Hours and Fifteon Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BOB MASOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor al cwt.


## SIX BELL PEALS

MARCHAM, BERKS
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GULLD
On Saturday, July 73, 7929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Mary and All Saints,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5440 CHANGES;
Tenor 10 cmt .
Jack Honey
... ...Tyeble "Hapry Snbll
-Nelson Sargent ... ... 2 "Willtam Cedrca ... ... 4
Jorn Nobes ... ... ... 3 †Edmdnd A. Passam ... .... Tamaz
Conducted by Joun Nobes.

* First peal. + First peal of Doubles. First peal on the bells. WOOLHOPE, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOGESAN GUTLD.
On Saturday, July 20, 1929, in Thee Howrs and One Minute
At the Cadreh of St. George,


## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 of Plain Bob and 18 Spliced 240 's of Grandsire. Tenor 15 cwt.
William G. T. Barrett Treble Geoffrey W, Tayson ... $\ddagger$
 Conducted by J. P. Hyert

* First peal. Rung on the festival of St. Margaret. The ringers vepresent six different towers. This was the conductor's 100th peal of Doubles, and be has now rung more tower bell peals for ilie Guild then any other meraber since the Guild's inception.

> WRENTHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUחID.
On Monday, July 22, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty Minules,

## At the Chorch of St. Nicholas,

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDEE SURPRISE MINDR, $\operatorname{G040}$ CHANGES

Being seven 720's.
Gborge Leb...
Tony R. Price


Edgar Bailey

Ronald H. Bollen... Algrit J. L. Naunton ... 5 Francis W. Naunton ...Tenor Conducted by Frangis W. Natnton.

* 50th peal. Specially arranged for the ringer of the 4 th, who has now rung Cambridge on all numbers from 6 to 12 bells.

BARLEY, HERTS
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, July 23, 1929, in Two Howrs and Forty-Six Minutes,
At the Church of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Arranged for the ringer of 5th, who hails from Minchinbanpton. Glos.

## BICKLR, JINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LTNCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sunday, July 27, 1929, in Truo Hours and Thiviy-Nine Minutes, At fer Chorch of St. Swithin,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGES:

Consisting of seven diferent 720's.
Tenor 82 cwt
ishac Binnett ... ... ...Treble Albert H, Bennett... ... 4 Frederick W. Bennett, sen. 2 Frank Bdrgess ... ... ... 5 Stanery E. Bennett ... 3 Thomas Wise .. ... ...Temay Conducted by Thomas Wise.
First peal on the belis since they were rehung. Ringers of treble, thin and tenor hail from Northampton, and werc elected members of the Guila previous to starting. Messrs. Taylor ere to be complimented upou the perfect 'go' of the bells.

## TIMSBURE, SOMERSET

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, July 23. 1929, in Two Hours and Thivty-Two Minutes,
At the Parish Church of St. Mary.

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being I4 six-scores of Old Doubles, 8 six-scores of Bob Doubles, 20 six-scores of Grandsire Doubles. 'Cenor 12 cwt .
 Conducted by R. Tgomas Clark.

* First peal in three methods. Rung as a compliment to Mr. F. J. L. Brown, a member of the local band, whose wedding took place好at day.


## REDGRAVE <br> THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Thuvsday. July 25, 1929, in Two Hours and Foyty-Five Minutes, At the Chdrce of St. Botolph,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 GHANGES; Being seven 720's, each called differently.

Tenor 10 cwt .
Grorge Land ... ... ...Tredle Nolan Golden
Alphede J. Berry

| $\cdots$ | $\ldots$. | reble | Nolan Golden |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | $z$ | David Whiting |

Raymond Grant..

## Conducted by W. Stbggall

The ringers of the troble and 3rd belis were made members of the Sufolk Guild.

## MALDON, ESSEX

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, July 27, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minntes,
At the Church of St. Marv,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BDE MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;
Being 720 Woodbine and two 720 's each of Cambridge Surprise, Kent and Oxford. Tenor 13 cwt.
H. J. Mansfiecd.

|  | $\ldots 2$ |
| :---: | :---: |

W. Butcer
..... .4
A. Sodth
F. Chalk
.
...
W. H. P. Mellin ... ... 3 E. W. Bright
... ...Tenor
Conducted by E. W. Lright.
Ringers of 3id, 4 til and tenor are from Witham. Mr. H. J. Mansfleli has now rugg a peal on each bell in this tower.

WEST DERBY, LIVERPOOZ.
THE LAFCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, July 27, 1929, it Thee Hours and Eleven Winutes,
At tue Chorce of St. James.

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES:

Being 720 of 'Cambridge Surpuise and two 720's each of Oxford and Eent Treble Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 16 cwt .

- Artuor Hancock ... ...Treble
* Frrderick Woodward

Trable
-John Brown
-
George Hodghion … 3 Habry Hancock ... Conducted by H. Lodrin,
First peal. Rung as a welcome to all the Scouts attending the world jamborec, and also as a tribute to Majon-General BadenPowell.
'ODDS \& ENDS OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES'
Being mainly an explanation of the nature and working of the $Q$ sets in ordinary ringing phraseology, with one or two other matters.

Post free, $1 / \mathbf{3}$, front
REv. C. D. P. DAVIES, KEMERTON, TEWKESBURY

## NORTH WEALD, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday. July 27, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifity Minutes.
At the Chorch of Sr. Anderw,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 GHANGES;
42 six-scores with ten different callings. Tenor 14 cwt.

- Phillip H. Avey ... ...Treble William Tebobald... ... 4
†Harry King $. . . \quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 2$ John Motie...
- Alered Prior ... ... ... 3 .Robert Molton ... ...Tency

Conducted by Alfred Prior.

* First peal of Doubles. $\dagger$ First peal.


## LYONSHALL, HEREFORDSHIAE.

THE HEREFORD DIOGESAN GULLD
On Surday, July 28, 1929, in Two Hours ard Filty-One Minnes,

## At the Caurce of St. Michael and All Angels

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5050 CHANEES;
Being eight $320^{\prime}$ s of Plain Bob, twelve Canterbury Pleasure, ten Grandsile, and six 240's of Pitman's arrangement. Tenor 12 ewt.
 -Henry T. Ceandler ... 3 Roberi G. Fletceer ...Temly Conducted by W. Evans.

* First peal in three methods. Rung in honour of the Fing's recovery. J. P. Hyett now holds the record for the above Guild, haying rung more peals than any other member.


## handbell peal.

NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.
'FHF DURFAM AND NEWCASTLF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Thursday, July 25. 1929, in Two Haurs and Twewty-Two Minter, At the Chirf Fire Station, Westgate Road.
A PEAL OF BOB MASOR, 5040 OHANGES;
Tedor size 15 in E .

| John And | 1-2 | Wicilam J. Davidson | 5-6 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Wilimam H. Barber | 3-4 | Roberi Asderson | - 7-8 |
| Composed by H. Johnson. |  | Conducted by W. H. | BER. |

First peal on handbells by all except the conductor.

## FIELD OPERATIONS IN E BERKS AND S. BUCKS

The E. Q. stafis of the 'Red 'and 'Blue' forces met whilst detraining, en route for their respective hattle fronts on Saturday. The position to be stormed by the 'Reds' contl be seen in the distance, strongly fortified with timber, ancl the Red O.G. wis left, with wishe日 for success and a hope to see him later. The 'Blue' O.C. (depnty) proceeded alono to his field of operations (Lane End), where he was joiced by three others (one mon-combatnat). The remainder of the H.Q. staff arrived in tho next 'trak,' having mado a detour to inspect the Q.M. stores. Fortunatefy, some zeinforcenents arrived from the narth, in the shape of Messrs. C. D. Potter and R. J. Ricketts, the last-named generously 'providing the rations,' Messrs. J. Jvans and F. West (with hiş 'infernal machine') afso helped to swell the ranks, Ringing in varinus methods wis enjoyed, including a little 'spliced,' and some of the local lalent scored in a 360 of Plain Bob. The return journey was samowhat aimilar to the arrival, i.e., by devious ways to the rilhcad, where the Blue O.C. met the discomfited ' Redis,' who bad been soundly frounced by St. Clement's. As usual, the poor privates were blamed by the O.C. (non-commis sioned) for ' not bolding their position.'
The next practice meeting for East Berks and Soutla Bucks Branch should bo on 4 ugust 24th at Warfield. Peal arrangers please gole.

## GLODWICK RINGER'S JUBILEE.

Mr. Albert Clegg, who for fifty years has been a ringer at St. Mark's Church, Glodwick, Lancs, has been presented with a beauliful timepiece and an ebony walking stick, bath suitably inscribed, by his many friends as a mark of appreciation for his long and devned sorvices, The Vicar of St. Mark's, the Rep. W. Sellare, made the presentation, and referred to $\mathrm{Mr}^{\text {r }}$. Clegg's great regularity and punctuality during his 50 years service, a vecord of which Mr. Clegg sould fael proud.
Mr. Clegg suitably responded, and other members of the company spoke in appreciative terms of Mr. Clegg's esteemed services as a ringer.
Tho gathering closed with prayer, after which a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was runc by a representative bedy of the Olelbam Association, conducted by Mr. Glegg: F. Rawton, Moorside, I, A. Taylor, Leestield, 2, O. Moores, Leesfield, 3, S. Goulden, Lensfield, 4, W. Barlow, Glodwick, 5, J. Lees, Oldham, 6, A. Olegg (conductor), Glodwick, 7, J. Clegg, Glodwick, 8.

## MAXIMUS AND MINOR RECORDS.

## 'IWO GREAE PEAL ATVITHPrSS NEXT MONDAY.

There are to be two attompls for recurd peals on Mondhy-ane, tho 15,312 of Cambridge Surprise Muximus at Ashton-under-Lyne, of
 an twelve luells.
The pregend Maximus reedr, 12,240 Kent T'yeble Bob, was made at
 lanw, howovet, ben two longet lenglis on twelve bells, vix., 12,675 SEedman Cinques at Southwark Cathedral in 9 brs. 47 mins. in 1923, and 13,001 Grandsire Ciuques in 8 lars. 45 mius. at Paiuswick in 1920. '1he previous longest lengits ou twelve bells' had been 11,111 Sted mans Cingues at Birminghams in 1901, and 10,224 Fent r'reble Bob Misximus at Tainswiek in 1833.
'Ihe peal next Monday is to be the Rev. H. Law James' 29 courses, and will start at about 8 a.m. The band is comprised of Messes. W. Yye. G. R. एye, O. T. Coles, J. licunett and C. W. Roberts (all of London district), J. "t. Dyke (Chilcomptan), E. P. Duffield (Coichesthr), A. E. Reeves (Buistal), G. Linhoff (Dutalin), E. Jenkins (Warrington), 'T', B. Worsley (Butam), and J. F. Riding (Crewe). The party mod at Asliton on Sumata, and ring for serviog at 5 p.m. Ashton-atader-Late henot is 25 ewt
Thle gecond attempt for is record is to be made at St. Mary's Glureth, Rickinghal] Superiox, Sulfolk, where, starting about 10 a.m., a hand of surfolk Guild members will attempt to ring 16,560 of Minotw The lenor the this chuteh is 10 ewt.
The existing six-bell record was made at Watli-on-Dearne as long ngo ng Johruary 27th, 1816, when was rung the following 21 peals, viz.: JVening Dolight, Evening Star, Cleapside, Oambridge, Sym plony, Boh Roya], Morning Exercise, Mornivg Star, Morning Plensutg, Primrase, Tulip, College tr'reble, College elleasure, London Scholnrs, Oxford Troble, St. Ann's Delight, Navigation Bob, Violet, Dukt of Tork, City Delight, Rodney's Victory, making in all 15,120 changes, which were brought womd in a grand fud masterly style in vighl lours nuld 27 minutes without a man quiting his rope.'
Good wishes for sucecss will attond the efforts of both companies next Monday.

## SHEFFIELD CATHEDRAL RINGERS VISIT LOUGHBOROUGH

Reocmily the mombera of the Slueflietd Cathedival company had Hhair mantal ollting to Louglaborough at the kind invitation of Mr Calis Tinarison, of the firm of Messrs, John Taylor and Co., and a late mumber of the Sheffeld Cathedral company. As the main object was in sec and gniher as tutuch knowledge as possible counected with tha manufacture of bells, an carly start was made with a viow to ronching Messrs. Taylor auri Co.'s renowned foundry whilst the work wrs in full swing. This boing accomplished, the pratty wer warmly wricumed on arrival by Messis. Harrison and Fider, who immedialely took tharge of and conducted the party round the exteusive works, mal minutely explained the many intricacies and proeesses entriled in the nasting and hanging of a modem peal of bells.

Surprise was expressed at the large ensemble of the firm, full intrest heing maintained right up to 'knocking of' time. Among the mumbrous peals of bells to lie seon in the course of completion, special intorest was taken in a large carillon temporarily erected in being given by the lims representative.

Afterwnels $n$ visit was mate to the bell bower, where toweles of Liltle Boln Toyal, Gramdire ami Stedman Caters were imataged in.
 peal, wo momher at least being completely' bell lieked,' but after a fecler quite ereditable ringing was done, and the visitors were able to enjoy ilo novelty
An aldonannent was then made to hear the carillon erected in the mulice war menorial tower, where the assistant carillonmeur very kindly grvo an exhahition for the party's special beneftit.

Dinume laving ben served at the King's Hend Fotel, the whole porty had a iclightful walk to the village of Stanford-on-Soar, where the peal of cight had been kindly phacer at their disposal. Thuches
 an of grasgy hank in fle glorions sumshine, critisising the work of those witian.
A rolurn was mato by molor his to Loughborough, when a visit was paid to the famotis peal of ton al the Parish Church, the that emald thel was a delight to henr, whilst the handing was all At die
 to whom the party was totally indebted far the inception of the visil num the priviloges conferm, was wamly thanked for all that lo hat dont to cusure a stuceessful day, the whole party expressing pleasure at all they had seen and heard. The remainder of the time wats devoted to handbell ringing on the lawn, and further fouches cun thas Foantry twis, whelin lirought to a close one of the most chjoyuble aud hiteresting outings instituted by the Sheffeld Cathedral

## THE Q.SET PRORLEM EXPLAINED

 AN ENLIGHT'ENING BOOKLET'.A Fittle book, entitled 'Odds and Finds of Grandsive Triples,' has been written by the Rev. C. D. P. Dawjes, who, as many of our readers wall know, is probably the leading authority on the Grand sire method. '[ho Mr'. Devies" investigaions more than forty years ago, the Exerese owes a great deal of its knowledge of Grandsire Triples composition. His appendix to Spowdon's 'Grandsire' is not the least walunble part of that interesting and exhaustive work, and his peal compositions ate among the 'elassies' of this method. Ally thing, therefore, which comes from his pen on the sutaject of Grand sire "luples is to he weleonued, and in his newest contribution he again places the Excrcise undor an obligation
Most ringers who "dabhle' in composition have heard of Thomp sou's theory of $Q$ sets. If thoy have not heard of it, they veverthe less find themselves ty against it when they begin to compose peals, and unless they understand the principle of these $Q$ sets their way to success is, indecd, ant arduous, fund ofteu a disappointing, one Mr. Thompson was not a ringer, and he approached the subjee merely from a mathemationn's standpoint, but he proved certain facts vory conclusively. His work solyed ance for all one of the problems which had besef composers, mamely, whether a peal of Grandsive Triples could be obtained by plain leads and common bobs nnly. In a pamphlet, which he published in the year 1886, Mr Thompson proved the impossihility of the task.

There are probably fow yingers of to-day who have had tho oppor tunity of studying Mr. Thompson's pamphlet; their closest acquain ance with it is through the review in the pages of 'Grandsire.' The IRev. C. D. P. Davies now brings this vital theory, worked out by Mr. Thompson, into a practioal relationship witl composition as applied to the Grandsive method. This bo does with a elarity which will elable alyone, with a desire to study the subject, to grasp with comparative ease the impartant primoiples which underlie what to many ringers is a term fall of mystery- $Q$ sets.
In addition to the explanation which is given ot the question of $Q$ sets, the author also contributes an interesting analysis of comm famous peals of Grandsire Triples, and has a final word to say on the subject of the different views taken by the editor of 'Grandsive and himsolf in the matiter of tho starting of the calling in the two halves of Holt's ten-part peal-a subject which created a lively dis cussion many jears ago
T'o all those who do not make the belfry door a heginning and nan ending of theit interest in ringing, 'Odds and Finds of Grandsire Triples ' will provide an interesting and an enlightening atudy is obtainable, post free ls. Jis, from Rev. C. D. P. Davies, Keme Lan, Tewkesbury.

## MEMBERS OR DELEGATES

## To the Editar

Dear Sir,-Tn view of the opinions being expressed on the abova subject, would it wat be advisable to paise and consider the unique position of the Gentral Council-a body which derives its power solely from the respect which it commands among the Exer-cise-before accepling the principle that a member lass the riglik to vote against the considered opinions of his (or her) association?
1 would reply to the Rev. C. D. P. Davies' statement this wedk that 'the Council consists, not of delegates, bui of members, hy asking how those individuals becorne memhers except by being delegated to represent their fellow-members of their respective associations?
I agree that we elect these represcatatives, having faikh in theit judgment on any question thal may arise, but, as I believe harpened originally in this controwersy, when a question has arean been discussed by ati associafion and a definite opinion formed, s that association has a right to expless that opinion throush elected represcatative, irrespective of his own personal opinion, to expect his support in the Council Chamher, the only alternat being, should he be unable to accept their views, his resignation the election of another who can conscientiously represent that
opintion.
Tlais l have found to be the invariable rule in organisations where the Council has the authority of rules binding on all federalnd hodies, and shoutd be a point of homome in our ease, where, as stated before, the Council chrries the day simply by the respe which ili conomands amond the Exereise

This respect, I fear, wil] mot he increased if we acecpt the $p$ ciples of any learliug politician for our guidaner. Ringers exist all states of political opinion, and I doubt if any praminent pont cian can be found whase Parliamentary prineples would be accepton without serious question by a greal many, gud, still further, Gouncil is in no way a nomintorart of the national Parliament whatever Fiscount Hrentford, Burke, or any pariy leader may said, the judgmeat of N. 户.s is detormined, not so much by the of their constituents ar by the mational needs, as by the party and I fear that when that atomphere peradies our Council chamb will stifle the plostige of that assemhly among ringars flaroughout the country-smely a condition which mone of us cares to enntenplate.
T. GROOMBRIDGE, JUN

## ECCLES NEW BELLS

FINE NEW RING IN LANCASHIRE CHURCE.
At a largely attended service, at which ull classos of the community werc represented, the new ring of eight bells at Eccles 1 Parish Church, Lancashire, was dedicated on July 20th. A procession was formed at the Town Hall, where the Mayor and Mayoress met the schoolchildren and proceeded to the church after laying a wreath on the cenotaph. A large number of ringers was present, and the bells were dedicated by Rev. Canon H. J. Bisee, president of the Lancashire Association. Towards the end of the service the congregation assembled in the churchyard to hear the bells, a short touch under the conductorship of Mr. J. Myles boing rung. The proceedimgs outside concluded with the hymn, 'Hark, liark, my soul!' and a verse of the National Anthem. A wreath was placed on the grave of Jr. Fiward Oldield, a ringer who bad worked hard on behale of the fund for providing the new bells.
Messrs. Taylor and Go. were the founders, and the new ring, with a tenor of 19 ewt. 3 qr .13 lb . in $\mathrm{E} \mathrm{fat}_{\text {, evoked the greatest admira- }}$ tion. A great improvement in the acousties outside the tower has been reffected by the provision of a lantern roof.
The inscriptious on the old bells have been reproduced on the new as follows:-
1.-Edward Byrom, 1768. Glory be to God on High. (Recast by J. Tnylor and Co., 1929.)
2.Ann Byrom, 1768. Serve The Lord in Fear. (Recast by J. 'I'aylor and Co., 1929.)
3.-Eleanora Byrom, 1768. Music is Medicine to the mind. (Reenst by J. Taylor and Co., 1929.)
A.-Our foices shall with joyful sound make hills and valleys echo round, 1768. (Recast by J. Taylor and Co., 1929.)
5.-Prasperity to this Church and Town of Eccles, 1768. (Recast by J. Taylor and Co., 1929.) H. N. Ross, B.D., Yicar of Ficcles. Churchwardens, F. W. Watson, S. Hesketh, F. H. Wellwaoc.
6.-To lionour both our God and King our voices ghall in consort ring. (All theso Bells, cast originally by Lester and Pack of London, in 1768 , for St. John's Cliurch, Manchester, were given to Eccles Church and recast by J. Taylor and Co., of Eaughboraugh in 1929.)
7. Ye ringers all that prize your health and happiness be sober, merry, wise and you'll the same possess, 1768 . (Recast by J. Taylor and Ca, 1929.)
8. St. John's Church, Manchester. Lester and Pack of London. FIGCIT 1768 . In wedlock bands all ye who join with hands (Continued in next column.)

## A VILLAGE'S EXAMPLE.

ANOTHER NEW PEAL OF SIX FOR SOUTH LINCS.
The opening of the church and beils of the small village of Horbling on July 16th was one of marked interest. Less than four years ago the comdition of the edifee was such that it seemed almost im. pessible to save it from ruin, but, owing to the splendia co-operation of the Reoter, the Parochial Church Council, and parishioners of Horbling, the sum of 53,800 has been raised, and this fine old edifice las been made safe for genarations to come. Tha Iorrl Bishop of Lincoln was present for the dedication service, and in his address congratulated the people of Horbling on completing such a big task-a wonderful achevement; and in rejoicing with them in their thanksgiving, he commended their untiring efforts to larger and more pretentious places.
At the conclusion of the service, a well-struck 720 of Cambridgo Surprise wus brought round by: Rev. R. Law James 1, J. P. Fidler
 son 6.
The work of recasting the peal of live bells and making them into six, together witt the provision of a now iron frame with all the latest fitinge, was entrusted with Messrs. Taylor and Go., of Laugliborough, aud they ave again to he congratulated on the splendid work they lave completed. Horbling now possesses a musical cing with a tenor of 9 cut. in $B$ flat.
On Saturday last, July 20th, the Southern Braneli of the Lineolr Diocesan Guild hek their quarberly mecting at this church, vingers being present froa Peterborough, Market Deeping, Deeping St. Nicholas, Bourne, Morton, Rippiagale, Folkingham, Doncaster, Spalding, Pinchbeck, Surfleet, Branston, Orston, I3ilinglorough and Horbling. Service wns held in the claurch, conducted by the Rector of Hopbling, and the address given by the Bishop of Grantham, who gave a very interesting uatine on the various uses of bells throughout the ages.
The tea and business meeting followed at Tateson's Cafe, at Billiugbarough, where 29 sat down

During the evening the peal of six at Billingborough, aud also the bolls at Horbling, were again mate good use of, in melbods ranging from Plain Bob to London Surgriso.

## (Gontinued from previous column.)

yaur hearts unite so shall our tuneful tongues combinc to laud the nuptial rite. Our founder's shield. Recnst 1902. The founders were represented at the dedication by Mr. J. P. Fidler. Ringing was indulged in ou the aew peal throughout the evening.


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The heayy peal of six at Heytesbury, Wilts, are to be campletely rehtug by Messs. Mears and Stainbank, who are also going to trehavg the eight bells at Brancepeth, Co. Durhan
The first peal of Grandisire Royal was rung at Painswick on August 6th, 1815.
The ringers who etteaded the rally at Neweastle-on-Tyme on hine 13th were delighted with the courses of Bob Major and Grandsire Caters and the three leads of Treble Twelve, so ably tapped on the back twelve of the carillou by Mr'. 'r. Groombidge, jun
The James's, who have for a long time been kem on a name peal, scored a success, appropriately, on tite fortieth anniversary of the frst James peal. Among the Jims was 'He of England,' and it was his 1,030th peal. We understand that he has alreaty tentatively booked St. James' Day, 1969, for the next 'family' affair.
Quex Park bells were opened on August 4 th, 1819 . This is the lightest ring of twelve in the country, and they hang in a tower in n private park.

## ONE OF THE OLDEST WHITECHAPEL RINGS.

SEDLESCOMBE BFILS TO B弓 RESTORED.
One of the aldest complete poals from the whitechapel Foundry remaining in the country is a ring of five tit Sellesoombe, Sussex The. tenor was cast by Robert Mot, in 1595, and loents his famous vircular stamp of three belk with his initials R.M. The other four bells were cast by Joseph Carter, who succeeded Rohert Mot as heark of the foundry. The fourth was aast in 1606, and bears the shiehd of Richard Brasyer, who was a founder at Norwich a hundred years enrlier. This shield has an interesting history. It is found ou many bells in Norfolk, east by Richard Brasyer and his successors during the 15th and part of the lotht conturies. Tt then disappears from Norfolk, nand in 1588 it is ased by Robert Mols. From Molt it passerl to his successor, by whom it was used from 1597 to 1609 , and by William Yare, his son-in-law, aud suecessor in a foundry at Reading, in 1610 and 1611 . In 1613 it is found at Norwich again, haing used by Wiliam Brend, a hell founder there at that time. It is worth notieing, in conmection with the relurn of this shield to its original home, that in 1614 no charter of tla founderg company wns granted One of the regalations was that every founder should put his own marlh on his articles of manufacture.
The three smallest bells at Sedlescombe were cast by Joseph Carter in 1607, it being recorded on the treble that 'Iolin Darbie and Willian Dawe gave this bell.
Serlescombe bells are now to be reliung and nilgmented to six by the Whitechapel Toundry, from which the original five belks came mote than three liundred years ago.

## INVERNESS CATHEDRAL BELLS

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir, My altention has been drawn to a parageaph in "The Rioging World " of wis 12th in which it is stated that a pisitor to Inverness "Found the bells of the Cathedral in an wery dilapidatert condition.' This is altogether an incorred and misleading statement to make. The hells were robung and sted girders partially sunstituted tor the old wooden frame as recently as 1914. and therefore There has not heen time for them to get into a very dilapidated condition, howerer badly they might have been treated. But they havo not heen hadly treated, and if they are not at present in first-class ringing order it is due to the fact that since the wav they lave not been rung
Ours is the anly peal of bells in this part of Scotland, and where there is no ringing tradition the difficulty of enlisting and training ringers in one small place is very diffenlt, as you can well inagine. That condition of affairs we ate now doing onv best to remedy, and I lave a band of young men, all of whom until recently had not seen a bell ar a bell rope, ont of whort I am trying to make rimgers. Tours failhtully,
A. A. D. MACKENZIE,

Provost of Invermess Cathedral.

## THE PEAL AT THURCASTON.

## To the Editor.

Sir,-To use the expression of a genifeman from Leicester, someone from Edmonton has broken out' over a footnote to the peal of Stedman Triples at Thurcaston, Leicestershire, on 5 naly 14th. Had I known that a footnote of this kind was to apperr after the peal, I woukd have have seen that Bishopsgate was mentioned instead of Edmonton. - Yours truly,
W. R. MADWICK

178, Groyland Toad, Lower Efmonton.
P.S.-T had greviously lived in Edmonton, Alberia, Canada. This may possibly necount for the footnote which appeared in the abovementioned peal.

## IN THE GARDEN OF ENGLAND

## (Continued from page 469.)

## TENTERDEN TOWER.

This handsonge and beautiful tower is one of a famous trio within a circuit of about 20 miles, the others being at Ashford and Lydd, which, from certain similarities both in design and size, are each thought to be work of tha same architect. Ashford tower is 120 feet higth, Lydd 132 feet, while Tenterden cames it sccond with 125 feet of massive dignity.
It is built in the Perpendicular style, and was in course of erection during the middle of the 15 th century, according to evidence from wills. In that of Rober: Cok, dated 1449 (one of the earliest Tenterden wills) there is a beruest of 5 mares ( $£ 36 \mathrm{~s} .8 \mathrm{~d}$.) to the making of the new bell tower. Henry Easteagh, by will made in 1461, gave 12 pieces of his best bimber to the work of the mew tower, whilst Thomas Petlesden gave 109 marcs ( $\$ 66$ 13s. 4d.). Numerous other parishioners geve of their goorls, time and money to the buiddag of their church and tower, and it remains a noble monument to their memory. Unlike the lest of the clareh, the


## TENTERDEN TOWER.

tower is built principally of Bethersden marble, the buttresses are of very fine propertions, and the double west doorwhy is also a rematkable fatare, the only other instance of a double dooryay in Kent being at Lydd, thus affording a prominent instance of the similarity of the two structures.
A recent work on church architecture names only four othel parishes in England having this unique feature, ane each in Wilts and Northanats, and two in Norfolk. The large west window, it js interesting to learn, was built at the cost of Thomas Cok, who, by Fis will, dated 1473, desired his executors to provide from his goods "the whole of the new Window fully glazed in the West part of the yew tower of Theuterden."
According to the Kentish historian, Edward Hasled, there was formorly $a$ moted "dropping stane' in the arch of the doorway going into the bell loft, but upon the water drying in $J u l y 1720$, where it fell underncath, the stone becnme hard end slippery. From time to time this tower has bech associated with sundry legends concerying the Goodwin sands and Sandwich Haveu. As, hawever, the sands were formed and the Haren greally decayed before the building of
this tower, it is obvious that it had nothing to do with eilher. At ath examination of the fabric made in 1891, it was found that the mortar was beyond question made with sea sand, and the joints partly filed up with sea shells. The churchwardens' accounts of 1709 show that sand and shells were imported from the neigibouring port of Rye, Sussex.
As all our teaders are sware, lotteries of every kivd are illegel at the present day, huli formerly they were not anly common but recagnised by the State. One such drawing took place as far back as the year 1567, in which the finst prize was $£ 5,000$. Each scrip sant in hed to be marked with $n$ "posies or 'motoce, and it is recorded Erlward Hales tried his fortune with the following lines, his ticket No. 40884, and his prize 1s. 2d. :--

Of many people it bath beem sayer
That Tenterden steeple, Sandwich Haven, lanth decayed."
The riew from the top is a very grand one, extending to the sea and French conse, when the Gris Nem light way been scen. It for merly liad a beacon, a sort of iron kettle holding about a gallon, and at tha time of the Armada this beacon communicated with others alt Fairlight, Sawcul, near Rye, Romney Church tower and other places. From a platform at the top of the piunacles, erected in 1864, the ordnance sturveyors could see rearly 100 churches. The tower underwent a thorough course of restoratiou and repair, and to mark the completion of such a grand work the Archbishop of Canterbury (Dr. Davidson) preached at the special service held on Jnnuary 12th, 1912.

## THE BELLS

All the bells liave been recast from time to time, and the churchwardens' accounts contain numerotis entries respecting their repair and new cesting, also of sepairs to the clock and obimes. Before the tine of these accounts we learn from the will of John Godday, dated 1471, that ine bequeathed for the purcluse of a dest hell for the bell tower of Tenterden $£ 10$.
The tenor bell weighs 30 cht . This is the same as the tenor of Canterbury Catherral, and only i little less than that of Maisstone Parish Chusch, which is stated to be the heaviest hell in Kenl31 ewt. A few items of interest eoncerring the bells may be quoter from the carly ehurelwardeus* necounts
1616.-Ttem, pd. to Goodman Warde and his man for one day amb a halfe in now hanginge of the great bell, iiss. iiiic.
1619. - Item, patie for our dynners and of Toseph Hatche, the bellfounder, when he came to seal the wrikinge, ifs. xrl.
1619.-Item, pd. unto Joseph Hatche, the Bellfornder, the 15th any

1619 of uly, for Exehanginge the secoud hell then broken, vii. 00.
1619.-Ttern, pal. for bread and beare for those that did help with the bell, xxd.
1621. Pd . unto a measenger to goe into the bellfonuder at Broonfield, xriifich.
Item, pat for my chareses at Canterbury being cited thiner about the hroken bell. rs. Od.
Ttern, ph. for the Rellfounder his expence beinge sent for ly Mr. Maior, ilis. xd.
Other eatries show that in 1628 the third bell was east at Broomfield foumdry, near Madstonc: and in $1636^{\circ}$ it was cast again, His time at Rerfen foundry near Sittingboume; while in 1671 ons of the bells was seqne to St. Mary Cray foundry to be done at a cost of ahout $£ 30$. In addition, there is a page rull of minor cxpenses, all of which are get forth in detail.
One more hell item from the accounts may be brinfly mientioned. In the yenr 1709 five 7onng men of Tenterden were concerned in bueaking the "recat bell' of Tenterden by striking it, maliathy with the idea of getting more sound out of it. Joln Brissentern heing the one who actually struck the hlow that hroke if, was ortored has the vestry to pry thinee pounds, the olliers hoing called unon to pay 10s. each, hat one of them evaded pavment, as only Et 10 s . apprars as having leen received. A rate of 8 . in the $£$ was levind in the parish to taise a fond to replace the bell, to he made in all mo spects as good as formerly ${ }^{*}$ This producerl $£ 142$ 5s. 4d., and the hell was forthwith cast in Tenterden.
The accounts for the rear 1710 contain full narticulars of the materiais nsed sum the prices, the wotk of casting being done lyy Rimhard Plselps, bellfounder, of London. To build the furnace. 10,000 irrieks enst $\mathbf{5 1 2} 55$, and after than east was finished weve solf to one of the olaturehardens, Tames Chapman, for $£ 8$. The hell founders' two principal items wore fill as per agrecmenl, and e225 19 s . for additional metal.

A fresh peal of six was placed in the tower in 1717. and it is wery unfortmale that the churcharardens' aceountg of this preriod are missing. The enrliest entries relating to the bells dates from 1614, and for the clock and chimes in 1516 . In that yoar tho relork needed $\pi$ new repeai at it cost of 7 s , while Jercmy Auslen, the Enxton and Clarke, was paid 23. for setting the Chymes grimgo.

FANBURE, WORCESTERSATRE,-On Sundar, Tuly 2lst, fot evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsirc Doubles (1,260 changes) in 50 mins., with 4-6-8 covering: J. Jaylor 1, J. Hemnuing (conductor) 2, H. Smith 3, M. Baylis 4, R. Nash 5, E. Cairns 6, J. Wathon 7, S. Cocem 8.

## LONDON'S OLDEST RINGING PEAL

BTLLS OE STM OLAVE'S, HART STREET, RESTORED.
The City of London has now gained anothor peal of eight. The old ring of six at Sit. Olave's, Hart Street, has been retumed and z'ehung, and two new trebles, which make an edmirable splice, have heon added. The work has been carried cut by Messrs. Mears and Stainbente, and it was from the Whitechapel Foundry that the old hells originally came; thr back five cast by Authony Bartlett in 1662, and the old treble (now the Jud) by James Barllett in 1694. The back sis are how the oldest peal, avalable for ringing, in the City of Lomion. She bells at St. Bartholomew-the-Great are an older peal, but rioging on then bas been forbidden.

St. Glave's ringing chamber formerly had the umpleasant distinction of being the dirticest in the city. Thanks to the efforts which huve teen made in conmection with the restoration, a complete transforthation has been eftected, and when some further improvements, thow in hand, are finished it will be quite a comfortable little ringillg chamber:
The dedication of the bells took place on Monday (St. Olave's Day), the cercunany being performed by the Lord Bishop of London. A special servioe was arianged, the dadicalory prayers being said in tha haptistery. After the Bishop's address, the ringers abtached to the tower rang the bells. The retuning has resulted in a great inprovement in the old six, and the new trebles have added to the eftect, and Messrs. Mears mad Stainbank are to be congratulated upon providing the city with an admirable right ring of efght. The Lenor is 10 owt. 3 gr . 25 lb . in $F$ sharp, and bears the names of tha charchwardens of 1662 . 'Anthony Bartlett made mee, 1662 , is inscribed on enuh of the baek five, and 'Jacobus Bartlett me fecit 1694' wh the thard. The new trebles hear the insoription: 'Mears and Stainbanle made me 1929. The gift of Alderman Sir Charles Wakelidd, Bant." On the second is added, "Tom Welland, Rector, D. O. ※err, F. H. D. Man, Churehwaudens.'

## WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD. PORI'SMOUTH DISTRICT AT BRAMSHOTT.

A vecy successful meeting was held at Bramshott an Saturday last in fine whather, about 30 ringers and friends being present from Bishop's Walthem, Blackmoor, Bramshott, Gosport, Portsmouth (St. Thomas' and St, Mary's), Shedfield, Steep, Titohfield and Rogate, also Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Pulling (Guildford).

The bells were set going shorily after 3 p.m. in various methods. A short serwee was held, at which the Rector (Rev. E. H. Polehamplenn) oftcinterl, and an excellent address was given by the Viony of Steep (Rew. Fi R. Day), which the members greatly apprecinted.

By the kindness of Bramshote friends (to whom the district is always greatly indehted), an excellent ten was provided in an adjoining garden, and as the weather was ideal, it was a most enjoyable meal. At tho business meeting which followed, the Vicar of Steep was voted to the chair.
it. Was unanimonsly derided to lold the next maceting. at Gosport menting to be held at Hambledon on September 14 th.

Gapt. A. R. W. Woods, D.S.O., R.N. (Alverstoke), who was presen at the meeting, was elected an honorary member; and W. $\mathcal{B}$. Batts (Hambledon) a ringing member.

ISefore the close of the meeting the Rector of Bramshott in a few momphe welcomed the Guidd on their visit, and also thanked those who lemaly provided the tea ant made the necessary preparations. Mr. F. W. Rogars (district secretary), on behalf of the members, thanked the Rector for his kind weloome, and also those kind friends whom he had mentioned-Messrs. E. Woods and W. H. Wright (lramshott), in the course of a fow remarks, said how delighted they were to gee their old friend, Mr. A. II. Pulling, present with tham, menfioning that he had done ycoman service for the Bramsholt vingers in the past.
thouches on handbelis were indulged in on the lawn, whilst others retumed to the tower for further ringing, which during tile day included firmalsire and Stedman Doubles, Plain Bob, Fint Treble Bob that Canbridge Surprise Minor.

## SOUTVANPTON DISTRICT

qum'tery maeting of Uw Sonthamplon District of the Winchester and Dorksmouih Diocesan Guild was held at Dibden on Saturday, sing aud Stenmur "riples, Boly and Fene Treble Bot Major Ten mal businoss mecting were lield in the Ohd School, presided over by the Rector of Dibden, the distries cliaitman, supporied by Mr. Geo. Williams (viec-pretident), Mr. G. Pullinger (general secretary), and Mussrs. J. W. Fiaithfull aud W. Audrews.
Four now manbers were elecied from Dibden, and one from Romsay. Ithe election of Cupl. W. Linter, of the Ghurch Army, St. Davils, Fxeler, whs ratilied as at compounding menber.
Hr. Pullingor proposed a rote of thanks to the Rector, Rev. G. T. Tritton, for the use of the bells and also for prosiding. The towers represented were Hrockanarst, Lyurlhurst, Eliag, Romsey, Norlh Stoneham, St. Mary's, Southampton, Rinfwood, Exeter, King's Somborne, Winchester and Dibden. 'The next meoting will he held at T!pham on Oetobet 12 h .

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

A by-meeting was leold at Appledore on July 20 th, when about 20 members and friends attended from Ashford, HyEhe, Rolvenden, Rye, Stone and Tenterden, and the locals. Ringing began at thee o'clock, and owing to the excessive boat the bells were nat fully tutilised, as the shady spots were preferable. Service was canducted by Rev. M. M. Vicker, who also gave an address. Tea was provided at the Vicarage through the kindness of the Vicax and Messrs. G. and A. Johnson, whose hospitality was much appreciated jn the cool fingle. There being no business, Mr. C. W. Player voiced the thanks of those present to the Vicar and Messrs. Johuson's for the oxcellent tea. Some strolled round the garden, while others enjoyed a game of bowls, which was abruptly ended by the great gale which brake upon them. Ringing was thea kept up till 8.15, the mefhods rung being Double Norwich, Stedman, Kent Treble Eob and Grandsine Triples.

## TONBRIDGE DISTRICT.

The summer meeting of the Tonbridge District, held at Westerham on Saturday, July 20th, was favoused by brilliant weather: A relightful old-world town, Westerham is famous as the birthplace of General Walfe. It has alsa a beautiful old church, iu which the font at which Wolfe was baptised still remains, and the register is still preserved recording the christening of the general). There is, in addition, a good peal of bells, and it was not surprising that nearly fifty ringers attended. Ringiug commenced about three o'clock, and with the interval for tha sarvice and tea was kept going in various mathods from Grandsire to Superlative. It was the members' own fault if they did not get a pull in any method they wished.
The service was conducted by the Vicar, Rev. J. A. Castle (who also gave an excellent address), while Mr. W. E. Pitman, of Canterbury, presided at the organ. An excellent tea was partaken of in the Parish Fall, and the business meeting followed, the Vicar prasiding. One new hon. memtuer (Rev. E. L. Langston, Rector of Scpenoaks) was clected. -Voles of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, for conducting the service and for presiding at the meeting were passed, and, in reply, the Vicax expressed lis great pleasure in merting the members. It was the first time since he came to Westerham that a meeting had been held there, and be hoped that another me would be beld in the near future.
Votes of thanks were also passed to Mr. Pitman for his services at the organ, and to the lacal members for making the anrangements. These laving been responded to, the members adjourned to the lower.

## ROCHESTER DISTRICT.

quarterly meeting of the Rochester District was held at Newington on July 27th, and ringers attended Fram Rochester, Chatham, Gillingham, Frindsbury, Rainham, Borden, Queenhoraugh, Giavesend, Upchurdh, Sittingbourne, 'Tunstall, Milton-next-Gravesead, York, and also the local band. Vavious mellods were rung on the bells during the afternoon, and the association form of selvice was taken by the Rector of Helstow, who very kindly deputised for the Yicar of Newington, who was away on holiday.

After the service a move was made towards the schoolroom, where a splendid tea had been provided by the generosity of the Ficar of Newingtan and the local band. The company were waited upon by the wives and friends of the local band, and full justice was done to the good things which were provicled.

The business meeting followed, and at the end hearty votes of thanlts were accorded to the Rector of Halstow, the Vicar of Newington, the local band, and the ladies who had all made the visit, which all agreed was long overdue, such a success and a very great pleasure. The tower was again visited, and tirging was induged in until ane oblock, touches, including Cambridge Surprise, being successfully brought rotud.

## BIRTHDAY BELLS AT OLD HILL, STAFFS.

On Baturday, July 20th, eight members of the Dudley and District Gaild net in the belfry of Holy Trinity Church, Old Hill, to celebrate the birthdays of two of their highly-esteemed members, Mr. Johar Price and Mr. Jert Price. They rang a cuarter-peal of Grandsire Tuples (1,26a changes) in 47 mins. : John Price 1, S. J. Hughes 2, B. Gough 3, G. Swallow 4, W. Green S, E. Shoppard B, J. Goodman, jun. (conductor) 7, G. Guest 8. The band and several otiler friends were generously entertained to tea and supper by Mr. and Mrs. John Price on their beautiful lawn, and between these two meals tunes and changes were indulged in on the handbells, also bowling on the lawn and strolling round the well-kept garden. At the supper table, Mr. S. J. Hughes, on behalf of those present, thanked Mr. and Mrs. Prjec for their genevous hospitality, at the same time extending to them best wishes for a lang life full of happiness. Mr. Price returned thanks on behnlf of bimself and Mrs. 1.nee, and said what a pleasure it had been to them to have their friends with then that day.

## BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

CARHAMPTON'S NEW BELLS
A quarterly meeting of the Dunster Deanery Branch of the Bati and Wells Diocesan Association was held at Carhampton on Saturday, July 20th. There was a representative gathering of ringers, including members fram Midverton, IIminster, Monksilver, Old Cleeve, St. Audries, Chipstable, Skilgate, Minelead, Dulyerton, Exton, Witlyponle, Wooltor Courlenay, Hilisls Champfower, Timberscomhe aud Carlamptan. Ctergy present were Revs. T. S. Dawson, Vicar, F. P. Boulton (President), A. P. Lance (Wootton Courtenay), M. D. Walker (Minehead), aud R. A. W. Newman (Withypoole).
The bells, which have recenlly been recast and relung, urere set going at three oclock, and ringing continued till 4.15. Mr. Fawles, of Mincheat, then photographed the campany in iront of the clutrel. The association form of service was conducted by Rev. H. P. Boulton. The Vicar read the lesson, and Mr. Deed, of Minehead, presided at' the organ. 'The Vienr gave an appropriate address from 11 Cor. v. $177^{\circ}$ Old things are passed away, behold all things are become now.' He reforved to the recasting of the bells. The old bells were ont of tune, and might have been retuned, but they at Carhamptou wanted no short euts, as thoy did not last. They therefore decided to make a thoroughly good job by having the bells recast, tuned, amd relung in modern and up-to-date fittings. This had been a big task for a small parish, but lisey had worked together, and a job had been done of which they were proud. Let the recasting of halls be a lesson to them, he said, as be went on to compare the re-creation of souls to the recasting of the bells.

A splendid tea was provided by the Fiear and Church Council in line Village Hall. Forty members sat down, and the Vicar presided, the helpers including Mr. Cook (churchwarden), Mrs. George CriclIrad, Mrs. Buck, Mrs. Bryant and Miss Tooze.
The president wns in the chaiv for the husiness meeting, which followed. Mr. S. Bowden (Withypoole) and Mr. G. Actams and Mr. S. Stonehnm (Skilgate) were elected members. On the invitation of Mr. Newman it was decided to hold the next meeting at Withypoole carly in Seplember.
Mr. D. C. Taylor, of Imainster, being the advisory expert, was asked to give his wiews on the bells at, Carhampton. He remarked that the bels were sweet toned and in tume, and the "go" all that nould he desired. Corbarnpton was to be congratulated on laving such a mice little ring of bells.
The Chairman proposed an yolo of thanks to the Ficar for the use of the holls, the service and atdress. Fhis was carried with applause, and lite Fical responded. He was glat to welcome the associabion to Carlampton. He wished to thank Mr. Coote and the Chureh Council for the belp they had given. Mr . Cook also replied.
Mr. Lance proposed a vote of thanks to the ladios, the organist, steeplekecpor, and lieljets, and this having heen carried by acelamatiun, Wr. Walker proposed a rote of thanks to the chairman, who suitably replied, and enlarged on the tone of the bells, which he thought was soft and mellow at a short distance.
Jhe meeting being pver, ringing continued till nine o'clock.

## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION

A meefing of the Central Division of the Şssex County Association was hed at the six-lyell tower of Hartfold, on Salurday, July 20th, dwenty-twa lacing present. The tower was open for ringing at 2.30, furd at 4.30 a short service was held in clurch, conducted by the Rector, the Rev. W. A. Beckles, who also gave a most interesting address. Thea, kimbly provided by the Rector, was afterwards served in the Anchor Hotel, and was much appreciated.
The usual business meeting followed, the Rector presiding. The following new mombers were elncterd: J. D. Manley and T. Dindman, Turner's Hilt, aml G. Struclwick, Fartfield. The elections of W. J. $G$. Brown, Ipswich, and Sidney W. Colden, Leigh, Essex, were cotsfirmed.
A hearty vote of thanks was passed to the Rector for the use of the hells, the sempice and address, also for his kind hospitality; compied with othis were thanks to the organist alul clsoir, who contribited so much to the suecess of the service
Ringing was again resumed and continued until ahont 8 p.m., when the bells were lowerch in peni.
it, is helieved the local hand has bonefited by the visit, although six-lacll towers are wat supportad as one would wish, and all present expressed their satisfaction at laving at had an enjoyable time. 'Clue following towers whre represented: Aldrington, St. Peter's and St. Nicholas (Prighton), Cumpley, East Grimsiead, Hartheld, Liudfield, and Tumers Eill, also independent members.

## WHAT IS A BFLLRINGER? <br> <br> To the Eidto

 <br> <br> To the Eidto}Sir,-The 'Daily Mirror,' in whiel a photo of Mrs. Grintwood, of Horsley Cross, Essex, recently appeared, stated in a paragraph that tha old lady, 92 years of age, had been a bellringer 62 yeats. Horsley Cross Church was iommerly so shoolroom. When licensed for divine service, now helu once a fortaight, the ald school bed of about 10 or 12 lbs., with chiming cord attached to the clapper by which it is made to somma, remaioed. Can the person whe does this be called a hellinger?
Romferd.
B. KEEBLE.

## THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL SECESSION

## To the Editar.

Dear Sir,-I am surprised to see that my friend, J. Gould, has lent his signature to a letter ohviously written by someone elso in order to fog a dead borse. If he las a gennine desire to contribute to your colunns, let it he something original, not a reitaration of what bas already appeared. For instance, he might be able to give your readerg the real reason why the Gloucester and Bristol Association saceded from the Central Council, and, on the other harrd, he might ant.
In the latter cose, may $I$, througla you, extend to him a cordial invitation to meet me at my address any time after seven ocelock in the evening of either August 7th, 8th, 9 th or 10 hh, when $I$ will show him ample evidence of it (by inumendoes if not by actual allegations), and all typewritten.

Mr. Gould, like myself, was one of those present at the founding of the St. Steplien's Guild 35 years ago. He remembers the time when Guadsire was the standard dish, and when it was a rarity for a toncli of Sterman Calers to come round. When transport was difficult and the push bike was the oaly reliable means of conveyance between Shipelampton and Bristol, Joe dici not miss many practices; but when jomprovements took place, both in transport and ft ringing our friend did not quite keep up to the level, and gradually dropped out of the ringing at St. Stephen's aliogether, althougl: still retaining membership. Rut, notwitbstanding this, I had the pleasure of calling his first (and only?) peal of Double Norwich. If anyone has to publish an necount of all the harm $T$ have done, and, I suppose, am still doine, fo Bristol ringing and ringers, I mould rafler it be an old friond like Joseplı Gould than anyoue else.
W. A. CAVE.

10, Lilymead Avemue, Knowle, Bristol.

## HERTFORD AND MINDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATIONS. <br> JOINT MEETLNG AT MONKEN HADLEY

The third "annmal ${ }^{\text {P }}$ bedween these neighbouring associations of Hertfordslite and Middlosex was held af SL. Mary"S Clumeh, Monken Hadley, on Saturday Inst, when upwards of 50 members of one ov other (or both) of the two societies met to spend a pleasnat afterman in vinging togethot. The ancien elumelt fremilt 1494\} lonkerf son) gave both nssociations a vory lienrty welcome and the congregation some somal advice. Tea was afterwards serverl, presided over by Mr. J. A. Mihe, J. P. (president, Middesex Association), who was supported by the Rector and churchwarden (Mr. Pritain) and sevoral officers of the two associntions. Mr. W. Nash (St. Albans district secretary) and Mr. B. Tarman (District Master) represented the Herls Association, whilst Messis. W. Pye (Mastert, W. Piekworth (Yice-prosidient), and C. T. Coles (aistrict secretary) represented the Middlesex Assaciation.

After tea, Mr. C. T. Coles grye the Herlfordshime visitors a very hearty welenme to wirldesex, and expressed satisfaction at the suceess of the meeting, as shown by the attendance.

Mr. Nash thenked the Middesex Association, and spoke of the fraternal feeling encouraged hy these meetings.
Mr. Mine gave a littie of the history of the Hadley bells, whing, prior to 1876, were a peal of four, lwa of them being cracked. Tn that year two were added, and the meal renained six mat 1921, when lae added twn trebles, one in memory of his faiber aut mother, and the other in memory of his only son. Caplain Alexamder Milne, Herfs Yeomanry, who was kiled in the Great War.

It may be added that Mr. Wilne was hom at Fadley some 75 years ago. Mr. Milne proposed a. loearty vole of thanks to the Rector for the use of the bolls, which was carried with applause. The Rev. G. Kichardson again expressed his measurce at meeting the two associations, and hoped they would visit Hadley again.

- Mention was madr of the regrettable absence of Mr. W. Dell, for 50 vears a ringer at Hafley, whe is in hospital after a stroke, and the Rector promised to convey in him the good wishes of nlt present. Finging inok place dturing the aflernoon and evening at Monkan Fanley, mat it the eroning at Bamet. All the standard metands were rung as well as a touch of Spliced London, Bristol, Cambridge and Superlative Surprise. It is hoped to hold next year's joinf meeting at North Mimms, Fertfordsinire. In the meantime, members of the two associations should note Algust 24 th as the date of the contbined meeting of the Esex. Herts and Middleses Associations, whicla
lins heen arcanged at Hertford, instead of at Browhourne is prehas heen arranged
visusly anounced.


## A BIRTHDAY QUARTER-PEAL

 pral of Grandsiye Triples in 48 znins. W. H. Guttaridge $1, ~ F$. Ta Leader 5, G. Barktos 6, A. Bateman 7, J. H. Cropley 8. Rung for the sixteenth birthday of the trehle man. The ronductor wishes to thank St. Mary's ringers for kindly arranging foit this quarter-peal to be rung.

## ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL RINGERS' VISIT TO NORTH SOMERSET.

On Sulurday, July 13th, the St. Paul's Cathedral corapany, with at number of friends, spent their anmual outing in North Somerset, The parly was met at Brisiol by Mr. W. A. Cave and Mr. J. IT. Dylee, and the first call was wrington, The noble ring of ten (Lenor 37 cwi.) att this church were much enjoped by everyone, The fower is one of the linest in the county, and was considered by Barry to be the linest example of Perforated Perpendicular style in the country. Its proportiong were copied by him in designing the greai Victorla tower :11. Westminster. The bells were originally a ring of aix by Thomas Bilbie, of Chewstoke. In 1845 , the tenor and trable were recast by Charles and George Mears, of Whitechapel, and in 1911 they were augmented to ten and completely rehung by the Whitechapel Foundry.

An interesting anecdote was related to Major Eiesse years ago by Tames Chidacy, ane of the old six-bell band, to the effect that when the recast tenor and treble were dedicated, the last of the Bilbie fimily came over to hear the mew tenor. It in very satisfactory to know that an miliusiastic local band rings ewery Sunday for services, and a remarkable feature is the strict puactuality of every member.

Lunch was served at the Golden Lion under the direction of Hostess Mrs. Axford, and it is worll recording that the Golden Lion is one of the most comfortable inns in the country, while Mrs. Asford's kinduess is proverbial.

After lunch, the pariy journeyed via Burrimpton Coombe and Cheddar Gorge to Wells. Burringlon Coombe was made famous by Toplady, whose liymo, 'Rock of Ages,' was inspired whilst he was taking shelter under a large overlanging rock during a stom. Cheddar forget is too well known to need comment, and cueryone wat bremonlously jmpressed by the wonderful scenery and the caves. At Walls Cabliedral, ringing an the noble peal of ten could oaly bo of shart duratian owing to a service being leld. The next stop wes Chewton Mendip, where hangs a very fine ring of eight, cast by Tlaylar in 1913. The tower prevsously containet a ring of six, tenor about 27 cwh, hy varions finmers. The six were recast into eight as the gift of Temed Walitegrave.

The bells were rung before and after ten, and as time wonld not pernit of rinmite at St. Mruy RodelyTe, Bristal, a short stop was made at Pensford for a social half hour, uffer which the party proceeded to Themple Meads Station, where they embarled for Lontion in on sperinl satoon vouch.
One frequently hears of gotnerations of ringing families, and it is interestiag to relate that at wrington the Vowles have been ringers for thome thet four generations. Hajor Hesse has actushly rung wilh four generations of the fatuily.
The best thanks of the party are due to Messis. Cave and Dyke fat ith mrangements so kentiv and elfemety made on behalf of the vistors, also to the Dean of Wells and the Rectors of Wrington and Chewton Mendip for the use of the bells.

## IN DORSET

The ringera of All Suints' Church, Caslle Cary, with their wives, had thair annual outing on July 4th. They left Castle Cary at 8.15 atin, by charabanc, with rain falling steadily, thair lirst stop being at Norton-sub-Hamdon. After ringing for balf an hour on these splendid bells and inspecting the church, also enjoying the view from the tower, the trip was contiumed, and the rain was left behind. Netherbury provided the next bells fo be rung, and thence the party proceeded to West Bay for a short walk along the sea front, the wather by khis time being beaulifully fine. The next call was at Thurton Bradstock, with a figlit penl af six. Journeying on for about two miles, and solecting a suitakle site, the party drew up on the roadsile for dinner. The lovely sucnery of this part of the Dorset coast is almoss impossiblo to deseribe. After the meal the journey wat continued thong the hills, with the sea on one side and the sun shinimg overnoud, to the list stop at Ablootshury, where is another light fing and a most interesting old church. Here, after a few touchos, the company proceeded to their destination, Weymouth, which was fenched about 4 p.m. Here the party broke up and went in various directions, roassembling at 7.30 for tha returu trip, which was made through Dorchester and Sllerborne, home being reached at 10 p.m.t after most enjoyable excursion through lowely country with nelightful scenery. Mhanks are acoorded to the ficars and aingers, whogave the cordpayy a hearly weleome at all the towers.

## GILLINGHAM FETE DISASTER

At whe Parish Church, Gilingliam, on Surday, Tuly l4tin, the bells were tung half-muficd to touches of Graudsire and Treble Bob, and on Wednestay evening, July 17 th, after the funeral of the victims of He fire disaster, a quarter-peal of Stedman I'riples (1,260 changes), as a mayk of respect: W. Haigh 1, C. Norris 2, H. Poulter 3, 太. Figgess 4, E. A. Allen 5, W. Beamont 6, F. Belsey (conduetor) 7. T:, Ficud 8. Aloo 288 Kent Treble Bob Major, with W. Easter in phac of $\mathbf{E}_{\text {, }}$ Friend. The above ringers are all members of the Rowheter Uathedral nud Gillinghan bands.

## AN EXCURSION IN SHROPSHIRE.

On Saturday, July 6th, the ringers from Lawton, tagether with several from Kidsgrove, held their annual outing. The perty numbered about 35 , inclucling fricads. About 1 p.m. a start was inade per bus for Whitchurch, which was reached in good time. Here the ringers made for the tower, where there is a ring of eight by Rudhall, tenor 20 cwt . Touches of Grandsire aud Stedman Triples and Bob Major were brought round. From Whitchush the road led to Wem, whero a substantial tea was enjoyed. Afterwards a move was made to the bolfry, where touches of Grandsire and Stedman were rung on the peal of eight, with a tenor of 14 cwt. Clive was the next tower to be visited. This was reached after a delightiul trip into the country. The church at Clive is quite a new building, bang not yet 50 years old, but it is certainly worth seeing, and it is sisuated in a position which gives a splendid view of the country for miles round. Fere there is a ring of six by Taylor temor 25 cwt . These wore scon wised and set going the the tane of Bob Minor. Touches of Kent aud Oxford Trelole Bob were brought round, and then the bells were lowered and the ringing for the day completed. The homeward joumey was made througls that well-known beauty spot, Hawkestone Park, where the scenery whs fully appreciated by everyone, And then on through Hodnet and Market Drayton. Fome was reached about 11 p.m., after a very enjoyable day. The riugers eztend their thanks to the iucumbents for the use of the bells, and to lhe local ringers who turned out to welcorne the party-

## SAFFRON WALDEN SOCIETY

The socicty's annual outing was held on Monday, July 1st, al! the members being present, with Messrs. W. and W. 'L. Prior, of Stansted, and P. Webb, of Ickleton. Leaving at 8.30 a.m1. by motor hus, the first stop was made at Dunmow, where all eajoyed ringing on the fine peal of eight, the methods being Stedman Triples, Cambridge and Jondon Surprise. The next call was made at Felsted, where the party were greatly intevested in the ald Grammar School. On visiting the church tower, Stedman Triples, Double Norwich and Cambrige Surprise were rung. Going on to Earls Colne, the visitors were met by Mr. T. Ridgwell, who was a member of the society matil his retirement from the Poliee Foree last February. An excellent loot lunch was ready at the George Fotel, and the members were very grateful to Mr. F. Ridgwell for making the arrangements. Stedman Iriples, Cambridge and Superlative Surprise were rung at the Parish Church, and then the party went on to Clachon, and spent a quiet aftermoon by the sea and listening to the band. The return journey began at 8.30 p.m., and a call was made at St. Peter's, Colchester, where on the fine peal of eight Stedman Triples, Cambridet and London Surprise were rung. Home was reached at 10.30 p.m., after a very enfoyable day. The society wishes to thank the incurcbents for the use of the bells at lowers, and the local secretavies for making all arraugements.

## ESSEX RINGERS IN SURREY

On Saturday, June 29th, the ringers of St. Mary's, Shenfidd, and St. Peter's, Soulh Weald, Essex, accompanied by a few friends, speat a most enjoyable day in Surrey. Leaving South Weald about 7.20 , and passing through the heart of London, the first stop was made at Christ Clucch, Ottershaw, a protty church with six bells facing a lovely common. After a good ring: the party were soon on the way 1.30 Forsell, another ring of six, which were kept merrily going until 1.30, when the party sat down to an excellent lunch in the Clirurch Institute. The next call was at St. Michael's, Pirbright. Hore the
bells were raised in peal, and some good touches were brought round. bells were raised in peal, and some good touches were brought round. In the ciuwclyard, the party were inicrested in the grave of Stanley, the African axplorer, which is marked by a huge block of stone brought over from Africa.
T'he party then moved on to Bagshot for tea, which was served in
St. Anoe's Hall. After tea, Mr. H. Turner thanked My. G. Miles on hehalf of all present for what he had done to make the outing such a success.-Mr. Miles, to whom the ground covered recalled old memories, suitably replied.
The ringers all agreed that it had heen a splendid day, and thanked the clergy for the use of their bells, and the friends who met then at each tower. The methods rung during the day were Stedmau, St. Siman's, Grantsive and Boh Doubles, Plain Boband Kent Treble Bob Minor, Stedman and Grandsire Triples, Plain Bob and Kent Trehle Bob Major.

## ST. LUKE'S SOCIETY, CHELSEA

The annual onting of the St. Luke's Society, Chelsea, took place on July 6ith and 7th, Mr. G. Green, District Master, Essex Associa-
tion, Mr. Lincoln, and other members welcoming the visitors to Great Baddow and Chelmsford. Mr. Green also arranged visits to Galleywood and Widford. The thanks of the company for a most enjoyable yeek-end are leertily tendered to all who gssisted by putting their towers at the disposal of the visitars, and the friendly and brotherly spinit in which their visit was received.

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCEES.

GOMPTON, BERKS.-On Sunday, July 21st, before ereasong, 720 Hob Minor: A. Gregory 1, \#. J. Balcombe 2, E. Pontin 3, R. G. Rice 4, A. Hall $S_{1}$ C. W. Parfitt (oanductor) 6.

WOODCHURCH, CHESHIRE.-On Sunday, July 2lst, at the Parish Church of the Holy Gross, 720 Cauterbury Minor: R. Bennett 1, J. Lee (conductor) 2, J. Johnson 3, G. Philips 4, H. Martin 5, W. Bennett 6

EAST HAGBOURNE, BERKS.-On Sunday moraing, July 28th, a guarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 47 mins, ; W, Webb 1 , W. $P$. Crass 2, T. Smiih 3, A. Webb (conductor) 4, K. White 5, L. Stilwell 6, C. W. Pipe 7, W. Goodenough 8. Arranged for ringers of 2nd, 3od, 6th and 7th, who are of Windsor

BLSHOP'S STORTFORD, HERTS.-At St. Michael's Church, on Sunday, July 28th, for moruing service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire 'l'viples ( 1,260 changes) in 48 miss. : H. Wacey 1, C. Beeston 2, F. Springham 3, H. A. Wacey 4, F. Bird (conductor') 5, W. W. Tucker 6, W. T. Prior 7, E. Ansel! ©. For cvening service a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples ( 1,260 changes) in 45 mias.: C. Beestou 1, H. A. Wacey 2, W. T. Prior 3 , F. Spriugham 4 , I. M. White 5, P. C. Springham 6, F. Bird (conductor) 7, E. Ansell 8. First quarter of Stedman on the bells since they were rekung.

WEST CLANDON.-At the Parish Church, on Sunday, July 28th, For evening service, 720 Spliced Kent and Oxford Treble Bob Difuor: A. Walker 1, F. Day 2, F. Bennett 3, J. Goacher 4, H. Harding 5, G. Grover (conductor) 6. First Spliced extent by all the band.

CROFI', LEICESTERSHIRE-On SuDday, July 28 th , in 20 mins. 720 Eob Minor for evening service: C. EI. Webb 1, R. F. Eikington 2, A. Ballard 3, M. E. Watson (Grst 720) 4, P. L. Harrison 5, F. H. Dexter (conductor) 6. Rung on the occasion of dedication of new lighting sclieme in the church.

OVER, CAMBS. For the evonieg service, on Sunday, July 28th, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: H. Robinson 1, C. Robiason 2, A. W. T. Ginu $\mathcal{J}_{3}$ T. G. Gleaves 4, A. J. Ginn 5, F. Farriogton (conduc(tor) 6.

## A TOUR TO FAMOUS TOWERS

Tlie summer outing of Swindon Parish Church Guild was revived this year with great succusz, after havigg lapsed siace 2g25. The party, numbering 24 , including visitorz and some of the members' wives, started by charabane from Srivdon at 8 o'clock, and a fine rum of 45 miles to Evesham was much enjoyed, as the weather was fayourable and the country looking at its best after the welcome raja of the previous day. At the famous bell tower touches of Stexlman Caters and at course of Bob Royal were rung on the fine peal of ten The mext halt was Pershore, reached at 11.30 , and after a brief in spection of the beantiful Abbey Church, an adjourament was made to the Royal Thee Tuas Hotel, where a substantial hot dinner was appreciated. A ring on wis beautiful peal of eiglat hanging in the magnificent old Norman tower followed from the unique ringing cage suspended 80rt. above the floor. Here touches of Stednan Iriples and a course of Cambridge Surprise Major were accomplished.

Rincing at Worcester Cathedral was the next item, aud was looked iorward to very eagerly, as reports are abroad that these recest bells are considered by experts to be the finest twelve in the land. and with this opinion some of the pisitors, who have heard all the famous paals of twelve, are in agreement. They are cer tainly a magnificent peal, and the whole restoration has been carried out in a manner that reflects the highest credit on the firm respou sible. It was with a certain amount of trepidation these mighty bells were tackled, seeing that most of the ringers are accustomed to perform on a peal of ten with a tenor 22 cwt., compared with 50 cwi. However, the first eight having been raised in peal and tho big ones singly, the whole twelve wer's set going to rounds to give the pounger members an opportunity of ringing on such a famous poal, after which a creditable course of Grandsiro Cinques, followed by a course of Bob Royal, with Mr. W. A. Cafe on the tenor, was bung
With a certain amount of regret this interesting old city with ats famous Catheciral and magnificent bells, was left belind, and tracks made for the ancient lown of Tewkesbury. Fere, on the ten bells in the world-famed Abbey Church, touches of Stedman Caters and course of Crmbridge Surprise Royal were tapped off, aud Cheltenham, bire last place of call, was reached oaly 15 miautes behind schoduled time. Mr. W. T. Pates was in waiting and extended hoarty welcome, and soon the beautiful light ring of twolve were roing to Grandsire Ginques, followed by three courses of Stedman Cinques, manimously voted the hest ringing of the day, and $a$ fiting conclusion to a most enjoyabie outing.
After the heavy rains of the previous day the weather was really most kind, and, beyond a few spats at intervals, the day was bright nd sunne, but on leaving Chaltenham the rain returned with generosity that must liave dolighted the long-sufferiog agrieulturists However, a capable driver, looking ahead, had thoughtfully put the hood up. The thanics of the Guild are gratefully extended to the Dean of Woroester, Minor Canon Facob, wha met tho party, kindly rondicted them to tho ringlag room, and gave fnterestiag particulans of thit hells, and to the incumbents and steeple-keepers of all the oftier chiurches visited.

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637 ).-Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on August ${ }^{5} 5$ th and 2gth, *St. Paul's Cathedral on the 6th, Southwark Cathedral on the 8th, *St. Giles', Cripplegate, on the 20th, St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 22 nd; all at $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. *Business meeting after-wards.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W. 4 .
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch. The annual meeting of the above branch will be held at Chorley Parish Church on Saturday, Aug. 3rd. Bells available at both the Parish and St. Mary's (R.C.) Churches from 2.30. Tea, 15. 6d. a head. A good attendance is earnestly requested. - Fred Rigby, Hon. Sec., 8, Carrington Road, Chorley.
BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. The next meeting of the Bedford District will be held at Elstow on Aug. 3 rd. Beils (6) available 2.45 p.m. Tea at 5.-J. T. Newington, Dis. Sec., 32, Grafton Road, Bedford.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Hereford Dis-trict.-A quarterly meeting of the district will be held at Ewyas Harold on Saturday, Aug. 3rd. Belis (6) available 3.30 to 8.30 . Service 5p.m. Tea $5.4 \doteq$ p.m. A. Gwynne, Dis. Sec., Deanery Cottage, Castle Street, Hereford.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch. - A ringing day will be held at Milnrow, on Saturday, Aug. 3rd. These bells, which bave just been re-hung in a new frame, on ball bearings, will be available from 3 p.m7. -Wm. Horan, Branch Sec., 2 Greanhirst Hey, Todmorden.

## PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Peter-

 borough Branch. - The annual meeting of the above branch will be held at Peterborough on Monday, Aug. 5th. Service in St. John's Church at 4 p.m. Tea, 5 o'clock, at Woodcock Café. Business meeting afterwards. The bells of St. John's, St. Mary's and Woodston will be available during the day.-W. H. Waldron, Hon. Sec., ${ }^{1} 37$, Scotney Street, Peterborough.SUTTON-ON-TRENT.-Gala day and sports, dancing, etc., in aid of Sutton-on-Trent Church Restoration Fund. The bells installed in 1922 will be opened fronr to a.m. to 8 p.m. August Bank Holiday Mondlay. Tea provided at cheap rates, adults and juveniles. Crow Park Station (L.N.E.). Good bus service from Retford and Newark.-H. Haigh, ro5, Gateford Road, Worksop.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.- Next meeting will be held at Wortley, Bank Holiday Monday, Aug. 5th. All visitors will be welcome.-R. Harrison. Hon. Sec.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-A genaral meeting will be held at Bridgnorth on Monday, Aug. ${ }^{5}$ ti (Bank Holiday). Ringing at St. Leonard's (8) and St. Mary's (6) from 2 to 4 p.m. Service at St. Leonard's 4 p.m. Tea $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. at the King's Head (free to Guild members, non-members is. 6d.f.-H. S. T. Richardson, Hon. Sec.

TIDESWELL, DERBYSHIRE.-Ringers' opening on Mondlay, Aug. $5^{\text {th }}$, of the restored and augmented ring of eight by Taylor. Bells available 10 a.m., short service 2.30 p. 171.

NORFOLK GUILD.-General meeting will be held at North Elmham ori Bank Holiday, Monday, Aug. 5 th. The ring of bells at the Parish Church (8) will be avail alile. Dimner at the George and Dragon (2s. 6d. per head) af 1.30 p.m., followed by the business meeting.-Arthur I. Colemant, Sec., High Croft, North Walshani, Norfolk.

JOINT MEETING of the Middlesex County Association (South and West District) and the Guiddford Diocesan Giald (Chertsey District) will be held at Sunbury-onThames on Saturday, Aug. roth. Ringing from 3 p.m. Will those requiring tea send card to 29 , Duke Road, W.4, not later than Thursday, the 7 th ? Wm. H. Hollier, 29, Duke Road, W.4, H. Hancock, 3, Chobham Road, Ottershaw, Chertsey, Hon. District Secs.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Liverpool Branch. -A meeting will be held at Hale on Saturday, Aug. roth. Bulls (6) availabie 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea, Is. each, can be arranged for all those who notify me before Tuesrlay, Aug. 6th. Last chance for paying annual subscriptions for current year. Business : Election of branch seeretary and committee representatives.-Claude I. Davies, Branch Sec., Caerleon, Dunbabin Road, Wavertrec.
BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. - A meeting will be held at Wentworth on Saturday, August roth. Bells ready early. Tea will be provided, but only for those who apply to Mr. Geo. West, The Square, Wentworth, near Rotherham, All ringers and friends are invited. It is hoped there will be a good meeting at this most attractive village. A committee meeting will be held in St. Mary's Tower, Barnsley, on Saturday, August 3 rd, at 6 p.m. Business : To make arrangements for Shield Contest to be hekl at Crofton on Saturday, August 3 rst.-C. D. Potter, Hon. Sec.

I ANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Wigan Branch. The next meeting will be held at Crossens on Saturday, August oth. Bells readly at 3 o'clock. A good attendance requested. - James W. Grounds, Sec., 8, School f.ane, Stanclish.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Loughborough District. - The next meeting will be held at Castle Donington on Saturday, August ioth. Bells (6) ready 3.30 p.m.-D. S. Collins, Hon. Dis. Sec.
OXFORD AND WINCHESTER DIOCESAN Gu'ILDS.-Newbury Branch and Andover Branch. - A joint meeting of the above branches will be held at Newbury on Sattrday, August roth. Bells (8) available at 3 oclock. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. at is. All ringers welcome. Intending visitors please notify Mr. H. W. Curtis, Church Road, Shaw, Newbury, not later than Thursday, August Stl, for tea.-H. W. Curtis and the Rev. F. C. Sear, Hon. Dis. Secs.

MIDLAND COLINTIES ASSOCIATION.-Peak District. -The next meeting will be held at Eyam on Saturday, August roth. Church of St. Lawrence, 6 belts (tenor 8 cwt.), available afternoon and evening. Tea at Rodber's Cafe to those who notify Rev. W. P. Wright 3y August 8th.-J. E. Lewis Cockey, Hon. Dis. Sec., licamwood, Dore.

IVINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Isie of Wight District. - The summer festivity meeting will be held at Whitwell on Saturday, August ${ }^{1} 7^{\text {th }}$. Beils (6) available 2.30 p.m. Service ar $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea (by kind invitation of the Vicar) at 5 p.m. in the Vicarage and short business meeting. Handbells and bowls on the lawn afterwards. All ringers invited. Will those staying to tea kindly notify not later than Tuesday, $3^{\text {th }}$ inst.? -B. J. Snow, Hon. Dis. Sec., 2, Collingwood, Daniel Street, Ryde, I.W.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester Branch. - The next meeting will be held at Mossley Parish Church on Saturday, Augrust 17 th. Bells 3.30. Service 5 o'clock. Tea $5.3^{\circ}$, 15. 6d. per head. Names to be sent to Mr. E. Garside, 6r, Lees Road, Mossley, near Manchester, not later than Wednesday, August ${ }^{14}$ lli. Will members make a special effort to attend and make this meeting a success.-J. Hail, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting.
GUILDFORD GUILD.-Leatherhead District.-Next meeting to be held at Dorking on August $17^{\text {th }}$. Bells ( 8 ) available 3 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea 5 p.m. Numbers for tea to me by Wednesdity, August 34 th, please. All members and friends invited to attend.-Alan R. Pink, Dis. Sec., ${ }^{22}$, Nower Road, Dorking.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. - The annual branch meeting and social will be held at Colne on Saturday, August 24th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea (1s. 6d. each) at 5 p.m. Meeting 6 p.m. Business: Election of branch president. Social commences 7.30 p.m. Everybody welcome. Will those intending being present please notify Mr. R. Whitehead, 66, New Market Street, Colne, not later than August ${ }^{21} 1$ st? F . Hindle, Hon. Branch Sec., $5^{8}$, Anvil Street, Blackburn.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (Farnham District), WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD (Basingstoke District) and OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (Sonning Deanery Branch).-Preliminary Notice.-Joint meeting Saturday, August 3 rst, Hawley, Hants. All weicome.

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## TO SURREY AND SUSSEX

The first Saturday in July was the date fixed by agmement for the second annual outing of the St. Mary's company, Slourgh, when the tuse of a fourteen-seater charabanc was gewerously offered them far the day by the Parochial Church Council. The party eonsisted of twelve 'laymen,' the two varant seats being well stored with sumfly good things that wera eventually laid in the inner man duriog the perfect journcy of just sixteen hours' duration.
Worthing whs the oljective, with one or two hoary old bell towers 'thrown in' along the way, as a relief to the monotony of batmeing seats and useless limbs. The route taken was via Windsor Greal Payt in the morning's bracing ain, Bagslof, Aldershot, Farnham (tenor 23 cwt ), Fislemere, with its fine views, and Pulborough (tenor $13 \frac{1}{2}$ aw in, where luncin was taken at the Five Bells. One hour was enjoyed by the seaside exploring the parnde, the pier, and the rapid growth of this popular resort, but the citizens of Worthing have not yet consiclered the hovougla as being "worthy' of a peal of bells. The homeward journey was made by way of West Grinsteaf, with its Sussex wiews; Cowfold (Mr' Cropley's birthplace) ; Forsham (tenor 24 cwt.), tea at the Queen's Head Hotel; Dorking; with its noted Fox Hill scenery; Weybridge, where a car-bureita' supper was enjoyed just one minute before Thme, 品entemen' ; and so anward via Staines to Slough, the company dispersing as the midmight chimes were sounding from the home tower, pll delighted with the kindness shown them at each of the three belfries visited. Five methods were rung during the toan--Stednam and Oxford Bob Triples, Plain and 'rreble Bob Major-but gond old Grandsire was reserved for the final touch, the conduetine being shared by Messrs. Hoopar, Henley, Baleman and Albrow. The roung hands were responsible for beautifully subdued melody rendered on the return journey from the back sent of the car with a set of jazz instruments bought at Worthing; and Messirs. Barton and Howst for a vote of thanks, not only to those supplied the whoels of the chariot, but also to those who lielped to turn round the wheels of "The Ringing Whorld.

## HOW TO BE HAPPY THOUGH OLD.

I don't know anything better than beliminging for maintainag one's health, and this, with moderate living, a little gardening, music find rending, shonld keep one contented and happy in old nge, ${ }^{\text {, }}$ said Mr. Philip Aldridge Coard, a woollen expert, who has spent over sixty-live years in the city, to a representative of tho Daily Telegreph.'
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As a feat of physical endurance the peal is one of the finest that has even been rung. The bare fact of standing for eleven and a hall hours, and ringing without pause or refreshment is in itself a great feat, which makes enormous demands upon the stamina of every one of the band. To the back-enders one naturally turns first with admiration, but particularly in a peal in which the tenor is a working bell, the men at the light end must not be forgotten, for in ringing to twelve-bell time they are bound to have their bells upon their hands to some extent. But, as we have already said, it is not alone from the physical side that this peal becomes a memorable one. As a feat of collective concentration it stands as high, if not higher, than any other ever accomplished on tower bells. Cambridge Surprise Maximus is not a method in which a ringer can relax his attention, much less 'go to sleep,' if success is to come to the peal. From start to finish every man of the twelve has to be 'on his toes,' to use a sporting phrase, or the consequences are fatal, unless someone else comes speedity to the rescue. In some methods one can carry on for a time in a somewhat automatic way, but in methoons like Cambridge Maximus there is no such relicf. It is a case of sticking closely to the method all the way:

There is another feature which in our opinion makes this peal a remarkable one. Usually records are associated with youth, but the band at Ashton-under-Lyne was, as a company, anything but youthful. Some are approaching, and others well past fifty; one or two, are nearer sixty years of age. They have, of course, the advantage of experience, bat one hardiy looks for record making among men who have passed the meridian of life. In other pursuits it would be well nigh impossible, but it illustrates very vividly the fact that bell ringings stands almost alone in the unlimited age at which a man (Continued on page 498.)

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THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
AND TEE ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCETY.
On Monday, August 5, 7929, in Eleven Hours and Thirty-Thyee Minuths,
At the Church of St. Michael And Acl Angels,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS, $\mathbf{1 5 , 3 1 2}$ CHANGES; Tenor 25 萻 cwt .
EDward Jenkins... ... ...Tyeble James Brnstit ... ... ... 7 Thomas B. Worsley ... .... 3 Gabrifi Lindoff ... ... 8 George R. Pye ... ... ... 3 Joseph T. Dyke ... ... ... 9 Charles T. Coles ... ... 4 James H. Riding .... ... 10 Alfred E. Regves ... ... $j$ Edward P. Diffirld ... II Charles W. Roberts ... 6 William Pye ... ... ...Temaf Composed by Rev. H. Law James, Conducted by Winciam Pye Longest peal on twelve bells and longest Surprise pal jet rugg. First peal in the method on the bells.

## TEN BELL PEAL.

TROWBRDGGE, WILTS. THE SALISBURY DIOCEAAN GULLD.
On Wednesday, July 37, 1929, ill Three Hours and Ning Minutes,
At the Chorce of St. James,
A PEAL OF CAMERIDEE SURPRI8E ROYAL, 5RAD OHANEES; Tenor 24 cwt.
Ronald G. Beck... ... ...Treble Gilbert Hi. Harding ... 6

 Josrph T. Dyme ... ....... 3 |Cearles F. Andrews ... 8 | William J. Priscott... | ... | 4 | Samarl J. Hector | ... | ... |
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First peal of Cambridge Surprisn Royal in the county, and by the Guild, also by the ringers of $4 \mathrm{th}, 6 \mathrm{th}$, 7th and 8th. Mr. Hector's 100tl peal for the Salisbury Guile.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

GRAVESEND, KENT.
THE KENT CUUNTY ASSOCIAIION.
On Saturday, July 20, 1929, in Two Howrs ard Fifty-Eight Mirutes,
At the Chtreh of St. George,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, $\operatorname{GO88}$ CHANGES; Tenor 193 cm.
Fredrrick M. Mitchell Trably | William R. Madgwick ... 5 Jонn J. Lamb ... ... $\quad .{ }^{2}$
George E. Wilson ... ... 3

- Wileiam A. Martin... ... 4 FrederickJ. Colelom, jon. Tanot Composed by Arthor Knights. Conducted by Jorn H. Chersman
* First peal in the method.

UTTOXETER, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE NORTH ETAFES AND DISTRICT AEGOCLATION.
On Saburday, July 27, 1929, ir Three Hours and Twetty Mimstes, At the Parish Churce,
A PEAL OF KERT TREBLE BOE MAJOR, 5120 CHANEES; Tenor 20 cwt.
Grorge Burrows ... ...Trible Arthdr W. Hall

- Harry Carnwhll ... .... 2 Charles Smith .... ... 6
 Frank Oliver ... ... ... 4 Chareis H. Page ... ... Timor Composed by J. Thorp. Conducted by Charles H. Page.
* First peal of Major. This peal was rung as a thanksgiving for the recovery of His Majesty King George.

GULLDLORD, SURREY.
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tuesday, Juty 30. 7929, in Thyee Hours and Seventern Minutes, At the Cathedral Chdreh of the Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Washbrook's Variation.
Alfred li. Polling ... ...Treble Wilciam M. Stone ... ... 2 William ]. Robinson ... 3 C. Eramet Smith..

Tenor 23 cwt 3 qr .8 lb . in D. Ghorge E Clone William T. Beeson ….- .5 Alan it. Pink .... .... .... 7 Wiceiam R. Melville ...Teno- Conducted by A. H. Folling.
Tung as a compliment to Mr. W. Jelley, an old member of the Cathodral hand, on tha occasion of the coming of age of his son, Mr. L. R. Jelley.

IIEESTON, DERBTSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOOIATION.
Un Wedmesday. Julv 31, 1929, in Three Hours and Fiwe Minules, At the Chergh of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF STEDAAN TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;
G. Lindorf's Ten.fart, No. 2.

Tenor 17 cwt. 9 Ib.
John H. Swinfirld ... ...Tobla Jamas S. Hetchby ... ... 5
Samprl Finder ... ... ... 2 Charlas Draper... ... ... 6
John P. Tarlion $. . . \quad . . . \quad 3$ Jamrs Grorgr $\quad . .$. Madeice Swinfigld ... ... 4 Joseph Balley ... ... ... Temor Conducted by M. Swinfirid.
This was J. Bailey's 100tE peal. The lhanks of the band are due to Mr. E. C. Gabey for procuring the use of the bells at a day's notice.

B[RKENHEAD, CHESHIRJ.
THE CHEATER DIOCEGAN GOILD.
(Wirtal Brance.)
On Saturday, August 3. 1929. in Three Hows and Nime Minutes.
At ine Chorch of St. Saviotr, Oxton,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE HAJOR, BOLA CHANGES; Temor 20 cwt I gr .16 lb . in E .
 Composed by J. W. Parker. Conducted by J. C. E. Simpson.
First peal of Surprise on the bells. Rung to mark tho occasion of the Boy Scouts' jamboree nt Arrowe Park. The thanks of the band are due to Mr. A. H. Heal, for so kindly providing tea after the peal. LONDON.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCLATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GULLD.
On Saturday, August 3, 1929, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,
At the Chtrce of St. James, Cerrmenwell,
A PEAL OF GRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, G066 CHANGES; Tenor 24 cwt. $x$ qr. 2 I b .
Ernest J. Botcea ... ...Treble|Jamzs E. Dayis
Aleert W. Coles $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2 \quad$ Gearge R. Pye...
Cafrles W. Roberts ... 3 James Bennett .... ...
Cbarles T. Coles ... ... 4 William Pye .... ... ...Tenor
Composed and Conducted by Charlas " 1 . Coles.
This composition contains the sixth the extent home at twelve course ends, and is now rung for the first time. First peal on the bells since recasting and rehanging by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston. REDENHALL, NORFOLK. THE NORFOLK GULD.
Dn Salurday, August 3, 1929, in Three Howys and Eighteen Minulas, At the Ceorch of St. Mary,
h PEAL DF DOUELE NORWICH GORRT BOB MAdOA, 5008 gMAmeEs,
Tenor $z_{4}$ cwt. in $D$.


BECKENHAM, KENT, On Sunday, June 23rd, for evening ervice, a quarter-peal of Oxford Bob Major, 1,280 changes: W. Smith (con(huctor) 1, F. Leeks 2, W. Hollamby $3_{1}$ F. Scutcher 4, F. King 5, T. Flint 6, O. Gibey 7 , W, Rawlings 8 . First ir the method by all the band.

BOIPESEORD, LEICESTERSHIRE
THE MIDLAND GOUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Snthrday, Aughst 3, 1929, in Three Hours ahd Eightet Miuntes, At the Chorgh of St. Marx.

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thorstans' Four-pari
Tenor 22 cwt .
William G. Teorpe ... ...Tyeble Ernest Bartram ....... 5
Jobn R. Bartram $\ldots . . . . . \quad 2 \quad$ Sidney Progtor ......

| Arthdr W. Ward | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | 3 | $R$ | Henty Hartram | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Ernest Nidd | 7 |  |  |  |  |  |

Ernest Nidd ... ... ... 4 Thomas Hall ... ... ... ...teno
Conducted by Sidnex Proctor.
First peal in the method on the bells for over 25 years. BRLDSTOW, FEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GULLD.
On saturday, Augresi 3, 1929, in Three Fowns, At -hg Chorch of St. Bridget,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;

 Composed by ]. R. Pritchard. Conducted by W. Poston.

* First of Major inside. t Fiftietlr peal. $\ddagger$ First peal of Major.

CALNE, WIJTSHIRE.
THE §ALIABURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sahurday, Augus 3, 1929, in Thpee Hotes and Fite Minutes,
At Ehe Parish Cherch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF STEDHAN TRIPLES, 5050 CHANGES;
Dbxter's Variation of Therestans'
Tenor 26 cwt .
Louts A. Wilson ... ...Treble ${ }^{\text {Leslite Box. }}$
Wilfrad Williamb ... ... 3 Charies J. Gardiner ... 6
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { Grorge Popnell } & \ldots & \cdots & . . . \\ 3 & \text { Fred Lambeth ... } & \text {... } & . . . \\ 7\end{array}$ Sidney Wietshire ... ... 4 Frederick W. Merrettr... Temoy

Conducted by Fred Lambeth.

* First peal in the method. This peal was rung, by courtosy of the Ven. Archacacon Conlter, and as a complimeat to Mr. ت. Burry, who had everything in readiness for tho abtempt.
©HITPENFAM, WITSMS.
GLODGESTEF AND BRISTOL DIOGESAN AggOCLATION.
On Sunday, August 4, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minrits, At the Parish Ceurce of St. Andrew,


Sidney Hillier ... ...Treble Sidnry Wiftseire ... \begin{tabular}{llll|lllll}
Ernest Truman \&... \&... \& 2 \& Wilprbd Wilciams \&... \&... \& E <br>
Thomas Davison \& $\ldots$ \&... \& 3 \& Fidis A Wilson \& \& \& \&

 

Thomas Davison \& $\ldots$ \&... \& 3 \& Lidis A. Wilson \&... \&.. \& 7 <br>
Grorge Popnell \& $\ldots$. \&.. \& 4 \& Frbd Lambeta \&... \&... \&... \& enop
\end{tabular} Composed by George Cross. Conducted by Fred Lampeth.

* First peal inside, in this method. Messirs. Popnell and Williams were electerl life members of the associalion before starting for the geal.


## LEISTON, SLFFOLK. <br> THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Monday, Augus! S, 1929, in rwo Hours and Fifty-Sivent Minutes, At the Chorce of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 EHANGES; Tenor $20 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Reginald C. Kersey ...Trebla Josefr H. W, Weite Alfrid Kakele ... ... 2 Fredertck J. Smith ... ... 6 - Albiri E. Aostin... Eqnest S. Bailey .... .... 4 Charles F. Bailey ... ... Tíchor
Compesed by Gabrirl. Lindopf. Conducted by Chas. F. Bailey

* First peal in the method.


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## SIX BELL PEALS.

ROYDON, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATRON.
On Suhradx, JMy 6, 7929, in Tyo Hours and Thirly-Eight Minutes,
At the Cherch of St, Yeter,
A PEAL OF GRAND8IRE DOUBLES, 50an CHANGES;
Tun diferent calliags.
Tenor 9 ewt.
H. Sbotilewood
-F. Kunn
W. Lityeechilds

| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$. Treble | C. Sams ... |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | B. G. Borton |
| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | W. Sans ... |

.....$- \quad$... 4

* First peal.

Conducted by B. G. Borton.
Firsi peal.
MARSTON MAGNA, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOGESAN ASSOGIATYON.
On Satnyday, July 27, 1929, in Thyee Horty and Eleven Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DDUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being the six-scores, ten callings.
" ЈАск E. I.nver ... ... ...Tyedle
+Arthor H. S. Rainey ... 2
fPercy N. G. Ralney ... 5
†Selwys F. Wadman.. .3 Conducted by Percy N. G. Rainey.

* First peal and first atempt. + First peal. The ringer of the 2nrl is only 13 years of age. The average age of the band is 16 yenrs. All ure Sunday service ringers at above church.

BIDSTON, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Wirral Branch.j)
On Thisddy. July 30, 1929, in Two Houys and Fourleen Minutes,
At ihe Chorgh of St. Oswald.

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

Being seven frue, different and complele 720 's.
Tenor 5 cwt. 1 qu. 24 lb. in $\mathbf{B}$.
Thomas roghrs ... ... ... Tyeble | Harry Rogrrs
Jamrs C. E. Simpson... ... 2 Jomn Breese

Conducted by J. C. E. Simpson.
Firsi pal of Oxford Treble Bob Minor by all the band and on the bolls. Guickesh pral on the bolls.

## PETERBOROUGH.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOGESAN GULD.
On Sahurday, Augrai 3, 1929, in 7 wo Howvs and Fifty-Fiue Minutes,
As the Choreh of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Ruing two 720's cach of Cambrige Surprise, Plain Bob and Oxford I?relife Joh, and ono of Kent.

Frane Rowlinson ... ...Treble Katheeen A. Jotson...

Treble

| 3 | John J. Jutson |
| :--- | :--- |
| Horace M. Day |  | Willeam Rose ...... 5 Conducted by H. M. Day.

## BRAY, BERKSHLRE.

 THE OXPORD DIOCESAN GUחJD.On Satirday, Auguse 3, 1929, in Thes Howrs and Thirty Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Micharl.

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Bning two 720 's cach of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob (rung alternatoly) and three 720's of Plain Boh. Tenor 27at cwt.
 Kioland Biggs ... ...... William Welling ... ... 3 George Gilbert ... ...Tend

## Conducted by Geo. Gilberi.

l'irst of Minor. + First of Minor in more than one method. This is only the second perl that has boen rung on these bells (which date bath in 1600), the provious one being Bob Minor. Ruag specially as A hirliday compliment to the Vicer (Rev. W. S. Riddelsdell, M.A.), whu is chuirmane of the brancl.
HROOSELELD, ESSLiX, On July 29 th, 720 of Double Oxford: H. Thware 1 , W. Bradley 2, F. Warn 3, H. Derenish 4, E. Ctark 5, H. 13rarlley (conductor) 6 . This was the first 720 in the method by all nexept Ir. Bowers. Believed to be the frot 720 in the mathod on the
belis.

## THE SALISBURY DIOGESAN GUHD.

On Swnday, Angust 4, 1929, in Two Hours and Thirly Minutes, At ife Churgh of St. Michael and All. Angeles,
A PEAL OF BOB HINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Seven diflerent 720's.
Tenor $1 \$$ cwt.
James Bilby... ... ... ...Treble| William R. Baxter Wiletam Lood $\ldots .$. Samozl J. Hector … .... 3 Cearies F. Anderews
...Tenor Conducted by C. F. Anderws.
Rung as a birtbias compliment to Mrs. J. Andrews.
GLASBURY-ON-WYE, HEREFORDSETRE. THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GDILD.
On Sunday, August 4,7929 , in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
At tee Cebrch of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Being 720 each of Plain Bob, April Day, and Ganterbury Plessure, and 2,880 of Graudsire.
*Dennis J. Sharples... ...Tyeble Jambs P. Hyett
 G. James R. Price ....... 3 .John Jones... ... ... ...Teror

* First peal in four methods.


## HANDBELL PEAL.

NEWCASTLE-ON-IYNE.
, 'न्नF DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Moxday. July 29, 1929. in Two Hours and Twenty-Threc Minites, At the Chigf Fire Station, Westgate Road, A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
John Anderson
-2 William H. Barber
Williak J. Davidson...
3-4 Robert Anderson 7-8
Composed by J. R. Pritchard.
Conducted by W. H. Barber.

## LAVENHAM RINGERS IN ESSEX AND HERTS.

On Saturday, July 27th, the members of the SS. Poter and Paul's Saciety, Laventam, held their annual outing. Travelling by charabanc, e start was made at 7.30 a.m. from the church, and Felated was the first church visited, where Mr. Farrow and the loca Ringer Master received the visitors. After ringing courses of Grand sire and Stedman, Kent and Suporlative, a move was made for Great Dummow, where the fine peal of eight, already raised, wer set going to Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob, Double Nor wich and Oxford Treble Bob, Mr. W. H. Smith and another locs ringer taking part. The next call was at 3ishop's Stortford. Her the party were greeted by the genial Vicar and Messrs. Beeston and Springham, the last-mamed proving a very interesting companion A very nice ringing room and peal of ten were found at this place Boln Major, Grandsire Triples, Grandsire and Stedman Catars, ans Kent Royal were rung here. At the Black Lion, the parly di justice to an enjoyable and much-needed lunch, which was followed by handhell ringitg, and the arrival of 'F.G.' from De Beavoi Town, N.I. It is hoped that the ringing at Bishop's Stortford prover an additional item of interest to the party of Rhodesians visitima there lhat day., At the next place, Sawhridgeworth, the party weri 'all ears open,' for had not 'Dame Rumour' many times said *Here is a peal as good, if not better than the eight at Lavenham! A course of Boh Major was suffient for 'Tympanium' to pronoune the verdict, 'They're a long way behind Lavenhaw lot." Othe methois rung were Grandsire Triples and Stedman.
Good-bye was said to Mr. Tarling, and a short run made to Harion Parish church, where the local men were ringing the back six fo tine benefit of a Iearner. The party were met by Messrs. Small Cordell, Wheeler and Rochester, also Mr. C. Bulton, a nativ Sudfolk. Thuse Eriends joined with the visitors in courses of Grand
sire Triples, Plain Rob, Double Narwich and Cambridge Major. Br sire Triples, Plain Bob, Double Norwich and Cambridge Major. B
fore departing, the partj cncountered one of the representatives J. Wall of 'Stop me' fame, who, not being in the slow, soon chang' sereral 'singles' into 'bobs '! At Harlow Common, the party ha teu, and were velconed by Messms. Geo. Dent and I. Gavill. Courses of Grandsire, Stedman, Plain Bob and Kent were ramg on thimorry little eight. Two attempts at Superlative came to grief owing to one of the band trying to make a 5.6 dodge in 3.4 ! After mor good-byes and a run through part of Epping Foresi, the homewal trail was struck, passing through Ongar, the last resting-place Fane Taylor, Lavenbam's peefess (1783-1824), Ohelmsford and Brain tree, home boing reached after a ploasuut tour of fifteen and a hal hours' duration. Votes of thanks ware accorded the clergy of the churches visited, the ringers who met the partyy and the hon. secy tary of SS. Peter and Paul's band.

## INYERNESS CATHEDRAL BELLS.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir,-I was much ioterested in tho recent remarks on the abore, the mast northerly peal in existence, and until recently, I believe, ine only xinging peal in the Highlands. Faying been married at Invemess Cithedral in 1919 by Rev. A. J. Maclean, Bishop of Moray, one may, perhips, ciaim a not unatural sentimental interest in the matter.

A fow years since I spent a very interesting hour with Provost Mackenzie in the towar of the Cathedral, and I remember well his interest in the bolls, and his strong desire that they should be rung. I lade a good look round the fittings, and raised several of the belis, and, except for a lack of oil on the bearings, I noted particularly that everything seemed to be in very fair condition; and I am pretty sure that Provost Mackenzie, something of a ringer himself, would be the last person to allow neglect.
One is particularly interested to note that there is at last some prospect of the bells being rung, and in wishing Prorost Mackenzie every success in what nust be a very uphill task, one ventures to express the hope that if there are any ringers visiting this beautiful burgh they will nol fail to make thenselves known, and to offer a little help nud advice.
It may not be gonerally known that the peal is a fine ring of ter, tenor about 26 cwt., but that the two trebles are hung ' dead.' The bells are made rrequent use of, being climed, I believe, for all services, several times each day, and pery effective they saund across the water:

A more ideal sething for a fine ring of bells it would be liard to imagine than this beautiful Cathedral, with its twin towers rising close to the banks of the broad and swift-flowing Neess, with the castle and the royal burgh of Inverness rising in terraces from the opposite bank, where the masic of the bells is mellowed and reflected, and the whole seene, redolent of Scottish history, from Macbeth, through Cromwall and Culloden, to the less romantic times of Lloyd George and nis Cabinet meetiog in 1921, is one of beauty unsurpassed in this comatry. Fours faithfully,
J. E. IEWIS COCEEY.

## Leammood, Dore.

## THE'JAMBOREE

The galdrering of Boy Scouts from all parts of the world at Arrowe Park, Birkenhead, gave some Wirval vingers an opportumity on Suturdity, August 3rd, of ringing a peal on the splendid bells at St. Sawiotr's Church, Oxion, which is about a couple of miles from the venue of the jamboree. This was a peal of Gambridge Surprise Major, hand was lae first peal of Surprise on the bells, and also the first peal rumg heve since 1919 . The changes followed one another with almost clockwort precision, and any ringing experts who may have been in the vicinity would have had great dificulty in finding the slightest fault with tho striking. Many expressions of regret that these bells were not more often available for peal ringing were made.
Alter the peal, the ringers were entertained to an excellent tea at Oxton Hall, kindly provided by Mr. A. H. Heal, a sidesman of the church, who takes a keen inlerest in the chnchand ringers. Owing io the inclemency of the weaiher, it was unfortunately impossible for the ringers to avail themselves of the facilities for bowling on the
lawn, but an inspection of the gardens and grenhouses was much lawn, bud an inspection of the gardens and greenhouses
appreciated, especiaily by the horticulturist of the party!
The ringers would like to take this opporiunity of expressing their most sincere thanks lo the Vicar (the Rev. Canon Sayer, M.A.) for so kindly allowing the use of the bells, to Mr. A. H. Heal for his kindly and thoughiful action iu providing a much appreciated tea,
and iastly, but by no means least, to Mr. H. S. Brocklebank, the and lastly, but by no means least, to Mr. H. S. Brocklebank, the
gouial towerkeper and branch secretary of the Guild, for having everythilg in readiness for the visitors.

At St. Saviour's Church, Oxton, on August 1st, in 50 mins., a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1,280 changes): B. Brocklebank 1, J. Cook 2, W. Fughes 3, T. Rogers 4, R. G. Edwards 5, J. C. E. Simp-
son 6, S. Xostin 7, J. Rreese (iongest length as conductor) 8. This son 6, S. Mostin 7, J. Breese (longest lenglh as conductor) ${ }^{8 .}$. This fisit to the world jamboree. The Prince fuassen close to the church ell route from Birkenhead to Arrowe Park, while the ringing was proceeding.

## THE RINGERS' DIRECTORY

Fo the Editor.
Sir,-I should like, through your columns, to thank the many ringers who have so leadily responded to our call for the second ahtion of 'The Ringers' Directovy.
Many have sent messages of gool wishes, nad I am sure the committee will very muth appreciate tho thought.
would like to add that it would greatly facilitate the wark of the Difectory Cammittee ji subseribers would send their farms in at the farliest. Yuurs frithfully,
W. H. THOMAS

Cliwiman.
Bristol United Ringing Guilci.

## ST MARGARET'S RINGERS VISIT KENT

The anmal outing of the ringers of St. Wargaret's, Westminster, took place on July 13 th, and a most enjoyable time was spent. Leaving Kennington, jusi opposite the Oval station, soon after nime o'clock, a most delightful ride via Farnigghann, Wrotham and Maisstome hrought the party to Headcorn, the first ringing call of the Lour. Here the party were met with a request, owing to illuess in close proximity, not to ring long- They eomplied with a course of Cambrifge Surprise and a short touch of Sicdman Triples, which enabled all to have a pull. The ringing room is on the ground floor, and the 'go" and the bells are certainly goot. The chief item of interest on the day's prograname was call No. 2, St. Mildred's, 'Tenterden. The visitors had all previously heard of the fame of theso bells, and as they stood admiring the beauty and nobility of this lovely lower, the news was gently broken to then that they could not ring owing to the clerk to the justices buing huried that morning. The party were, of course, very disuppointed, so much so that the verger, noting the laoks of 'deep depression,' suggested noking the relatives if they would care to have the clappers muffled for a short ring in the afternoon. This was readily agreed to, and while the verger was gone to make the suggestion and get permission the company partook of an excellent dimner at the Woolpack Hotel. As they were nearing the last Boh iu his course, the verger returned, saying they could ring the bells muffled. Tlie local captain then arrived with the news that lie could not lind the nufflers, but after a diligent search Miss Hardeastle found blue missing artieles, and Boh frimwood, Charlie Roberts, and the Governor were quickly aloft fixing things up. Double Norwich and Stedman Triples wore very soon pouring forth from this grand left-luanded peal, and the high opinion all had heard of these bells was certainly upheld. Amidst more heautiful scenery, and past many more churches, at which some of the company had rung many years ago, by some
local cricket matches, at which they sometimes stopped to look, the party reached Crambook, the third lower on the list. Hore the local eaparin informed the visilors that 'they were not like Tenterden." 'They want some pulling,' lie said; in fact, he didn't believe they could ring them. Howevor, a sturt was made, the next method on the
list heing London: Miss Hardeastle 1, Mrs. $R$. Sanders 2, Miss F. Ore 3, A. W. Coles 4, W. H. Hewit 5, C. M. Kirby G, C. W. Roberis 7, R. Simders 8. The outstanding feature of this visit was the look of utter bewilderment on the face of the local crptain when Renthen said, 'That's all' and 'Stand" fwo roundes nfter. It was not the ringing of the course of Lomdon Suprise on this lumpy, heavy-going
peal that won his admiration, lont all stopping when the conductor said 'Stand.' 'I have to give five minutes' notice to my chaps,' he saitl, "to get them all to stop by ihe time the service sterts." A shori touch of Grandsire Triples wis next rung, and then the party said farewell to Cranbrook. Continuing the journey, the company arrived at Brenchley, where tea had been arranged. This was not quite realy, so a visit was marle to the tower. Here courses of Bristo], Cambridge and Superlativo were rumg. with Mr. Jack Wheedon standing in, all of which were much enjoyed. After iea an exciting billiards malch took place hetween Gamberwel and
ton, the latter eventually winning easily. The last place of call for ringing was Hadlow, reached about half an hour before the arrival of a parly from Crawley. Dpon this quaint octave, which is exrolly like the front eight of a peal of twelve, the Londoners commenced with a perfect course of Kent Treble Boh Mrajor, then a tonch of Stedman Triples (A.W.G.'s variation), a course of Cambridge Surprise, and so finished the day's ringing
Dry lips were again moistened, and a start was then made for bome, via Tonbridge and Sonorks, and upon nrriving at the Oral station another most dellg the olthers that have ging passed into the realm of memories, with the others that have gone before. Best
thanks are extended to all thase who gracted permission to ring, aud to the towerkeepers for all they digl to make the day the great success it undoubterly was.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

CANTERBLRY DISTRICT WELCOMES 92-YEAR-OLD RINGER, Br the kind permission of the Ficar, the Rey. Peter Lamberi, a by-rneeting was held at St. Nichalas' Church, Sturyy, on July 27th. Tho meeing proved to be a very successful one, and was comparatively well utfended, there being twenty members present. The relanging of the six bells has just been completed by Mr. Alfred Bowell, of Ipswich, and are now in good ringing order.
Sone very gond ringing was aceomplished, the methods being Kent, and Oxford Treble Bob, Plain Bob and Grandsire.

The Vicar kindly offeiated at a service, at which he tove a very appropriate and much-appreciated mdtress.
Afterwards, the ringers adjournen to the Leopard's Head, where a very delighlful tea haci heen provided on the lawa. The Fiear presided over the meal, and iook the chair at the subseq̧ant meeting, at which a very hearty vote of thanks was passed by acelamation to the Yicar for his kind welcome and for the service, and to the organist, Mr. Ctoss, for the musical arrangements.
During the afternoon the ringers welcomed to the tower 4 m Slingsby, who, although 92 years of age, very ably rang the treble in a touch of Platin Bob.

## LONDONDERRY CATHEDRAL BELLS

IRISH CTYY'S REJOIOINGS AT DEDICATION.
Wilh a solemn and impressive service and great rejoicing the new peal of hells, thirteen in all, erected ai Londonderry Cathedral, were dedinatef hy the Lam Primate of Treland on July 25 th. The bells have theen east and insiulied by Messrs. Gillett ana Johnston, of Croydon, tell of them toing lung for ringing, and the other three, whicls ars semi-tones, for tune plnying. The weight of the tenor is 31 cwt , and the total weight of the ring is over seven tons.
St. Colomb's Cathedral, Derry, was completed in 1633 , and it was recorded on the tenor bell of the ald pienl of eight, which were ref:asl of 1812, that the five larger hells were presented to the City nI' Londonderry by King Charles I. in 1638.' Another was given by Ihe cilizens of the town in 1671, sud two by the Honourable the Irish Society in 1630. Wlien the boils were recnst in the early 19th century lise old inscriptions were not preserved on them, but these are being restored on the new ring of ten. The recast tenor bears Lhe inscription: "Glory to God in tlie Highest. The Honourable the Irish Society of London, Founders of this Cathedral and Donors of ils two most ancient bells, gave ma A.D. 1926. Colonel Sir Louis A. Newton, Bart., Aldorman, Govelnor, Frederick Whittinglam, C.C., Deputy Governor, Lestie C. Lnuflragin, Secretary.'
The Aedication service was unique in the history of the Cathedral in many wayb, and it was the first to be hroadoast from Derry. The congrogation was the largest whiol, had over followed a service in
Londonderry, far hy means of aramifiers the servie was transmitted Londonderry, far hy mens of amplifers the serviee was transmitteri
to a congregalion oussido sevend times larger than that inside, which to a congregation oussido acveral thes larger than that inside, which numalered about 1,200. The service itself, says The Londonderry of gladsome triumph on the part of the donors, who had assembier tn witness the consumnation of a sclieme as dear to their hearis as to those of the Dean, Chapter, antil Vestry of the Calhedral. All the muric spoke of that triumph, first sounded in the processional hymn, 'Lifled snfe within the tower,' ant continuen in the hymm 'Thou art coming, on my Srviour, ${ }^{\text {a }}$ the Te Denm, and the Recessional, "Ring farlh, joly henls: The object of the bells was dwelt apon by the Lorrd Bisinp in the course of the dedication, and by the Lord Primnte in his address, while the solemn nature of the message which they at times will tell whe conveged hy the impressive words of the beadlifnl hymn, 'O Strength nnd Stay,' sung to the majestic music of the Londonderry Air. The congregation, which was perliaps the most representalive that ever sat in the Cathedral, included amongst mony nther notahie people, Major Ronald Ross, M.P., Mr. M. S. H.M.L. for tile county ind Mrs. Tames Carseadiden, a direct Alesmantant of ane of the 'Tmmortal Thirteen."
The 'Immortal Thirteen,' who ar'e commemorated on the thirteenth lind, presented in memory of Capt. Rrowning hy the Browning Cluh of Appreutice Roys, were, it is interesting to recall, "the Brave Thirthen Apprentire Boys who shut the getes in 1688 and
Tho hells were tiedicaled hy the Lord Bishop of Londonderry, and the nddress was given hy tho Primate of All Ircland. In the course of lisa addross, tho Primate, wio epoke from the words, "Glory to (ind in the Highest" (St. Luke ii. 14), said: 'Here in Derry the hrells have $a$ significance which is inseparable from the heroie history nf the place. This Gatherral, together with the old walls of the sily, form an enduring monument of one of the most wonderful kiorios in the records of mankind. Within the walls of this Cathedral thm heroic people of the cits met for prayer, to the God in whom thay lirusted, day after day, during the awful period of the singe. For this high mind holy purphose the members of our Church
and those of the Presbyterinn Clurch resorted here continually, ohserving their own ways of worship, hut all united in the same fromt resolve and tho same faith in God. The tower of the Catheilral was the slation from which the besieged made lheir observations and from which they signalled. And on every occasion of pidhory or sutuess the hells pealed forth their message of gladness. And when the Gital relief came, and the long and tertihhe struggle was over, they culled the vistors to the great service of thankgiving to God far the deliveranon He had grantod. The City of Detry has a long nul notable history. Tha ansient Irish Church was very remurkable
fow the numher of great Glristian missionnties whom it sent forth to ryangelise regions where the old pagan faiths still sprvived. The missionary spirit of St. Patrick blazed up with wonderful power in the shuls of many of those who were nourished in the centres of Ohristian faith whinh wete formed as the resalt of his labours. These centres hename famois also as centres of learning at a time whent Enrope wns sinking into harbarism. This ancient Irish Church was notuple ulso for its independence, and it is of interest that the first mention of a bell in connection with a Christian service is to he found in an ancient life of St. Columba, where the sounding of a hril appurs ns the means of calling to prayer in the clurch. Thus your newly-restored and augmented ring of bells may be truly said
to virry on a long tradition. beginning in the sixth century and musi plocionsly and wonderfully emphassed in the great deliverance of 1689 . Connected with this Intier event, our service to-duy has hern associated in a special way with the memory of two of the
hniness of the sige. The collection which will be made is to be for
a tathlet to commemorate the courage and devotion of two brave men-Colonel Honry Baker, one of the governors of the eity, who nobly discharging his diffeult and dangerous duties, and worn out with labour and disease, died when the siege had lasted 73 days, aud was buried in the norll aisle of this Cathedral; and the galiant Crptain Browning, of the Mourtjoy, leader of the relioving ships, who was killed in the moment of victory at the Breaking of the Beom.

The Primate then spote of the message of the bells, and eoncluded: - Listen to their voice; come when they call; reoeive fiheir messuges into your heart; and you will he able to join in the eternal Song of Praise, "Glory to God in the Highest."
The Primate's appeal for a generous offering towards the provision of a memorial to Calancl Baker and Captain Browning met with a ready response, the collection realising 886.

Eleven members of St. Patriak's Cathedral Society, Dublin, had been invited to Derry to assist in the opening, and the looal ment having rung the rounds at the moment of dedication in $a$ pery creditahle manuer, the Dublin contingent at the conclusion of (lae Service rang 1,259 Graudsire Gaters: G . Lindoff (conductor) 1, R. S. F. Murply, P.C., 2, W. F. Wilson 3, T. McMorvan 4, R. Lynch 5, J. Atkinson 6, A. Murray 7, W. JI. Lyncli 8, G. F. Wilmot g, J. W. Townley 10. A tomeln of Stodman Triples on the light eight (now spoken of as the old eightj, in which Miss Mjlls, of London, fook part, and a touch of Grandsire Triples on the bate elght, in wincla
Canon Ridout, of Soull Afrign, took part, concluded the ringing for Canon Ridout, of soull Africh, took part, concluded the ringing for
the day. Ahout lworv-five minutes of the quarter-peal was broad cast.
The ringers were all greatly pleased with the belfs, hoth in an and tone, and Messrs. Gilleti and Johnston may feel justly proud of Londonderry bells. They are indeed a fine penl. On the Thursins, the ringers present were entertained in the Northern Counties Hotel
by Mr. Jolnston, a very pleasant evening being spent. Some of the ringers refurned to Dablin the uext day, but others remained until Saturday to enjoy the hospitality extencled to them. Mr. J. C. Orr acted as 'guide, philosophev and friend' during the stay.

IN THE RINGING ROOM.
The 'Sentinel' published mu jateresting description of the scene a the belfry:-
'In the ringing room of the lawer, up the narrow stairway, ils steps worn by the feet of conluries of visitors, a little group stands wating for the sighol wo sand out the glad message of Derry's lis-
toric hells, strengethened and revivified. rhe furniture of the room has still to come. The walls are scarred, where woodwork has been removed in connection with the changes. A good deal of dust is about. Temporary ladders lend up to the bells, wo storeys higher up ins the tower. The chiming apparatus, enahling tunes to
played, has still to be installed. There is plenty of evikence of played, has still to be installed. Thers is plenty of evidence of the modern but the best-equippert peal in Ireland may be ready for the dedication.
-The service is clascly followed by the little group. The 3ishop's voice comes faintly through a lowve, opened for the occasion. choir's "Amens' at the close of ench prayer are puactuation pointa. The minutes pass. The little circle of ringers, two young ladies ann eight men, members of the Cathedral homorary Guild, stand, ropes in land, ready for the eall. The silance is tense.

Suddenly, the tinkle of a bell, communicating with the chatued gives the signal. A second later and the peal is sending out a waye
of melody, heard subduedly within the Cathedral heard wilh cras ing distinctness by the thousands in the clurclyard, on the ciry wall. and for miles mround.

It is something of an ordeal for those privileged thus to browi cast the first message of the bells after almost a year's silera Until that moment the ringers had mever leard the sound of thesir awn bells. Only on the night before had the last of the ropes cume down from the eerie chamber overlieat. It had then heen possilife to have a pull with the chappers tied. But the ringer is more co fortable when lee hears his hell and knows exactly where dropping ja. The orteal is well got ovel, After the opening ronur
the ringers setile stendily down, and all over Ulster the listening thousands pick tp the message.

Tho minute allofted to tha ringers is over hefore its passing has been noticed by the busy eircle. At a call the bells lapses into silern and the service proceeds

Meantime the Leam of experienced elange rimgn's from St. Patrict Gatherra, Dublin, sccupy the front pews in the gallery, waiting their call to come later. Tliey include a elergyman and his son great grandfatleer and his gon, and another fatlier and son-almost family party of men have come to honeur Derry. The serwice pr gresses. The music of the minir

Then, while the Recessional hyman is being sung, as the cherg and choir file inta the Chapter House, the visiting ringers silanit, leave the gallery, maunt the narrow winding stairway, and instandy
on the close of the liynn the Dublin tean break out in a I, 200 on the close of the liynin the Dublin teag break ollt in change peal on ten hells-lhe arg on the fing ever rug Derry. Later, the viators give a ring on the recast eight bells, nut (Continued in next columa.)

## RINGING MEETING AT SUDBURY

A joint meeting of the Suffoll: Guild and the Essex Association was held at Sudbury on July 20th. After tea, ail which 53 were present, Mr. C. E. Howard, Master of the Essex Association, was elected cbairman.
New members were elected, and meetings arranged.
Mr. Leslie A. Allingtou was elected secretary for the Sudhury Branch. Wemlers wer'e present from Ipswich, Lavenham, Mistley, Ufford, Wormingford, Little Waldingfield, Stebbing, Maldon, Sudbury, London, Haskoton, Foxearth, Clacton-on-Sea, Long Melford, Glemsford, Thorington, Great Cornard, Groton, Sible Fiedingham, Colchester, Earls Colne, Grensted Green, Great Bentley, Sproughton, Halstead, Cambridge, Braintree, and other towers. The following methods were rung: Bristol, London, Superlative, Cambridge, Double Norwioh, Treble and Plain Bob, Stedman, and Grandsire. The company of St . Peter Mancroft, Norwieh, were also in the town, and joined forces with the other Guilds.

## ICKLETON RINGERS AT YARMOUTH.

On Saturday, July 20th, the church choir and ringers of Fokleton, Cambs, spent a very enjoyable day at Yarmouth. At first the excursion was arranged as a choir outing, and as sevelal of the ringers are also members of the choir, it was decifed to include the ringers and friends as well, so a party of over sixty left Great Chesterford Station at 5.50 a.m., arriving at Yarmouth about 9 a.m. Permigsion had been kindly given for the ringers to have a ring on St. Nichalas Church bells in the atternoon. Some of the local men very kindly thet the visitors and made them welcome. Touches of Grandsite Triples were rung; then, with the help of some of the Yarmouth silgers, a cotrse of Grandsire Caters was brought round. Afterwalds, a party of sixty foul sat down to a substantial tea. Home was reachad soon aftes midnigbt.

## (Continued from previous column.)

ihis is succeeded by an eight-bell peal, one of the ringers in which is Canon Ridout, of Tohamesburg, and another a young London lady, who, when formerly visiting the city, invariably tank a hell, whilgt o third was Mr. Johnston, a member of the firm of Gillett and Tolnston, of Croydon, the bell founders responsible for the work of recasting the old bells, adding the new ones, and replacing, with netal, the former wooden framework.
-The visitors are loud in theil praise of the poal, and Mr. Jolnston duly receives congratulations on the latest triumph of his worldrenowned firm. The ease with which even the heaviest bell-the teror, presented by the honourable the Irish Society-can be rung, is attributed to the successfiul introduction of hall bearings. The tane is probounced exmellett and the tune perfect.'

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUHLD. <br> SIX-BELI RINGERS EIGHT-WELL PRAOTMGE.

In delightiful wenther a vely successful meeting of the Dorchester Branch of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild was hela on Saturday week at Wyke Regis, Weymouth. Representatives attended from Abbotsbury, Bere Regis, Bournemouth, Charminster, Coffe Mullen, Dorchester, Fordington, Lytchett Minster, Poole, Warcham, Winchester, Wimborne and Wyke Regis, making a fotal of 56. The bells were available from 2.30 p.m., and sharp to the moment the Lytchett Minster band (which includes five promising young ledies) were in the rimging chamber, and had the bells in motion. Other ringers followed, and the practice was specially devoted to enable six-bell ringers to extend their knowledge of eight-bell methods. Service was conducted by tho Rector (Rev. E. de B. Thurston), who gave a lomely and thoughtful address. He welcomen the mombers in the oame of the church and parish, and concluded by giving a bistory of the bells.

Tea was partaken of in the Memorial Hall and was followod by a short business meeting. In the absence of the chairman (Mr. R. N. Dawes), the Rector was voted to the clain. Apologies for norattendance were received from the chairman, the Master of the Guild (Rev. R. H. Gundry), the general secretaty (Rev. F. LJ. Edwards), hon. seeretary, Wimborve Branch (Rev. C. A. Phillips), Yen. Archdeacon W. S. Motule, Messrs. W. J. Simons (Dorchester), E: Futchings (A bbotsbury), A. Gray (Tramption), W. Hewlett (Puddetown), and R. Bowditeli (Sydling).

Messers. F. White (Granbrook, Kent) and H. T. Chandler (Lyonshall, Fereforl) were elected life members.
t was decided to accept with thanks the kind invitation of the Vicar of Frampton, near Dorehester (Rev. G. Wynn), to hold the next meeting at his parish.

Votes of thanks to the Rector, to the ladies far their services, the organist and blower, and the local bond, were carried with acelamation, and replied to by the Rector.
The tower was then again visited. Most of the members ascended to the top to see the fore view, including the beautifal panorame of Weymouth Bay, and the American fleet in Portland Harbour. Practice was continued undil 8.45 p.m.

Wyke Regis Church is a fine gtructure, exceedingly wall placed, and its tower is a prominent oibject for some distanos, especially seawards. It is Perpendicular in style, and was consectated in 1455. The tower contained four old bells. These were recast by Taylor and augmented into a fine peal of cight, with a tenor of 17 cwt , in 1891.

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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

The Master of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association (Rev. E. S. Saleby) has had an uyfortunnte experience in his first year of office, for the bells of his incumbency, Leonard Stanles, Stonehouse, Gloucestershire (six bells, tenor 14 cwt.), were taken down last week owing to serious decay of the tower. Various attempls have been made to strengthen the tower without success; the foundations have even moved from new supports.

A peal rung at Trowbidge lask week mariks another step in the history of the Salishury Diocesan Guild. It was the fisf peal of Cambredge Surprise Royal in Wiltshire, and the first by the Guild. It also coinciced with the passing of tho famous 'four sevens,' Mr. J. 2'. Dyke having parted with the 'Chileompton bus.' He has Laken on another velicle, but it is doubtful if it can prove a beffer servant than the famous Austin, which hiss covered so many thousankls of miles-many of them for tinging.

The tower at Debenham, Suffolk, where many jears ago an Oxford Troble Bob Major record was set up, tas recently developed some rather serious cracks, in consoquence of which the authorities consider it would he wise if sa peals were rung until the trouble has been remodied. The bells, however, will still be available for service ringing aud short touches.
Last Monday's great performance at Ashton-under-Lyne recalls the fact the frat peal of Cambridge Surprise Maximus was rung rit Ipswieh on August 15th, 1908, so that the 'coming of ago of this method in the realms of practical peal ringing has been roarked in a significant mammer.
One hundred and eighty years aga next Monday, John Holt called a peal of Bob Tripies at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields for the Society of Union Scholars. Holt was also the composer, and the figures are sitl preserved in Snowdon's 'Ropesight.'
The first peal of Double Norwich Majar in North Wales was rung at Rhyl on August 13th, 1908.

Non-commissioned, unappointed O.C. 'diseomfited Des' is timby sorry to hear that deputy 0.0 ., self-styled, Blues was ${ }^{-\alpha}$ gering from 'Ricketts' (sorry Boh, remember Haddenham) when, at the Lant: End 'Ambushed.' Should N.C.U゙., O.G.D., Reds, wish lo fortify Winklich on August 2411 , would this hecome a Warfield? It would be nice if the past O.C.s of Red and Blue Forces ceuld settle this point, as the present N.C.U., O.C.D., 'Reils,' has only an ouiside knowledge of the discomfiture in the branch prior to his arrival. There would then be nothing left to Bray ubout (see peal columns).

## THE SUFFOLK GU1LD AND THE CENTAAL COUNCIL.

## To the Editor.

Denr Sir, There has heen much writtens as to whether members of the Central Council are 'Representatives' or 'Delegates." That does not really seem to be tha question at issue. It is true, the matter was brought to a licad by a remark from the chair on this point. But, after all, what we are to call them is a question of nomenclature. So long as the persons in question are clearly identified, Mr. Davies is quite right in saying it does not really matter which term is used.
What we do want is some way by which the Central Council ant the associations can co-operate in the work each lias to do. A suggestion was made thaf diplamas should be issued. The question was referred to the associations. Bat there is no machinery by which this can he done. Each of us inad a different idea of what was weant. The result was that the Gloucester and Bristol Association rosenter the way in which their proposals were treated, so much so that by a majority at a meeting they have withdrawn from the Central Council.
The Suffolk Guild were, however, treated much worbe than the Glousester and Bristol Association, as your report of our last anunal meeting on Easter Monday showed. Yet we have not withdrawn. The matter was discussed, but it was agreed that we conld do no yood hy withirawing. The result las shown that we were right. Fad both sacielies been represented, we could have joined forees at Chelmsford, and put, the matter in train to be remedied. But the G. and B. people were out of it, and could neither help us nor themselves.

I an quite-certain that no one wanted to treat us or the other ussociation badly, and that a well fhought-out scheme has only to be put before the Contral Council to bo adopted. Bul as long as they are content to dispute abotut empty words, when what we and they really want is to get something done, they are simply standing in their awn liglt.
Fas no one any practical suggestious? At Ipswich we put forward the idea of Standing Orders. Let us get on with it.

HERBERT DRAKF.

## THE NATIONAL THANKSGIVING.

To commemorato the King's recovery, there was rung at the Parisil Church of St, Mary, Ufford, on Tuesday, July 30th, 720 Plain Boly Minor : Rev. H. Drakn 1, H. W. Smith 2, E. C. Fisher (conductor) 3 F. L. Fisher 4, E. C. Pizzey 5, F'. W. Nichols 6 . All these are Sunday service ringers at this ohurch, and this is the frrst 720 which has been so rung since the war.

## NEW TWELVE-BELL RECORD.

${ }^{15} 33^{12}$ CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS RUNG AT ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE.
Success attended the band which at Ashton-under-Lyne on Monday attempted a new twelve-bell record. Under the auspices of the Lancashire Association and the ishi-ton-under-Lyne Society a mixed company started for 15,312 Cambridge Surprise Maximus, and this was brought to a triumphant conclusion after eleven and a half hours' ringing, characterised throughout by good


The Church of St. Michael and All Angels, Ashton-under-Lyne, where the new record was made.

At 7.46 the welcome 'Ilhat's nill' was heurd, and a mighty cheer went up from the immense crowd gathered in the vicinity of the chureth.
The honours of the peal were will the conductor, william Pye, who knew his job all though. He was aibly helped by the other hackenders, and the midde meu stood firn. Docs the 5th man know how to make a mistake? the trehle man is well known in the North. Ho is now well known to some ringers from tbe Soutl. He was alyrys where he should be. The 'unknown quantity' on the second showed thit his previous experience of long lengths enabled himt to finisit as frest gs when he started. A very useful man to have in a band! But somelhing nice could be said about all the hand.
The striking throughout was good, and very few trips occurred. Mi. Hen thathe was iu the belfry before shand was called, and was the first to congratulate the conductor on his fine performance.
On arriving in the porel, the Fingers found the Rector awaiting thenn. Canon Thompson, after congratulating each ringer individually, spoke of the great honour they had done to Ashton by ringing such a time poal on the bells. The ringing history of the lower had been gloriously added to.
It fell to the writer to thank Camon Thompson for bis very gemernus words, and for his great kindness in giving his permission for the peal to be rung. The Rector also saw to it that the wherewithel was provided to obtain very necessary refreshment, for which lie was cordinlly thruked.

## ASITTON RINGERS' SPORTING SIPIRIT

On openitrg the church door, the storm hurst. William Pye was in great demund, and hands were narly shaken off. It seomed as if half the poraliation of Ashton were present. All ablempt to get a photo taken for the press whs ouly partially successful, as two of made, and Williarn was followed to the hotel by ant admiring crowd
Later in the evening a gatiering of ringers took place, and cangratulations came afrosh. The veteran San Wood, Ben Thorpe and others who were in the Treble Twelve record were sincerest in their praises, and one member of the southern contingent took oecasion ion voice the deep appreciation of the band for all that had been done. A more 'sporty' spivit could nol be found anywhere, than to invite somehody to come along, tum beat your own xecord, and make it casy for them to do it! Mention was also mank of the whole-hearted welcome of the hundreds of people who gathered to hear the peal linished. At some places it is more likely that it would have been a welcome with brickbats.
All good things come to an ent, and the evening passed much too quitkly. Half the band made their way home, and half stayed at Ashton to go wn to Liverpool the next day for an ordinary length peal at St. Nielolas Church. This was in response to at invitation given by Mr. $\mathbf{G}$. R. Newton and the Liverpool ringers to "bring as many as you like and ring jotst what you like.' And what could be more welcome?
It would be out of place to finisly this shart aceount of the ringinf of this peal without once agnin thanking all those who couIrihuted to the suceess, motably those great men at Aslaton-underLuyne, Messrs. Sam Wood, Hen Thorpe, S. Thompson and company. A werd for the bells. They are a delight to listen to, and a treat lo, ring. There were no complaints anywhere, not even at the end. They werc completely restorel and rohung two years ago by Measss. Meairs num Staiubank. The holls were rentoverl to the Whitechapel Foundry, where they were sand-blasted and retuned, and then re1.urned to the lower to be rehung on ball benvings in an entirely new frame and hittings, and with iron headstocks. In addition, $a$
llat trelle whe ulded to make a liglut peal of eight. Both in toue llat treble wats added to make a litht peal of eigh
and "go" the bolls are a real credit to the lirm.
c. T. C.

## OTHEL GREAT PERFORMANCES

The Cliturch of St. Michael and All Angels, Ashton-under-Lyne, has heen the scone of olher great performanees in the past, and the previous Maximus rccord was made there when, on April 17th, 1911, M. Sane Wrods called the 12,240 of Keut Treble T'welve in 8 hirs. 39 mins. At this tower, also, the Treble Boh Royal record ( 14,000 in 9 lirs. 24 mins.) was rung on April 13 th, 1914.
Prior to Monday, the greatest number of clanges on twelvo bells one peal was the 13,001 Grandsire Cinques, rung in 8 lirs. 45 mins. at Painswick, ly the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association, on Fehruary 14th, 1920, hut on Whait Monday. May 21st, 1923, 18,675 Steitinan Cinques was rung by the College Youths at Southwark Calliedral, where the tenor is 50 cwt., in 9 hrs. 47 mins. On Decemhre 26th, 1901, 11,111 Stelman Cinques was rung at St. Martin's, Biruningham, in 8 hiss. 2 mins. The Treble Boh Maximus record made At Asbiob-under-Lyne in 1911, superseded a lenghi of 10,224 set up at Painswick on Decornher $9 t h$, 1833, which peal was composed and condueled hiv Williara Estcourt and rung in 6 hus. 50 mins.
The following is tho list of poats of more than 15,000 changes which luve beon rung on church bells, from which it will be seen that a sare of this phenamenal length have hecn pat on record:-


Oct. 25, 1737.
Oct. 24, 180
F'eb. 27, 1816.
Dec. 26, 1831 .
Apr. 27, 1868
May 18, 1883.1 .
Dec. 31 , 1888. 15,041. Stedmar Calers.
Apr. 22, 1889.
June 6, 1892.
Apr. 3, 1899. 16,608.
May 22, 1899, 15,072
Dec. 27, 1904. 17,104
June 8, 1906. 16,800.
Арг. 12, 1909
May 28, 1912. 15,264. Stedman Caters.
Apr. 22, 1922. 21,363. Stedman Caters.
July 21, 1923. 17,280. Kout T.B. Wajor.
Apr. 18, 1927. 17,824. Oxford 「..B. Major.
Aug. 5, 1929. 15,312. Cambridge Surprise
Maxinus.

## Time.

Hrs. mins. Place. 840. West Ham.

9 31. Astonl.
846. Oldham.
827. Waih-on-Dearne. Flland. Bethnal Green.
Mottram.
Appleton.
Cheltenham
Debenlam.
Jurith.
Tridington.
S. Wigston.

Mottram.
Loughborough.
Hornchurcll.
appleton.
Over.
Heptonstall
Ashton-underLyne.

At the time of gaing to press, no information had been received with regard to the naternpt for the record peal of Minor at Reckinghall Superior, Sultolk.

## PORTUGAL'S HISTORIC CARILLONS.

## EXTRAVAGANT MONARGH'S DOUBLE SET OF BELLS.

A famous Portuguese carillon has been placed in order, and has now been henrd again after a silence of more than forty years. This be the most gigantic building in Porlugal, and one of itie ten biggest in Errope. It whs built in the eighteenth centary by Eing John V. of Portugal, bul has not been imhabited for over a cear tury. The edifice iteelf covers an area of 40,000 square matres, con tains 880 enormous rooms, and has 4,500 doors and windows. It belfries are 68 metres high, and are supplied with 114 bells of various sizes. The library is one of the attractions there, and is known to all bibliophiles. It contains 30,000 volumes.
At one time the double carillons of Mafin were said to be the finest in the world, each set possessing 47 bells, varying in weight from 30, to 10,000 kilograms. According to the 'Cliristian Sciente Monitor,' the existence of duplicate sets is due to the vanity of King John, whose greatest ambition was to vie in acts of extravaguit splendour with his cousin Louis XV. of France. Having made up his mind to have the best obtainable chimes to adorn his monstrous fantasy, when their great cost was hesitatingly revealed to him, the sovereign answered wilh ostentatious carelessness, 'So cheap!
will have two selis made.
The carillons were inaugurated in 1730, thase of tho northern tower being constructed hy Nicolas Levache, and the southern by Guillaume Willolock. They became one of the alitractions of Portis gal for trnvellers, and for nearly a century and a half were one o the favourite pastimes of kings. The people of the neighbouring countryside also rejoiced in the merry or plaintive strains that conld be heard tent miles off. About 40 years ago something went wrong with the intricate centuries-old machinery and clocks. No one couju be found in the country who knew how to mend the ancient chimes and so the rust-covered bells kept silence until their oxistence was almosh forgotien. Great political changes absorbed general attentian, and music was a negligible guantity.
Now, however, that a certain stability has been restored and time is found for the great work of restoration, it was resolved that the marvellous carillons of Mafra could not be left in permanent neglect.
Two fanous experts, Jef Denyn and Desire Somers, were called
Ythe Portuguese Government from Belgium, and these ment have for the last year worked in the Mafra belfifies among the rusty clacks and mighty wireworks. In their opinion these chimes are uuique in valuc and workmanship; but they considered the duplicasary for the two sets a useless expenditure, so that only the southero tower was restored.
The imauguration concerl was attended by the President of the Republic, members of the Government, and diplomatic corps, ancl a concourse of thousauds of people of all elasses, whe, it is said, wers thrilled ou hearing the first sonorous vibrations trembling through the air, and sent up a mighty shout after the Portuguese National Anthem had been played.

MARGATE-On July 31st, a quarter-peal of Graudsire Triples in 46 mins. W. Trusler 1, D. Wright (connuctor) 2, W. Joiner 3, H.
King 4, W. H. Seabrook 5, A. Saxby 6, F. Reeres 7, F. Gadsder Arranged for ringers of 2nd, Jrd, 4th and 5 th, who wero on holiday in the fown.

## CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD

MR. E. W. ETWELL'S RESIGNATION AS HON. SECRETARY.
The 42 nd anmual meeting of the Chester Diocesan Guild was helk ab Bebington on Saturday, July 27th. There was a moderate attendance, ahout 65 members and friends being present, and each of the seven b'anches of the Guild was represented. The proceedings opened officially wity a service at $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}_{\text {., }}$ at St : Andrew's, Bebing ton, the serman being preached by fev. Fr. H. E. Boulthee, Yicar of Rehington.

The meeting itselî was held at 4.45 p.m. in the Ormerod Memorial Hall. The business dealt with was of the kind generally found on the ugenda of most anmual meetings.
The Master (Rev. C. A. Clements) was in the clair. A good deal of discussion was raised by the annual report, and a certain amount of energetic oppositioa to its publication in its present form was offred. Eventually, howover, its aloption was moved, and the mation was carried with one dissentient.
The election of officers passet off without incident. The Rev. G. A. Clements was re-electer to the office of Master amidst acolamation, and the Fier. A. T. Becston to the office of hon. treasurer. The only chance was the resignation of the tron. secretary, Mr. E. W. Elwell, owing to his manf other business engagements.
Mr. WT. W. Wolstencroft said that he was sure that all the members would he sorry ta lose such a valuable and genial seeretary as Mr. Elwell had shown himself to be during the last seven years, and that he personally found it a pleasure to attend any meeting ai which Mr. Efwell was present.
Mir. J. C. E. Simpon (St. Mary's Vicarage, Manor Road, Wallasey) was elected as the new hon secretary, and Mr. Elwell was elected as the ringing mearber representative Jrom the Wirral Branch on the commitec in place of Mr. Simpson.
Tt was decider that in future each branch should adwertise its meetings in 'The Ringing World,' such advertisements to be paid
for loy the Guild. Phe furchase hy the Givid of copies of the Latichfor by the Guild. The Jurchase hy the Guild of copies of the Laticashite Association Instruetion Book for distribution to members was approved.
An application for a grant from the Guild fancls towards rebanging Dadleston hells whs conlirmed.
It wrs decirled ta hold the nexi anmul macting at Northwich on Easter Momday. 1930 . Votes of thanks were passed to the Hon. auditors, Messi玉. H. and W. Jackson.
At the conchrsion of the neeting. tlof inembers partook of tea in the Lady Lorer Art Gallery, Port Sinlight, during which a vote of thantes was passed to the peal recarder, Mr. J. Cooke, for his valued work which he had put in during the past year.
Tea being flaished, at peneral move was made to the towers, those upen for ringing being Rock Forry (six hells), and Bebington and Port Sunlight (eight hells). Ringing was carvied on till about 8.30, anal some was also doue in the afternoon before service. The ringing was of a varied plaracter, but a good variety of methods wns rung, ineluding Grandsire and Stednan Triples, and Plain Bob, Kent and OxFord, and Cambridye, Superlative and Bristol Surprise Majar.

## A FIVE COUNTIES EXPEDITION.

The annual outing of the Bolsover ringels took place on July 20th, fund an ambitious tour extenden to 188 miles, in five counties, ineluching ringing for an hour at eacis of five churches. It semmed rather a tall order iut the raidst of a heat wave. Irthlinghorough was the farthest point, and the whole of the day was plammed to a schedule. Leaving Bolsnver al $7 \mathrm{~m} m$., the barly travelled via Mansiokd to
nick up su old and faithful friond, and reached Oakliam at 9.15 . The fiftymiles journer had been deliolatful. They were welcomed by Mr. Higes, and sonu had the hells going to various Major methods. Ringing on this grand peal was greatly enjoyed. Aftor a look round this historic town, and lameh at the Grown Hotel, they wh off to Ticlimarsh, 35 miles away. There they were welcomed by 'he local commany and Mr. W. Perkins, who took them in hand for he riay. Tichmarsh bells are a niee peal by Gillett and Johaston. full force in welcome the party, and MM. F. Wilford was also there. Thrapsion hells are a very nice ring by taylor and Co., and, incincnlaliv. the hack six were onst at the same time as Bolsover back in 1898. After touches in the usual methods. the party weat on o Irthlingborough, and were met by Mr. A. Y. Tyler and others, Whn gave them a real welcome and joined in tapping off touches in few Surprise methods. Tea was provided at the Bull Hotel, and afterwards Mr. $\mathbf{F}$. Wilford welcomed the party into the district. Wr. Wilfort having been thanked, the party set out for Burton T,atimer, where there is a nice light peal by Taylor and Co. Here ggain the locel men met them wilh P.C. Robinson, late of Bolsover", nar My. F. Tite. Some of the party, feeling tired, preferved to lisken while the enthusiasts did some real good striking. The methods rung duriug the rlay included Boh Major, Little Boh, Treble Bob, Double Norwich, Superlative, Cambridge, London atid Bristol Surfrise, and the company desire to thank the incumbents nt eacla owner, and the local men, especially Messrs. Higgs, Perkins, Tyler and
Wifford, who spared nothing to make the outing the surcess it sha. Home was reached at 11 p.m.; after If hours of enjoyment.

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. <br> PRESTON BRANCH DOINGS.

The annual branch mesting of the Preston Branch was held ato Chorley on Saturday. The attendance was rather smaller tilian usual. The bells at both the Parish Chapleh and St. Mary's R.C. wero ntilisea during the day, ringing commencing about 3.30 , ami continuing until nearly nibe oclack, with a break for tea and the busimess meeting, methods from Dotible Court, to Cambrirge Surpriso being rung.
The Ringing Master (Mr. Wru. Slatiples) presided at the business meeting. The Secretary gave the following report of the foings of the branch: During the year meetings have been held at Peawortham, Eccleston, Whittle-le-Woods, Preston St. Mark's, Croston, Brindle and Tarleton, as well as the ammal social at Eigher Walton. The meetings bave been attended up to the averuge for the last few years, but the members attonding ave mostly the same, and I wand like to appeal to the chief vingers of the different towers to try to get those members who are not as Keen as they might be to try and attend the mectings. The meotitg at Eccleston was rather out of the ordinary, coming as it did on the eve of the diamond wedding of the oldest active member, Mr. R. Rigbye, to whom the branch took the opportunity to make a presentation in nommemoration of the rare eveat. Tilie attendance at the annual social was slighaly uncer the average, hut as usual all present had an enjoyable time. With regard to ringing in the bramelh, $I$ cannof sey there las been much advancement generally, although ono is pleased ta note that a new and enthusiastio hand has been got togetier at Tarlaton, where the efforts of the Rector, and the Croston ringers sem to be bearing fruit. Our peal list is rather smaller than usual, but some of the peals aro perhaps more meritorious, notably the peal of Cambridge Surprise at Hoghton, which was the first of Major in the method lyy the branch, also the geal of Kent 'rehle Bob Royal at Blackburn Cathedral, which was alse the forst by tho branch, and lung at the first attempt. The conductor was the only ringer in the peal who had rung a peal of Royal in the method before $t$ would like at this point to thank the Blackburn Branch for their kindness in arranging, and allowing us to make the atiempt, which proved sis successful. The full izi of the perts rung is as follows: One Hoglton, one Granasire Triples at Whithe-le-Woarls, the first in the methors on the bells, the peal at Whittle being a local peal lanfmuffled in honour of the fallen memhers from that tower ; two peals of Duable Norwich, one at Brownedge, the first peal ons the newlyangmented peal, and one at Preston Parigh Clutch, rung in honotis of the wedting of Mr. Alex Martin, ane of the local ringers; onte af Kent Treble Bob Royal at Blackhurn, one one of Kent Treble Bob bells at Higher Walton has been cerried out since the last annual meeting, this heing another welcome addition to the eight-bell towers. Subscriptions have come in faitly well, and we have made ar reelected 18 new members during the year, so that ane list will he as lavge ar larger than it has been pleviously.
The secrefary and Ringing Master were hath re-eleoted, as alsn were the branch committer men. The hest thanks of the bramoh were given to hoth officers for their services during the year, to which the secretary and Master suitably replied. suggesting a joint meeting between the two hernches. This was agree to, the mattor boing left to the secretaries to arrange.


## GUILDFORD DTOCESAN GUILD

## FARNFAM DISTRICT MEETING

A most successfu] meeting of the Farmham District was held at Aldershot on Saturday, Tuly 27th. This meeting had ben origimally arranged for Farmbornugh, hut nwing ta sickness in the prish it was transfericd to Aldershot, and 38 members and friends were nresemt from Aldershot, Ash, Bagshot, Blackwater, Faralam. Haw-
ley, weale and Woking. Ringing commenced at three aclock, and later the Guild service was conducted bw the Rove A Dudey An excellent tea was provided in the Parish Hall by Miss A. Fishor and other ladv ringers.
At the business meeting the Rar. A. J. Dudley, who was electer a ringing member of the Guild, took the chair, fnd ane hon. member (Mrs. Walker, wife of Admiral T. P. Walker, the Guild's estement treasurer), and one compounding member (Mfr. J. Spartow. hon. sceretary of the Rowal Cumberland Youths), were also elected

Mr. J. S. Goldsmith, hom. general secretary of the Guild, qavo an inferestine recount of the procendings of the Central Gouncil, and was hoartily thamked.

A message of condolence was sent to Mr. B. H. Clark, lato hon. semetary of the district, who is in hospinal as the result of injuries received in a motor aceident.
Votes of thantrs were accorded to the Wicat for the use of the bells, the Rev: A. F. Dudley for conducting the service and prosithing at the meeting, to the ladies for meparing ten, and to the oreanist and blower. Touches were afterwards rumg on hambells, and the tower bells were kept going in various methods until nine o'clock, one touch being runte in which six ladies took part.

## DURHAM \& NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

It wais thought that a large number would be attracted to the
dolightful town of Darlington for the Durlam and Newcastle Assaciation's summer meting on Saturday week, and the officials were rather disappointed when only 15 sat down to the excellent tea at Hunter's Cafe. Those present included the president (Mr. E. E. Ferry) and the Rov. A. S. Thompson, Vicar of St. John's. St. Cuthbert's belis were kept going during the afternoon, and St. John's and Holy Trinity after tea, with a final tally at St. Cuthbert's from 8 to 9 . A very pleasant time was spent, all agreeing that the meeting had been well worth while. Six yew members of St. Peter's, Jartow, wero elected.

## A FIVE BELL TRIP

On Salurdny, July 27h, live menibers of the Loughborough Parish Chuteh Sociely visited the Saxon Churcli of Willoughby-on-the-Wolds. By kind permission of Mr. I. G. Baldock, churchwarden, the Vicar being away, the bells, a light peal of five, were raised and set going to 120 's of Bob Douhles and Grandsire Doubles. It was soon found thiat thoy sadly needed the bellhanger. The bells were lowered in peal, and ifter beat it visit was paid to Walton, by kind permission of the Rev. B. M. Bitd, where a guarter-peal was tapped off in finc style, consisting of four 120 's of Bob Doubles and six of Grandsire, the ringers being: J. Onslow 1, C. Bollard 2, C. Allsop (conductor) 3, T. Saddingion 4, J. Towell 5 .

## YORKSHIRE FRIENDS, HOSPITALITY AND DALES.

The ringers of the Parish Church of St. Mary, Penwortham, Lancashire, paid a visit to old and new friends iu Yorkshire for their annual cxcursion. The occasion was not merely a day's outing for ringing, lut a commenaration of a somewhat unique event, for it was oul June 8th, 1912, that the bi-centenary of the bells was celehrabed, tud, since then, an encleavomi has been made to hold an out-
 invibation had heen recelved from the band at St. Michael's, Headingley, Leeds-onec described to the writer by Mr. Arthur Craven as hite Liliversicy ho make Howangley the venue, and, once transalacrity. So, at nige ocelock ou u line summer morning, the party; which ineluded Mr. B. A. Knights, of Preston Parish Chuvech, nnd also five ladies who had eyes on the shops at Leeds, and a giorious disconcorn for the tenth commandment, set; out along the beautiful valley of Lhe Riblle. P'ast Whallcy Abbey, one of Lancashive's historical gems, wid whalleg Church, where time did not permit a
sigo to try slap to try he now ring of eight, the journey proceeded by way
of Pendle Forest, the lome of the Eancastire Witches, to the main Pentins Range, a yerion of vast expanses and wild moors. Soon, however, these moors were crossed, and the party passed along wooded rombs, town to the sheltering warnith of Keighley. Here they were met by Mr. R. W. Jemison, who lect the way into tle holfry, and soon the hells-a parlicularly fine ring of eight-were set going. Touehes of Bob Major, Grandive Triples and Kent Trehle Bob were sucensfully rung, and an adjourument was made to the King's Amus Hatel for dimner. Hiving satisfiei the iuner man, ille parly set out once again, this time down ilhe lovely valley of the Aire, ihrougl, Bingley and Shipley, where again goon rings of eight had to to passed by, to Calverley, where the local rumers were aftor a touch of Rob Major, ambition persuaded a joint band to try a touch of Superlative Surprise; it was, however, not surecessfut].
The journey on to Treadinglay was quite a short ove, and soon the party remehed its destination, where many old frients were met. After 'callin' for a little while, the bells were raised, and over an hour's ringing iudulged in, Boh Major, Double Norwich, Stedman Triples ant Superlative Surprise all being rung. The two bands had arranged for a joint ter, and this took place at a neighbouring cafe, a yery happy gathering. After tea, Mr. P. J. Johnson, addressing a few words nf welcome to the wisitors, referred to the pleasure of meeting old frimuls and making the autuaintance of new ones. He spoke, too, of the iraditions of Hearingley, and the time when so many as five Suprise methods were rung for Sumday services; also of the ncenssity for Lraining recruits and setting a high standard hofore them.- MI. J. IT. Thylor, responding, said he knew that once Headingley had been decided upon as the venne of the trip, every-
thing would be done hy the hosts to make the day a menorable thing would be done hy ilie hosts to make the day a menorable
one. He extended is cordial invitation to the Headingley band ta ond Hisit Jenwortham. Handhells were then chtained, and a touch and it course of Bob Major successfully rung before the tower was itgain visited. Tlue ringing heing conded, and the ladies having fount tio male portion of thic party, farewells were said and the journey home commenced along the lovely vale of the wharfe. Yorkshire frionds, Yorksliire hospitality and Yorkshire dales!-could anyone desire more for their day's outing? Such was the good fortune of the Ponworthum band, and they wish to take this opportunity of thanking the Vicars of Koighley, Calverley and Headingley for the use of the hells, sud their friends the vingers at those places for menting them and doing everything possible to make the day one of menting hathert mumories.

## A DAY IN WARWICKSHIRE.

For the amual ouling of the band at St. Peter's, Dunstable, Beds, ou Thursday, July 25th, a visit to Warwickshire had been planned, and involved a motor trip of 120 miles, with plenty of ringing thrown in. Fourteen ringers, with the Rev. S. Dye (curate), set off in ligh spirits fol their day's adveuture att $7.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Southam, 50 miles distant, was the first tower. At 9.45 the party were welcomed by a local tinger, with the invitation to riug as long as they liked. The Church of St. James is a fine old building, with a very handy ring of eight, Iung from the ground floor. 336 Stedman, 168 Grandsire Cambridge, and a touch of Double Norwich were well vung, and after a hasty look round the willage the jotrrey was continued to Jillington. On arrival, the party were welcomed by members of the local band, and the bells, a lovely little ring of eight (tenor 9 cwt.) were pulled up. An excelieut touch of 433 Stedman Triples was rung, followed by a touch of Boh Major and a course of Superlative. Mr. F. W. Perrins unexpectedly joined the party at this tower, aud, beedless to say, his help and guidnnce for the rest of the day gave the greatest pleasure to all. Tracks were made for Leamingtou Spa, where dinter was amaiting the party, who afterwards enjoyed a stroll in the lovely Jepson Gnvdens. Ringing took place later nt the Parish Church, where there is a ring of eight (tenor 12 cwt . 3 qr.), with a long drnught, which, with springy ropes, vather bolfored the hand for a start. However, sone good ringing was done, includiag five courses of Litile Bob. Touches of Stedman and Grandsire, and a course of Cambridge Surprise Major followed, and the hells ruag down. The journey was then continued to Warwick, where tea was followe by the 'tit-bit, of the day, namely, ringing at St. Mary's. The party were joincd here by Miss D. E. Lewis, hon. secretary of the Warwickshire Guild, and Mr. A. H. Beamish, of Chilvers Coton, and one or two ather visitors, whose names are unknown to the writer. The parly were met at St. Mary's by Mr. T. Male, who conducled them to the tower. St. Mary's, as is well known, hat a fin ring of ten (tenor 25 cwt.) and, consiclering that the majosity of the visitors hatl had little 10 -bell experience, some very good riuging wns
done. Rounds, so that exorytody could lase done. Rounds, so that everybodly could have a puill, was followed by 413 Stedman Gaters, bciut the first touch of Caters by several
of the hand 384 Cambridge Major, 168 Granisire, rad a touch of Little Bob Royal, the Royal being rung as though the band had been ringing liogal all their lives. Tlae ten hells were then lowered in peal, which concluded the ringing for the day. A social half-hour, aud the long journey home was then beguu yin Banbury and Buckingham. Banbury was the first stop, and it is a good thing no more stops like it were possible. Banbury Cross had, of course, to be inspected, and the oakes, among other things, had to be tester, so that it was long after dark before all the erring members got aboard and the last 40 miles of the journey begun, some reaching their hames on the 25th, others on thie 26th. However, one of the most eajoyable days hai heen spent, and the band, through "The Ringing World," wish to thank all who helped to make it so successfil, the Warwickshire friends for meeting them, especinlly Miss Lewis, the Warwichshire Guita secretary, whose help in prowiding information as to towers was much appreciated.

## SHELLEY RINGERS' EXCURSION.

The ringers of Slhelley Church, accompanied by the Vicar (Rev. Walkden), the sexton and other interested friends, making a total number of fifteen, erjoyed a motor trip on Saturday, Jine 22nd. Travelling by way of Brighouse, over Keighley Moors, the happy party nrived at their rendezous, Skipton, about 3 p.m. Th: ringers wisited the fina Parish Clurch, to enjoy the sweets of change and music an onc of Taylor's latest peals. The rest of the party toured this fine old market town, with history marked on its streets aud luyildings. At 4.15, a reunion took place for a short four to the castle, etc, and afterwards the company sat down to a repast al Whitaker's Cafe, High Street. The Vicar proposed that a telegram be sent to Dr. Horne, of Oid Hall, Shelley, Lhanking him as the donar of the trip, also that a vote of thanks be given to C. D. Potter, secretary of the Bafnsley Associntion, who was the medium of commntication in the first phace between the worthy doctor num the ringers.-This was carried with geclanation. Further yinging and sight-seeing foilowed. At 7.39 the return journey commencet At Bradford a short halt took place to refuel, and home who reached at 10.45 , all feeling thankful for the pleasures of glorions weather and sights that please.

## MUFFLED BELLS AT ABERAVON.

On Sunday, July 21st, the Rev. D. W. Davies, Vicar of Aberavon. passed away after about ter days' illness. Tlie deceased was 59 years of gae, and had been an bon. member of the Swansea nnal
Brecon Guild for many yents. The bells werc rung by flic following service ringers: C. Hughes, W. Willianm, F. E. Stone, W. Nurton, E. Stitch, C. Jones, A. J. Pitman (conductor'), J. Weathersh and G. Clappell, on Wednestay cyening, the the lody was being brought to the church, where it rested through the night, after the interment on Thursday, fand for botlo morning and eveniug service ou the following Sunday. For the eveuing service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) was rung in 52 mins. with the fingers standing in above orden, G. Clinppell kiudly standing out.

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES

CIRENCLSTER, GLOS. On Sunday, July 281 h , for evening service, at the barish Chureh, 742 Grandsire Triples from Holt's Original: H. L. Cook 1, W. P. Cross 2, \%. Smid 3, F. Edwards 4, F. J. Lewis (conductor) 5, H. Lewis 6, L. Stilwell 7, C. W. Pipe 8. Arranged for the ringers of 2nd, 3 rd , 7 th and 8 th, who were on a visit from Windsor-On a recent Sunday 547 Stedman Caters: F. W. Bond 1, F. L. Cook 2, H. S. Parsons 3, F. w. Lewis (conductor) 4, A. V. Bond 5, F. Elwards 6, H. C. Bond 7, H. Lewis 8, W. H. Hayward 9, W. Wrigley 10: Thus is the longest touch of Stedman Caters rung by a lacel band.
CRICH, DERBYSHIRE.-On Sunday, July 21st, on the accasion of the anaual commemoration service at the Derbyshire and Noutinghamshire War Memorial, a quacter-peal of Double Norwich Court Boh Major ( 1,280 changes) in 43 mins.: J. J. Turner I, H. Dey 2, W. F. George 3, H. F. Attewell 4, F. F. Hill 5, F. W. Hill 6, A. Hutchison 7, A. C. Wright (conductor) 8.

LONDON.-At the Chureh of St. Mathew, Bethnal Green, for eventong of Dedication Festival, on Sunday, July 14tl, a quarter peal of Guandsire Tuples ( 1,260 changes) in 47 mins. : W. W. Stevens 1 , J. F. Parrott 2, J. H. Parrott 3, G. W. Wilson (first quarter) 4, S. Penfold 5, J. Martin 6, F. Smith (conductor) 7, G. Machin 8.
MITOHAM.-On Sunday, June 30th, for evensong, at the Chureh of SS. Peter and Paul, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples $(1,260$ changes) : Miss E. M. Mosse 1, K. Tourle 2, D. Wright 3, J. Lott 4, C. Dean 5, A. Calver 6, J. L. Watking (conductor) 7, w. S. Smith 8 .

## LADY RINGER MARRIED AT CHILVERS COTON

Ihe Chtuch of All Saints, Chilvers Colon, Numeaton, was the scene of a protly wedding on Wednesday, July 31 st, when Mr. G. W. 'I'. Mosedale, a Sunday School teacher and member of the choir, second son of the Vicar's warden, wns maraied to Miss G. M. Dodds, a keen and mucil esteemed member of the All Seints' band of ringers', eldest daughter of the late Vicar of Chilvers Coton, Camon A. A. Doddes, M.A.

Tho serviee, which was alleuded ly a large oongregation, was fully choral, and was conducted by the Vioar (Eev. J. A. B. Davies), assisted by the ourate. 'Cha bride, who looked wery chatming in white georgette, with a bouquet of white roses, was followed by four child attendanis, the Misses Vernnica and Ruth Mosedale (nicees of the bridegroow), and Masters. John Tulloch and Michael Dodds (nephews oî the bride). Miss Dodds was given away by her eldest hrother, Mr'. Waller Dodds, while Mr. Frank Masedale acted as best marn to his brother.
As the bridal couple left fine church, the bells pealed forth in rounds" and "queens " interspersed with "firing, after" whigh a well-struck 504 Grandsive Triples was rung hy: Mrs. P. Billiugton 1, C. E. Rayson 2, A. H. Beamish (conductar) 3, Miss D. E. Lewis 4, H. Harris 5, A. Haswell 6, J. E. Moreton 7, W゙. Carter 8. The haneymoon is being spent in Svotlancl.

The lappy couple were the recipients of many baatiful presents, neluding an tight-day Jacobean oak clock from the local ringers, ggether with an inkstand in the shape of a bell made from the ald ak of the frume which lield the three old bells prios to recasting md augmenting in 1508 .
The next evening Parker's 12 -part peal of Grandsite Triples was Altompted, but had to bo called round at 896 changes owing to a choil practice in church, a fack which had been oterlooked when arranging the peal. The following took part: A. Haswell 1, C. E.
Rayson 2, J. Draveott 3, Miss D. E. Lewis 4, H. Harris 5, A. H. Rafon 2, J. Draycott 3, Miss D. E. Lewis 4, H. Ha
Beanish (conductor) $6, \mathrm{~J}$. E. Moreton 7, W. Carter 8.

## RINGER'S WEDDING AT BELBROUGHTON

The weddingr of Mr. E. Calcutt and Miss E. Abel took place at Foly Trinity Churcls, Belbroughton, Wores, on July 2016. Mr. E. Galeutt is the conductor of the local band, Laving held the position frat the past four years, in succession to Mr. H. Martin. He took in hand a band of learners, and they scored their first peal of Grandsire Doubles on December 26th last.
As the brital party Ieft the ohurch, the bells rang out. After heing lived, and the Queen's change rung several times, a guarterpeal of Grandsire Doubles was brought round in 46 mins. by the following, who, except Mr. Short, the conductor, are local tingers: Phillips 1, G. Parton 2, W. Short 3, W. Saunders 4, R. Parton 5, Darby 6. The ringers were afterwards entertained at the home the bride's parents. The happy couple received many useful prosents including a tea service from the Belbrougliton ringers.

## BEESTON RINGER'S WEDDING

On the ocension of the wedding of Mr, Noel B. Kirk, a ringer, of Reeston, Notis, io Miss Irene M. Watson, on Saturday, August 3ri, ai. Bussingbourne, a quarter-peal of Graudsire Triples (1,260 dunges was rung at Beeston Parish Cluuch in 50 mins.: F. Whitmin 1, F. S. Price 2, K. Price 3, O. Rogers 4, A. B. Moss 5, H. Fogurs 6, P. Price (conductor) T, J. A. Kirk 8. The ringers wish the bride and bridegroam every success in their new lifelong rentare.

## NOTICES.

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established ' 637 ). - Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on Augusi I5th and 2gth, *St. Giles', Cripplegate, on the 20th, St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 22nd; all at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards. William T. Cockerill, Hon, Sec., Frodinghant, $3^{2}$, Edgeley Road, Claphann, S.W. 4.

JOINT MEETING of the Middlesex County Association (South and West District) and the Guildford Diocesan Guild (Chertsey District) will be held at Sunbury-onThames on Saturday, Aug. roth. Ringing from 3 p.m. - Wn. H. Hollier, 29, Duke Road, W.4, H. Hancock, 3, Chobham, Road, Ottershaw, Chertsey, Hon. District Secs.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Liverpool Branch. -A meeting will be held at Hale on Saturday, Aug. roth. Bells (6) available 3 p.mp. Service 5 p.m. Tea, is. each. Last chance for paying anntal suluscriptions for current year. Business : Election of branch secretary and committee representatives.-Claude I. Davies, Branch Sec., Caerleon, Dunbabin Road, Wavertree.

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. - A meeting will be held at Wentworth on Saturday, August roth. Bells ready early. Tea will be provided, but only for those who apply to Mr. Geo. West, The Square, Wentworth, near Rotherhan. All ringers and friends are invited. It is hoped there will be a good meeting at this most attractive village.-C. D. Potter, Hon. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Wigan Branch. The next meeting will be held at Crossens on Saturday, August ioth. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. A grood attendance requested. - James W. Grounds, Sec., 8, School Lane, Standish.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Loughborough District. - The next meeting will be held at Castle Donington on Saturday, August ioth. Bells (6) ready 3.30 p.m.-D. S. Collins, Hon. Dis. Sec.

OXFORD AND WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILDS.-Newbury Branch and Andover Branch. - A joint meeting of the above branches will be held at Newbury on Saturday, August roth. Bells (8) available at 3 o'clock. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m. at is. All ringers welcone.-H. W. Curtis and the Rev. F. C. Sear, Hon. Dis. Secs.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Peak Dis-trict.-The mext meeting will be held at Eyam on Saturday, August 1oth. Church of St. Lawrence, 6 bells (tenor 8 cwt.), available afternoon and evening.-J. E. Lewis Cockey, Hon. Dis. Sec., Leamwood, Dore.

GUILDFORD GUILD.-Leatherhead District.-Next meeting to be held at Dorking on August ifth. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Numbers for tea to me by Wednesday, August 14 H , please. All members and friends invited to attend.-Alan R. Pink, Dis. Sec., $3^{2}$, Nower Road, Dorking.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-lsle of Wight District. - The summer lestivity meeting will be held at Whitwell on Saturday, August ifth. Betls (6) available 2.30 p.m. Service at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea (by kind invitation of the Vicar) at 5 p.m. in the Vicarage and short business meeting. Handbells and bowls on the lawn afterwards. All ringers invited. Will those staying to tea kindly notify not later than Tuesday, $3^{\text {th }}$ inst.? -B. J. Snow, Hon. Dis. Sec., 2, Collingwood, Daniel Street, Ryde, I.W.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester Branch.-The next meeting will be held at Mossley Parish Church on Saturday, August I7th. Bells 3.30. Service 5 o'clock. Tea $5 \cdot 30$, Is. 6d. per head. Names to be sent to Mr. E. Garside, 6r, Lees Road, Mossley, near Manchester, not later than Wednesday, August 14th. Will members make a special effort to attend and make this meeting a success.-J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-A meeting of the Ely Archdeaconry will be held at Willingham (6) on Saturday, August ${ }^{17}$ th. Tea, 5 p.m., to those who notify, postcard please. These six, like Bourn, are out of the same best pot of Taylor's-' nuff said.' Good bus service from Cambridge, or railway, Longstanton, L.N.E. Railway. - F. Warrington, Dis. Sec., Longstanton, Cambs.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Nottingham District. The next monthly meeting will be held at Sutton-in-Aslifield on Saturday, August r7th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. and $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. to 8 p.m. No arrangements wilt be made for tea. - Fredk. W. Bailey, Local Sec., 42, Rupert Street, Nottingham.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckley District.-The next meeting will be held at Higham-on-the-Hill on Saturday, August ryth. Bells available at $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea provicled at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. for those who notify Mr. A. E. Rowley, Station Road, Higham-on-the-Hill, Numeaton, by Friday morning, the 16 th. All ringers are cordially welcome. - W. A. Cope, Smockington, Hinckley. .

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD. - A ringing meeting will be held at Cuckfield on Saturday, August 1 th. Tower open 3 p.m. Kindly notify me not later than Wednesday, August $1^{4} 4 \mathrm{~h}$, all those attending. All ringers weicome. G. Lambert, Hon. Sec., Drimmond Hay, Moat Road, East Grinstead.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Burton District. - The next district meeting will be beld at Appleby on Saturday, Aug. ${ }^{7} 7 \mathrm{th}$. Bells (6) ready 3 p.m. Those requiring tea please notify me before Aug. 16th. A good altendance requested.-John Leach, 4, Vernon Terrace, Burton.

## NORTH STAFFS AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

 - A meeting wilt be held at Brown Edge on Saturday, August ryth. Tea will be provided for all who notify Mr. G. Redfern, St. Ann's Vale, Brown Edge, Stoke-onfrent, before August i4th.-C. S. Ryles, Hon. Sec.PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. - Thrapston Branch.-The ammal branch meeting will be held ill Aldwincle on Saturday, August ifth. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 o'clock. Those requiring tea must advise me by Tuesday, August 13th.-J. Nickerson, Halford Street, Thrapston.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Sonning Deanery Branch.-Combined practice at Waltham St. Lawrence, on Saturday, Aug. i7th, from 6 till 9 p.m. All welcome. - W. J. Paice, Branch Secretary.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. - The annual branch meeting and social will be held at Colne on Saturday, August 24th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea (is. 6d. each) at 5 p.m. Meeting 6 p.m. Business: Election of branch president. Social commences $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Everybody welcome. Will those intending being present please notify Mr. R. Whitehead, 66, New Market Street, Colne, not later than August 2Ist?-F. Hindle, Hon. Branch Sec., 58, Abvil Street, Blackburn.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Western Division.A meeting will be held at Kildwick on Saturday, August 24th. Tea will be provided at a charge of is. 6 d . per head to all those who send in their names to Mr. H. Roe, 7, Starkey Lane, Farnhill, Kildwick, near Keighley, not later than Thursday, August 22nd. Bells available from 2 p.m.-F. Hutchinson, Dis. Sec.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-A meeting of the Southern District will be held at Betchworth on Saturday, August 24th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Tea at 5.3o. Business to follow. Those intending to be at tea must notify me not later than Wednesday, August 2 ist. - A. J. Bull, Hon. Dis. Sec., Jesmond, Queen's Road, Horley.

ESSEX, HERTFORD AND MIDDLESEX ASSO CIATIONS.-A joint meeting will be held at I-fertford on Saturday, August 24 th. All Saints' (ro), St. Andrew's (8) and Bengeo (8) available from 3 p.m. Short service at St. Andrew's 5 p.m. Tea at Farrow's Restaurant $5 \cdot 30$ p.m. Will those intending to be present and requiring tea advise Mr. W. H. Lawrence as early as possible-E. J. Butler, Essex Association; W H. Lawrence, Hertford Association, Little Munden, Ware, Herts; C. T. Coles, Middlesex Association.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (Farnham District), WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD (Basingstoke District) and OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (Sonning Deanery Branch)--Preliminary Notice.-Joint meeting Saturday, August $315 t$, Hawley, Hants. All welcome.

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Like some other associations whose areas are largely rural in character, the Norfolk Guild has been finding it difficult to maintain the active interest of its members, and now, in addition to changing its name, it is reorganising its administration. At the meeting last week a scheme for three districts, each with more or less autonomous powers, was submitted, but has been referred back for a further division of the central area into two districts, making four in all. Hitherto the diocese, as at present formed, has been split up into eleven districts, some of them with very few towers, and a mere handful of members. Obviously such small numbers could not be expected to make a great success, for they are handicapped both financially and in the bells available for meetings. Improved organisation, therefore, pointed the way to larger amalgamations, and with fewer districts it is hoped that more energy will be shown. In days gone by, of course, areas had to be mapped on the basis of railway communication, for it was on this means of conveyance, and this alone, that the majority of ringers had to rely. The network of motor omnibus routes which has spread with such rapidity over the country in the last few years has altered alt this, and actually the railway to-day has often to take a secondary place when studying the convenience of members. The old lines of division in the Norwich Diocese may have been more or less compelled by the sparse railway facilities, but roar iransit has put an entirely different complexion on the (Continued on page 514.)

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-Tony Price ... ... ...Tybbla Herbert Shemming... ... 7
Robert H. Brondle ... 2 Charles A. Catchpole ... 8
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* Firat peal of Stedman Oinques. Rung as a farewelf to Mr Tony Price, who returned to Canada on Thursday, August 15 th.


## TEN BELL PEALS.

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...Troble $\mid$ Cyril Tansell
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G．Ronald Edwards ．．． 2 Thomas Rogers ．．．．．．
Leger L．Gray ．．．．．． 3 John Brebze ．．．．．．．．． 7
＂Joen Brown ．．．．．．．．． 4 James C．E．Simpson．．．．．．Tenoy
Composed by J．S．Wilde．Conducted by J．C．E．Simrson．
＊First peal of Major and first peal of Surprise．Firgt peal on the bells since they were rehung by Messrs．J．Taylor and Co．

## ILKESTON，DERBYSHIRE．

THE MDDLAND COUNTEES ASSOGLATION．
On Monday，Augusi 5，1929，in Three Hours and One Minute， At the Church of St．Mary，

## A PEAL OF SPLIGED TREBLE BOB MAJOR， 5120 CHANGES；

ilmbeton Variation．
Tenor $17 \mathrm{cwt.g} \mathrm{lb}$ ．
Frank Bradley ．．．．．．．．．Treile Samtel．Pindrr ．．．．．．．．． 5 William Thornley ．．．．．． 2 Alfred Barreti ．．．．．． 6 Henry W．Wilde...$\quad$ ．．． 3 Hzary Harrison ．．．.. .7 Norman Hemmington ．．． 4 Edmard C．Gobry ．．．．．．Temor

Composed and Conducted by E．C．Gobey．
DEVIZES，WLTS．
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD．
On Monday，Augtst 5，1929，in Thee Hours and Three Minutts． At tas Chorch of St．John，
A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES，E040 CHANGES； Groves＇Transposition of Parker＇s Twelve－fart． Tenor ig $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$ ．
GeorgbiW，England ．Theble Sidney Wiltshire Sidney Hillier．．． ．．． 2 Lanis A．Wilson ．．．．．． 5
 Conducted by Wilfred Williams．
Rung as a birthday compliment to the son and daughter（twins） af Mr．S．Wiltshire，ringer of the 5th．

DEREHAM，NORFOLK． THE NORFOLK GULLD．
On Monday，Angust 5，7929，in Three Hotars atha Twenty－Three Minutes，
Ai the Church of St．Nicholas，
A PEAL 日F bouble norwich court Dob major， 5088 cmameis f Tenor 23 cwt．a qr． 17 lb．


George Howlett ．．．．．． 4 F．Borrety ．．．．．．．．．．．．teno
Composed by F．Dence．
Conducted by F．Borrett．
WINSCOMBE，SOMERSET．
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION．
On Monday，August 5，1929，in Two Hours and Fifty－Eight Minutes，
Ai the Cherce of St．James，
A PEAL OF GRANISIRE TRIPLES，5040 CHANGES；
Parker＇s Twelve－part．
Tenor 19 cwt． 3 بr．
Charles R．Lifley．．．．．．Tyeble｜ C C．E，Levett ．．．．．．．．． 5
－W．J．Gait．．．．．．．．．．．．． 2 Wililinm G．Nipper．．．
Herbert W．Knight … 3 Stanley Carter ．．．－．．． 7
＊A．E．Ferris ．．．．．．．．． 4 ｜R．Roberis ．．．．．．．．．Tenol
Conducted by William G．Nipper．
First peal．＋First penl inside．First peal as conductor． LOWESTOFT，SUFPOLK． THE NORFOLK GUILD．
On Tuesday，Augul 6，1929，in Three Hows and Six Minutes，
At the Chereh－St．Margaret．
A PEAL OF doUble morwich court bob major， 5184 Chan Tenor r 3 娄 cwt ．
Francis W．Nadnton ．．．Trebie Ernest G．Hibbins ．．．．．． $5^{5}$
－Tony R．Price ．．．．．．．．． 2 John Li．Dicken ．．．．．．．．． 6
 Albert E．Adstin ．．．．．． 4 ｜William E．Bason ．．．．．．Temoy
Composed by Arthor Craven．Conducted by William E．Bason
＊Soth peal for the Norfoll Guild．
CHIPRENHAM，WLTS．
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION． On Weinosdity，Atugus！7，1929．in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes，

At the Cenrch of St．Padl，
A PEAL OF DOUBLE M日RWICH COURT BO日 MAJOR， 5152 CMAMEES； тедог 16 cwt ．

Thomas Davisuna．．．．．．．．．Treble Charlie Lovelock ．．．．．． 5 \begin{tabular}{llll|ll}
Grorge Popnell \&... \&... \& 2 \& Wilfred Williams \&... <br>
Sidney Wietsbiag \&.. \& 5 <br>
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Sidney Wiletshiae \&... \&... \& 3 \& Cbarles F．Andrews <br>
Samole J．．．． \& 7
\end{tabular} Samdel J．Ilector ．．．．．． 4 Fred Laimbith ．．．．．．．．．．．Temor Composed by Charles H．Kippin．Conducted by Fred Lambeth

First peal of Major on the bells．Messrs．Popnell and Williams wish to taike this opportunity of thanking all those who helped to rake their long week－end out of Wales such a success．

WHITWICK，LEICESTERSHIRE．
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCLATION．
On Wrdnesday，August 7，1929，in Two Hours and Fifty－Two Minutes， At the Chorce of St．Johe－the－Baptist，
A PEAL OF STELMAN TRIPLES， 6040 CHANGES；
Rey．H．Earle Bolwer＇s Six－part，No． $4 . \quad$ Temot $12 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt．
John H．Swineleld ．．．．．．Treble $\mid$ Henry W．Wilde ．．．．．． 5

 Conducted by M．Swinfield．
Rung on the 36th anniversary or Mr．Storer W．West＇s wediling． Mr．West is a great friend to all visiting ringers to Whitwick．

## ＇ODDS \＆ENDS OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES＇

Being mainly an explanation of the natrere and Working of the $Q$ sets in ordinary ringing phraseology，with one or two other matters．

Post free． $1 / 3$ ，from
Rev．C．D．P．DAVIES，KEMERTON，TEWKESBUEY

## NEWCASTHE-ON-TUNE.

THE DUREAM AND NTWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION. On Weduesday, August 7, 1929, in Two Hows and Fiftv-Seven Minutes, At tue Cegrch of St. Jogn,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE BOB MAJOR, $50 B 8$ GHANGES; Tenor $11 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

- ICennetha. Nicholson Tvebie William J. Davidson ... 5

Joen Anderson... ......$\frac{2}{2}$ Henry $B$, Taylor $. . . \quad . .$. Eoward A. Hirn ... .... 3 William H. Barber... ... 7 Robert Anderson ... ... 4 Amam Deas... ... ... ...Temar Composed by J. W. Parker, Conducted by W. H. Barber.

* First peal of Major. First peal of Double Bob by all the band, also by the association.

NORTH MIMMS, HERTS.
THE RERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Satarday, Angns! 10, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty Minules, At the Chdree of Si. Mary,
a peal of gpliged london, superlative, gahbrioge and BRISTOL SURPRISE HAJOR, 5024 GHANGES; Tenor 13 ewt.
Jobn T. Kentisb ... ...Tyebla Albert W. Colrs ... ... 5 Cbarles W. Robrrts ... 2 Jambs Bennhit....... ... 6 - Mrs. Edith K. Fletcher 3 -Gzorge W. Fletcher .... 7 Gborge R. Pye... ... ... 4 William Pye ... ... ...Tamor Composed by the Rev. H. Law Jambs. Conducied by Wileiam Pye * First peal of Splined Surprise Major. The above contains 2,944 of London, 608 of Bristol, and 736 each of Superlative and Camhridge. The Cambridge and Superlative were zung in alternate courses.

CRAYFORD, KENT'.
THE EENT CUUNTY ASSOCIACION.
On Saturlay, Augusf 10, 1929, in Two Hours and Forly-Three Minutes, At the Chirch of Sx. Padeinos,

## - PEAL of DOUBLE NORWICH COURT EOL MAJOR, 5024 CMAnGES।

 Tenor $12 \frac{3}{3} \mathrm{cwt}$.Edwin Barmett, sen.
John H. Chersman..
Stanley W. Baybdi

- Frank B. Lofkin


## Composed and Conducted by E. Barnett, szn

* Firat poal of Double Norwich.

BINGLEY, YORKSEIRE,
THE YORESHIRE ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday, Angust 10, 1929, ir Three fiours and Nine Minutes,
At the Chorch or All Saints,
A peal af double ndrwich court dob major, 6024 Ghamees; Tenor 15 年 cmi .
Robert W. Jennison ..Trebio
Herbert Haige... 1.1
$\cdots$

Thomas B. Kendali....
Rowland Myers
Composed by Arthor Craven. Coneucted by Willam Barion,
I'iret peal in tho method on the bells. The conductor's 100th peal
SHEFFIELD, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORESHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Sheffirld District Society.)
On Saturaty, August 10, 1929, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,
At the Cathedral.
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, GO5B CHANGES,
Jornson's Variation of Midileton's.
Tenor $\mathrm{I}_{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Arther ínigeis ... ...Trbbla Abthtr Pashley ... ... 5


Benjabin A. Khiggis ... 4 A. Percival Knighis ...Temor Conducted lyy A. P. Knights.

* Eirst peal in tho method.

ROCK FERRY, CHESHIRE,-On Thursday, August 1st, 720 Kent ['rehle Bols: J. Cooke 1, Miss G. Storer' 2, J. Breese J, F. Banton 4, T. Mnrlin 5, W, Denn (conductor) 6. Miss Storer hails from St. Andrw's, Bebington, and this was her Girst 720 of Trebte Bob. Her disal 720 in any method (Plain Bob) was rung at Rock Ferry on

## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

## RICKINGHALL, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Monday, Angust 5, 1929, in Two Hours and Thivty-Eight Minutes, At the Caerge of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF HINOR, 6040 CHANGES;
Being two 720's ench of Oxford and Kent, and three 720's of Plains Bob.

Tonor 10 cust.
William Mosk
...Tyeble
Miss Fitiy Willers...
Miss ifitiy Wille
... 2
Conducted b
David Whiring
... ...

WHITNEY-ON-WYE, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, Angust 5, 1929, in Two Hours and Foyty Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Peter and Patic,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 21 Spliced 240 's.
Tenor 9 cm

- William H. G. Morgan Treble |James P. Hyett...

Reginald Morris ... ... 2 Edmond Mormis...
Harry T. Chandler... ...Thor
Conducted by J. P. Hybte.

* First peal. The conductor's 100th peal of Doubles for the Here
ford Guita.
HaLTaton, LETCESTERSEIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCTATION.
On Tuesday, August 0, 7929, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,
At the Church of St. Micharl and All Angels,
A PEAL OF gPLIGED BOB MINOR AND GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES:
A. J. Pitman's Arrangement.

Tenor II
Ernest A. Mares ... ...Tveble | Eraest H. Bagworth ... 4
 Ronald Russell ... .... 3 Ernist F. Payne

Conducted by Norman S. Bagworth, WISTASTON, CHESHIRE.
the ohester diocesan guild.
On Thursiay, Augus! 8, 1929, in Treo Hours and Thisty-Thye Minutes, At tee Cherce of St. Mary.

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 6040 CHANGESI

Soven different extents.
*Regimald Wrigbt ...
Grorge H. Crawley

...Tyeblic Harold G. Smezh . … ${ }^{4}$ | Albert Thomas | $\ldots .$. | $\ldots$ | 3 | Albert Crawley | $\ldots .$. | ... | ... Temor |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | Condücted by A. Crawley.

* First peal. E. G. Smith's 21st peal, and rung on his 21st birth. day.

WALPOLE ST. ANDREW, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCTATION.
On Friday, August 9, 1929, in Two Hoxrs and Fifty-Six Minutes,
At thr Cherce of Si. Andrew,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 6040 CHANGES;
Being one 720 each of Double Court and Kent Treble Bob, two $720{ }^{\circ}$ of Oxford Treble Bob, and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 15 cmt .2 qr . 16 lb . in F .
Wieltam Buceenham... ...Tydu | Edward Barker...
 Jogn W. T. Wrigrt ... ... 3 Tony Price ... ... ... .... ...tanoy Conducted by Tony Price.
Rang as a farewell to the conductor on his return to Canada. He would like to thank all those who have made his holiday a buccess CLIFFORD, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOGESAN GUILD,
On Sahurday, August 10, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,
Ai the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 14 120's of Canterbury Pleasure and 14 Spliced 240 's of Granil sire.
Dzmeis J. Sgarples... ...Treblí Edmond Morris
Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2}$
Harry T. Chandler... ... $z$ James P. Hyeti
G. James R. Price ... ... 3 Jambs Randle

Conducted by $\boldsymbol{f}$ P. Hyrit.

* Ioolf six-belf peal. Rung on the back six.
$\qquad$
.....-
...Temot


## BARLEY，HERTS．

THE HERTFORD OOUNTY ABSOOLATION．
On Friday，Augwst 9，1929，in Two Hows ard Fifty－Two Minudes， At the Church of St．Margaret，
A PEAL OF DOUBLES， 5040 CHANGES；
Being 1,200 changes each of Stedman，St．Simon＇s and Plain Bob， and 1，440 changes of Grandsire．

Tenor 8 cwt
Acbert Howard．．．．．．．．．Tyeble
Harry Howard．
．．． 2
William A．Tack
．．．．．． 4 Walfer Mansfield ．．．．．． 3 ＂Waliter Ciapman ．．．．．． 5 Conducted by Robert Howard．
＊Firgt peal and first attempt．Rung with the bells half－muffled as a tribute of reapect to Mrs．John Boucher，whose interment took place on that day．

DEEPING ST．NICEOLAS，LINCOLNSHIRE． THE LTNCOLN DIOCESAN GULDD．
On Saturday，August 10，7929，in Tiva Hours and Forty－Two Minutes， At the Parisa Church，

## A PEAL DF MINOR， 5040 CHANGE8；

Being seven 720 ＇s，consisting of（1） St ．Clement＇s and College Single， （2）Cambridge and Primrose Surprise，（3）Kent Treble Bob，（4） Oxford Treble Bob，（5）Double and Single Oxford，（6）Dorble and Single Court，（7）Plain Bob．
－Frank Taylor ．．．．．．．．．Tyeble Arthur Riggall ．．．．．． 4
Jobn J．Jotson．．．
Horace M．Dhy ．．．．．． 3 JJohn G．Ames ．．．．．．．．．Temot Conducted by H．M．Day．
＊First peal in eleven methods．† First peal in eleven methods in－ side．

## LAPLEY，STAEFORD．

SOOLETY FOR THE AZCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD．
On Saturday，Argust 10，1929，in Three Hours，
At the Parish Cegrch，
A PEAL OF DOUBLES， 5040 CHANGES；
Being 480 Plain Boh，3，840 Graudsire and 720 Stedmar． Tenor 10 cwt．（approx．）．
Јоиn C．Adams ．．．．．．．．．．Tveble Christophir Waliater ．．． 3 Robert Pickering ．．．．．． 2 Herberi Knight ．．．．．．a John Perry ．．．．．．．．．．．．Tenot
The conduching of the peal was shared by all，J．Perry calling four different 120＇s of Plain Bob，followed by Messrs．J．C．Adems，R． Pickering，C．Wallater and J．Perry，each calling eight different 120 ＇s of Grandsire，leaviug H．Knight to finish calling the peal with six diferent 120＇s of Stedman．First peal on the bells and first peal on fire bells by the ringers of 1,2 and 3 ．

WILBOETON，ISLE OF ELY
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION．
On Satheday，Augrast 10，1929，sn Two Houys and Fi／ty－Three Minutes， At the Ceurch of St．Phter，
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDEE SURPRISE MINDR， 5040 CHANGESI Tenor 10 cwt．
 Bgrry Wayman ．．．．．．．．． 3 Frank Warringion ．．．．．．Tenor Conducted by Frank Warrington．
Arranged as a birthday compliment to Mrs．Fi．Sbarp，wife of the local captain．Mr．$\{$ ．L．Perkins is from Hemingford Abbotits，and it was his first peal of Surprise．1st，3rd， 4 th and 5 th ringers from Dyer，tepor from Long Stanton．

KINGTON，HEREFORDSHIRE．
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD．
Th Sunday，Augtst 11．1929，in Two Howrs and Fifty－Five Minutes，
At the Church of St．Mary，
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOLBLES， GO4O CHANGESI
Being 21 Spliced 240 ＇s．
－Joseph Watkins ．．．．．．Tyable｜Harry T．Cuandlbr
＂George King ．．．．．．．．．． 2 James P．Eyett ．．．．．．．． 4
Arthor Keen ．．．．．．．．． 3 Trevor jongs ．．．．．．．．．．．．．Temor
Condncted by J．P．Hyeit．
F Firgt peal．Rung for evaning service．

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## A SUSSEX TOUR

Visiting ringers to Brighton during the holiday period had a sue－ cessful ringing programme arranged for them．The following peals resulted：

BRIGHTON，SUSSEX．
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION．
Ox Satirday，Aughst 3，1929，in Threa Hours and Teventy－Ote Minutes， At the Cmorch of St．Pethr，
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL， 5000 CHANGES； Tenor 25t cwt．
Keith Hart．
．Treble Alfred T．Greenwood ．．． 6
Cearles W．Clarke．．．．．．． 2 William Bottrill ．．．．．． 7
Alfred Baleard ．．．．．． 3 Frederick W．Rogers ．．． 8
Redvers F．Elimington $\cdots{ }^{-. .} 4$ Edwin J．Harding，sen．．．． 9 Edivin F．Pike ．．．．．．．．． 5 Ernest Morris ．．．．．．．．．Tem Composed by Grorge H．Cross．Conducted by Fredk．W．Rogras BRIGFTON，SUSSEX．
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION．
On Monday，Augual 5,7929 ，in fur Hours and Fifty－Eight Minutes．
At the Chorgh of the Good Shepherd，

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES，50म日 CHANEES；

Tgurstans＇Four－part．
Tenor 13 解 cwl ．
Ernest Morris ．．．．．．．．．Treble Charleg W，Ccarre．．．．．． 5
Redvars F．Eskington ．．． 2 Frederick W．Rogers
Alfaed T，Greenwood ．．． 3 Keits Hart．．．．．．．．．．．． 7
Alered Ballard ．．．．．． 4 Ebwhrd Whitebead ．．．．．．Tenor
Conducted by Krifé Hart．
SOUTHOVER，LEWES，SUSSEX．
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION．
On Monday，August 5，1929，in Three Hours and Five Minutes，
At tee Cherch of St．John－the－Baptisi，
A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL，504日 CHANGES；
Tenor If ewt．I qr． 20 Ib ．
Keith Hart．．．．．．．．．．．．Treble｜Acerbd T．Greenwood ．．． 6
Fredirick W．Rogras...$\quad$ a $\quad$ Charles II．Page $\quad . . . \quad .$.
Romald H．Dove ．．．．．． 3 Alpred J．Turahr ．．．．．．$\&$
Alfrrd Ballatd ．．．．．． 4 Williak Bottrill ．．．．．． 9
Rifdebrs E．Elkington ．．． 5 Ernest Morris ．．．．．．．．．Temey
Composed and Conducted by Eraest Morris．
Specially arranged and rung as a wedding pead for Miss Vera Dawe（eldest daughter of Mr．Roberi，J．Dawe，of Lowes），and Mr． T．Slaughter，who were married that afternoon．The band were kinaly entertained to tea at the conclusion of the peal．

## HURGTPIERPOINTM，SUSSEX．

THE SDSSEX COUNTY ASSOGLATION． On Wednesday，August 7，1929，it Three Hours，
At fere Cedrce of the Holy Trinizy，
品 PEAL DF SUPERLATIYE SURPRISE MAJOR， 6088 GHANEEE Tenor 14 cot．
 Redvers F．Elkington...${ }^{2} \quad 2 \quad$ Ernest Morrip ．．．
 Composed by Naihan J．Pitsiow．Conducted by Keite Hart．

STEYNING，SUSSEX．
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCLATION．
On Sativday，August 10，1929，it Three Hatus and Five Minutes，
At the Ceprce or St．Amdrew，
A PEAL DF BUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR， 5056 CHAMER8；

| Alfred J．Bdll | Treble | Jack M．Cripps |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ernest Morris |  | Edwin F．Pike |  |
| Alfred T．Grefnwood |  | Frederick W．Rogers |  |
| Cearles W．Ce | ．． 4 | Keite Hart． |  |
| Composed by C．H．Haytersley．Conducted by Kerts Hari． |  |  |  |

LOWER BEEDING，SUSSEX．－On August 8th，at the Parish Church，a quarter－peal of Court Bob Triples（ 1,260 changes）in 45 mins．：E．Wadey 1，G．Woodman 2，W．Watis（conductor）3， 5. Vince 4，G．Feist 5，F．Hindes 6，R．Langridge 7，W，Thoras 8. First guarter－peal in the method by all the band except the rimger of the 2nd．Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor．

## A NORTHANTS WEEK

The following peals were rung in a lour under the anspices of the Peterharough Diocesan Guild.

> NORTHAMPTON.

On Fyiday. Augus 2. 1929, in Thyee Howrs and Five Minutes,
At the Church of St. Sepoechre,
 Tenor $\mathrm{I}_{4}$ cwt. 3 qr .7 lb , in F sharp.
James H. Shepherd ... ...TTeble Wilqiam H. Fussell... ... 5
Fred Wilford ... ... ... 2 Frank Bennett ... ... ... 6
William Rogers ... ... 3 Cearles W. Player... ... 7 Thomas Law ... ... ... 4 James Grorge ... ... ...Temor
Composed by the late E. Wightman. Conducted by Frank Brnnetr
Firat peal of Double Norwich on the belle.
NOIRTHAMPTON.
On Saturday, August 3, 1929, in 7 hrec Howrs and Twenty-Four Minwtes, At the Chorch of St. Gilles,
A PEAL DF STEDMAN GATERS, 5029 CHANGES; Tenor 25 cwt. in $D$.
William Rogers ... ...Treble | Walibr Perkins ... ... 6
Charles W. Player ... 2 Frank Bennett... .... ... 7 Wilelam H. Fussell ... 3 Arthit E. Sharman... ... 8

- Albert John Grien ... 4 James Grorge ... .... ... 9 Edwin J. Hobes ... ... 5 Jambs H. Shepeern ... .... Tenor Composed by Lodis liead. Conducted by Frank Bennetr.
* First peal on ten bells.

WIGKEN, NORTHAMPTONSHCRE.
On Sunday, Angnst d, 1929, in Thice Hours and Five Minutes, At the Church of St. John-the-Evangelist,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE BURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CMANEEE
Tenor 18 cwt.
Wicliam H, Fussbll
Albert John Grben Arthur IE. Sharman Edwin J. Hobss ...

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RAUNDG, NORTHANTS.
Un Wednesday, August 7. 1929, in Three Honys and Eighteen Minutes. At the Cagrch of St. Peter.

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Ferv. C.D. P. Dayies' Variation of Thurstans'. Tenor 22 cwt
Frame Bennett... ... ...Tredif $\mid$ Charles W. Player... ... 5 William H. Fossble ... 2 Walter Perkins ... ... Wiletam J. Nevard ... ... 3 Edward Jfaktns... ... .... 7 Arghibald Kay ... ... ... 4 James H. Shefigerd ... ...Tenor Conducted by Frank Benneit.

FINEDON, NORTEANTS.
On Thursday, August 8,1929 in Thyee Fiows and Sewen Minutes, As the Church of St. Marí
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 GHANGES Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 23 lb . in D.
Charers W. Playrr... ...Trehle Thomas R. Hensher... ... 5

Frank Bennett ... ... ... 4 Epward Jenkins... ... ...Temor
Composed by T. B. Worsley. Conducted by Edward Jenkins.
BURTON LATMMER, NORTBANTS.
On Thursday, Augusi' 8,7929 , in Three Howrs and Three Minutes, At the Cedrcis of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
a PEAL OF BUPERLATIVE BURFRIBE WAJOR. 5038 CHANGES;

Composed by Gabriet Lindone. Conducted by Frank Benneit.

* First peal in the meltod. First peal in the method on the bells. THRAPSTON, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
On Monday, Augnst 5, 7929, in Three Hours and One Minwte,
At the Churca of St. James,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJDR, 5088 CHANEES; Tenor If cwt. 7 lb .

| - Cearles W. Player | ...Treble | Arthur E. Sharman... |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| William H. Fussell | . 2 | Walter Periins | 6 |
| Edwin J. Hobbs | 3 | Jamre Grorgr | 7 | Edwin J. Hobbs $\quad . . . \quad . . .3$ James Grorge $\quad . .$. Frank Benmeti ... ... 4 james H. Sheperrd ... ...Tehor Composed by Gabrirl Lindofr. Conducted by Frank Bennett. * Firat peal in a Surprise method.

TITCHMARSH, NORTHANTS.
On Monday, Augtut 5, 1929, in Thred Hours and Fifieen Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
a PEAL dF dOUELE NORWICH COURT BOE MAJOR, $51 \overline{2} 2$ GHANEES; Tenor 17 cwt 3 gr .22 lb.


| Charles W. Player ... | $\ldots$ | 2 | Thomas R. Hensher... | ... | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Frank Bennett.... | .. | $\ldots$ | 3 | Arthor E. Sharman ... | ... |
| 7 |  |  |  |  |  | William H. Fussell ... 4 James George ... ... ... Temoy Composed by the late E Wrgatman. Conducted by A. E. Sharman HEGHAM FERRERS, NORTHANTS.

On Tweday, August 6, 1929 , in Thred Hoth's and Nineleen Minules,
At thr Chorce of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor 22 cwt. 3 qu. 17 lb .
James George
... ...Tvoble
Wilelam H. Fosseli.
... 2
Wheter Perkins ... ... 3
Arthor E. Sharman ... ....
Composed by C. Midoceron.
Frank Bennete
Thomas R. Hensher.
. 5
chomas R, Hensher... .. 6
Jabes H. Sgepherd ... ... 7
Conducted by Frank Bensett.

Tenor $10 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Edward Jenktns
Wilitam J. Nevard ...
Frank Bennett ..
Miss Eugi yn Strot ... ... 3 Arthor E. Sharman... ... 7
Composed by Gabriel Lindoff. Conducted by Frank Brnnets

## ROTHWELL, NORTHANTS.

On Friday, Augusi 9, 1929, in The Ge Hows and Eleven Minutas, At the Chorch of tee Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE BURPRISE HAJOR, 5088 CHANCES; Tenor 21 ewt. in E

Treble WaL

Cearles W. Player...
...Trebie | William H. Fusseli.

Frank Benneti .. ... ... 3 James H. Shepherd ... .... 7
Walter Perkins ... ... 4 Edward Jenajns... ... ... Tehor
Composeá by Arthor Craven. Conducted by Edfard Jenkins.
DESBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.
On Priday, August 9, 1929, in Thyee Fours and Ore Mintte, At the Chorch of St. Giles,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES:
Washbrdok's Variation of Mideleton's. Tenor iot cwe.
Cearles W. Player... ...Treble |Frank Bennati ... ... ...
W. H. Fusszli ...... Walter Perkins ... ... $\quad$ 3 Edmard Jbnkins... ... ... 7 joen R. Main

Conducted by Frank Bennett.
This was Mr. Perkins' 300th peal. The conductor's 100 th peal of Cambridge Major and the first on the bells.

OAKHAM, RUTLANDSHIRE.
On Saturday, August 10, 1929, in Three Haurs and Twenty-Two Minutes,
At the Chdrch of Ali Saints,
a PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SUAPRISE MAJOR, 5088 ChaNGE8;
Tenor 28 cwt .
James Grorge ... ... ...Treble Walter Perkins
Ffank Bennett ... ... ... 2 Iohn R. Shabman

William H. Fussill... ... a Edward Jenkins... ... ...Temay Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood. Conducted by Frank Bennett Finst peal of Superlative an the bells.

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## PEELERS ENTERTAIN PEALERS.

RINGERS IN TRE HANDS OF THE POLIOE
On Saturday lasi over 80 ringers, their wives and friends from many parts of Lancashire met on the Athletic Ground of the Bolton Borough Police, at the invitation of that body, who had kindly placed it at their disposal. A bowling match between the police and the ringers opened the events, and although the police won, it was only after some very keenly contested games. Then, as in preFious years, the interest began. Old scores were wiped off, or new challeuges contested between rival towers. A policeman has a son a vilger, a ringer also has a son a policeman, and the latter pair's matich was tho 'tit-bit." Ladies also tried their skill with the 'woods.'
Hot and cold refreshments were provided, and a few of the women folk attended to these wants. When all were tired of the greensward, a 'ree and easy' entertainment was provided in the pavilion. Here Miss Annie Potter and Mr. Rohert Marsden provided vocal solos, and P.C. Hayhurst the mirth.
Those who lad seen too many summers for dancing enjoyed themselves in quift corners eitzer with a game of whist or a game of dominoes.
Mr. Enuest Cutsforth moved a vole of thanks to the police for again inviting them there that afternoon, He said he feit he was voicing the opinion of all, when le said they bad begun to look to this as an anmual affair, and be hoped it would be carried on for many more years. Mr. John Poticr, in seconding, anid he hoped that next lime the police would play howls left banded. T'ben the ringers might have a chance to win.
In reply, P.C. Hayhurst said the ringerg were very welcome visitors. It was pery nice to see old faces again, and if the ringers loaked forward to this event, so did the police, because they were sure of gelting a good entertainment, apart from the sports side, and hoped that some time during the winter they would come again. He said he also wished to congratulate them on having such an energetic organising secretary in Sergi. Crook. The Police Athletic Club know the walue of his services in that line, and as a liead in the sports section.

The president of tio Lancashire Association (Rev. Ganon Elsea) looked it during the proceedings, but regretted he could not stay, ns he had many pressing engagements.

Commulty singing, dancing, gramophone recorde and touches on the haadballs brought to a close, all ton sonn, another happy and enjoyable day between the pealers and peelers.

## MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

品EAK DISTRICT.
A pleasant, but not too well attendel, meating of the Peak District was held at Eyam on Saturday lasi. Probably, the largelyattended oponing of the bells at the nearby village of Tideswell on Bank Holiday, and the ever-popular Bakewell aliow in progress an Safurday, had much to do with a small attendance. However, the fitteen or so ringers who were present from Bakewells Castleton, Dore, Duffield, Eyam, Hope and Tideswell were rewarded with in very pleasant afternoon in this beautiful and historic village, somi: eajoyable, if somewbat jazz-like, ringing on the light ring of six, in which learners had every chance, and a substantial toa provided by the kindness of the Rev. W. P. Wright.

At a short business meeting following tea, it was decided to holil the next meating on Septomber 14th at Tideswell, where a warm welcome and much hospitality are promised, and where it is hoper thero will be a large gathering.
The usual votes of thanks to the local church authorities, and particularly to tho Rev. W. P. Wright for his kindness and hospitality, were cordially endorsect.

## PROGRESS AT BISHOP'S STORTFORD

Since the bells of St. Michaed's Church, Bishop's Stortford, wert: retuned and rehung, and the company re-formed in July, 1928, a most successiul and progressive year has passed. The bells heve been rung for morning and evening service on each of the 52 Sundays, and the performances include seven quarter-peals of Grandaire Triples, one quarter-pea! of Stedman Triples rung by the local band. and one quarter-peal of Cambridge Surprise Majar, in which the company was helped by visitors from neighbouring towers. Twn learners have rung their first quarter-peals. A very enjoyable outing was held on Whit Monday, when the company visited Ely, calling at Royston and Godmanchester for ringing on the outward journey, and at Sawston and Yekleton on the homeward jowrney. Al the annual meeting the following afficerg were appointed to serve during the coming year: Mr. F. Bird, Master; Mr. H. White, secretary; Mr. W. Wilkinson, treasurer; and Mr. W. T. Prior to gerve with the officers. The balance sheet for the yenr was presented and adopted. This showed a balance in hand of 9695.40 . Fhree learners, all ladies, were accepted as members, viz., Miss Wacey, Miss Rickwood, and Miss Torn.


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## BELERY GOSSIP.

Not content with a fifteen thousand of Cambridge Maximus on Bank Foliday, five of tho long peal band took pari in a peal of Stedman Cincues at Liverpool the following day, and une, by way of a change, went on a ringing tour for the rest of the week. Ye gods!

A Leicester Vicar, so the 'Burton Daily Mail" anmonnces, Has advertised for voluntary ringers. This is how he worded the appeal: Qualifications necessary; 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 sturly which is more braing than billiards, more captirating than cricket, more fascinating than football, and more plensurabie than the pietures. Remumeration: More kicks than ha'pence. ${ }^{\text {? }}$

The secretary of the Salisbury Guild, in addition to clerioal and campanological activities, is a country correspondent for the Children's Country Holiday Fund. A group of little girls from North Loudon, recently spending a fortnight at Kington Magna under his care, were shown a photograph of the ringerg at St. Paul's Cathedral. One of the girls quickly pointed out Mr. Cockerill and exclaitaed, 'That looks like the King'!
A new peal of ten bells was opencd at York Minster on Augusi 19th, 1765. They were cast by Lester and Pack, of London, and the order that they should be as nearly as possible like Bow hells seams to have been faithfully carried out, for the tenor was just three pounds heavier than the tenor at the famous Cheapside church.
' On Saturday, August 22nd, 1752, was rung at St. Mielarel's Coslany (Norwich) a complete 5,040 of Mr . Holt's Tripples in 3 hours, without changes alike or a bell out of course. It being the first time ever performed by eight mea only, so intricate it was thought no man could ring a bell end call the Bobs. It has boen rang in London and Stonham Aspal with prompts, but was ra口g by these men wilhout a prompt.' Thus the 'Norwich Mcrcury' recorded the performance of Folt's Original whell it was called for the first time by a conductor ringing in the peal.
The report of a peal rung at St. Werburgh's, Blackwell, Derizyshire, has been sent without the date. We constanEly receive defective peal reports. May we once more ask correspondents, especially those who do not often send this kind of communication, carefully to cheek iheir report, before sending it, with any of the reports of peals, of which a number appear in every issue of The Ringing World.' They wnuld thus be sure of including all the essential defails, and it would frequently save delay and dismppantment.
A little chime of eight bells, with tenar $2 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt, was dedicated last week at South Valling, near Lewes, Sussex, as part of a scheme in connection with the commernoration of tho tercentenary of the clrurclı. The bells werc supplied by the Whitechapel Foundry
South Malling Church is notable for the fact that John Farvard (the founder of Farvard University in America) was married ihere on April 19th, 1636.
By a slip, the date of the first peal of Double Norwich in Wales was givell in our last issue as 1908. It was rung on August 13ilu, 1883.

## ROBERT MOT'S BELLS.

## To the Editor

Sirs-Before leaviag Loudon last Friday I had only time to glane al. my "Ringing World,' but I read with pleasure your 'leader about Mot's and Carter's five hells of Sedlescombe. An Elizabethan 'ring' of tive must be extremely rare-the more se if untouched by the restorer. [ know of only one-natouched or otherwise-pre Reformation ring, i.e, that at SE. Bartholomew's in the City of Londan, which is a ring of five bells.

With the ahave in mind, venture to send jou a plea from the Tyrolean Valley, which knows neither crrillons nor peals
In your reference to the proposed saving of the tive bells of Sedlescombe, we ne left wilh the impression that tho augmentation involves retuming, and that, as usual, litile regard will be paid to Robert Mot's own views as to how these bells should sound, and have so done since the great days of Elizabeth. If, indeed, as may be the case, they are to be 'Simpsonised,' then, even it they bossi more than the famoug 'five harmonic tones, they will sound neither as they dich to Mot's approving ear nor to those of the 'rude fore fathers of the homlet, whose ears, like our own, were less eritienl. These villagers certainly approved and cared for their bells, since they lave come down to us 350 years later, untouched and entire.

Blest be he who spares my tones,' Mot may have said, which motto I commend to our friends at Whitechapel, asking thea not to be rude to their famous forefather.

Twenty years since, these bells would have been recast without a murmur. Twenty years bence those concerned in saving then will be generally praisen, And twenty years again, and-well! per haps even tuning machines may shake in their shoes. - Yours faith fully,

Innshruck, fugust 5th, 1929.
E. ALEX. YOUNG.

## ANCIENT STAFFORDSHIRE BELLS RESTORED

## LAPLEX'S LITWTLE RING.

Stending like a hatwark on a prominence some three miles north of Brewood, the ancient Norman tower of Lapley, Stafford, until recently contained four old bells which for nany years were unringable. Two of the bells were tardig cracked, as also was a very ofd Sanctus bell, which also hung in the tower.
'lhis 11 th century church. with barely twenty houses round it, has much to intorust. the visitor who cares to turn off the Old Wathing 3 menet and wander into this out-of-the-way place. The parish registers date back to 1538 , and are therefore as old as any. The foat is supposed to he the work of some Dutch sculptor, as an inscripbion carved on ore panel in plajn Roman characters is said by one learned linguist to mean "The Birth of Clirist" in modern Dutch. The bowl of the font is octagonal, and measures 36in. in diameter and 18 in . in height. The slaft and base are modem, and only the remains of the original. Seven of the panels are carved, and represent various episodes in our Lord's life, while the ejbhth panel is left plain. The date of the font is douhtful. One witer wonders if it dates back to the first half of the twelftlo century.
In the ainging room are some curiously-carved bosses on the walls which are said to be decidedly French in character.

Close to the church there stood at one time a priory, which in the time of Edwaud the Confessor was bestowed on the monks of the Abbey of St. Regimus, of Rheims. The church itself is satil to lave been founcled in the clevenih century by the Benedictine monks fronu this Ahbey.
But it is in the bells flat readers of The Ringing World will be mosi interested. Of the four old bells, the treble was badly cracked, and bore the date of 1655 , which shows it was put in the tower in Cronwell's time-not a time when onc would expect this sort of thing to take place. The second bell is dated 1565, and is therefore one of the oldest bells in the county. The thind bell is dated 1629 , snri bears the inscription, 'Santta Petre, ora. pro. nobis.' The fourth was dated 1817, and was badly damaged at the celebrations of the Dimmond Jubilee of Queen Victoria. As regards the Sanctus Bell, an exhaustive treatise on the bells of the county menkioas only two other ancient Sanctus bells, ane in Lichfield Cathedral and the other at SL. Mary's, Stafiord.
The preseni Vicar of Laplex, the Rev. O. St. J. Smith, apout two years ago set about the task of tying to have the bells restored, and issucd an appeal for funds for this purpose. The frst work to be unclertaken was the Sanctus bell, nud thanks are due to Messus. J. Taylor and Co, Longhborough, for saving this old bell from the melting pot, the result being that il new Sauctus bell has been provided, while the old one is hung in the chancel of the church as a relic of the past.
The fund for restoring the other bells gradually grew until at length the order was placed with the same firm to recast the treble and fourth and retune the second and thitcl, while an additional treble bell has been given in menory of the late Prebendary Talbot, who was at one time Vicar of Laploy. The whole rigg lias been hung in a stenl frame with all the latest fittings, qud provision has heen made in the frame for a sixth bell to he added when funds ate available. The tower has been strengthened by three tie rods, and is of sucli a size that it wouki hold athotrer 8 ou 10 bells.
The dedication of the bells took place on Tuesday evening, July 30th, by the Lord Bishop of Lichfield, hefore a crowded congregation, extra seats having to be placed in the chancel and aisle, while many people had to stand.
Ifter the service the ringers from Hrewood rang varions 120 's of Doubles on the bells under the conductorship of Mr. J. Perry, who has worked lard for the restoration. The work done reflects great eredit on the Loughbarough firm, the tone of the bells being greatly admired by all who heard them.
The task of providing the sistll bell, it is unclerstood, is to be undertaken hy the school children of the parisl), which includes the parish of Wheaton Aston, and is to be ealled 'The children's hell,' a very appropriate way of completing the number. If this article is read by anyone who has been councoted with the parish, or anyane else who feels that they would like to belp forward the work, Mr. J. Perry, Brewool, Stafford, wonk be pleased to receive any - donations, and would hand them over to the proper quarters.

As will be seen in the peal columns, a peal of Doubles has been rung on the bells, and it is intereating to note that the band consisted of the present and some of the past Ringing Masters of the Society for the Archadeaconry of Stafford, with the hoa. secretary added for safety, while the penl was rung slowly to give the parishioners the bencfit of hearing the full tones of the bells.

## EDENBRIDGE RINGER'S DEATH

At Edenbridge, Keut, on August 1st, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples in 47 mins.: W. Leigh, sen., 1, E. Lejgh 2, E. Collison 3, R. Temmer 4, G. Malyan $5, J$. Hensman $6, J$. W. Steddy (conductor) 7 , W. Leigh, jun., B. Rung with lelis lialf-nufted as a last token of tespeet to Mr. J. Malyan, au old member of the local baud, who was puried that day. Mr. J. Malyan took part, with the ringers of 4th, obll and 7 th, in the first peal rung on the bells in 1896.

CENTRAL COUNCIL'S ADDRESS TO THE KING
The loyal address of the Central Council to His Majesty the King, decided on at the meating at Claemsford, Jas been sent to the King in the following terms:

## I'HE GENTRAL COUNCIL OF GHURCH BELLRLNGERS.

## May It Please Yotw Majesty.

It was manimonsly resolven by this Counel at their ammal meating on Whitsun Tuesday, held this year at Cbelmsford, to veuture to approach Your Majesty wilt a humble expression of their heactfelt thankfulness for Your Mrjesty's recovery from grave and proIrreter illness, coupled with their earnest prayer that Your Majesty may be restored to complete health and strengtli and may, by the blessing of Almighty God, be spared to reign in peace and bappiness for many years to come.
It may interest Your Majesty to know that a large namber of
Peals of 5,000 Changes and upwards were successfully sohjeved Lhroughout the Country to proclain the Nafion's joy.
The following table is taken from "The Ringing World," the jutural of the Ringing Exercise:

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\begin{array}{ll}
\text { On } 12 \text { bells } & \text { two peals. } \\
\text { On } 10 \text { bells } & \text { five perls. } \\
\text { On } 8 \text { and under fifty-cight peals. }
\end{array}
$$

In addition to the obove a large number of Qararter Peals of 1,26" Changes and 'Touches' of 720 were rung, many on Thanksgiving Day itself.
We lave the honour to remain Your Majesty's most fromble and dovoted servants and subjects.
Signed on behalf of the above Council,

> G. F. COLERIDGE, President.
> E. ALEX. YOUNG, Secretary.

## August, 1929.

## THE RERLY

The Private Secretary presents lis compliments to $\mathrm{N} \boldsymbol{r}$. E. Alexander Young, and writes to acknowledge the remejpt of his letter and enclosure of the 2nd inst.
The Address from the Central Council of Chutch Bellringers has been laid before the Fing, and the Private Secretary is ommanded to convey His Mrjesty's sincere thanks to the Mombers of the Council for their message of good wishes and for their sccount of the Peals of Thanksiving whilh have been mang ibroughout the caun-

August 6tlı, 1929.

## TWO ASSOCIATIONS MEET.

## MIDDLESEX AND GUILDFORD RENGERS FRATERNTSE.

Sunbury on thr banks of the Thames, is a pleasant spot on a summer's day, and a joint meeting of the Sontl and West District of the Middlesex Association and the Chertsey District of the Guildford Diocesan Guild. hela there on Saturday, attracted inn attendance of aver 50. Many visitars were present from distant places, incluing Messes, R. F. Elkington (Anstey, Leicesterahire), A
Bailard (Stoney Shanton), D. D. Jentison (Keighley, Yorkshive), Ballard (Stoney Stantan), D. D. Jenvison (Keighley, Vorksire), O.
Sippetts (Criwley, Sussex), the veteran Mr. Joseph Waghorn, of East Ham, etc, while the two associations were represented by ringers from Hillingdon, Heston, Haling, Chelsea, Chiswick, Sunbury, Guildford, Godalming, Woking, Faslemere, Oatands, Ottershaw, Ringers were also present from Ctoydon, Beddington, St. Margaret's Westminster, and Bishopsgate. "Hucre was ringing throughoitt the ofternoon and evening suffeient to satisfy all tastes. It wias, as usual on such occasions, of mixen quality, lut Mr. F. W. Goodfeltows. the Ringing Master, was assiduous in his effortis to 'tit up' everyanc. A short, hright service was held, at which the chrate (Rev. W. H. Jones) officiated in the absence of the Rector, and the singinp was led by the organ, at which Mr. Poole presided.
Among those present at tea, in addition to those already mentioned, were Ma. C. S. Bird (vice-president), Mr. W. H. Holler (hon. sec.), and Mr. J. A. Trollope (hon. treasirer of the South and West District of the Middlesex Association), Major J. H. 13. Hesse (Masler, Admixal T. P. Walker (hon. treasurer), Mr. J. S. Geld smith (hon. Secrefary, Guildford Diocesan Guid), Mr. H. W. Chaley
(Chertsey Disfriet Ringing Master), Mr. G. H. Kippen (hon. secer(Chertsey Disfrict Ringing Nas
tary, Surrey Association), etc.
There was no business to be transacted, but botin Mr. Bird and Mr. Trollope welcomed the Guildford Guild, and this was acknowledged by Major Hesse and Mr. J. S. Goldsmith. The latter also suggested that a letter of congratulation should be sent ta Mr. Willian Pye (who is Master of the Middlesex Association and the hand wher rag the record twolve-bell peal enslier in the weck.-This was al once agreed to.
Thanks wera accorded to the Rectot, the curate and the organist, and the district see. was aster to convey the condolences of the naeting to Mr. Tom Beadle, who in the past has doae so much for the Middlesex Association, mad who has had a long period of illoces. Mr. Feadle lad sent his greetings to the meeting.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.'
NORFOLK GUILD REVERTS TO OLD TIILE.
By the ratifieation of tho resolution passed on Easter Monday, the Norfulk Guild now reverts to its original title of the Norwich Dioecsarn Assaciation. Tho rabification took place at a meeting at North Elmpam an Bunk Holiday. Jiy the kind permission of the Rev. D. IL. 'fownstad, MI.A. (Vicar), the ring of eigltt bells of the Parish Churd was placisd at the disposal of tho members during the day. Jumehenn was served at the George and Dragon, the Rev. E. I. Thansend presiding, in the absence of the president. (the Archdeacon of Norwich). He was supported by Mr. Charles E. Borrett (viccopresident), Mr. A. L. Coleman (secretary), Messrs. W. L. Dufheld, W. C. Dufineld, W. 13. Duacan, members of the comanitee, and several representatives from Norfolk and Suffolk.
The Secretary moved the ratification of tho belfy election of Messrs. Williant C. Bumn and William Buekenham.

The sentelary brought before the meeting a motion passed at the
 br: sabstituted for the word 'mssociation' in the original title of the (inild. The motion was not supported by the meeting.
M1. W. C. Duffield then moved, nud Mr. B. Whiteside seconded, - That bly original motion, as puti at the annual general meeting hold at Norwtich on Easter Monday, April 1st, 1929, be ratified in necordunce with the ref erondum to lle members on changing the title to "The Norwich Diocosan Association of Ringers," " The motion, on heing pat, was carried by a substantial majolity.
"Hhe secretary presented the sub-committee's report on the grouping of the eleven existing districts into three branches of the assocuation, viz., 'The West Norfolk Branch, "The Mid-Norfolk Branch," and 'Tlibe Fast Norfolk Jrancis," and "that each brauch slanll be governed hy a committee consisting of a chairman, hon. secretary, and five memberg elected to form the committes, and ench branch shall be at liberty to manage jts own business and elect its officers and arrange gencral and periodic meetings for the practice of change ringing.'
A fiscussion followed on the areas of the branches. The 'Wast, nad 'Eas!. branches were favourably commented apon, the whole criticism heing ant the area of the Mid-Norfolk Branch, which was considered far too large an area to work satisfactorily. The view was exprossed that it should be divided into two branches, called 'The Nortin Nortolk' and 'The South Norfolk,' thus maiking four branches of the associntion instead of three as recommended in the sulh-cimmittea's report.
Mr. W. E. Duffield moved, and Mr. W. B. Dunean seeonded, - That the report he referred buck to the sub-committee for further considoration for the division of the Mid-Norfolk Branch into two mrurches, athe fine motiou, on being put to the meeting, was carried by a large majority.
Mr. A. L. Colenian (socretary) moved \& vote of thanks to the Ret. F. H. 'Jownsend for so kindly presicling, and also for tho use of the Parish Ghurols bells.-The Rev. E. H. Townsend suitably responded, aml the meeting then closed.
'Ille members adjourned to the belfry for further ringing.
OXFORD AND WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILDS.
JOTNT GATHERING AT NLWBLTET.
A very successful joint meetng of the above Guilds was held at Nowhyy on Siturday last, when 50 members attended from Swin-
dom, North Stonelinm, Fnglefich, Branley, Rainhan (Kent), Reading, Maidenbead, Ringwoof, Croydon, Faringdon, Aleamaston, Beenhan, Norlh Masseth, Wiuchester, Binfield, Bucklehury, Beedon, Thrightwalton, Highclere, Woolton Hill, Shaw, and the Newbury rinters. Service was conducted by the Rector (the lev. L. R. Majendie, who grwo a very interesting address. Tea was served int the Parish Room by Mrs. IH. W. Curlis, fassisted by the pingers' wivels. The Rector presided, and was supported bs Mr. G. Wiliams (Master of the Winchester Guild), Mr. N. T. Hibbert (general secre-
Lary of the Oxford Guild) Mr. W. Andrews (Winchester Cathedral), and Mr. H. W. Curtis (hon. secretary and trensurer of the Nowbricy Buanch)

The Reator weleomed the ringers, and said how pleased he was to see so many present.-Mr. G. Williams spoke on behalf of the Winehester Guild, saying it was 40 years since be rang on Newbury brills,

Mr. H. W. Curtis also welcomed the Winghester Guidd, and hoped this would be one of many meetings to be held jointly by the two Guilds.
The Rector proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Mrs. Curtis and the ladies for providing the tea.-Mr. H. Wr. Curtis proposed a vote of ilanks to the Rector for his address and for the use of tire belle. - This was seconded by Mr. Orocker and carried with applause.

The fewer was agnin visited, and some good touches in the following methors were rung: Grandsire and Siedman Thiples, Plain Bob, Kend 'Treblo Bob, Gambridge and Double Nowich Major.

Apologics wore recoived from the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn (Master of the Otfotrl Guiki) ind Mr. G. Pullinger (feneral secretary of tho Wimbester futit).

NEW BELLS AT DERBYSHIRE CHURCH.
HAPPY GATHERING AT THE "CATHEDRAL OF THE PEAK."
The town of Tideswell, buried in a hollow of the bold swelling hills in the Peak district of Derbyshire, was en fete on Bank Holidoy, when tho music of the angmented peal reverberated over the neighbouring hills and dales. The church, commanly known as the 'Cathedral of the Peak,' dates back to the 14 th century, and is a
popular slirine for visitors to this part of the country. Its archifecturo is in a class by itsolf, and the buitding contains many fue examples of statuary, brasses and tombs, one of the latter being むated 1358. The carving in the church is extremely fine, and is all of local execution. The tower is a massive and rugged one, surmounted by four lall pinnacles which give an added grace to the presents a truly beantiful picture.

It was, however, to hear the augmented ring of eight bells that the majority of visitors paid a visit to this fine old town. Over 60 ringers turued up from Staftord, Derby, Chesterfield, Bolsover, Burton, Stockport, Cheadle, Norton-le-Moom, Norton, near Sheffield, Sleffick, Rotherham, South Anston, Duffield, Bakewell, Dore, 'T'reeton, Bolsterstone, Eyam, Handswortil, etc., and were mell repaid for their journcy in spite of uncertain woather.
Ringing commenced before noon and contiuued untill late in the ovening, a special feature being the very fine ringirg which took place by mixed bands-a tribute to the way in which the relanging of the peal has been carried out by Messr's. J. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough.
A short service of welcome was held in the afternoon, the Vicar expressing his great pleasure at the interest slown by the number of visitors present.
In spite of the fact that only three nemes were sent in for tea, there was ample food for all, and the generosity of the Tideswell folk in this diveetion will not be easily forgotben. It demonstrates in no uncertain way the hospitality of these hamely people. After tea the Rev. W. Peter Wright moved a vote of thanlss for all the good ilaings provided and to all concerned for the Kindness shown.

A pleasant social half-kour followed, some very good handbell ringing tuking place, hut the tit-bit was provided by Mr. Maurice Swinheld, who tapped two coarses of Duffield Major on the piano and a touch of Stedman Triples contucted by Mr. Framls Smallwood; then followed a comse of Duffield simultancously with the piano and handbells. 'True' stories were then related by the Vicar, the Rev. W. Peter Wright and the "Fidler."

Mr. J. E. IL. Cockey referred to the new district formed by the M.O.A. in the Peak Districk, and hoper that tho Tideswell company would see their way to join them, and thus swall the rouks of this section of the assaciation whioh had made such a suceessful beginning.
There was formerly a peal of six bells at Tideswell of very indifferent tonal quality, but now there is a fine ring of eight with at tenor about 1.3 cwt .
The old thi, a fourteenth-century bell, has been placed on view in the church, aud has been replaced by a new bell. The tenor has been recast and two new trebles added, the whole having been hung Messens. Taylor and Co. have given Derbyshire another fine exannple of their work, and the Tideswell company feel prond in their acquisition and appreciate all that the firm has done to ensure such a satisfactory anc Jasting job.
The firm were represented at the opening gathering by Messrs. J.
D. Fidler and C. Harrison, who arrived yeatly packed, with their spouses, in a well-knowe Morris chara.
There is to be a gathering of the Peak District of the M.G.A. in Septomber (14th), particulars of which will be duly advertised in this journal. That this meeting will be a huge success is a foregone conclusion. Undoubledly, a bearly welcome awaits the association.

MINOR RECORD ATTEMPT 'OFF.'
Owing to unforeseen circumstances, two of the band who were to have attempled the record peal of Minor at Rickinghall, Suffolk, on August Bank Foliday, were unable to stand in, and the paal was therefore abandoned for the time being. A 5,040 was, however, rung. Miss Kitty Willers had cyoled from Trumpington, Cambs, a distance of 42 miles, to listen to the long peai, and was invited to take part in the seven 720 's, Mr. B. Chilvers, of Cotton, giving up his rope to the lady, who enjeyed the good strifing throughout the pend.

THE TWELVE BELL RECORD.
To the Editor.
Sir,-One must write to congratulate the whole band who rang the recard peal at Ashton-mader-Lyme on Bank Holiday-a marvellous performance. I was talking to Mr. Sperring somewhere in Chester hast Tuesday about this, and he said, 'That's nothing for this band; if they made up tineir minds they would ring twice as | loug, by gomm!'-Yours, ete.,

## RUARDEAN BELLS REOPENED

The peal of eight at SL. Johu's Church, Ruardean, Gloucestershire, has been wehung in new gudgeons and ball hearings, the 6ils bell recast, and the 7th bell replaced, the work laving been carkied out hy Messirs. Gilleth und Johnston, of Croydon Bell Foundry. The dedication took place on August 18t, the service being perfomed by the Rev. J. F. Glaylon, M.A., warden elect of St. Nicholas', Bristol University, assisted by the Ficar, the Rev. E. Parnell. A gaod congregation assembled, including ringers from the Souts and North Frorest and Gloucester Branches af the Association.
At the dedication the bells were rung in rounds by the local band, after which the Rov. J. F. Clayton addressed the congregation on the use of ehurch bells.
At the conclusion of the service, a slort touch of Grandsire Triples was rung by the local band, and the bells were then thrown open to the risitors, miler even ringer present had the opportunity of having at pull." The methods rung ranged from Grandsire to Double Norwich.

The visitors were afterwards entertained in true Forest style, Mr, Harper (secretary) presiding, supported by Mr. Wikes (conductor of the local bami), MLF F. O. Colling (bell hanger), Mr. W. H. Harria (secretary of Gloweester Branch), Mr. J. Austin, Mr. Baldwyn, exSergl. Willians, of Newent, and Mr. J. Clarke (Ross)
Mr. Collins said he would like the opiaion of the ringers present as to the "go' of the bells to erable him to report to his dirm. Fe was sorry that the representative of Messis. Gillett aud Johnston (Mr. Raper) was abseut, but he expected liat sometling had detained him.

Mr. Austian thanked Mr. Collins for the excellent way in which the work had been carried ont. The 'go' of the bolls, he said, was everything that could be desired.-Mr: G. I. Irrungdon and ex-Sergt, Willans expressed agreement wili Mr. Austin as to the 'go' of the bells.

Mr. Collins, in thanking the speakors for thoir kind remarks, said he was glad to heal they had found everything to their liking, and lie would convey their opinion to the head of the firm, as he knew how mucl it would be appreciated.
Fx-Sergt. Williams thanked the donors on behalf of himself and fellow-ringers foy their kinduess in entertaining them.-This was supported by Mr. Bransdon--Mr. Fnypet replied on belalf of the flenors and the local band, and said it gave them all the greatest pleasure to hear the remarks from the previous speakers regarding the 'go' of the bells. He was pleased to see so many old friends amongst them that eveniug, and if at any time they required the hells for a peal he slould only he too pleased to assist them. He thanked them all for coming to the assistance of the local band that vening.
Toundes on the handbells by ringers and tunes by Messrs. Austin and Williams brought a pleasant gatluering to an ent.

## PETEREOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

The annual meeting of the Peterborough Brazch of the Peter borough Diocesan Guild took place at Peterbotough on Bank Eolithy, and was well attended, ingers being present from Northampfon, London, Leicester, Shouldham, Chatteris, Somersham, Raunds, Wymondtam, Guildford, Irthlingborourh, Titchmarsh, Market Deeping, Littleworth, Spalding, Luton, Stamford, Husbands Bosworth and the local band. The bells of St. John's, St. Mary's, and Woodston were rung during the day. Service took place in St. John's Cliweln, and was conducted by the Rev. Carlton, who gave a rery interesting ataress. Afterwards, 45 sat down to tea.
The business meeting was beld in St. Jolin's vestry, the president of the Guild (Mr. F. Wilford) being in the chair. The officers were reelected for the year.
Some discussion took place with regard to St. Johh's bells, and he hope was expressed that they would soon be made into a ponl eight again.
The metjods muy durisg the day rangen from Londou Surprise Plain Koh.

## THE CHESTER GUILD'S REPORT. To the Edifor.

Dear Sir,-The account of the Chester Guild annual meeting, which tpacared in "The Ringing World" on Friday, August 9th, contrined ramark that the motion to accept the annual report was passed with one dissentient.
A freal of Minor, consisting of sevens Surprise 720's, rutig at Wrllasey by six members of the Sinday bent, was published in the sonaxd report as all outstanding performance for the Guild. I askerl the chairmnn at the meeting if this was the only outstandiug performance put up ly the Guild during 1928. The late General Sceretary (Mr. E. W, Flwell) replited that it. was so
To a furthar enquirs, he remarked that the peal of London Surprise Major rung at Frodsham by a Jocal band, although it might be the first of its kind rung for the Guild, was not, in his opinion, an autsianding performance for the Guild, comparable with the peal at Wallasey. I differed from bim, and voled accordingly. Finence tho are rissentienti-Yours truly,
F'rorisham.
W. BIBET.

## HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

## I3RIDGNORTH'S VETERAN RINGER HONOLIRED.

On Bank Holiday a notahle visit was paid to Bridgnorth by the Hercford Diocesan Guild of Bellyingers, who assenbled to houour Mr. John Overton, Ringing haster of the Bridgnorth District, and one of the oldest members of the Guild and committeo. Some four years ago Mr. Overtan was presented winh an iluminated address on his complolion of 50 years' service as head ringer of St. Leonartl: Church.

I'he bells wore set going shorlly after two o'clock in the afternuon at botif churches, and at 4.15 a specini service was conducted by the Rev. Tuevor Margan.

A party of sixty members and friends sat down to a splendid tea at King's Head Fotel, whereat Mr. C. Fdwards, Guild Ringing Master, presided, supporled by the Rev. L. E. Lewis, of Madler, Hergford. Apologies were recived from the general secrotary, Rev. F. S. T. Richardson, Rev. Trevor Morgan and the district secretary. The visitors, who assembled from far and wide, included Messrs. John Clarke (Ross), Albert Walker (Birmingham), John Bootlı (Wigan), 「i:. J. Salter (Kidderminster), A. Fackelt (Halesowen), Wiiliam Slort (Cleni), A. Rowley (Tinton), Frank Perrins (Coventry, Frank Stoneley (Mandester), with otiler representatives of the district from Broseler; Bronsgrove, Gonbrookdale ank the Hereford Distict.
The Chairman explained that there was no "business" before the meeting, which had been specially convened as in complimont to Mr John OverLon, one of the oldest ringiug nembers of the Guild. His spoke with feeling of Mr. Overton's successful work, partietarly with regard to change ringing, and the instructions he had given to beginnerg, and enjoined the younger ninging members to benefit by his training and example.
Mr. Oyerton, who, on rising, was tumefully greeted as a 'jolly good fellow,' suitahly replicd, thanking his lamarers for their appreciation, and expressing a hope that he hat been of same service to ilse Guild.

Mr. Shopt, Mr. Samders (Coalhrooklale) and Mr. John Charke also spoke briefly of Mr. Overton's good work.
Mr. Albert Walker, Ringing Master of St. Martin's, Birminglanan, also expressed his appreciation of Mr. Overton in warm terms. He proffered to him the very cordial wislics of St. Martin's Guild. After tea a nicely-struck course of Grandsire Cabers was rung on handbells ly live of the visiting members. The visitors then returned to the lowers for further ringing, wheh during the day incluried Cambridge Surprise Major, Double Norwich, Kent Treble Bob, Stedman and Grandsire Triples, Cambridge Surprise Minor, Keut and Plain Bob Minor, and Grantsire Doubles.

Mr. Overton is 78 years, and is still gn metire member in the belfry

## A TAUNTON RINGER RETIRES.

Writing in the Angust 'Parish Magazine,' the Vicar of St. James' Church, Taumton, says: 'I lave to announco that after having occupied the position of leader and conductor of the belluingers in St James' tower for 37 years or so, Mr, J. Maddock las resigned owing to inabilify to fulfil the duties of the post. For some few years past Mr, Maddock has desired to take this slep, but owing to the esteem in which the is heid by the ringers he has been dissuaded from doing so. There is not room here to state all that Mr. Maddock has dome in connection with the ringing in St. James while he has been in charge. I hink an interesting booklet could be written upon that subject. I would tender our heariy thanks to Mr. Maddock with the observation that during the time of his leadership the reputation of St. James' for good ringing has been deservedly very high.
It is a pleasure to be able to and to the ahore that Mr. Maddock conducted the first peals of Minor, Bob Major, Kent Treble Hob Major, and Stedman Triples for the Balh and Wells Association, and these were all rumg by the regular Sunday band of St. Janies Church. Mr. J. Maddock, much to the regret of all local riagers, ceased to take an active part in ringing some four ar five years ago. A man of a very geninl matare, his successor will hape a hard task to follow in his steps. Mr. Maddock is 'mine host' of the Woon Slieet Inn, where he will be very pleased to see any ringer's whi care to call.

## SCOUTS IN SERVICE RINGING

On Surday, at the Parieh Church of the Holy Cross, Woodehurch, Chashire, 720 Boh Minor was rung far moraing service: R. Bennet 1, J. Jolunson 2, W. Bennett 3, G. Philips 4, H. Martin 5, H. Philips (conductor") 6. For erening serrice, 360 Bow Winor: R. Bonnett 1 , Scont A. Ricketts (Chewton Mendip) 2, J. Johnson (conductor) 3 G. Philips 4. H. Martin 5, MY. Benuett 6 . Also 240 of Plain Boli
Minor: R. Bennett 1, Scout A. Ricketts (Cliewton Mendip) 2, J. Johnson (conditetor') 3, Scout F. Ronan (Macclesfield) 4, F. Martir 5, W. Bennelt 6. The ringers of the sccond and fourth were present at the world's jamhoree at Arrowe Patk, and Woodehurch is the nearest tower to the camp. The 720 in the morning was rung by the Jocal band auring the period of the jamboree.

## A 200 MILE TRIP

The ringers of St. John-the-Baptist, Hillingdon, together with a fi w friends, hat a 200 miles' trip for their annual outing. IThe bharabinc containing the party deparled from the churela punctually ait 7.30 a.m., wader grey skics and with a ehilly wind-not what one would expect to get at the fime of year. Through High Wycombe they went, almost beiore the inhabitants were awake! The famous wh coaching village of West Wycombe came next, then the chmb up and over the leafy Chilterns. T'hey kept to the outskirts of Oxford and inade the first stop at the fine ofd town of Woodstock. A bries wisit was paid to the spacious Jlenleim Park, with iss fine lake ant magnificent palace. When the journey was resumed, the party were behind theif schedule, and on arrival at the first tower at which they were lo ring, were nearly in hour late. This was Chipping Camptien, in Gloucestershirc. However, Mr. Withers was stith pationtly waiting. 'Jlue hells, a fine ring of eight (tenor about 24 cwt.) were raised, and touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples rung. When the coach was again sought, those who went sightseeing, umong whom was the Vicar of Hillingdon (the Rev. F. J. Kitcat), wore full of praises of the fine old town, the finest in the district. At least four points of interest are worth mentioning-the splendid filtoenth-century chureli, in design almost exactly resembling that of Fairfort in the same county; the almshouses; the remains of Campden Houre, which was destroyed during the Civil War; and the splendid village street. It is wide and long, and the majorily of the houses are 17 l century, with many much eariier.

On resuming the journcy, the sum began to shine, and cveryone's spirits rose mecordingly. A stiff climh brought them to the top of Broadway Fill. Linfortunately, a dense haze hid the greater part of the wonderful parorama flat can be seen from the summit on a clear day. The roarl zig-zaged down the liill into the lovely old village of broadway, one of fite prettiest of the Cotswolds, vay, in the counkry some say. A very tasty lunch was awailing the wisitors at the quaint old thatehed cottage of Mrs. Aston, and full justice was done to the excellent fare provided. After this was finished, the party faced the camera, and, when a brief inspection of part of the village had been completed, took to the road again,

Eventually they crossed the Avon, made famous by Shakespeare's brithplate, up the litl into Fvesham, and its market place. Passing through Ahliot Reginmid's gateway (1122-1149), the party reached the fine old sixteenth-century bell tower. Of its belis, Evesham las always been proutl, and rigltly tao. They are a magnifieent ring of tem (tenor $31 /$ ), and a betiter ring at the weight cannot exist. With the geaial Mr. James Hemming there to receive the party, the bells were quickly raised, and everyone accommodated with touches of Grandsire and Stedmen Caters and Kent Major. It was with difiouty that the mingers left these wondeuful bells, and they were behind time on deprotme.

Perblore was the next stop, and the visitors made their way to the romains of the beautiful Abbey

The main part of the present atructure was consecrated in 1239. Part was destroyed by fire before the end of the century. The main monastic buildings seemed to have endurer until the Dissolution, when thoy were demolished, with the nave of the great chureh, the choir transepts and the tower being suffered to yemain. In the latter is hung a ring of eight bells, tenor abollt 26 owt., and they are one of the finest octaves in the kingdom. The ringing chamber is unique. Some seventy feet from the ground two huge beams bridge the tower from the centre of ench wralt. The floor of the ringing chamber is set on these, a sfuare about 15 feet with the corners resting on each beam, with the calrance alang one of the latter. Ironwork railings constitute the sides, through which can be scen the fioor of the nave, hundreds of feet below. At least, that is a first impression! No sooner had some of the party got into this 'bird's enge' than their nerve failed them, and they fled down to eartly again! Howover, those brave souls that remained managed to ring some Grandsire and Stedman Triples and l3oh Major. Bidding farewell to Mr. Need, they regained the coacis and set off once more.

A pleasant divive through the archards brought them to old-world Tewkesbury. Tewkesbary contains some fine ald houses and a glorious Abbey. To those who have read Mrs. Craig's celebrated book, 'Jolm Halifnx, Gentleman, Tewkesbury has a special interest, Gloucester, was waiting for the visitors at the Jolir Austir, of way up many steps and passages to the spacious ringing chamber. Tho bells, atring of ten, tenor about 22 cwh, were raised, and time only allowed of a wach each of Grandsire and Stedman Caters. It was, howevor, 4 ease of 'short and sweet, as the bells go well, and are of a good tone. After ann all too brief inspection of the Abbey, thoy all mel again at Yo Old Willow Cafe for tea. Fruit salad and crean, huttered sconos and cups of ton loo numerous to count were among the many good things disposed of. Father Time, again interlering, they bade Messrs. Austin and Hemming good-bye, boarded the coach and set off again.
t Cheltenham, tho gride and his wife alighted for a fortaight's holidry at pretty old Broadway. Thoy took with them the best wishes and thanks of all for arranging stach an enjoyable day's outing. The homewnrd route was by way of Northleach, witney,

## ON THE ESSEX AND SUFFOLK BORDERLAND

For their monusl auting, the riugers at St. Clement's Church, Ipswich, phaid a visit to fihe Essex borderland towers. Starting by bus at cifht o'clock, the party, which numbered 12 , made their first call at Aaton, where the bells were soon going to Grandsire Doubles. Learing here the next stop was at Foxearth (Essex), where hangs a light ring of eight with a tency 7 cwt. These call for some ringing, as the pendalum of the clock swings in a glass cupboard in the centre of the belfry and causes extra dodges to be mada on the part of the ringers. The bells also hacg leftharded, but some l'reble Bob Major and Grandsire Iriples were zung. The next move was to a good xing of six at Helchamp St. Paul (Essex), where con ditions were good, and Ipswich Surprise was scored. The next stop was made at Stoke-by-Clare, where the six bells require ringing Three leads of Treble Bob each satisfied the company, and a guich un brought them to Clare, where an excellest dinner had becn provided at the Bell Hotel by Hostess Barchan. This over, a wisi was paid to the tower, where Ireble Bob and Bob Major were rung an the fine peal of eight, with a tenor of 28 cwt. These caused longer stay than was allowed for, and consequently a late start was made for Pentlow (Essex), where is a round tower with an exed lent going ring of five, but which wants a conductor with a goun voice to make himself heard. After some Grandsire aud St. Simon' Doubles, a move was mande to Glemsford. Here a very short ring was enough to setisfy everyone. One course of Plain Boly Minor is hard work on them. The party then proceeded to Fartest, another bad-going ring of fire, on which Grandeire was rung. The work here was well repaid by the excellent tea which had been preparch on the Rectory lawn by the generosity of the Rector. After tea, the compary frad their photograph taken by the aid of a "Self-timer" an the lawn. The secretary of the compsuy provided lhis, and go was able to inciude jimgelf "in the group, which, by the way, turned out excellently. Tea over, a move was made to Lavenham, with its ring of eight, with tenor 23 cut., and the pride of Suffalk. Here the hep of the local hand was obtained, and Bob Major and Treble Bob brought round. All the band climbed to the top of the tower, which is the finest in the Eastern Counties, aud can be seen for ove seven miles owing to its meat size. The church ilself is I30ft. in length, and Gift. in breadth. The tower has no spire, but rises to a height of 141ft. Its other dimensions are in proportion, so its sizn car be well gauged. Leaving here after most had got over the tasl of climbing the 196 steps to the top, the last stop was at Monk Fleigh, where hang's a good ring of six, witla tenor of 18 cwt. Fier the belfry floor is open in the middle, save for the rails put there prevent a fall. The 5th man has wo climb over the rail into anothe raileditin portion. Here some Double Oxford Minor was rung, am sounded well with the three dodges behnd. A return was then marl via Hadleigh, and home was reached at 10 oclock. Everyone agreen that the secretary (Mr. F. Bowell) had arringed a good round, even if he trad not selecten the best roads. The distance covered was 7 miles, with ringing ab 10 churches- 7 in Suffolk and 3 in Essex Nearly all the bells in this district call for some bard

## LINCOLN AND LADIES' GUILDS

A very successful combined meeting of the Grimsby District of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild and the Lincoln District of the Ladies ${ }^{2}$ Guil was beld at Bigby on Saturday, July 20th. Members attended fron Barton-on-Humber, Jisham, Grimaby, Ulcebs, Burton-on-Stather Scunthorpe, and the local tower. Dr. F. P. H. Birtwhistle, o Barton-on-Humber, and ringing friends from Hull and Lincols, Mrs Richardson, of Surfeet, secretary of the Lincola District of the Ladies' Guild, and Mr. 磌. Richardson, were alsa present. The bell were kept going during the aflernoon, and the president of the Grimsby District (the Rev. H. T. Parry, Rector of Bigby) conducted the service, Miss Peart presiding nt the organ.
A splendid ten was kindly provided by the president, and after wards the business meetings of both organisations took place, the president being in the chair
The collection for the district bell fund amounted to $13 s$
The usual wotes of thanks were passed to those who had arranged the meeting, to the Rector for providing the tea, and to the organisi for presiding at the organ.
The secretary was instructed to write to Mr. G. Blanchard, con ductor of the Bighy band of ringers and Deputy Ringing Master illiness.
Tle date for the Waitharn meeting was alterod to Anoust 3ls The men then adjoumed to the tower and Rectory gardens, and the ladies held their meetigg.
(Continued Eram previous column.)
Oxford and Wycombe, the lome tower being reached at 10.15 p . m Wuch of the success of the outing was due to tho excellent help rel dered by Rev. E. R. Benson, of Tewkesbury, and Mr. J. Hemming of Evesham, while the cordial welcome extended to the visitors b Messrs, Withers, Need and Austin, at Campden, Pershore and Tewkesbury respectively, added considerably to an enjoyable time Nearly two hundred miles were covered, six counties visited, ash four really fine sets of bells rung on. Above all, the weather prow kind aftor all!

## NOTICES.

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637 ).-Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on August 2gth, "St. Giles', Cripplegate, on the 20th, St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 22nd; all at 7.30 p.m1. *Business meeting afterwards.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, $3^{2}$, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W. 4.
GUILDFORD GUILD.-Leatherhead District.-Next meeting to be held at Dorking on August 17 th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea 5 p.m. All members and friends invited to attend.-Alan R. Pink, Dis. Sec., 32, Nower Road, Dorking.

## WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN

 GUILD.-Isle of Wight District. - The summer festivity meeting will be held at Whitwell on Saturday, August 17th. Bells (6) availabie 2.30 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea (by kind invitation of the Vicar) at 5 p.m. in the Vicarage and short business meeting. Handbells and bowls on the lawn afterwards. All ringers in-vited.-B. J. Snow, Hon. Dis. Sec., 2, Colling wood, Daniel Street, Ryde, I.W.LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester Branch.--The next meeting will be held at Mossley Parish Church on Saturday, A.ugust $17^{\mathrm{th}}$. Bells 3.30. Service 5 o'clock. Tea $5 \cdot 30$, is. 6d. per head. Will members make a special effort to attend and make this meeting a success.-J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting.
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-A meeting of the Ely Archdeaconry will be held at Willingham (6) on Saturday, August i7th. Tea, 5 p.m., to those who notify, postcard please. These six, like Bourn, are out of the same best pot of Taylor's-' nuff said.' Good bus service from Cambridge, or railway, Longstanton, L.N.E. Railway. - F. Warrington, Dis. Sec., Longstanton, Cambs.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Nottingham District. -The next monthly meeting will be lield at Sutton-in-Ashfield on Saturday, August ${ }^{17}$ th. Bells (6) available from $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. to $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. and $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. to $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. No arrangements will be made for tea. - Fredk. W. Bailey, Local Sec., 42, Rupert Street, Nottingham.
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. - Thrapston Branch.-The annual branch meeting will be held at Aldwincle on Saturday, August 17th. Service 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock.-J. Nickerson, Halford Street, Thrapston.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Sonning Deanery Branch.-Combined practice at Waltham St. Lawrence, on Saturday, Aug. 17 th, from 6 till 9 p.m. All welcome. -W. J. Paice, Branch Secretary.
EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD. - A ringing meeting will be held at Cuckfeld on Saturday, August $177^{\text {th }}$. Towper open $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All ringers welcome. -G. Lambert, Hon. Sec., Drummond Hay, Moat Road, East Grinstead.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION, -Hincklev District.-The next meeting will be held at Higham-on-the-Hill on Saturday, August $\mathrm{r}^{\text {th }}$. Bells available at $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea provided at 5 p.m. Alt ringers are cordially welcome. - W. A. Cope, Smockington, Hinckley.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Burton District, - The next district meeting will be held at Appieby on Saturday, Aug. 17th. Bells (6) ready 3 p.m. A good attendance requested.-John Leach, 4, Vernon Terrace, Burton.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Eastern and Western Districts. - A combined meeting will be held at Houghton on Saturday. August 17th. Meet at St. Michael's Church at 2.30. Tea will be provided at rs. 3d. per head. -Frank Ainsley, Harry Tyson, Hon. Secs.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch, - The annual branch meeting and social will be held at Colne on Saturday, August 2qth. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea (is. 6d. each) at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Meeting. 6 p.m. Business: Election of branch president. Social commences 7.30 p.m. Everybody weicome. Will those intending being present please notify Mr. R. Whitehead, 66, New Market Street, Colne, not later than August 21st? -F. Hindle, Hon. Branch Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburs.
YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Western Division, A meeting will be held at Kildwick on Saturday, August $24^{\text {th. }}$. Tea will be provided at a charge of is. 6 d . per head to all those who send in their names to Mr. H. Roe, 7, Starkey Lane, Farnhill, Kildwick, near Keighley, not later than Thursday, August 22nd. Bells available from 2 p.m.-F. Hutchinson, Dis. Sec.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-A meeting of the Southern District will be held at Betchworth on Saturday, August 24 th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Tea at $5 \cdot 30$. Business to follow. Those intending to be at tea must notify me not later than Wednesday, August 21 st.-A. J. Bull, Hon. Dis. Sec., Jesmond, Queen's Road, Horley.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. - Northampton Branch.-A meeting will be held at Great Brington on Saturday, August ${ }^{2}$ ith. $^{\text {th }}$. Bells (6) 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea 5 o'clock. Will all who require tea please let me know not later than Tuesday, August 2oth? - T. Tebbutt, West Street, Moulton, Northampton.
BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District.-A meeting will be held at Old Warderl on Saturday, August $24^{\text {thz }}$. Bells (6) available at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at 5. All ringers welcome. A good company is re-quested.-C. J. Ball, Dis. Sec., 2, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branci. The next meeting will be held at Horwich Parish Church on Saturday, August $24^{\text {th }}$. Bells available 3 p.im. Meeting 7 p.m.-Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., 203, Devonshire Road, Bolton.
BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-A special meeting to appoint a successor to the Bedford District secretary, who is shortly moving to Peterborough, will be held at Kempston on August 24th. Bells (6) available 2.45. Tea at 5. It is hoped that alt auembers will make a special effort to attenc, and that all of the District Committee will be present.-J. T. Newington, 32, Grafton Road, Bedford.

ESSEX, HERTFORD AND MIDDLESEX ASSO-CIATIONS.-A joint meeting will be held at Hertford on Saturday, August 24th. All Saints' (ro), St. Anclrew's (8) and Bengeo (8) available from 3 p.m. Short service at St. Andrew's 5 p.m. Tea at Farrow's Restaurant 5.30 p.m. Will those intending to be present and requiring tea advise Mr. W. H. Lawrence as tarly as possible.-E. J. Butler, Essex Association; W. I-I. Lawrence, Hertford Association, Little Munden, Ware, Herts ; C. T. Coles, Middlesex Association.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Western Division. A quarterly meeting will be held at Rogate on Saturday; Aug. 24th. Beils available from 2.30. Serrice at 4. Tea at the White Horse Inn. Will those inconding being present kindly advise me not later than August 2 Ist? Nearest station Petersfield (4 miles). A. W. Groves.

ROMNEY MARSII AND DISTRICT GUILD.-The next meeting of the above Guild will be held at Folkestone on August 24 th. Beils available 2.30 p.m7. All ringers welcome-A. J. Battin, Hon. Sec., Heronden Hall Gardens, Tenterden.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.-The next meeting will be held at Fillongley on Saturday, August 24th. Bells suailable at 3 p .m. Tea at 5 o'clock at a noderate (harge.D. E. Lewis, Gen. Hon. Sec., Firholm, King Edward Road, Nuneaton.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - East Berks and South Bucks Branch.-The next meeting has been arranged at Wooburn on Saturday, August 24 th. Bells available 3.30 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m. at a reasonable charge for those who send their names by Aug. zoth.-
D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough.

P巨TERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Kettering Branch.-A special meeting will be held at Wilbarston (5) on Saturday, August 24th. Bus from London Road, Kettering, 2.20 p.m. Stoke Albany (6) bells after tea. Please notify me if you require tea.-H. Baxter, Branch Sec., Bredon, Windmill Avente, Kettering.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-The next mecting of the Chesterfield District of the above association will be held at North Wingfield on August 24 th. Will those requiritg tea notify me not later than Wednesday, August 2 ist?-J. P. Tarlion, Local Hon. Sec.

GiUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (Farnham Dis(rin), WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD (Basingstoke District), OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (Sonning Deanery Branch). -. A joint meeting will be held at Hawley, Hants, on Saturclay, Augusi 31st. Divine service at 5 p.m. Preacher: Rev. B. Long, Rural Dean of Sonning. Tea in Memorial H-Iall immediately after service. Hawley bells available atternoon and evening. Other towers to be announced later: All ringers welcome. Those desiring tea must intom Mr. J. Boyles, Hawley Bridge, Blackwater, beFore Werlnesclay, August 28th.-C. W. Denyer, Rev. D. I. Board, W. J. Paice, Hon. Secs.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West District. -A mecting will be held at St. Peter's, Staines, on Saturday, August 3 Ist. Belis available from 3 p.m. Members will be entertained to tea by the Vicar. Those requiring tea please send card by the 28 th inst.-Wm. H . Hellier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W. 4 .

DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.-The quarterly mecting will be held at All Saints', Sedgley, on Saturday, August 3 ist. Beils available from 3 o'clock. Service in church 4.30 , conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. Dr. Swindell). Tea and business meeting afterwards.-Herbert Sheppard, Hon. Sec., in 3, Himley Road, Dudiey.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - The eighth annual commemoration dinner to the memory of the late Jasper Whitfield Snowdon and past officers of the Yorkshire Association will be held at the King's Head Hotel, Change Alley, Sheffield, on Saturday, Sept. 2 ist, when tije chail will be taken by the Venerable John Russell Darbyshire, M.A., Archdeacon of Sheffeld, at 6 p.m. prompt. The bells of the Cathedrai (I2) and St. Marie's R.C. (8) will be available from 2.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. Good accommodation provided for visitors staying overnight if desired. Dinner tickets (price 5s. 6d. each) may be had from Messrs. G. Lewis, R. Harrison, jun., and M. E. Wilson, or direct from the undersigned not later than Tuesday, Sept. 17th. Kindly enclose remittance with application.-Sidney F. Palmer, 87, Bradley Street, Crookes, Sheffeld.

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PAIGNTON, DEVON-On Sunday, August I1th, for evensoug, a the Parishs Church, 1,260 Grandsire Triples in 48 mins. : T. S. Colling 1, H. G. Lewis (Wrexham) 2, C. F. Austin 3, F. Hayes (High WP combe) (conductor) 4, E. T. Carter (Llandafif) 5, T. E. Pernell 6, H. J. Hole 7, c. Boyce 8 .

IUULBOROUGH, SUSSEX.-On Sunday, August 4th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: R. W. R. Picton 1 , Holden 2, A. V. Corden 3, C. S. Greenfield 4, S. Pieton 5, 4 . Greonfeld 6, C. Smart (conductor) 7, I. J. Doiek 8. First quarter peal of Stedman hy a local hand. First quarter in the method ringors of $2 \mathrm{kd}, 4 \mathrm{th}, 5 \mathrm{th}$ nad 6 th .

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CARHAMPIMON, SOMERSET. -On Sunday, August 11 th, at the Parish Church, for evening service, in 44 ming., a quarter-peal of Oxford Treble Bob Minor: M. Parker 1, J. Wats 2, A. Bryant 3, H. Parker 4, I. Farmer (conductor) 5, A. Stevens 6.

SOUTHAMPTON, HANTS.-AE St. Mary's Church, for evening service, on Sunday, August 11th, a quarter-peal of Grendsire Triples (1,260 changes) in 50 miss. W. J. Butler 1, H. Payne 2, F. Mussel 3, A. Newman 4, T. White 5, H. Reeves 6, J. W. Faithful (conducfor) 7, H. Nash 8. Arranged for TF. White.
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REIGATE.-For morning service, on Sunday, August 4th, at Reigate Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1,260 changes) in 50 wins.: G. F. Hoad 1, A. Bashford 2, J. Foster 3, F. Teal 4, A. Willet 5, A. Cheasley 6, W. Glaydon (conductor) 7, W. Foley 8.
ABERAVON, GLAM. -On Sunday, August 4 th, for evening service, a quarter-peat of Grandsire Triples ( 1,260 changes) in 45 ming. : C. Hughes 1, F. E. Stone 2, W. J. Nurton 3, E. Stitch 4, C. Mashers 5, C. Jones 6, A. J. Pitman (conductor) 7, J. Weathorsby 8. Also a birthday compliment to ringer of the 4 th.

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The decision，on the face of it，was arrived at mainly on the ground that the Council did not recognise the right of an association to instruct its representatives how to vote on specific questions and also on account of the grievance which certain members felt they had over the treatment of the association at the hands of the Council． These matters obviously influenced those who voted at the Chippenham meeting，and the Exercise，whether agree－ ing or disagreeing with the action taken，respects the views of those who voted．But the communication which we publish to－day，coming on the top of Mr．Cave＇s te－ cent letter，is rather suggestive．In any case it reopens the whole question and the members of the association throughout the diocese would do well to give careful thought to the position which has been created．They are evidently to be asked to reconsider the matter at their next annual meeting and，in view of this，they will do well to ponder on the question whether their own desire to see a change in the policy of the Council would not be better served by re－affiliation and effecting the alteration by constructive means from inside than by stopping outside and taking only destructive action．A central body in an organisation such as the Ringing Exer－ cise has grown to be，is essential to establish standards， to co－ordinate effort and to do those many small things which，if they became anybody＇s business，would be no－
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Albert E. Busley ... ...Treble Arthor J. Farr... .. ... G
Jobn W. Wood ... ... Cearles McGuiness .. ... 3 Jobn Curry.

Joen Thorpe ... $. . . \quad . . . \quad 5 \quad$ Rupert Ricbardson... ... Temor
Composed by H. J. Tocker, Conducted by Rupert Richardson.
Rung for the "Patronal Festival."
NEWPORT, MON.
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMODTH DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION
On Saturduy, Augrst 17, 1929, ith Threc Hows and Ninetecn Minutes,
Aithe Pro-Cathedral Churcf of Si. Woolos,
A PEAL OF GRAND8IRE GATERS, 505G CHANGES;
Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 20 lb . in D.
William Pire ... .... ...TTebie John Buelen ... ... ... 6 - Wilfred Williams... ... 2 Charles Grebdy ... ... 7 $\dagger$ Miss D. L. Ricsards ... 3 †Kennetr Knowles... ... 8 *Grorge Popnell ... ... 4 William Phillifs ... ... 9 \#Donald G. Clifi ... ... 5 | Grorge Hawkins ... ...Tenof
Composed by J. Nelws.
Conducted by C. Greedy.
* Tirtieth peal together and G. Popnell's 50th peal for tho Liandaft Association. + Pirst inside on ten. F First peal on ton bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to D. G. Clift and W. Williams.

DUFFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASgOCLATION.
On IVednesday, Attgust 14, 1929, ins Threa Hours and Thirteon Minutes,
At the Chorch of the St. Almmond,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 6008 EHANEES;

Tenor 17 cwt.
Matrice Swinfigld ..
John H. Swinfield ..
John H. Swinfield ... ...treble Percy Dodeey ... ... ...
Cearles Drafer ... .... $\quad$, Samdel Pinder. .*...
Joseph Batley ... ... Miss Elizabeth Fodlk ... 5 Charlis Bradley ... ...Terar * First peal of Caters.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

STANSTED, ESSEX.
On Weduesday, August 7, 7929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes, At tee Chorch or St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANEESI Dexter's Variation of Broors'.
Wilelam T, Prior ... ...Treble | Arthor Jordan ... ... ... 5 Whlter Ayre ... ... ... 2 Thomas J. Watis ... ... 6 George Jordan ... .... ... 3 Philip C. Springham ... 7 Wacier Palor Conducted by P. C. Springeam. WILLESDEN, MIDDLESTX
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Twosay, Awgust 13, 7929, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,
At the Cedreh of St. Mary,
A PEAL DF SPLICED LONDON, RUTLAND, CAMBRIDEE, SUPERLATIVE, LINGOLNSHIRE, PUDSEY, YORKSHIRE, BRISTOL, HORFOLK AND NEH CLOUCESTER SURPRISE MAJOR, 5120 GHANRE8; Tegor 10 cwt.

| Harry Kily | Treble | Charles T. Coles |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| J. Armiger Trollope |  | Albert W. Colrs |  | .. 6 |
| Georgr M. Kilby |  | James Benneti |  |  |
|  |  | Wigliam Py |  |  | Composed by A. J. Pirman (No. I). Conducted by Winliam Pye. This composition enntains changes in each method as follows : London 1440, Tutland 1184, Cambridge 416, Superlative 384, Lincolnshire 320, Pudsey 320, Forkshire 160, Bristol 320, Norfolk 288. New Gloucester 288. This is the lirst peal rung in ten Major methods. A birtbday compliment to the conductor.

## DITCHEAT, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. Un Widnesday, August 14, 1929, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

At the Chorch of St. Mary Magdalene,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Groves' Transposition of Parker's Twelve-part. Tenor $24 \frac{4}{4}$ cwt.


* First peal of Thiples.

BTBINGRON, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GULLD.
On Wednesddy, Ayghst 14. 1929, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,
At the Choreh of St. Andrew.
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOF, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. is lb. in A flat.
 Composed by T. B. Worsley. Conducted ly J. C. E. Simpson.

* First peal af Major. Rung as a 21st birthchay compliment to the conductor. The ringer of the 5 th has now conipleted the circle in this tower. The ringer of the 2nd rang his hell with only one arm, an accitent having tempowaly deprived lim of the use of the ower.

GOSFORTH, NORTHUMBERIAND.
THE DURHAM AND NEWOASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
On Wednesdap, Atgetsi 74, 1929, in Three Hours and Ten Mintites,
At the Church or All Salnts,
A PEAL OF BOB MASOR, E040 CHANGES; Tenor 22势cwt.


* First peal and first aftempt. H First peal in the method. Rung to celcbrate the anniversary of UIr. J. Andorgon's wedding. 'the ringer of the 6th hails from Nottingham and was made a member of the above association in the belfi'y.

LLANGIBBY, MONMOUTHSFIRE.
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION. On Thursday, Auglisi 15, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minntes,

At tae Chorch of St. Cybi,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;
Groves' Transposixion rf Parker's Twelve-part.
Tenar 15 cwt .
Donald G. Clifi
...Tyebie Arther Hawkins
George Hawhins
Willism Phiciles
Joun W. Jones
+.* + .... 4
Condacted by Wiffred Williams.
Arranged for P.C. Davies, who laails fron Deptiord, London, OREENCESTER, GLOS.
GLOUGESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCERAN ASSOCLATION. On Thursday, Augits 15, 1929, in Thres Howrs and Fifteen Minutes, At the Church of the Holy Trinity, Watermoor,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Groves' 'Transposition of Parker's Twelve-part. Tenor 20 cwt.
*Francis J. Lewis, jon. ...Treble $\mid$ H. Charles Bond ... ... 5
Francis W. Bond ... ... 2 Harry S. Parsons ... ...
Francis J. Lewis, jun. ... 3 Wilfred H. Hayward ... 7 Herbert L. Cook ... ... 4 H. T. Jack Roberts ... .... ... 4 . 4 .

Conducted by Framels J. Lewis, sen.

* First peal and first attenpt; gged 15. Specially arranged as at wadding peal for Mr. J. Buther, of East Jaghourne, who was married on Augusi 4 th. He is a member of Cambrige University Guild and was forruerly a member of the local band.


## BRIDGEND, GLAMORGANSHIRE

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Satirday, August 17, 1929, inthre Hours whd Ten Minutes, At the Cerreh of Si. Iletyd,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Groves' Transposition of Parkzr's Twelve-part Tenor 16 cwt.
 Cearles H. Perry ... .... 4 Bert Whaver ... ... .... Conducted by John Parlijps.

* First pkal and inst attenpt.

UFFCUEME, DEVON
THE DETONSEIRE GUHAD.
On Sutirday, Augut 77, 1929, in Thre Howrs and Eighten Minutes, At the Churgh og St. Mary
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES; Groves' Transposition of Parker's Twglve-part.

Renor 22 cw

- Frederick G, Coles
Frank J. Davey

William Cockrar
ERANK Vinisg
..Tre

Conducted by Ernest Simich.

* Were proposed memhers hefore starling. + First pea]. Eirsi peal by the above Guild and first in the mefhod on the bells. The ringers wish to thank the Vical (the Rev. H. Clablk) for the use of the helfs.

TURVEY, BEDS.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sthuday, Augnst 17, 1929, in Three Hours and Twenty Five Minufes, At the Cherch of All Sainis,
M PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANEES Tenor ig cwt.
 Composed by Gabriel Lindofer. Conducted by Charles W. Clarke * Fixcleyl mombers luffore starting for peal. † First peal of Double Nurwirit.

## NORWICH,

THE NORYICH DIOCESAN ASSOOLATION. On Sainyday, August 77, 7929, in Two Howrs and Fifty-Eight Minuies, At mae Church of St, John-de-Sepalchre,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE MORWICH COURT BOE MAJOR, E02a CHANEEs; Tenor 10 cwt in $G$.
 Composed and Conducted by George H. Cross.

* First peal in the method. filhs is Elie liset peal by the ringer of the Gti silmee the 23 Ha Tuly, 19I4, and be was re-elected a member of Live nssomation previous to starliug.

NEMTHURY, BERES.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(NEwBDry Branch.)
On Saturday, Augrst 17. 1929, in Three Hoters and Sixten Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TAIPLES, 5040 EHANGES;
Groves" Transposition or Parker's Twelye-part. Tenor 2: cwt. a qr. i lb. ic D.


 Conducted by Daniec Cooper.
Firsf poal of Triples. First peal on tho bells since they were reluthed nid relurng by Messrs, Mears and Stainbank. The conductor mails [rumb Craydon, the jest are local ringers.

NOIRCH STONEHAM, HABPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTE DIOCESAN GOHD. On Sutwrday, Arghst 77, 1929, i月 Two Hours whd Fifty-Eight Minuits,

At the Chorch of St. Nicolas,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE HAJOR: 5056 CHAMCES:

Tenor $9 \mathrm{cwt}, 26 \mathrm{lb}$. in $G$.
George Williams
...Trebic Harry L. Aitmin
Alfied T. Grefnwood ... 2 William E. Cheater Townr R. Taylor ... .... 3 Edwin J. Harding, sen ... 6 Hhpry Wingroyb ... ... 4 Erederick W. Rogers ... Tenoy Composed by James S. Wicde. Conducted by George Williams Apertally arranged for the linger of the 4th, who lails from benconsliehd, Bucks.

GUTHEREOT, LANCASHJRE. THE LANGASHIRE ASSOOLATION.
On Santray, A ugust 17, 1929, in Three Howrs and Fowteen Minutes, At the Chtreh of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Holt's ORiginal.
Arthor Tomlinson
...
Truble
Thomas Wilson...
$\begin{array}{ccc}\ldots . & \ldots & 2 \\ \ldots & \ldots & 3 \\ \ldots & \ldots & 4\end{array}$
JOHN Brown.
Tenor $58 \frac{7}{2}$ cwt.
William E. Wilson ..
 Conducted by $A$. Tombinson.
Firsh ponl on the hells since recasting. First peal for ringers of 3ul, 4 th athd 7 th, who ans scrvice 1 ingers at Clitheroe. Rung as a hirdindy complimuth to Mr. S. Green, of Clitherge, the donor of the hells, aud aiso as a complinent to Mr. F. Bindle (the secrelary of tho Ibhekthm Bramehi and Mrs. Finde on the oceasiou of thein silver wedding.

NEWCHTRCH, WARRINGTON, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, August 77, 1929. in Two Hours and Fifty-Fivo Minutes, At the Parish Chorce.
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANEES; Tenor 14 cwt.
Ernest Cotsforth ... ...Trede | John Yates

- Josefh Potter ... .... ... 2 Edward jenkins

| Joseph Potter ... .... | ... | 2 | Edward Jenkins | ... | ... | 6 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Joseph Leasherbarrow | E.. | 3 | Cecil Raddon | .. | .. | ... | 7 |



* First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor J.AVENBAM, SUFTOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUZLD.
On Salurday, August 17, 1929, in Three Howrs and Twenty-Five Minntes,
At the Chorch of SS. Peter and Patl
A PEAL DF SUPERLATIYE SURPRISE MAJOR, 6068 EHANPEE; Tenor 23 cwt, in D flat.

Composed by Arzhor Kniohts (Author's No. 53).
Conducted by William C. Rumsey.

* First peal in the method 'inside.' Arranged to ollige the ringer of the tenor who is from I'onbridge.

WILJESDEN, MIDDLESEX.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOGIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, August 77, 7929, in Two Hours and Thirty-Six Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BRISTUL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES; Temor 10 cmt .
Harry Kilby
..Treble Charles T. Coles
Mrs. E. IK. Fletcher
George R. Pye..
*Ernest C. S. Torner
Composed by Henry Dains.
2 William Pye

- 5
* Finst peal in the method.


## CONTSBOROUCF, FORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Doncaster \& District Society.)
On Saturday, August 17, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minules, At xhe Chorce of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 52800 CANGES ;
Tenor 13 ewt. 2 q. 20 lb .

 | J. Edward Cawser | $\ldots .$. | $\ldots$ | 3 | A. Percival Kaigets | $\ldots$ | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Milton C. Fowler | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 4 | Benjamin A. Knighis | $\ldots .7$ erof |  | Composed and Conducted by Aribor Knighis.

BARTON ON-HTMRER, LINCS. THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUDD.
On Tuesday, Augnst 13, 1929, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
Ai the Cetree of St. Pejer,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES।
Tenor io cwt. I qr. 2 lb .

| Mrs. Jack Bray ... ... ...Treble | Jack Bray ... |
| :--- | :--- |
| Harold Eastor | ... |
| ..... | ... | Harold Easioz .... ... ... 2 . 2 Erank Lord | Arifitr W. Hoodless | ... | 3 | Bernard Gileatt, ion. ... 7 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Charles H. Bird | ... | .. | 4 | Walter Ayre | ... |
| Wher |  |  |  |  |  | Composed by F. Dench. Conducted by Walter Ayere.

* First peal of Treble Boh. A birtlitiay compliment to the Fiear
and Mis. Warali.


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## SOUNMHORPE，LINCOLNSHIRE．

 THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD．On Thursday，Angust 15，1929，in Two Hours and Fifty－Ners Mintles， At tue Cegref of St．Jobn－the－Evangelist，

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR， 5088 CHANGE8；

 Tenor $18 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$ ．
$\begin{array}{ll}\ldots & 3 \\ \ldots . . & 4\end{array}$
ank lord．．．．．．．．．．．．． 4 Walter Ayrz ．．．．．．．．．Temor
Composed by W．Harrison．Conducted by W．Ayar
First peal of Thelile Bob on the bells．Quickest peal on the bells．

## HANDBELL PEALS

BURTON STATHER，LINCOLASHIRE． THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD．
On Wednesday，August 14．1929，in Two Hoars and Thirty－Nine Minutes， At tee Residence of Mr．J．Bray，

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR，GB4D CHANQES；

Tenor size Ill in F slary．
Mrs．J．Bray ．．．．．．．．．I－2｜Jack Bray ．．．．．．．．．．．．5－5 Frank Lord ．．．...$\quad$ ．．．$\quad$ ．．． $3-4 \mid$ Bernard Gillatt，ion．．．． 7 －8 Composed by P．O．Bixby．Conducted by J．Bray．
Frist peal＂in hacd，by $3-4$ and $7-8$ ．First peal of Major＇in hand＇by all．

## BURTON STATHER，LINCOLNSHIRE THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD．

On Thursday，August 15，1929，in Two Honss and Thity－Eight Minutes， At the Residence of Mr．J．Bray，
A PEAL OF BDB MAJOR， 5184 CHANGES； Tenor size $11 \frac{1}{2}$ in $F$ sharg．
Mrs．J．Bray ．．．．．．．．．i－z｜Jack Bray ．．．．．．．．．．．． 5 5－

Composed by Arthor Knighis．Conducted by Walter Ayrb． BARTON－ON－FLMBER，LINCOLNSHIRE．「HE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD．
On Friday，ducust 16，1929，in Two Howrs and Thirty－Eight Minutes， At the Residence of Mrs．A．E．Ayre，

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR，508B CHANGES；

Tenor size 11⿺辶 it F sharp．
Mrs．J，Bray ．．．．．．．．．1－z｜Jack Bray
Walter Ayre ．．．．．．．．．3－4 abtatr W Hoodere
Composed by B．Swinson．
Conducted by W．Ayre．
Witnessed by Mrs，A．E．Ayre，Mrs．W．Ayre aud Mr．C．Auty
The fulfilment of a long desired wish．

## SIX BELL PEALS．

WATH－ON－DEARNE，YORKSHIRE
THE YORKSHIRE ASBOCIAMOX AND BARNSLEY AND DISI＇RICT ASSOCLATION．
On Monday，Aygust 5，1929，in rwo Hows and Fifty－Eight Minutes， At the Cedrcr of All Saimts，

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR， 5040 CHANGES；

Being 720 each of Loudon，Canterhury，York，Lancashire，Welis， Newcestle and Durbarn．
Wicliak Grien ．．．．．．．．．Treble Albert Nash ．．．．．．．．． 4 Herbert S．Chamberlain 2 Roberi J．Rickrtis ．．．．．． 5 Arther Gill ．．．．．．．．． 3 Arthur Pantier ．．．．．．Temor Conducted by A．Panther．
Rung to celebrate the christening of the conductor＇s grandson， which took place the previous day．

WISTASTON，CHESHIRE．
THE CHESTER DIOOESAN GUILD．
On Shaday，August 17．1929，in Two Hours and Thirty－Five Minktes，

## Ai the Churca Gf St．Mary，

A PEAL GF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR， 5040 CHANGES； Sever diferent extents．

Tenor 6 cwt 6 lb ．
－Harold G．Smith ．．．．．．Tyeble Alerbt Crawley ．．．．．． 4
 －Dayid Smith Conducted by H．Parker．
＊First peal of Oxford＇Ireble Boh Minar．† First peal of Minor． H．Parker＇s 25 th peal as conductor．

## TRYEULI，GTAFFS．

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD． On Saturday，Augus！10，7929，in Two Hours and Fifty－One Minttes，

At the Cedrcy of All Saints，
A PEAL OF QRANDSIRE DOUBLES， 5840 CHANGES ${ }_{1}$
Forty－two six－scores， 10 different callings．Tenor 11 cwt． 17 lh．
－Frank Hines ．．．．．．．．．Treble Erancis Brotherton ．．．a †Albert D．Colilins．．．．．． 2 Harry Boswell．．．．．．． 5 $\dagger$ Herbert R．Pickering ．．． 3 †Herbert E．Boots ．．．．．．Jemoy Conducted by $F$ ．Brotherion．
＊Tirst penl（age 15）and made a member before starting．† First peal of Doubles．$\ddagger$ First peal of Doubles on tower bells．Credit is due to the treble ringer，who has learat to ring during the last three montlis，for the able way he managed his bell．

## HASKETON，SUFFOLK． <br> THE SUFFOLK GUILD．

On Stalay，August 11，1929，in Two Howrs and Forty Mintes，
At the Cherch of St．Andrew，
A PEAL OF HINDR，bDad CHANGES；
Comprising 720 each of London Scholars＇Pleasure，College Excreise， Double Court，Plair Bob，Woodbine，Kent and Oxford Treble Bob． Tenor gix cwt．
James W．Smith．．．．．．．．．Treble Grorge Pryke
Alfred B Kina ．．．Willam a Woon ．．．．．． 4
Thomas C．Ward ．．．．．． 3 ｜George W，Ablity ．．．．．．Témor
Conducted by Grorge W．Ablitt．
ROCK TERRY，CHESHIRE．
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD．
（Wirral Branch．）
On Thursday，August 15．1929，in Two Hous and Fiffy－Sewen Minutes， At the Church of Si．Pejer，

## A PEAL OF MINOR， 5040 CHANGES；

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise，Oxfowd Boh and Plain Bob and two $720^{\prime}$ s each of Oxford and Kent Treble Boh，all ealled differenlly．

Tenor 10 cwt．in $G$ ．
 Joun Coome ．．．．．．．．． 3 James C．E．Simpson．．．．．．Tenor Conducted by J．C．E．Simpson．
＊First peal and first attempt．† First peal away from the treble． First peal for the Guild in which g father and two daughters have taken part，the peal being specially arranged to enable the Misses E． and M．Cooke and Mr．J．Cooke to score a．peal together．

## WRENTHAM，SUFFOLK <br> THE SUFFOLE GUILD．

On Thurstay，August 15，1029，in Two Hours and Fovey－Five Minutes，
At the Cherch of St．Nicholas，

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BDB MINOR， 6040 CHANGES；

Being 720 each of Cambridge and Norwich Surprise，Woodbine and Kent，and three $720^{\prime}$ s of Oxford Treble Bob．Tenor $10 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$ ． Grorge Lef．．．
．．．Tveble Albhrt E．Agstin
William C．Bum
．．． 2
Albhrt E．Austin
Ernest Balley
Edgar Bailey ．．．．．．$\quad . .0 \quad 3$ Francis W．Naunton ．．．Tenar Conducted by Francis W．Naunton．
Arrangex and rung as a last tribute of respect to Mrs．Nauntan， mother of the coudnctor，who passex away on August 10th，aged 85 years，and was interred in Wrentham Cemetory the day previous． On February 2nd，1925，an opon peal was also rung for the reath of the deceased＇s hushaud，at his special request．

## BUXTUN，NORFOLK．

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION．
On Saturday，August 77，1929，in Tivo Haurs and Forty－Five Mirutes，
At the Church of Si．Andrew，

## A PEAL OF MINOR， 5040 CHANGES；

Comprising sceven difermat extente，wiz，two each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and three of Plam Rols．Tenor 12x crit．in F shar＇p． －Roberi G．Catcupole ．．．Tvelle ${ }^{\bullet}$ William R．Catchpole ．
Nolan Golden ．．．..$-1 . . . \quad 2 \quad$ William C．Deffield
－Pbilip N．Barton ．．．．．． 3 Edwaru Howes Conducted by Nolan Golden．
＊First peal in three methods．

## HANDBELL PEAL.

MANCHESTER

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, Angust 15, 1929, who Hours and Fiften Minutes,

## At i6, Lime Grove,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGEB;
Tenor size 17 in A.
Alern F Bailey

- Harold Jacrson

Composed by G. Lindofr.

* First peal of Oxford Major "in Conducted by A. F. Bailey. on handbells in tho county and by the association.


## CURIOSITIES IN HEMSLEY TOWER

MIDDLESBROUGH RINGERS' DISCOVERIES.
Tho Middlesbrough band of tingers held their anmual outing on July 27 ht . A motor tour of the Clevelnal district was arranged, and Hemsloy, Pickering and whitby whe visited in iturn. The party, numbering some 17 ringers and iriends, left Middlesbrough at 8.15, nad were soon enjoying the beauliful scemery of Rilsdale, with jts lovely valley and wonderful views. The first stop was mado at Homsley, and the eight bells were soon merrily yinging The ringers were much tickled by the quaint notice which hangs on the belfry wall, and is:-

To visiting ringers. When ringing into "sot," please ring rounds as far as possible. If threo or four bells are rung in, it will be takey lyy the Fire Brigade as an aldim to turn out.
The alesire to see the Firo Brigade do their turn was great, but tho templintion was resisted, and a perfect raise accomplished. Touches of Stedman, Grandsire, Plaiu Fob and Kent were rung with perfect Etriking.
The tune of the 6th, 7til and But oxcited some curiosity, and the ringers were amated to learm from thelr gaido that the 7th was cracker. and liad been rung in that condition for over 30 years, A visit to the ringing chanber to view this phenomenon revealed the fact that tito bell had a distinct crack some 2ft. long in $j$ t, which ahout 30 yoars ago had been 'ropaired, by a German 'engineer,' who liad lot straps in and had bolted them to the lell in ovier to keep the two sides of the clrack apart. A most remarkable bell! The viaitors were also astonished to learn that between 8200 and szoo had been spent on renoyations of tho belis nhoul fivo years ago.

A wonderful specimen of old time litorature was also observex in " the Trisles of Hibe Comparr," tho most strifking being the last, which reads as follows:-

Tho zingers are to rememiner that the helfry is part of the Clunch, the House of God. The bells are instruments of sacred music. The riager's office is a sacred one, and should be performon with reyerence, and especially it is their duty not only to call wothers to worslifp Goil, but themselves to set a good example of attendance at public worship, and espectally at morning sorvice on Sunday. As it is a pubic scandal for those who havo callod togother the congregation to leave the Church in the faco of thom, it is necessary that those who do so leave should lo marked
Tho anombers who subseriber their names tea this unique rule are Jong since flead awrl buried, hut tha wisitors felt that there was a gool deal to be learnod from the old words.

After posing for the official phoingraphers, the party journeyed on to Pickering, where a sulstantia] meal was disposed of, and a
fow touches rung on the cight bells there. rrle Castle was visited Dy tho fair sex, and more explorations would havo been undertaken, but time whs pressing, and the journey no Whithy had to be commoncerl. This beany spot was romeled about 4.30 , and visits to old haunts and frmiliar places were made hefore ten. After the bountiful repasi had been disponsed of a eall at the ald chinch, in the company of friends of the locsl hand, was made, and the bells kept merrily pealing until 8 oclock, when blie necessity to begin the retura journey outwelghed the desires for mare tronches an tho leantiful peal of ten. An amusing occurrence hrupened in the tower whilst a touch of Stedman was boing ring. A little white derrior suddenly made its appentance in the belfrt, nud it was " louch and po" for moment whether the tempr rape diknta hurn that quadruped into sausage meat! A hasty grab by one of the bystanders sawed the litits interloper from nia nutimely ond.
The party arrival tame in Middeblyoush about 10.30 safe and sound, and tired, hat happy with the remembrance of a glorious day, in which everylhing went, well. The ringers desire, throngh tho medium of this paper, to tirank thin clergy of tho fliree ehnureles for their kind permissian to use the bolls, guid also to express their appreciation of the ringers it, oach elhurel who attendel to their needs. It the a glorious din, the weather was kind, the finging was good, the mbals excellent, and the travelling arrangements norfect. The whole trip was well organised and rellected great credit nn Miss Laneaster, the 1 hath-working secretnry. relected great cred.

## PUTNEY MEN IN SUFFOLK <br> AN ENJOYABLE WEEK-END

The ringors of St. Mary's Ohureh, Putney, spent a week-ead in a tour of part of West Suffolk, and the weather being fine, a wery happy time wiss the result. A disastrous start, in which fgured the luggage expert and others, cansed a train to be lost, and, as troubles never comic singly, the next train was held up for one and a half hours in a delightful piece of country called Nanor Park. During this time good practice was obtained on a famous peal of handbells, of which more anon. After the wreckage of a previaus train had been removed, the journey was resumed, and the party eventualiy reached Sudbury, that first port of call, at about 12 oclock, being nearly $2 \frac{1}{2}$ hours behind sohedule. No tima was lost bero bowever, as the charabanc which a kind secretary and Mr. Seotb (Sudbury) bad chartered was boaxded, and off in one minute (an addition to the parby here being Mr . Ellintt) to SS. Gregory and Peter's Church, where a very nice eight were soon 'put througl itt' but not the bend. After finding a logt chaufeur, Foxearth (just in Tssex) was mext visited, and this very fight peal was tiricd out, some finding the trebles rather tricky. Good touches worte, however, accomplished, and the party "hist the road' for Long Melford, which was reached in time for luneh. An al fresco meal was provided at the Sculehers Arms (a scutcher, was elicited, was a wool comber of former days, when the cloth industry was the principle one of the districty by Mr. F. Bizby, one of the local ringers, and full justice wis done to the homely and humble B., C., P. and B. After a "flubter" on the handbells, delight to the townsfolk, the tower was ascended, and ringing in threo standard methods was rlone. The party then pushed on to Bury St. Edmunds. The fine peals at St. Mary's and tle Norman Tower were both at their disposal, and, among other ringing: two spleadid tovehes of Grandsire Caters in the havd stroke position were rulg, with the assistance of ane or two Suffolls friends, two peopla ringing their first touches on ten bells. Time was ever fleeting and the order "all aborrd" was not immediately complied with, the luggage morchant being eligulfed in the strumgle for a pieturg posteak. Faring cone out of the fray minus collar and tic, and grasping the sid postcard firmoly in his right hand, he was hoisted inlo the charabano, which sct off to Lavenham, whore a meat tea whs "waded into," and, beds having been allotiod, the visitors set forth to ring on the famous bells in the equally famous tower. Messrs. Symonds and other lacsl men lextended a hearty welcome. No neer to say that ringing was enjoved, two courses of TYonble Norwich with the help of Mesers. Symonds being the show piece' of several toncles. No doutht exists that Mileg Graye was a clever or lucky man, for his tenor speaks with no mucertain voice. Another Mr. Symonds turned up from De Beauwir Town, very hot and bothered, with bicycle complete, and ho was vocifer ously welcomed by one ar two old 'shipmates.' A social hour followed, the handbells being much in ovidence, turnes and change ringing being done. A novel feature was a prize distribution for good wark. A gentleman, who slaall be nameless, but who rejoices in a multitude of Christifan names, Frederiek, George, etc., ete., who possesses that gweetest litite peal of cup handhells ever, much in gridence all the week-end, and who is not unknown in and around Isleworth, gained the first prize, a very useful artiole (verlb. sap.). The steretary was second ant Mr. A. Symonds third. This bronght bedtime and repose, althongl it was said by one menhler that a peal of handbells in a feather bed is not ton comforbatle to sleep on. Up in good time on Sunday, the party wiewed the very ancibut and bistoric butildigs which Lavenham contains, the old cals carving and halftimbered structures being a joy to see and the admiration of all Breakfast was at 8 , and, mark you, none was late. A course of Gramelsire Triples, like a famous huntsman's hom, brought Mr Symonds from his bexl, and a bus was boarded for Sudbury, where th visilars were due to ring for service. The fime peal of eight at All Saints' was at their disposal, and, having been joined by Mr. Lee (not of London), some good toucles wern rung, one of Stedman beine ortstanding. Mr. Scott, guide, coumsellor and friend, showed the visitors round, and a pleasant hour was speral by the Riwer Stour Dinner and a quict afternoon (for some) in a cool, shady spot brought teatime, and another engagement at the Parish Clarch to ring for service brought up the courss end 6.32, and saying "tood-bye Sudbury and Lavenham frimals, the Putneyites sontrainerl for Londou It is to ho hoped that Fred. G, managed to gef home per push hike in time for breakfast on Monday morning. The others wished hi woll, but pitferred the Jron Harse. Thanks ane dine to the derg who granted pormission to ring, to the local ringers for their cantes, mad to Mr. Scott and Mr. Stedman Symonde for the arrangemen mand for the visitors comfort. Eight towers were wisited, and the
conducting was sliared hy Messra, Elson, Cassel and Ferbert. A very fine onting was brouglat to a close on reaching Lirempool Stucef at 9 o'clock.

PASTON, NORFOLK.-On Sunday aílernoon, August 11th, at St Margaret's Churoh, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,280 chantos) in 434 mins. J. Huggins 1, Miss Sylvia Thursfield (Chanford, quarter by ringer of treble, and first 'inside, by fenar zinger, wo, with those of Jrd and 41 h , are from Northreps.

## A SHROPSHIRE RING AUGMENTED.

CHESWARDINE'S TWO NEW BELLS.
The dedication of the augmented peal at Gheswardine, Shopshire, took place on Thursday evening, August lst, the ceremony being performed by the Rew. A. V. C. Hordern, Rural Dean. The service was largely attended, the chutch being full, and ringers were present fren Market Drayton, Hocmet, Stanton, Norton-in-Hales, Burton-on'Tvent, etc., also Messrs. G. Harrison and J. Oldhem, who represented the founders (Messis. Taylor and Co.).
The actave has bebr completed by the addition of two trebles, and Messis. 'I'aylor and Oo. are to be congutulatod on making an excellent " $\operatorname{splice}$.

The weble is the gift of the inmily in memory of the late Mr. William A. Hinstall, for many years purish clerk of Cheswardine, and the 2nd was given, as a thankofferiug for having come bafely through the Great War, by Dr. Basil Hughes, son of a past Viear of Cheswardine

Immediately after tho ciedicatory prayers, the belis werter rung in rounds for a few minutes by the local ringers, assisted by geveral of the visitors, and after the service touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Bob Major were rang, everyone being highly pleased with the fone and "go' of the bells.
The bells lave been rehurg in a new stecl frame, with ball bearings and fittings of tho latest pattern. The old 5th (how 7th) bas been recast and the others tuned. A get of guides has also been puri in, as the bells are 1 ung from the ground floor.
The tenor is an interesting beli, it was cast by Clibury, of Wellington (whe cast numerous bells in Shropshire and district), and bears the following inscription : 'SOLI DEO IMMORTALIA SIT GLORLA. 1634.

The ringers were afterwards entertained to supper by the Vicar, the Rev, II. S. Remitre.

On Saburday last a peal of Grandins Triples was attempted by members of the Shropshire Association, but came to grief after over two lours" gropd liuging.

## MUFFLED BELLS.

At Sutton Doldfiek, Birmingham, on Monday, August 12th, at the Parisb Church, a guarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 51 minutes: T. Erice 1, W. H. Ball 2, Ben Gough 3, J. Reynolds 4, W. Anker 5, W. Javies ©, B. G. Lcedlam (conductor) 7, F. Trinker 8. Rung witl the clappers hale-nuffled as a token of respect to the late Mr. Edward Ansell, of Moore Hall, Fonr Oaks, who was interred earlier in the dzy.

## PEALS OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR.

Yo the Editor.
Dear Sir,-Witla your permission I give the figures of the pal of Cambriclge asked for a sloort time aga by Mr. Cales, also of tho peal of Cambridge rung at Killamargh on November $13 \mathrm{th}, 1926$. Tho peal rung on February 18th, 1988, wass follows, Bankes james' arrangement, 2nd group, as given in your issue October $19 \mathrm{gh}_{\mathrm{h}}, 1923$ (by request), and Nos. 1,2 and 4 of the 720 's given below and completed by calling W.R.W.-Tocus faithtully, O. SEVFRN.
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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

A veterans peal of Kent Treble Bob Major was ' rung in masterly style* at Guiseley, Yorks, on August 24th, 1868 . The combined eges of the baud totalled 553 years. The condutor was Henry Habbazd, who was then 44 years old.
The College Youths rang a peal of 10,640 Bob Major at Mortlake on August 28th, 1776 , in 6 hours 31 minutes.

At this same church, exactly 100 years ago last Friday, the Jumior College Society (an off-shoot of the Gollege Youths) rang a thue and excellent peal of Graudsire Triples. It was couducted by Thomas Tolladay, who did a great deal for the old St. James' Society in its early days, and 4 mong thase who took part were some wellknown Lonton ringers in those daym, including James Mash ankl Eaward Lansdell.
A record peal of Treble Bob was rubg at Otiey, Yorks, an August 27th, 1814, the length being 12.320. It ocenpied 7 hours 15 minutes. Benjamin Annable ealled a ptal of 5,040 Bob Major St. George at St. Geurge's Church, Southwark, on August 27th, 1750 . It world be interesting to know what method this was.
Matthew Wood, of Bethnal Green, one of Jondon's most famons old ringers, died at the ago of 87 years on August 27 th , 1912.
The ringers of St. Martin's, Birmingham, wil] spoud the day at Liverpool to-morrow. They will wisit the docks and Cathedral, am hope to meet some of their Lancashire frieads at St. Nicholas' Church, where they will ring at 3 p.m.
Mr. IR. H. Bartram writes with reference to the footnote to the peal at Oakham, published in our last jssue, that the first peal of Superlative in the county of Rutlaud was rumg on the bells of Oakham Clurch on May 26th, 1923, by members of the Midland Connties Association.
'Belles on parake' is the heading of a paragraph anhouncing that a. bathing belle parade will be leld at a Woking earnival at tha end of August, and a correspondent asks, 'Is it true that our Fditor has heen appointed to act as the judge at this beanty belle coupetition? If so,' remarks the inquirer, 'he is reminded that somo of our bacholor tingers would much like to be present.' Why?

Threo new hemispherical hells have been presented to $\$ t$. George's Church, R.N. Barrucks, Chathan. It is unfortunate that ' 5. B., lato of the R.M., is no longer' in the 'Service' at Clatham. Had he still been there a paal of six real bells humg for proper ringing raight: perhaps, have been installexl at St. George's instead.
Tho marriage of Mr. C. C. Mayme, of Beaconsfield, and Miss Phyllis Moss, of Uxbriage, took place privately, with only a few friends precent, at 9 a.m. on St, Swithin's Day at Fulmer Parish Church. The happy bellringing couple spent their honeymoon with fine weather at Rotingdean, and rang at St. Peter's, Brighton, and at Shoreham during the week with a good Hart.
Berks and Bucks ringers wish them every happiness and success in their mev home at Harrow, and, writes a correspondent, the fatherly prophecy of the "Lancasbire Terror" some ycars ago las practically cone true-' a rolling Main gathers mo Moss.

## NO LODGE OF FREEMASONS FOR RJNGERS.

 PETITION REJECTED:The proposal which las been made to establish a Lodge of Freemasons with memberslip restricted to church bellringers las been rejected by the responsible officers of the craft. It had keen suggested that the lodge should be formed at Birmingham, as a convenient centre, and should be known as the 'Campana' Lodge. A considerable measure of support had been promised and the sanction of Grand Lotge was applied lor. The petition has, howerer, been rejected.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir,-I enclose copy of letter received from the Grand Secretary with reference to the proposed 'Campana' Lodge of Frecmasons, which I should be glad if you would kindly publish for the information of those ringers who have taken an interest in the movement. I nead only add that I an much disappointed that sn promising a project should have met with this sad fate.-I an, yours faithfully, J. S. PRITCHETT, P.G.D.,

Assistant Prov. G.M. (Warwlekshire)
55, Temple Road, Birmingham.

## (Copy.)

8th August, 1929
Dear Sir and W.Bro.-Witls further reference to your letter of 9th February, I regret to inform you that the Graud Masthr's Advisers are unable to recommend the petition for the proposed new lodge to meet at Birmingham to be ralled the Campana Lodge, there being, in their opinion, no sufficient reason to justify the formation of a new lodge.- Yours faithfully and fratermally,
(Signed) P. COLVILLE SMITH, G.S.
W. Bro. Johw B. Wilson, P.A.G.D.C.,

Provincial Grand Secretary,
Warwickshire.

## SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR.

A PEAL RUNG IN TEN METHODS.
Another great advance in the splicing of Major methods was made when Mr. A. J. Pitman, of Pont Talbot, South Wales, published on March 22nd last a peal of Surprise Major in ten methods. This composition was rung on Tuesday, August 13th, at Willesden, by the tame hand thal; had prepiously rung the fivs and six method peals in that tower. it is, perhaps, unnecessary to say that a peal of fuch intricacy was not rung at the first attempt; indeed, two previous attempts had each lusted nearly two hours, whilst ono of about 30 minutes' duralion bad given an opportunity of souse good practice afterwards. The achievement of this peal is unquestionably tho most brilliant performance ever accomplishod on tower belis.

Some idea of the mental activity involved will be gathered when it is pointes out that there ans 129 changes from one method to anather, and that mothod is lung for more than two leads (64 changed) at any oue time. Indeed, in by far the most cases, only one lead of a methorl is rung before a change to another method is called. Then again, the variety of methods, and the similarity of the work in some of them, makes it necessary for the ringer to be always on the alert. It is not only essential to look out for the change of method at the lead-end, and to take care that the work of the next methorl is properly picked up, but it is necessnry lo keep wide awake so as not to forget, daring the lead, which method is being actually rung. Ome ringer trying to ring Rutland whilst the others are ringing London is sure to bring clisaster.

The odd leads of comparatively unknowa and little rung methods are in themselves causes of mich necessary thinking. For instance, only five leads of Yorkshire occur throughonit the peal. Thus, any one working bell can only ring each of five leads once. Lincoinshire, Fudsey and Bristol have ten leads each, and Norfolk and New Gloucester nine, so that leads in these nothods are never rung by the working bells more than twice. As the work of these leads has to be remembered, possilily until mearly the end of the peal, it says much for the mental alertness of tho ringers. For the confluctor it is a gigantic task, and Mr. William Pye is again to be cana gratnlated. Recent performances have once again proved him to be the greateat all-round ringer that has over lived

THE COMPOSITION, 5,120 CHANGDS.
Tho methods are indicated as follows: Lomdon, L.: Rutiand, R. Cambridge, C. : Superlative, S. : Lincolnshire, Lin.; Pudsey, P.; Yorkshive, Y.; Bristol, B.; Norfolk, N.; and New Gloncester, N.G.

First part.
 mbstituting N. for conrse of eacli repetition, aud calling Ruthau at W. in last course, adding a bob H., bringilg 42356.

Second part.
42355 M. W. F. Methorls


Cambridge and 5 uperlative are interchangeable, and as rung at Wihesden were called alternately throughout the peal. The courseands bracketed are not actually rung. the change from Pudsey to Norfolk cutting out the $\mathbb{E}$. lead. Norfolk is rmg with a 4th's place Bob.

## ANOTHTR COMPOSITION.

The following is a second peal in ten Surprise methods by the eame author:-

5,280 IN TEN METHODS (No. 2).
BT A. J. PITMAN.
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-6423857 London.
-4357682 Lincolnshire or Cambridge.
    - $437682 Bristol.
    -6354278 Rutland
    - 5634278 Gloucestershire.
    - 3564278 Gloucesterblire.
    -2635847 Rutland
    - 3265847 Ruilan
    5427386 Lincolnshire or Cambridge
    (Continued in next column.)
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## THE SECESSION OF GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION

## To the Liditar.

Dear Eir, We, the malersignea memberg of the Gloncester ald Bristol Diocesan fisochation, wish to express our regret at the reesut action of our association in consing to be afiliated to the Central Council.
We do not propose to enfer iuto details hente, but at the same time we are keen that the Fxcreise should be under no wisappodersion a: to the real state of feeling on the subjedt, in our associativn.
It is to be regretted that a small number of our members coulc mot see their way to settle a slight dilference of opinion without resorting to this procipitate amd, to our mind, unnecessarily drastic action; and while we freely admit that the resolution was carcied by a perfectly fair vote at an annal meeting, we wish to make it quite clear that in our opmion the idea of ceasing to lde affliated to the Central Coumil is only favoured by is very small namher of our members.
We feel sure that we have the majority of our association with us in regretbing the nutortuate resolntion which 35 af our members were able to pass at Chippenlam, and it is our sincere Hope thatis a resolution more in keeping with the real feding of the whale association, proposing re-affilation, will bo passed at the Earlicst opportanity.

We can assure the Txercise tlat we will do all that is in oun power to achieve ihis object

Signed (Rev.) C. D. P. DAFIES (ex-Master).
(Rey.) R. H. WHITrORD (Brislot) A. WRIGHT (Iranswick), bx-Mastey F. J. IEEWIS (Girencester'), ex-Master
E. BISHOP (Swindon).
S. H. WOOD (Bristol)

## LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

## SHORT NOTICE" MFPTLNG AT BARNES

A "short notice" meeting was held by the Sonthorn Diatriet of the Lonkon County Association on Saturdiy at Barmes, Surey, by kind permission of tho Rector (the Rev. W. Patrick Dotts). The bells ure a lighi eight, augimented from three okl bells ( $1600-1700$ ) in 1897 by Warner, in commemoration of tho Diamond Jubileo of Queen Fictorin, the tenor bemp about 11 or 12 owt. Ringing commenced in the afternoon with a touch of Stedman Triples under Mr. Mance (Master), and various touclies werg rung till 5 o'clock, when an adjourament was made to the Chumeh Fall, where a tea had been arranged, kindly provided by the Rector, wha was unable to bo pasent, being un holiday. His place wan, however, ably taken by his warden, hif. Bowes Loddiges, who welcomed the association in a few well-dhosem ubords. After tea a short business mbefing, of the usual montine character, was quickly disposed of.
A hoarty vote of thanks was accorded the Rector and charohwateden for the hoanitality and welcome extended th the association also to Mr. Chasles Hunl and the local men for the lrelp and speed with which the meeting was organised. Some 25 members from a not very wide area attmeded, and rang methods up to Cambirige and Superlative Surprise Majnu. Perhaps worthy of note is the fact that four men who rang in the first peal on the bells accidentally sat in a row at tea

> (Contimued from previous column.)
> 5427386
> 2534678 Rutland.
> - 6325847 Lendon.
> -. 3547682 Camhrilge.
> 4365278 London.
> - 2643857 Tutlani
> 3567284 Yorkshire or Cambridge.
> 2635478 Rutlant.
> - 3265478 Bristol.
> - 4632857 Rutland
> 2567483 Superlative or Cambridge.
> 3468857 Norfolk.
> 2547386 Superlative or Cambridge.
> 4235678 London.
> - 6342857 London.
> 2537684 Yorkshire or Cambridge.
> - 6325478 London.
> - 4263857 London.
> - 2357486 Cambridge.
> - 6452837 Norfolk.
> 2347685 Pudsey or Cambridge.
> 4263578 London.
> - 5642837 London.
> 2367584 Pudsey or Cambridge.
> - 5623478 Rutlanti.
> Repeat four times.

This composition is a reduction from a peal of 5,760, and contain 15 leads of Bristol and ten each of Gloucestershire. Jincolnshire, Rutland, Forkshire, Superlative, Cambridge, and Narfolk.

THE TWELVE BELL RECORD.
To the Editor.
Dear Sir,-May we, thrungh the nedium of 'The Ringing World," ueknowledfer with sincere thanks all the mossages of congratulation that have been reteiced by ans on the successfut outcome of the long pral rithempt at Ashton-ninder-Ly he on August Bank Holiday?
'Ilseses cungratulations come from ringers ill all parts of the country, inclasting the Ancient, Suricly of Collego Youthas and the Sta Martin's
 to be acknowhelged separately
We trust, therefore, that this brief but none the less grateful, acknowledgment wif suftec.-Yours faithfully,
W. PYE.
C. T. OOLES.

MR. GABRJEL LINDOFF'S REMARKABLE ACHIEVEMENT
The long peal of Cambricge Simprise Maximus rung at Asliton-undar-Lyne on August $5 t /$ was the first in the method by Mr. G.
Lindof, of Dublin. It is an extraordinary coincidence that his first peal of Stedrinan Cinques was also a record, this being the $11,111 \mathrm{Jung}$ ft Birminciann in 1901.

AN ASHTON PRTSSMANS VLEW.
Usually peals, fud especially long poals, if they excite comment fit ald in the puthic Press, bring forth protests, but in the case of the record twalve bell peal at Asliton-under-Lyne the Jancashire people seem to have entered into the spirit of the performance, and Ashton-under-Lyno is proud that the record should lave been made at their own Parish Church. "Ashtomian," writigg in the "Ashton-under-Lyne Reporter,' said: ' 1 know far more today about campanolngy than I did a week ago. I have bitherto regarded bellungers as men who liad a penchant for leting everybody knosp they were enjuying a littlo manual exercise, men who pursued their hobby min Sunday marnings and fold all and sundry that the hour of morning service approacherl.

Now I know that bellyingers are gentlemen who combine with their bellringing si scientific study of numbers. They truly know whint "ringing the changes" means. After meeting twelve good men and twe, who cheerfutly monselued to be shat in a beliry for eleven hours and 33 minutes, to he without food or drink, to toil ceaselessly at their ropes and concentrate their mental faculties on their work to such a degreo that they managol to ring 15,312 changes without enter, when I think I am justified in attempting to dispel any impreswion that they were melely disturbers of the ether on a Bank Hoidlay.

Nind you, you lave to be a mampanologist to detect the changes, 1 frmkly confess that not until the clase of the record peal in the Ashton Prrish Clhurch on Pank Holiday did I detect any difference, and then the bells semed to ring right down the seale, but my orlucation has appriently heen neglecthed. We all how now what it i- possible ho ring a complele peal of Cambridge Surprise Maximus, and Ashtour has the honhar of having a peal of bells in its historic "what for ?" but I sternly reminded ham that the passion for recorls is mok noufined to bellringens, but clirt track onthusiasts, cricketers faml footballers also attach great importance to records."

VISIT TO YORK MINSTER.
WORSLEY RTNGERS RENEW ACQUAINTANCE WIIH GREAT PEPGR.
'Phe annarl outing of the ringers of St, Mark's Church, Worsiey, thur jonmeycd througli Roltan and Blackburn to Whalley, where they hand anbsiantial hreakfast. Then going on througla heautifut country vin Clitheroc, (iisharn and Skipton, they arrived at HarroHals, whate they pattonk of Jumeh, which everyone enjoyed. After a brief loak at the northern spa, they proceeded through Kthareslorongh, and reacher Yark Minster at 2.15 p.m. Here they were Ind at the weste cud by some of the York yirgers, who ato ond took tonelics of (irandsire and Sticdman Triples, the tenors were, pulled up nud a tench of Grandsire Daters muly. Owing to the service, the hells were howerml at 3.45 , hut tho visitors were taken round to see the loflls they bret been ringing nud also tho 10 g ton hell. Illis was If eane of reviving old arquaimlianceshlip, for most of the ringers had seen "Great Peler" in the beld foundry at Loughborough two years argo prion to its sheparture to York. After a peep into the Minster
nat that Ouse Bridge, the party set out to nake a hamome but, owing to n misurnderstanding, flake were delayed and hand to cut it out with regret. They extond their apologies to the Knaresborough company, who wero expecting to see them. Leaving Yurk at 6.45 p.m., the phity sharted the return journey, and after a modi enjoyable day artired at Worsley at 11.30 p.m. Their hest thasks are ofered to the Denn and Chapter of York for the use of tho bells, nud to Mr. G . Forner's collengles for the kind way they
" ROPE-SIGHT.'
A NEW EDITION.
One of the grealest services which Jasper Snowdon rendered to the Exercise was thal of placing in the bends of beginners a book, written in simple language, which explained the rudiments of change finging amd their praetical application in the belfry. He called this book "Rope-sight, and it: usefulness and popularity sas a means of instruction was at once appreciated. For exactly 50 years it has remained the first text book of the beginner, and, incidentally, it may ha noted it was the forerunner of the Snowdon series, which has done so much to ruise the standard of methed yinging.

Tope-sight' has now rencleal its eighth edition and is as much in domand as ever. It should be placed in the hands of every beginner and part of his oducation in ringing should be a study of the chapters of this book. It can be obtained (price ls. 10d. pest free) from Mre. Laura Suowdon, Cartmel, N. Lanes.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
INTERESTING MEETING AT DORNING.
The Leatherhead Distriot of the Guikiford Diocesan Guid helkl their summer meeting at Derking on Saturday last. This is the first visit of the Guild to this fine cluarch, and proved to be quite successful. The Church of St. Martin, relbilt in 1873 in the decorated style, is the this edifice to be erected on this spot, and with its handsome spire is the most conspionons building in the town. Rumour has it that had Dorking not been right on the edge of the diocese, the Churcu of St. Mastin woald heve been the Gathedral. The bella are quite the oldest part of the church, sud, judging from the remarks of some of the visitorg, it is time some of their antiquity was slorn from them in the slape of completely rehanging the whole peal. Cinfortunately, "the powers that be; rule otherwise, so for the present the ringers' task here must remain an urenviable one.
Abaut 30 members and Frieuds took the opportunity to maet heve, many of them for the first time. The following towors were repithsenterl: Dorking, Leatherhead, Hersham, Guildford (S. Nicolas 1 , Billingalurst, Pulborough, Warnham, Epsom (Christ Church and St. ming, Deptfoxd and Southwark. Amongst the visitors were Mr. A. A. Hughes, Mr. E. H. Lewis and Mr. A. J. Bull (hon. secretary, Surmey Assceiation, Southern Brunch).
Ringing commened at $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., and under the able management of Mr. Alfued H. Wineh, who carried out very successfully the duties of ringimg master, bveryone had a pull, and some of them land too many. The remarks and facial expressions of some of the visitors who tackled bad going belts round the 'heavy end" were one of the amusing features of the meeting. The methods rung wtare Grandsire and Stedman Tripies, Bots and Kent Treble Bob Major. Double Norwich and Cambridge Surprise defeated the teforts of the eompany. Service was held in the church mal was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. E. J. Newill). Mr. J. Gore provided the uasicel accomprimimest.

The mentbers then adjourned for tea to the Church Room, and, following the tea, came a Ghort business meeting, at which thr Rev: E. J. Newill itook the chair. Mr. Arthur H. Smilh, of Leathorhead, wrs electod a ringing member, and Mr. Edwin H. Lewis, of Brasted, Kent, a compounding member. Tollowing the usual votes of thanks: the mombers returned to the tower for further ringing, which was continued till $8.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Thus ended another successful meeting of the Lealtherhead District. Grod food, good music, a trial of sirength and \& trial of skill-the Leatherlaead District provides them all,
antl after whe meating there are always memberg willing to ahow ant after the meeting there are always memberg wiling to show,
visitors the "siglits of the town. 'This is the Leatherhead district's modto, and the committee heg lenve to suggest that they have lived up to it at the latest of their meetings. The reat meeting is at Epson (St. Martin's) on October 12th.
A. R. P.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
A sucecsful meeting of the Ely Archdeaconry was held at Willingham on Gaturlay last, when about 30 members atbended, including the general segretary, the Rev. R. Copeman. Tire towers representiod were Great St. Mary's, Cambridge, Dry Drayton, Chatteris, Fullouru,
Great Staugliton, Hemingford Abbotits, Long Stanton, Melbourn, Over, Peterborourg ( $\mathrm{Nr}, \mathrm{J}$ Intson), Somersham, Sawston and the locai band. The association service was condneted by the Rev. J. G. Garland (Vicar of St. Mary's, Cardifi). Tea and meeting were held at the Three Tuns, and Ickleton was woted as tho place of the next thecting at the latter end of September. Notice will be given in due course.
Votes of thanks were accorded the Ficar for conducting the service, to the Rev. A. C. Hair (Rostor') for unse of the belis, to Mr. H. J. Hazel, A.L.C.M., for presiding at the organ, and to Mr. A. Huckle for haring the belis in rendiaess. Tonehes in the standard methods
were rung until 8 p.m., when the bells were lowered in peal, gyeryone being satisfied with an enjopabla meeting.

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## To the Editar

Dear. Silt, Some If or 17 years ago wo were slrort of ringers, and the Lhen Vion of Barking, the Rey. T. W. Eisdell, asked me to write sumething for the Parish 'Mag,' drawing attention to the shortage. I aid so, in the form of an advertisment, and the Vicar, being a 'sport,' published it as Eent. I remember; when stating the terms of rempmeration, bcing afrata of that part befng censoreat.
Some Kuight of the Seissors and Paste got hold of it, and part of it appeared in alaost every uewspaper at the time-even in places wa wide apari as British Columbia nad at least two Australian newspapers. Journals as divergent as "The Stav' And * The Church Times: hanowed Barking by telling the world the Parish Chureh writed ringers, and their rate of pay. Tom Hibbert, of Reading, wrote me for it for use there a few years back.
In your this weck's issue it appears that it has been resurrected an: the product of a Leicester Ticar. Well, he is welcome to the use of it, ankd may it produce the desired result, but the copyright (if any' belongs to the 'Barking Parish Magazine ' and yours sincerely,

THOMAS FADLENER.

## GRIMSBY RINGERS OUTING TO LEICESTER.

On Satnaday, Jily 27th, the ringers of St, Andrew's, Grimsby, rith their wives and lady friknds, lad their anmual outing and visited Lciceater. Leaving Grimsloy in the early morning, they picked up the G.O.M. from the country, who, as usual, came provided with a buttonhole for all. A halt was made a't Newark for liglt refreslament and for a visit to the castle ruins. Then they went on to Ionghborough for lunch. Here the party were sliown over the celebrated foundry of Meesrs. Taylor, witir Mr. Stubbs as guide. A most interesting time was spent bere, and nit first brial the fonndry bells played tricks wifh the ringers. Touches were also rung at the Parish Church. At Loughborongh, too, the visitors were joined by their olal friend and host from Leicester, Mr. F. H. Dexter, who piloted them to his city. Ringing was indulged in on the beautiful ring of trelve at St. Margarev's and on the rings of ten at tho Cathedral nad St. Jolv the Diviue Charch. The Iadies, meanwhilc, faded away' into the large open market place, and found useful presente lo take hame. The leturn journes was made through Melton Mowbray and Grantham, Grimsby being reached at midnight n A hlaze of light fyon n huge timber yatd fire in the docks.
The ringers wish to thank all the ingumbents for the nge of the bells, the sleeple keepers and thoir old frieuls, Messis. Dexter, Poole and W. Willson, of Leicester", Mr. Stutabs, and their awn locn] secretars, 'Froddr.' Their best wishes also go out to all the newlywedfled couples they saw leaving the various charches on the way ta remester.

## THE 'MAASTER' REFIRES

FAREWELE ' TO EAST JLSLEY VETERAN
Twelve of the 'bwows' and the "passon" from East IIsler rillage recently had their annual outing. At Caversham, where ringing is ringing, the "bwoys' did their best to emtuate the deeds of the local hand, and med with feir succoss. Someone suggesterl that a visit to Caversham without calling at the 'Griffin' would be out of tontse: therefore, a sample was trime. Lunch took place at tite Ringwoll Cafe, Reading. Lenting Reading (having picked up. 'Old Trom, and 'Tunng Bill'), Basingatoke was safely reached, the party being met by Mr. and Mrs. Gurtis, Here a pleasand half-lour was spent puting Mr', and Mrs. Curtis "througll their paces." Witchurch (Hants) was next on the prograrene, but a lialt was made at Laverstoke, just onfside Whithmeh, and at the tower Grandsire Donbles werd tapped off. Arrival at Whitcharch was the cause of consicerable amusmeat. The 'all' ready' was shoutbd and 'Owt Bob' lugged and pulled at tive 3 wad withont result. When the wother seven bells liad. been set up the third was puller mp, mach to Bobss surpriso, Grandsire Triples was then rung. After' tea Highelere, a fine Bittle eight by Taylor, was visided, and the party mrrived at Newhury at 8.45 p.rin, whence 'Ond Tom' departed for Meading. Later Ilaley was snfely reached. To the varions incumbente mind tower keepers of the chuthes tisited the Mistey 'bwoys" extend theit best thanks. The ennlueting of the day was shared by 'Old Tom,' "Young Bill ; and Buffer.
On Sunday eveninis a 500 of Gramdsive "frompes was rume as a compliment to the 'Miaster,' who was retiving after 50 years' faithfint service to his church ant fellow-ringers. Ti would benefit a great many if a pattorn was taken from "Manster"s" look, as for 50 vears he had heea punctual and regular in atcondance, always ready to do that whirls he considerm right. It is lard to replace such men as these. The proudest day of his ringiag career was blowing the "big "nu" belinat to the first peal on the bells, Grantisire Triples, Thit was the extent of his peal ringing, but his loyaty to his church and the Guild will lang be remembered after the peal has heen forgotten. The ringers of the 500 were : 0 . 7 . Hihhert 1 , F. Warwiek 2 , R. Warwiek 3 . W. Hibbert, juus. (conductor) 4, E. Snelier 5 , W, Tithert, sen., 6, 立. Brown 7, K. Rurt $8 . \quad$ W. H.

## CHESHIRE RINGERS AT NOTTINGHAM.

A party of Clieshire ringers, Messrs. H. W. Wilde, J. Morgan, R. Sporring, W. Thomas, A. E. Richards, G. Jones and J. W. Clarke, set forth on Friday, July 5th, to sample the bells in the Nottingham district. Shortly after three o'clock tha party and luggage were comfortably packed in two cars, and the ancient city of Chester was left to enjoy jts own rain! Macclesfield was reached in good time, and the noted climb over the Pennines to Buxton loomed ahead. The famous Cat and Fiddlo Inn, perched on the crest of the hill, is passed (if shut) on the left, and Buxdon soon appears at the end of a long descent. It was unfortunate that the rain made it impossible to enjoy the fine seenery in this district.
Dufficld, the first place of call, was reached about 7.30 p.m., where beveral members of the local company met the visitors, and conducted them to the belfy of this beathiful chureh, famous among ringers for jts associations with the late gir Arthur Heywond. Among the many peal boords in the tower, the ono recently erected by the Central Council as a monnorial to Sir Artlaur is of special interest. Ringing was enjoyed for shout an hour, after which the remainder of the journey to Not ingliam was completed. Here the travellers were met lyy Mr. A. Goppack, who har been good enongh to make arrargements for them, to 'park' af the George, and as it was 9.30 p.m. the visitors' book was signed with all speed, and a few good 'rounds" were enjoyed before supper.
There was considerabie improvement in the weather next marning, and Ilkeston was reached shorlly after nine. This tower contains a pleasing ring of eight, and with the help of Mr. Wragg, whe kindly took the temor rope, of quarter-peal of Granisire Triples was completed in 43 mins. Stanton-by-Dale, the next iower wisited, was of considerable interest, especially to Mr. Wilde, for it was in this church that lie was married. I'le bells were soon raised, and an extent of Oxford Treble Bob Minor was rung, followed by 360 Kent and a course of London. The Rector's kindness in showing the party round lis delightful garden, and presenting it basket of refreshing strawberries, was greatily appreciated.
After a short run, Sandiacre was reached in time for ringing before lunch. It was on this fine old-fashioned ring of six that Mr. Wilde rang his first peal in 1889. That pesl is made more interesting by the fact that it was the first for the M.C.A. To commemorate the ovent, Mr. Wilde called a 720 of Oxford and Kent spliced, and before the visitors left Mr. J. Hall, the towerkecper, joined in a course of London.
Permission to use the bells at Long Laton had heen obtained for the early afternoon, and Mr. Coppook, having joined tho party, coats werc again discarded. The tower, allhougla rather small, contains a light, smooth-running eight, nad a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples was brought round in 42 mins, followed by loucles of Double Norwich, in which some of the local company joinet.
The large, roomy tower of Beeston made quite a contrast with the previous one. Herc, again, some of the local ringers were good enough to megt the visitors, and touches of Treble Bob Major and Cambridge were completed before turning towards Nottingham again. Hals were made on the way to view the new university
opmed last year by H.M. the King. nald the magnificent war

After a leisurely tea to the strains of music, il little sightseeing was indulged in before repairing to the belfry of St. Peter's shortly before eight a'clock, where the visitors wara very pleased to meet Mr. W. F. White (former secretary of the M.C.A.), Mr. F. Bloon and Miss Thompson. Touches of Treble Bob Royal, Stedmall and Grandsire were rung. It was regretted that Mr. Cobbin, who liad been good enaugl to make arrangements for the bells to be available, was not able to join in the ringing. Notdingham boasts many gunint old taverns, with names equally quaint, so, having come to the end of a good day's ringing, it was not very difficult to find a congenial retreat.
On Sunday morning the meeling place was St. Mary's, where the fine ring of ten were rung for the special thanksiving service, which was attended by His Grace the Duke of Portland and the Mayor and Corporation. In the early afternoon, Nottingham was left behind with many regrots. The relum journey was made via Leek, where a halit was made to visit the fower of the Parish Church. Althougls the visit was uncxpeeted, Mr. Ridgeway, the leader, was gont enough to hand over the ropes to the visiters, and, after a undonbtedly o beantiful ring in every respect.
This condided the ringing part of the prograname, and there was nothing left to do but fo go home. Good things, thoy say, soon hind. The Cheshire ringers will retain many pleasant memorigs of their tour in the Noitingham distriet, and would like to take this opportunity of expressing their sincere thanks for the warm welcome extended to them al all towers. Special thanks are due to Mr. Coppock for his many kindnesses and unsparing efforts, which undoubtedly made the meek-end the success it was. doubtedy made the week-end the success it wh. $\qquad$
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J. W. C.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

## DEVIZES BRANCH.

THe monlaly meeting of the Devizes Branch of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild was held at the Parish Cluurch of Si: Leonard, Keevil, on Saturday, Angust Zrd, but on account of the wet afterпопл and the holidays the attendance was small. The Guidd service was conducted thy tha Vicar (the Rev. F. M. Weller), the lesson being read hy the chairnan of the branch, Mr. C. D. Hegginbothom. The choir boys were in attendance, and the singing was unaccompanied.
Ter follawed, rfter which a ghart business meeting was held. The Chitiman referred to the madnctions of the Rector of Trowbridge end the Virar of Erlingtan, also lo the death of Canon Mogg, formerly Viear of Bishop's Cannings, an hon. momber of the Guild, who took a great interesi in the branch. Tlose present stood in silence as a mark of respect to the memory of the last named.

The Cheiman also congratulated dry. S. J. Hector, of Trowbritige, on ringing lis 100 h peal for the Guild, and also the ringers who had rung peals for the brancli for the King's thanlesgiving.

The Eectethy (Mr. F. Green) reported that be liad written a letter on behalf of the brameh to Mr. H. Brownlee West, of Devizes, on the wedasion of lis birthday, and at his request the chairman read Mr. West's reply.

It was decided to hold an evening mecting at Uirlfont on August $24 t h$, if the hells are available.
On the motion of the ehairman, a vote of thanks was passed to the: Vicer for the use of the bells, and for conducting the service, alke to the choir boys and those who prepared the tea.-The Vicar replied.
Ringers were present from Keevil, Bratton, Devizes (St. John's and St. Mary'sh, 'Trowbridge and Warminster. Touches of Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, Bot Doubles and Plain Rob Minor were rung duting tho afternoon and evening.
Keevil possesses a nice ring of sis (tenor 19 cwt., diameter 48in.). The treble is hy Thomas Neais (1842). The second is inscribed, 'Hope Well, I. W., 1609," und the 3ril 'Fear' the Lorde, I.W., 1609.' Tanmes Wells, of thboume, cast the 4 th in 1810 . The fifth and sixth were casi, by Thomas Bilbic in 1761. They bear the names of Samuel Atwood and Thomas Bell, John Marieram and John Taylor, churehwardens, and are ornamented with roses, crosses and fleur-de-lys. There is ulso a Sanctus bell, which is ancient, and bangs in the ariginal cot at, the east end of nave.
The church, an eafly Fnglish building, was unfortunately remorlelled in the 17th century. The window of the north transept is a memorial to Lho Right Hon: W. Fieks-Beach, Father of the House of Commons, who died in 1903. There are the names of fowr chuphwardens on the 5th and 6th bells. This may be accounted for by the fact that the living is held with BuIkington, the clurch of which was destroyed ubout the time of the Reformation. The people of Bulsington then attended Keevil Church until between 60 ank 70 years ago, when a new church was built at Bulkington. The
living is now known as Keevil-cum-Bualkington.

## MR. WALTER PERKINS' 300 PEALS.


(a) Inchudes 10,176; (b) 4 peals on lanzdells; (c) conducted I on landhells. Rung in 53 towers in 10 counties.
 pen] of Doubles being three six-seores of Canterbury Doubles, four of Plain Bob nod three nud half of lirandsipe Doubles: E. Coles 1 , 3, Phillips 2, J. Bniley (conductorl 3. Lewis Wright 4, Evan Coles 5, Fied Wriglit 6 . Rung $n s$ n birthdny compliment to the eanductor.

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES

LEYMON, ESsliX.-On Sunday, August 18Lh, for moruing servics, at the Parisla Clumeh, it quarter-peal of Graudsire Triples (1,260 changes) in 45 mins.: R. Molton 1, W. Theobalk 2, A. Reeves 3, E. Smitli 4, G. Dawson 5, J. Moule 6, A. Priar (conductor) 7, J. Bullen 8.
BRAINTRTEF-On Sumday, August 18th, for evensong at tho Parish Church, 1,248 Double Norwieh Court Bob Major in 42 mins. : S. Warne 1, H. E. Hammond 2, W. G. Welhourne 3, L. W. Wiffen (oonduotor) 4, C. H. Foward 5, H. C. Reason 7, W. H. Fammond 8.

CHICHESTER.-On Sunkiay, August 18th, for morning service at the C'rthedral, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changez) in 51 mins: F. Arthur 1, W. Falconer 2, H. J. Tucker 3, F. B. Tompkins 4. W. E. Tichurgt 5, J. H. Blake 6, J. F. R. Treehorn (conductor A. Tngwel! 8 A bithday compliment to Mr. W. E. Ticehurst.

ARKSEE, YORKS.-At the Parish Church on Sunday, August 18th, A quarter-peal of Bob Major ( 1,264 clanges) in 47 mins. : F. Garner 1 G. Clarke 2, *. Clarke 3, C. Otter 4, H. Arrand 5, Jim MeCluskey 6 *Joe McChskey 7, ². Cooper (conductor) 8. * First quatter-peal of Bob Major.
HEATNGTORD \& BBOTTS, HUNTS,-On Sunday, August 18th, a 'tho Privish Charch, for morming service, 120 Grandsire Doubles and 504 Kent Treble Bob in 24 mins : F. Warrington (conductor) I, G. L Perkins 2, H. Saunders 3, G. Ransom 4, H. Lavender 5, J. Perkins 6,

CHATMFRIF, CAMBS.- On Hospital Sunday, August 18th, for after110011 eervice, 720 Cambringe Surprise Minor: J. Robinson Seekings (first of Eurprise "jnside ${ }^{2}$ ) 2, E. Wakeling 3, A. J. Abrams 4, W. Warlington (conductor) 5, F. Robinson 6.
ABINGDON, BERKG.-On Sumday, August 181h, before evemsong a quarter-peal of staximan Caters ( $1,26 \mathrm{I}$ changes) in 53 mins. Barretk 1, R G. Rice 2, H. J. Balcombe 3, Mre. A. E. Look 4 Honey 5, J. Nobes 6, W. F. Judge (conductor) 7, F. A. Passam 日 G. Caudwell 9, A. E. Lock 10.

GOUSHWELL-At the Cathedral on Sunday, August 181h, parish evensong, 1,200 Stedman Triples jn 47 mins, : G. E. Foster F. F. Milner (colductor) 2, H. F. Clulow 3, F. Pickard 4, E. Foster E. H. Clulow $6, A$. J. Chamberlain 7 , W. D. Shorthose 8. Longest bouch on the bells since they were put on ball bearings.

RUARDEAN, GLOUCESTERSHIRE-On Sunday, August 11th, at St. John's Churely, for evenisg service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples $\{1,260$ clianges in 53 mins, : L. Nolmes 1, J. Harper 2, Chew $3_{\text {, }}^{6}$. Wrilks 4, H. Reik 5, J. Bisliop 6, Wm. Bishop (conductor 7, H. Meek 8. Rung half-muffled as a token of respect to the late J. W. Lowe

NORTHAW, HER'LS.-On Sunday, August 11th, at St. Thomas Clurch for evensong, 720 Kingston Treble Bob Ninor: N. Clark 1 J. Nort] 2, R. Stiles 3. I. Bryant 4, J. Roberte, sell., 5, E. B. McK io (conduuttor) 6 First 720 in this method on tile bells and by all the band, who are all regular Sunday service ringers at this church.

LAVENHAM.-On Sundlay, August 11 th, at SS. Peter and Pail Church, for morning ecruice, a quarter-peal of Donble Norwich Court Bah Major ( 1.280 changes): S. H. Symands I, M. T. Symonds F. L. Leeks (Beckenham) 3, T'. Chinery (Long Melford) 4, F. Symouds (London) 5, A. Symonds 6, F. A. Turner 7, W. R. I. Poulson 8. Composed ond conducted hy S. H. Symonds.

CHILVERS COTON, WARWICESHIRE-On Sunday, August 4 th for evening scrvice, 720 Grandsire Doubles in 22 mins.: A. Harding (first 720) 1, C. E. Rayson 2, H. Harris 3, A. H. Beamish 4, J. E Moreton (conductor) 5, G. Veasey (first 720) 6.

HEMINGFORD ABBOITS, HUNTS-On Sunday, August 4th, for 11 a.m. mating, 816 Kent Treble Bob Minor: F. Warrington (condu tor:) 1, G. L. Perkins 2, H. Saunders 3, G. Ransome 4, H. Lavende 5, J. Perkins .
WESTONSCPPER-MARE-On Sunday, Augusi 4th, at the Parikis Charch prior to evensong, a. guarter-peal of Steiman Triples in 42 mins. : J. Blackmore 1, W Popham 2, W. Tauner 3, J. R. Jones A. E. Parsons (Old Fill, Stafis) 5, E. Parker 6, C. R. Lilley, con ductor (Congresbury) 7, W. Pitman 8.
LEW CS, SUSSEX.-At Southover on Sunday, Augnst 4th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1,260 changes) 47 mins. : W. Ward 1, C. J. Rugg 2, IR. W. E. Dawe 3, D. White 4 , A. J. Turier 5, R. Hide 6, R. J. Drwe (conductor) 7, J. F. Steadman 8. Rung as a binthday compliment to the Rector, the Rev. C. R. Farnsworth, who takes a great interest in riugring. It was the first quarter-peal by a local band for a long time.
WARKTON, NORTHANTS. On Sumday, August 4 th , for evening service, 720 Grandsire Doubles in 24 mins. : E. Tyler 1, E. Sargeant 2, O. Mutton 3, H. Patrick 4, B. P. Morwis (conductor) 5. Rung by entirely lacal hand
TIVERTON, -At St. Peter's Chirch for Eunday evening servie quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung in 51 mins: Mrs. Knowles 1, W. Cockram 2, F. Viney 3, F. Chamberlain 4, F. Cole P. Newombe 6, E. Stiteh (conductor) 7 , F. Ware 8. Ringers 4 th and 7 th from South Wales.

BATH.-On Sumday, July 28th, at the Church of St. Sinviour, morning service, e quarter-peal of Stedman Triples ( 1,260 change Miss N. G. Willams 1, S. White 2, Mrs. Broome 3, R. J. CouSins T. Grant 5, H. Taylor' 6 , W. is. Present (condintor) 7, C. W. Rell

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established ${ }^{1} 637$ ). - Meeting for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on August 2gth, at 7.30 p.m. - William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, ${ }^{2}$ 2, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. - The annual branch meeting and social will be held at Colne on Saturday, August 24th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea (is. 6 d. each) at 5 p.m. Meeting 6 p.m. Business: Election of branch president. Social conmences 7.30 p.m. Everybody welcome.-F. Hindle, Hon. Branch Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.
YORRSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Western Division.A meeting will be held at Kildwick on Saturday, August ${ }^{2} 4^{\text {th. }}$. Tea will be provided at a charge of is. 6 d . per head. Bells available from 2 p.m.-F. Hutchinson, Dis. Sec.
SURREY ASSOCIATION.-A meeting of the Southern District will be held at Betchworth on Saturday, August 24 th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Tea at $5 \cdot 30$. Business to follow.-A J. Bull, Hon. Dis. Sec., Jesmond, Queen's Road, Horley.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. - Northampton Branch.-A meeting will be held at Great Brington on Saturday, August ${ }^{24} 4^{\text {th. }}$ Bells (6) 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea 5 o'clock.-T. Tebbutt, West Street, Moulton, Northampton.
BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District.-A meeting will be held at Old Warden on Saturday, August 24 th. Bells (6) availabie at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 . All ringers welcome. A good company is re-quested.-C. J. Ball, Dis. Sec., 2, Tempsford Road, Sandy.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch. The next meeting will be held at Horwich Parish Church un Saturday, August 24th. Bells available 3 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.-Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., 203, Devonshire Road, Bolton.
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Kettering Branch.-A special meeting will be held at Wilbarston (5) on Saturday, August 24th. Bus from London Road, Kettering, 2.20 p.m. Stoke Albany (6) bells after tea. Please notify me if you require tea.-H. Baxter, Brancb Sec, Bredon, Windmill Avenue, Kettering.

ESSEX, HERTFORD AND MIDDLESEX ASSO-CIATIONS.-A joint meeting will be held at Hertford on Saturday, August 24 th. All Saints' ( I 0 ), 5 St . Andrew's (8) and Bengeo (8) available from 3 p.m. Short service at St. Andrew's 5 p.m. Tea at Farrow's Restaurant $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Will those intending to be present and requiring tea advise Mr. W. H. Lawrence as early as possible.-E. J. Butler, Essex Association; W. H. Lawrence, Hertford Association, Little Munden, Ware, Herts; C. T. Coles, Mididlesex Association.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-A special meeting to appoint a successor to the Bedford District secretary, who is shortly moving to Peterborough, will be held at Kempston on August 24th. Bells (6) available 2.45. Tea at 5. It is hoped that all members will make a special effort to attend, and that all of the District Committee will be present.-J. T. Newington, $3^{2}$, Grafton Road, Bedford.
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Western Divi-sion.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Rogate on Saturdlay, Aug. $24^{\text {th3. Bells available from 2.30. Ser- }}$ vice at 4. Tea at the White Horse Inn. Nearest station Petersfield (4 miles).-A. W. Groves.

ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD.-The next meeting of the above Guild will be held at Folkestone on August 24th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.-A. J. Battin, Hon. Sec., Heronden Hall Gardens, Tenterden.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.-The next meeting will be held at Fillongley on Saturday, August 24th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 oclock at a moderate charge.-D. E. Lewis, Gen. Hon. Sec., Firholm, King Edward Road, Nuneaton.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GLILD. - East Berks and South Bucks Branch.-The next meeting has been arranged at Wooburn on Saturday, August 24th. Belis available 3.30 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m.-A. D. Barker, Catnbridge, Wexham, Slough.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (Farnham District), WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD (Basingstoke District), OXEORD DIOCESAN GUILD (Sonning Deanery Branch). - A joint meeting will be held at Hawley, Hants, on Saturday, August 3 ist. Divine service at 5 p.m. Preacher: Rev. B. Long, Rural Dean of Sonning. Tea in Memoriat Hall immediately after service. Hawley bells available afternoon and evening. Other towers to be announced later. All ringers welcome. Those desiring tea nust inform Mr. J. Boyles, Hawley Bridge, Blackwater, before Wednesday, August 28th.-C. W. Denyer, Rev. D. L. Board, W. J. Paice, Hon. Secs.

DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUlLD.-The quarterly meeing will be held at All Saints', Sedgley, on Saturday, August 3ist. Bells available Irom 3 o'clock. Service in church 4.30 , conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. Dr. Swindell). Tea and business meeting afterwards.-Herbert Sheppard, Hon. Sec., II3, Himley Road, Dudley.

NOTTINGHAM SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS (Established 1672)-A meeting of the above will be held at Nuthalt ( 6 bells) on Saturday, August $315 t$. Tower open 5 o'clock. All ringers welcome.-F. Blood, Hon. Sec.

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.-The Annual Shield Contest will be held at Crofton, near Wakefield, on Saturday, August 31st. All towers belonging to the association are requested to join at once; 6s. per tower; usual conditions and ruies. First company drawn at 3 p.m. to take the ropes. Further particulars in next week's issue. Further practise not allowed. Good bus service from all directions. - C. D. Potter, Hon, Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Furness and Lake District Branch. -The anmal meeting whll be held at Ambleside on Saturday, August 3 ist. Bel's (8) available from I to 6 p.m.-W. T. Clark, Branch. Sec.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West District. -A meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Staines, on Saturday, August 3 rst. Bells available from 3 p.ri. Members will be entertained to tea by the Vicar. Those requiring tea please send card by the 28 th inst.-Wm. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.
JONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. - The next mecting will be held at Hatfield on Saturday, August 3 ist. Bells ready at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea will be provided to those who notify Mr. D. England, Hatfield, not later than Wednestlay, Auguse 28th. All ringers welcome. 1'ercy Gledstone, Hon. Sec., 34, Silverwood View, Conisburough.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION. Bristol Branch. - The next meeting will be held at Henbury on Saturday, August 31 st. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 P. m., which will be in Blaise Castle, by kind permission. All visitors welcome--Harry Bennett, Hon. Sec., Highfield, Runswick Road, Brislington, Bristol.

LADIES' GUILD.-Northamptonshire District. - A meeting will be held at Weekley (6) on Saturday, August $3^{15 t}$. Ringing from $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.15, followed by tea. Will all requiring tea kindly let me know by August 27 th? -S. Thursfield, Hon. Sec., Cranford Rectory, Kettering.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Derby District.-The next monthly meeting of the above will be held at Ockbrook on Saturday, August $3{ }^{1 \text { str. Bells ( }}$ ( $)$ available from $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Business meeting in belfry at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All ringers and friends welcome.-Geo. Freebrey, Local Sec., 8i, Roe Street, Derby.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckley District.-The gext meeting will be at Broughton Astley, on Saturday, August 3rst. Bells available 3.45 p.m. A good meeting is requested, all riagers being welcome.W. A. Cope, Smockington.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at Eyam on Sept. $7^{\text {th }}$. Bells open early. Tea can be had by applying to Mrs. Godber, Refreshment Rooms, Eyam. Visitors will be welcome and it is hoped that we shall have a good attendance.R. Harrison, Hon. Sec.

SWANSEA AND BRECON GUILD.-Southern Dis-trict,-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Aberavon on Saturday, Sept. 7 th. Bells ( 8 ) available for ringing at 3 p.m. Service at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea and business mecting to follow. All ringers welcome. - E. Stitch, Hon. Dis. Sec., 21 , Cambrian Place, Port Talbot, Glam.

DEVON GU1LD.-Exeter Branch.-The autumn gitarterly meeting will be held at Kenn on Saturday, Sept. 7 th. Service 4. Tea (rs. each) 4-45. Bells availalale: Kens (6), Alphington (8), Exminster (6), Kenton (6). Ail ringers welcome.-Miss E. Lomas, Whimple, Deven.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rossendale Branch.
The next meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Rawtenstall, on Saturday, September 7 th. Bells ready at 330 p.m Meeting at 6.30 p.m. A good attendance is requested; husiness very important.-J. H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 8, Oaklands Road, Edenfield.
I.INCOIN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Lincoln District. Next meeting at Navenby (new peal of 6 by Taylor) Saturday, Scpt. $7^{\text {th }}$. Tower open 2 p.m. Silver Queen bus leaves Lincoln at 2 p.m., 3 p.m. and 4 p.m.; returns
from Grantham at 6.15 p.m., 7 p.m. and 8.30 p.m. Notification to tea to Harold Marcon, Dis. Sec., 269, Wragby Road, Lincoln.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Maidstone Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Hollingbourne on Saturday, Sept. 14th. Tower open for ringing at 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30. Tea after service. All ringers welcome. Please notify me not later than Tuesday, Sept. roth.-C. H. Sone, Dis. Sec., Bungalow, Linton, Maidstone.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch. - A meeting will be held at Prescot on Saturday, Sept. tith Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 5.30 p.m. Meeting to follow. Members make their own arrangements for tea.-Claude 1. Davies, Branch Sec., Caerleon, Dunbabin Road, Wavertree, Liverpool.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-A general meeting of the Yorkshire Association will be held at Huntington, near York, on Saturday, Sept. I4th. Bells (6) available from $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. York Minster ( I 2 ) available 6.30 to 8 p.m. Tea will be provided at is. per head, and all applications for same must reach Mr. G. Rank, New Lane, Malton Road, York, not later than first post, Tuesday, Sept. roth.-P. J. Johnson, Hon. General Sec., 396 , Meanvood Road, Leeds.
YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - The eighth annual commemoration dinner to the memory of the late Jasper Whitfeld Snowdon and past officers of the Yorkshire Association will be held at the King's Head Hotel, Change Alley, Sheffield, on Saturday, Sept. 2 ist, when the chair will be taken by the Venerable John Russell Darbyshire, M.A., Archdeacon of Sheffield, at 6 p.m. prompt. The bells of the Cathedral (r2) and St. Marie's R.C. (8) will be available from 2.30 p.m. to $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Good accornmodation provided for visitors staying overnight if desired. Dinner tickets (price 5 s . 6d. each) may be had from Messis. G. Lewis, R. Harrison, jun., ant M. E. Wilson, or direct from the undersigned not later than Tuesday, Sept. ${ }^{17}$ th. Kindly enclose remittance with application--Sidney F. Palmer, $8_{7}$, Bradley Street Crookes, Sheffield.

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The estonians were then conducted by Mr. Bryan (captain of the. Moncton band to St. David's Church, where several touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples were rung, and the party then sett of [or Cheltenham for tea. On the way home ringing took place at Thornbury, and a supper and social were enjoyed at Bristol. Here the Westonians were joined by Mr. E. Guise (lion. secretary of Gloucester and Bristol Association) and Mr. W. S. Emery (associate of the Bristol Branch), and some excellent songs welt rendered, among the contributor's being Messias. Milton Jones, E. Parker, G. Rails, George Taylor and others, with Mr. Harold Mirifie presiding at the piano. Weston was safely reached soon alter midnight. The pleasure of this annual outing was considerably eulanced by the extreme generosity of a well-known local lady, who has always been keenly interested in the welfare of the Weston ringers, but who modestly desires to remain anonymous.

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A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES，5040 EHAHEES；
Groves＇Transposition of Pagkrr＇s Twelve－part． Tenor 20 cwt 7 lb.

Conducted by Alban E．Slatier．
＊First peal（aged 16 years）．
REDFNHALI，NORTOLK
THE NORWIGH DIOCESAN ASSOGIATION
On Saturday，Angust 24，1929，in Thre Hours and Thirty－Seucn Minutes，
At the Chorch of St．Mary，
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIUE 8URPRISE MAJOR，5OS6 CMAMSEI，

## Tenor 24 cwt in D ．

Alpheds J．Berry ．．．．．．Trabls Frederick R．Borrett ．．． 5
Frank L．Fister ．．．．．． 2 William J．Clover ．．．．．． 6
William J．G．Brown ．．． 3 Wifliam C．Rohsey．．．．．． 7
Albert E．Ausin ．．．．．． 4 Leonard E．Last ．．．．．．Tenor
Composed by Ariner Knighte（No， 1507 ）．
Conducted by William C．Romsey
The ringtor of the 2nd haik from Ufford and was re－elected a member of the association prior to starting for the peal．

STONFY ミTANTON，LEICESTERSHIRE．
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCLATION．
On Suturday，August 24，1929，in Two Hours and Forty－Seven Minutes，
At the Chorch of St．Michael and All Angels，
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR，EO56 CHANGES； Tenor 14 cwt．

 Composed by C．Mibdeton．Conducted by Redvers F．Eleingion

## FAKENHAM，NORFOLK．

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION．
Or Saturday，Augrat 24，1929，in Three Howrs and Owe Minute．
At the Church of SS．Peter and Pafl，
A PEAL OF EOB MAJOR，E152 CHANEES；
Tenor r9 ${ }^{3} \mathrm{cwt}$ ．in E ，
－Percy H．Allprey ．．．
Tyeble William B．Doncan．．．
†Franz V．Gant
Wicliam J．Wasey ．．．．．．． 3 3 Nolan Golden ．．．
tGordon L．Dyr $. . . \quad . . . \quad 4$ William C．Doffiei． 4 ．．．．Tenor Composed and Conducted by Nolan Goldza．
4First of Majer．＋First on an＇inside＇bell and of Plain Bob， First peal．First peal on the hells since relanging in 1925．Rilugers of trehie，2nd， 4 th and 6 th are local，3rd and 6th from Reepham， 7 the from Northrepps and tenor from Buxton．This 44 course composition， containing the 4－5－6 only in sixths，with the 6th－the extent there，is now lung for the first time．

## LONDON．

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCLATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GULLD．
On Saturday，August 24，1929，in Three Hours and Two Minntes，
At the Ceurch of Si．Botolpa，Brshopsgate，
A PEAL OF DOUBLE MORWICH COURT BOB MAJBR，5024 CHAMCE8； Teuor 20 cwt ．
Charers W．Robrbts ．．．Tyeble William R．Nadgwice ．．． 5 Grorge B，Colr．．．－．．． 2 Sgt．Albert Lawrence ．．． 6 Edwin F．Pike ．．．．．．．． 3 Cecic J．Pipa ．．．．．．．．． 7 Jobn T．Kentise ．．．．．． 4 James E．Davis ．．．．．．．．．．．Temor Composed and Conducted by James E．Davis．
Arranged for Sergt．Lawitace，of the Ferts Constabulary，Hat－ field，and this was his first peal in the method．

S＇TANDISF，LANCASHRTRE．
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION．
On Saturday，Augwst 24．1929，in Thee Hours，
At the Church of St，Wilfrid，
－PEAL 日F bOUBLE HORHICN COURT EOB MAJOR，EO40 CHANEIA， Tenor 121 cwt ．

Joan Potiter $\quad . .$.
James Wm．Grotnds ．．．．．． 4 ｜Josera Ridyard ．．．．．．Tenoy
Composed by Grorge H．Cross．Conducted by John Potter，
＊First peal in the method．

> HTGEER WhLTOS, LANCASATRE.
> THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCLATION,
> (Prestan BrANCh.)
> On Sahuday, August 2f, 1929, in Three Hours,
> At the Cedrch of ALl Saints,
 Tenor 501 cw
H．Sianlev Robinson ．．．Tyeble E．Rogrr Martin ．．．．．． 5
James Miller ．．．$. . . \quad . . . \quad 2 \quad$ William Tavlor $. . . \quad . . .6$
James Armstrong ．．．．．． 3 John Thomas Micler ．．． 7
John Richard Taylor ．．． 4 Benjamin A．Knights ．．．Tehgy
Composed by Arther Knights（IIz）．Conducled by B．A．Knights First peal of Major on the bells．

HATFIELP，YORK゙SHIRE．
THE LINCOLN DIOGESAN GUILD．
On Saturday，August 24．1929，in Three Howrs and Tucnty－Four Minutes，
At the Parssh Chorce，
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MASOR， 5376 GHANGES； Tenor 18 cwt． 2 qr． 18 lb ．in E
Mrs．Jack Bray ．．．．．．．Tybble Giason Jackson
＊Charles McGuiness
－Harry Carter ．．．．．． Jack Bray ．．． ．．． 3 Harry Morgan Composed by Henry Johnson．Conducted by Harold Walmer． ＊First peal of Kent Major．First peal nf Major on the bells． Rung as z wedding peal for M1．Herhent Randall ant Miss Elsie Carey，friends of the conductor，who were married at the Congrega－ tional Chureh，Lewisham，on the same day．

## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS．

BLACKWFLLL，DERBYSHIRE．
EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTMINGHAMSHERE ASSOCLATION． On Saturday，Angutst 3．1929，in Two Hours and Forty Minutes，

At the Chorch af St．Wgrrurge

## A PEAL DF DOUBLES， 5040 CHANEES；

Comprising 480 of New Doutles， 48 S St．Simon＇s， 480 Stectman（Slow Coursol， 1,200 Bob Deubles and 2，400 Graudsire，Tenor $9 \frac{1}{2}$ ewt． Wilfaed Riley ．．．．．．．．．Treht｜Frgd W．Knowles ．．．．．． 3 Hubert Bailey．．．．．．．．． 2 ｜Aathur Smitason ．．．．．．\＆

Bernard Bailey．．．．．．．．．Temoy
Condacted by F．W．Knowles．
First peal in five methods by all the ringers and also the first peal in fue methorls by the association since its name was changed．The thind ringer haja from Nompon and is the instuctor to the tower． The remainder are Elackwell rimgers．

UPFLEL, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASEOCIATION. On Saturday, August 10, 1929, in Tro How's and Thivty-Four Minutes, At the Chitrgh of St. Nicholas.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANEES; 42 six-scores, 4 callings.

E. Baty

First peal on the hells.
Condncted by J. Tosskle
HEMINGFORD ABBOTTS, HUNTS.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Trestiay, August 20, 1029, in Two Hours and Forty-Fouy Minutes, Ai tee Chdreh of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 6040 CHANGES;
Boing two 72b's of Oxford 'Creble Bob, two of Cambridge Surprise aud three 720 's of Kent.
William Bavin ... ... ...Trebla
Josn J. Jotson $\begin{array}{cccc}\ldots . & \ldots & \ldots \text { Trebla } \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & 2 \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & 3\end{array}$ Jobn W. Ward ...

Conducted by Frank Waraington.
Arranged for Mr. Jutson, of Peterhorough, who was on holliay in this dituriet.

LJANELIIY, BRECONSHIRE.
I'FE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOGESAN GUILD.
On Wednesdey, Atgust 21, 1029, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,
At the Church of St. Elli,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 OHANGES;

Heing seven different extonts.
Tenor 13 curt.
Rev. F. Arthur Oswele Treble Wilejam H. Sajnders
alac A. Rachbar ... ... 2 Bert Hont ... ... ... ... 5
G. Robert Jones … ... 3 Sydney T. Rackbam ... ...Tenor Coaducted by S. T. Rackgam.
This peal was arrangori fin the Rev. F. A. Oswell and Mr. B. Hunt, who were on holidny in the fistrict. [lhe Rev. T. A. Oswel! hails from 'I'enby and M''. B. Eunt from Cefn Coed, Mortlyy.

MACCLESFIELJ, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTEZ DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Alegest 2.4, 1929, in Three Hours and Fifien Minutes, At Christ Cedrch,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, $\operatorname{bO4O}$ CHANEES;
Sevan different callings.
Tenor 14 owt. (appros.).
Wilfred Strvenson
Arther Challinor ... .... 2 John Wortb ... ... ... 5

- Frane Ronan ... ... ... 3 Willam Gaybs ... .... ... Tenor Conducted by Johm Worth.
* First peal away from treble. First peal of Minor for ali the band. Bung on the front six bolls.

WEST HARTIEPOOL, DURHAM.
THE DURHAM AND NEWOASTLE DIOCESAN ASEOCLATION.
On Salnday, A Hgast 24. 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minwter,
At tar Church of Sx. Oswald,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven 720 : wach cailed differently.
*Haroid Robson

- Edwad ... ..Treble Sidnay Brbeze...

Erederick Robson!...
Conducted by Ernest Bornetr.

* First pral. First peal of Minor hy all the band. All are sertice jingers at the above chireln. The peal was rung with bells half-muffed as a mark of sympathy with Mr. I. H. Clampion, a local ringer, whose wife was interred the sime day.
DNDEER, SOMEKSET.

THE BATH AND WELIS DIOOESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, $A$ ugusi 24, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Forty-two siz-scores, 10 different callings.
Tenor 14 ewt. Frederick J. Talbot... ...Trebie ${ }^{\text {| Walitrr }} \mathbf{j}$. Tlley...$\quad$... 4
William Balezy... ... ... 2 Frantlin D. Rickards .... 5
Jaymond J. Webe
Conducted by F . D. Rickards.
*First poal.

## MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

The monthly meeting of the Chesterfield District of the Midland Counties Associahon was held at tho Parish Chureh of Sid. Lawerce North Wing6eld, on Saturday, Augusl \&4th, bub owing to wet weather the attendance was rather sinal, about 20 sitting down to ten, which was kindly proviled by the Lector. Members wero preseat from Alfreton, Bolsover, Cresswell, Chesterneld, Derby, Duffield, Morton, Rotherhain, Sutton and South Normanton. Touches and courses were brought round of Deuble Nowvich, Kent Treble Bobs, Beb Major, Stedman, Cambridge Surprise, Superlative and Norfoll Surprise.
A short meeting followed tea, when it was decident to hold the next meeting at Bolsover' on September 21st. Ringing continued until 9 p.m., when the lowering of the bells brouglat io a close a most successful meeting.

## AMONG NORTHANTS TOWERS.

On August 17th, the Wicken aud Stouy Stratford ringers had thefr annual tour, which again proved most enjopable. The places visited were Highum Ferrers, Inthlinghorough, Finedon, Burton Latimer, Kebliering, Rothwell and Et. Gilos' (Northampton). During the day touches were rung in the following methods: Stedman and Grandsize Triples, Steduan Cators, Hob Royal, Kent Royal, Cambridge, Double Norwich and Bnb Najor. The party wish to thank, through 'The Ringing World,' all those who so kindly helped to nulke the trip so pleasant.

### 5.184 BOB MAJOR.

BY NOLAN GOLDEN.
23456 W B M H


Conlains the 6th the extent: wrong, and 'home ${ }^{2}$ and all the com binations of $4-5-6$, subject to the following limitations: The second never in $5-6$ and the sixtla-nover in 2 nds.
Firsi rung at Bucklebury, Berks, on June 22nd, 1929.

## IDOURLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR.

6,144 OR 5,024 BY GEORGE H. CROSS.


Repoat twice. Contains the $4-5-6$ the crtent in 6the without the 2nd in 5.6 .
By omititing the first six calls at 6 in the first two parts the pta is reduced to 5.024 , and will then contain all combinations of $4.5-6$ $5-6$ with the Gith the extent home without the 2nd in 5 tils.
First rung at Bushey, 8th June, 1929, as 5,024 , conducted by the author.

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## SPLICING DF PLAIN MAJOR METHODS. <br> THE RESULT OF SOME INVESTIGATMONS.

## By Stephen F. Wood.

In the leading article of "The Ringing World " of April Sth on Splicing' it was suggested that someone shouid follow the example of Mr. Law James' and Mr. Pitman's spliced peals of Surprise Major, and of Plain Triples, and see what could be done witl regard to Plain Major Methods. The following is the result of some of Iny investigations in this direction.
Starting (as is proper) from the beginning, the first thing we consider is the 'Lead-for-Lead' Splice, which in this case does not lead us far, as the only methods haviag the same change in a lead are those laving different places (i.e., Zuds or 8ths) at the Treble's lend. The splicing of these will be dealt with later:
The next thing to consider is the 'Course-for-Course' Splice. Now, given any 'Court' Methad, we can in general derive 3 'bob' methods from it by adding (i,) 2nd's place (by itself)

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { (ii.) 7th's place (by itself) } \\
& \text { (iii.) 2nds and 7ths; }
\end{aligned}
$$

this will give us a group of 4 methods, in each of which the Plain Course (henceforwayd 'P.O.') contains the same chauges.
Let us now consider thie first 15 methods in the " Coltection of Plain Major and Cater Methods, and divide them ap into groaps tweh as I have jusli described, thus:-

| 8th's 「"lace Melhods. | 2nd's Place Methods. |
| :---: | :---: |
| No. 2. Reverse Bob. | No. 1. Plain Bob. <br> No. 3. Double Boh. |
| No. 4. Shlipway's Court. No. 6. Highbury Bob. | No. 5. Winchester Bols. <br> No. 7. Marlborough Bob. |
| No. 8. Lavenlam Court. No. 10. Maidstore Bot. | No. 9. Edmonton Bob. <br> No. 11. Chesterfeld Bob. |
| No. 12. Double Norwioh Court. No. 14. Pershore Bob. | No. 13. Hereward Bob. No. 15. Double Oxford Bou. |

The missing 'Court' method in the first group is represented by the plain hunting cotrse, whieln, tionath, of course, it foes not procluce a method itself, gives its 3 derivative "bob" methods by adding 2ad's and 7th's. It we add to the plaind lunting caurse ' 4 this and 3rd's round the Trehle' we get No. 4 Shipway's Court, and hy adding 2nd's and 7th's we get the other 3 methods hu this group, Nos. $5,6,7$. No. 8, Lavenham Court, is plain hunting with Eroup, and Sth's round the Treble, ${ }^{\text {and }}$ and Nos, 9 , 10 , 11 are its 5 companions. When we adsl bath ' 4 th's and 3rd's rourd the Treble' and 'Ethi's and 5th's round the Treble " to the plain humbing course we get No. 12, Donthle Norwich Court, and the addition of 2nd's and 7th's gives ass Nos. 13, 14, 15.
Th the above tabla I have also kept the and's place " methods and the '8th's place' methods in separate columns, because it will be advisable (at this stage at ally rate) ouly to attempt to splice up methods of like kind in this respect.
The significance of this table is therefore that in any composition where a whole course of any method appeas we may substitute a whole course of the other method in the sume group and column.

## IN $17-$ WAS RUNG A PEAL

Behind the west door curtain stand cight good men and true.
The 'Jasies "x hang upou the pegs with coats of red and blue. The door itaelf sinuds open wide, liat summer dranghts may blow: and than they ring up, sef 'em, tuck *em, strika their round and 'go.'
There's Matty Finch, tho Scxton, and 'Pompey Bill,' tha ' Pug, Barling the edmiral's cosswain, bandy with bell or jug, Tom Hoskins drive日 the 'Quiver' upon the road past Cheam, and Inandles both his bell and 'callings' an he would his team.
A rod-coat back from Plasser, and Lawyer Dean, a man
Whe argues much on rights and wrongs, as only lawpern can, And white-wigged parion, with his clerk, make up that eatt of eight, Whilst round about the Lych-gate critics quarrel, bet and-wait.
No more those simple fellows will crack their jokes and drink: Peace to their honest ables is all that we can think.
Fhey kept our dear land free from foer, for in those dayn of Mars, Good Farmer George had got his Ringers, Soldier Lads and Tars.

## * Ghort pump-handle wige of the period.

## A BIRTHDAY COMPLIMENT.

As a $75 t_{1}$ birthdiy compliment to Mr. M. A. C. E. Smith, who has heen for 38 years a Smolay service viuger at Fullam, a touch of 504 Stedman Triples was atumpted at Alt Sainds', Fullam, on Surbday, but proved too lang far the veteran, who was ringing the tenor. Afterwards 504 Grandsire Triples was rung: H. C. Page 1, A. Gutinore 2. II. Beleher 3. J. W. Driver (conductor) 4, H. A. Folkard 5, W. H. Follicr 6, A. Harding 7, W. E. Naale 8.

Now, let us consider the possibilities of splicing these groups together. The question before us now is: "Giwen the P.C. of one of these groups, what courses of anotier of them will contain changes which repeat with it?' Let us take, for instance, the first 2 groups-i.e., the Plain Bob Group and the Shipway Group and compare the P.C.s. We find thas most of the elanges are the same; buts the End and 3rd rows and the 12th and 13 ths rows (counting from the Treble's back stroke blow at lead! in each lead axe diferent. Since there are 7 leads in a P.C. theze are, therefore, 14 pairs of rows in each method which are liable to repeat with each other. Now in 5 of these the tenors are iv wiflerent positions in the 2 methods, so that assuming that we are dealing only with composition with 7,8 fixed they cannot jepeat and we can therefore wash these 6 out. This leaves us with 8 possible places of repetition. Let us take one of those as an example aud consider it in defail.

The 2nd row of the $2 n d$ lead of Plain Bob is 32145678.
The 2nd row of the Ist lead of Shipwav is 24135678 .
So that the corresponding row in the course of Shipway whichs starts from 13425678 would be 32145678 , and would therefore repeat with the P.C. of Plain Bob. गllis is the same as saying that if we ring the course in the Plam Boh Group which lias 23456 as its 'Natural Course End ' (henceforward 'N.C.E.') then we cammot riug the course in the Shipway Group which bas for N.C.E. 34256 without repetition. Or again, we may put it in tilis way, 34256 is a False Course End between the 2 groups." The other 7 pairs wil! give us 7 other false-cotirse-ends, making 8 in all,
We lave worked them out for the 2 groups, Plan Bob narl Shipway, but whichever 2 of the 4 groups we select we arrive in each case at the same set of 8 False Course Ends; they wre these:-
$\begin{array}{llll}342561 & 354261 & 632541 & 426351 \\ 423561 & 52436, & 43652 l\end{array}$

This is a very interesting, and most unfortenate, result; and it proves the impossibility of splicing together conves of diferent groups from the above table. It is possible to have isolated courses at different groups which are noli combected by miy of the 8 couditions represented by the 8 false-conrse-ends, and therefore not repeating with each other, but this unfortunately does not luelp tis much because it is not possible to join them up (using Bobsi). This is because the $B$ False-course-ends happen to be just the possible means of transposition from one N.C.E. to another (i.e., Wroag. Middle, Right, Before, Tn, Fifthe. Out and Homel and it is not, possible to get from one N.C.E. to another (in ally method) without using one of them.
Faving proved that we are up against a briek wall in this direction, we must go back and see what side-turnimgs (if any) may be explored with advantage. But first let me just make one point clear. So far I have assumed that we are dealing with in-course N.C.E.s only, i.e., we bave limited ourselves to the use of bobs. keeping Singles for the purpose of doubling the mumber of methods in our peal by ringing one half in-course in certain metheds and the other half out-of-course in other methods. Leter on we will rethrn and consider whether we can use Singles as a means of forcing a way through our brick wall.
Let us now take stock of the state of affairs and see what we can hope to do.
By ringing the first half in-conrse, and the Rud ont-of-conrse, with Singles lialf-way and end, we ean use 1 group in the first half and another in the 2nd. This will give us 2 methods. We can then substitute courses of one ather melhex for whole courses of each of these? (as explained above). This gives us 4 methods. Now, hy exercising ordinary care and a little ingemuity, we can compose on in-course vound-hock which contains cinnms of 2 methods which luave the same changes in a lead. but difierent places (i.e. 2ud's or 8th's) at the Treble's leati (e.g., Donible Norwich antid Double Oxford). In this way we can again double the tumber of mathods in our peal, bringing it up to 8 . The recompanying example contains 7 methods, the reason being that I have chosen the Plain Bob Group as one of the two, it heing so much the bestio known and most practised, and this group has one member missing (as explained aboves.
So far we have kept strictly to full Major methods; if we now admit "Little" Mefliods we can immediately adrl 6 more, becausc there are 6 Litite Methods ( 2 with the 'liveble lunting up to 4 th's place and 4 with it hunting up to 6 th's) in tije P.C. of wheh all the
changes occur in either a P.C. of Plain Bob or of Shipwry* Court. Choosing these 2 groups therefore as our foundation we can get a peal containing 13 methods.
We must now temporarily suapend our investigations while we do a little actual composing. The result is the 2 accompanying peals. In ereh of them the autual composing is done in 4 methods, 2 in the first half and 2 in the last, cacln pair being a 2nd's place method and an 8th's place metwod having the same changes in a course. Whole courses of the other methods are then splieed in at appropirate places; the joining logether of the 2ud's place methods is at the course-ends, but the 8th's place methoris wust be joined at the 'Out' lead-end.
In writing out these peals it becomes necessary to dispente with the rather glipshod '1-4-6 business ' which is generelly used in the case of Double Norwich, and zesort to the correct terms, wamely,

Wrong, Middle, Aight, and Before for 2nd's place methods, and In, Frith's, Out, and Home, for 8th's place methods.
I am glad to be able to say, in conclusion, that in these two cases the splicing of several methods into a peal has not been achieved at the expense of 'music.' Neither the 2 na nor 3 ml is ever in Gith's place in wilher of them, and I hope that their nusical qualities will batisfy the sternest critic of splicing.

A IPEAL IN PLATN MAJOR METHODS 5088 CHANGES. By Stephen H. Wood.

| I | F (II) | 0 | 23456 |  | W | M | R |  | 23465 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - | - | - | 53624 | Double Norwich |  |  | - |  | 42365 | Plain Bob |
|  |  |  | 36524 | Perslrare Boh | - |  | - |  | 38425 | Plain Bob |
|  |  |  | 65324 | Pershore Boh |  |  | - |  | 43625 | Danble Boh |
| - |  | - | 23564 | Double Norwich |  |  | - |  | 64325 | Double Bob |
|  |  | - | 35254 | Persbore Bols | - |  | - |  | 32645 | Plain Bob |
|  |  |  | 52364 | Pershore Bob |  |  |  |  | 63245 | Double Bob |
| M |  |  | 32465 | Double Norwich | - |  | - |  | 24635 | Plain Bob |
|  | W | R. |  |  |  |  |  |  | 62435 | Dauble Boh |
|  |  |  | 46325 | Double Oxford | F | 0 | I | (파) |  |  |
|  |  |  | 34625 | Heroward Boly |  |  | - |  | 23654 | Reverse Bob |
|  |  | - | 63425 | Hereward Boty |  | - |  |  | 36254 | Reverse Bob |
|  |  | - | 54326 | Double Oxford |  | - |  |  | 62354 | Reverse Bob |
|  | - | - | 32546 | Double Dxford |  | - | - |  | 35624 | Reverse Bob |
|  |  | - | 53246 | Hereward Bolı |  | - |  |  | 56324 | Reverse Bob |
|  |  | - | 25.346 | Hereward Boh |  | - | - |  | 32564 | Reverse Bob |
|  |  | $\cdots$ | 34256 | Double Oxford |  | - |  |  | 25364 | Reverse Bob |
| I | F | 0 |  |  |  |  |  | x | 25436 | Reverse Bob |
|  |  |  | 524 | Double Norwich | W | M | R |  |  |  |
|  | - | - | 25634 | Double Norwich |  |  | - |  | 42536 | Plain Bols |
|  |  | - | 56234 | P'ershore Bob |  |  | - |  | 57236 | Double Bol |
|  |  | - | 62.534 | Pershore Boh | $\cdots$ |  | - |  | 23546 | Plain Boly |
|  | - |  | 26435 | Double Noiwich |  |  | - |  | 52346 | Double Bob |
|  |  |  | 64235 | Double Nol'wich |  |  | - |  | 35246 | Doubla Bob |
| M | (B) W | R |  |  | - |  |  |  | 24355 | Plaim Boh |
|  | - | s | 24365 | Doubie Oxfora |  |  | 5 |  | 23456 | Plain Boly |
|  |  | S | 23465 | Double Oxionl |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 2 nim 3 never |  | s | place |  |  |  |

TMe 2na's place methods are changed at the Course-ends. In the case of the 8th's place methods, howover, the changing must be done at the 'Out' lead-oukl, i.e.. where Pershore Boh is marked opposile n course this method must be rang from the Ont-lead-end of the previous conlse to the Out-lead-end of this course.
These 7 methods are all among the first 15 in the Central Connal Collection of Plain Major and Crler Mothods. "Reverse' must be rung witls a 6 th's place bob, the 2nd of the 2 altemative forms shown in the 'Cellection."

A PVAL IN 13 ILAIN MAJOR METTHODS. 5000 CHANGES.


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24635 Plain Bob
62435 Gainsborough Little Bob
26534 Reverse Boh, Wellington Litile Court.
65234 Wellingtou Little Court, Crayford Little Court.
23654 Grayford Little Court, Reverse Bob
36254 Reverse Bob, Wellington Little Court.
62354 Welington Little Court, Crayford Little Court.
35624 Crayford Little Gonrt, Reverse Bob.
56324 Reverse Bob, Wellingtan Little Court
32564 Wellington Jitilo Court, Reverse Bob
25364 Revorse Bob, Crayford Little Court.
x 25438 Crryford Litile Court, Reverse Bob.
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42536 Double Bob
53426 Plain Bob
45326 Double Bols
34526 Little Boh
52346 Plain Bob
35246 Little Boh
24356 Plain Bob
23456 Plain Bob. 2 and 3 never in 6th's place.
Where 2 methots are marked apposite a course the first must be rung as far as the 'Ont' Lead-end and the second from the "Out Lead-end to the Course-end. The 2 courses marked - are only rung as far as the 'Out' Lead-end, at which point Winchester Bob is started, the 'Middle' position accurting at the next lead-end. This cuts out 3 leads, including the Course-end, which is therefore put in brackets.
The 13 methors are Nos. 1-7 and 73-79 (omitting 75) in the G.C. Collection.

## A DITPERENT PLAN

The following is a peal composer lyy Mr. E. C. S Turner on quite a diferent plan Fron those described aboves it contaiss 14 methods.

A PEAI. TN 14 PLAIN MAYOR METHODS. 5016 CHANGES. By Eimest ©. S. Turiser.

## 23456 W M F

53426 S Plain Boh, Hereward. Whittlesea
42536 - - Whictlesea, Little Bob. Whittlesea.
65234 - - Edmonton, Longney, Double Bob, Plain Bob.
26534 - Erimonton, Longney, Double Bol, Plain Bob.
53624 S - Whittlesea. Richmond, St. Clement's, Tiчertor
62534 - Whitlesea

- Whilflesea, Horeward, WIrittlesea,
- Winchester, St. Clements, Tiverton, Whitthesea.
- Wimehester, Longneyr Riclmond. Plain Bob.

Whitliesea, Little Boin, Whittlesea,

- Whiblesea, Richmond, St. Clements, Windsor Pain Bob, Falifax or Sandringham, Plain Bob.
36254 - Plain Boh. Richmond, St. Clements, Windsor, Double Boh, Plaill Boly
- Joain Boly, Liltie Bob, Plaia Bob.

65324 S - Plain Bols. Hereward, Whitutlesea.
32654 - Whitleses, Riclimond, St. Clements, Tivarton, Platin Bob.
63254 - Plain Bols. Richmond, St. Clementes, Tiverton,
26354 - Plain Bob, Richmond, Longncy, Richmond, Plain Bob.
56324 S
32564 -
53264
Plafin Bob, Litfle Bob, Plain Bob.

- Whittlesear. Richmond, Longmey, Plair Bobr. Sandjtingham, Plain Boh.
- Plain Bolh. Richmond, St. Clements, Windsor, Plain Bob. Halfax ov Saudringham, Whittlegea.
85364 - Plain Rot, Rimhnand. St. Clements. Windsor, Plal Bob, Halifan or Sanduinghan. Plain Bob.
36524 S - Plain Boh, Freward. Whittlesea.
52364 - - Whittlegen. Richmond, Longney. Richmond. Plain Rols.
35264
23564
- Plain Boly, Rinlmont, St, Clements, Therton Plain Bob.
Planin Bubh. Richmond. St. Clements, Tiverton, Plain Roh. Repeat twice.
The peal may he reduced to 5.000 ly ringing Little Bob instead of Hereward in the first course of any two parts.
This meal contains 1,440 changes of $\mathrm{m}_{\text {ain }} \mathrm{Bob}, 864$ of Whittlesea Bob. 720 of Richniond 3ah, 480 of St. Clements Bob, 288 of Longney Bob. 216 of Tiverton Litile Bols. 192 each of Hereward Bob and Windsor Bob, 144 of Duuble Bob and 96 each of Wincliester Bob Edmonton Fob, Double Sandringham Fob, Ealifax Bob and Litile Bob.


## A VISIT TO 'THE GARDEN OF EDEN.'

The members of the Si. Saviour's Society, Eastbourue, accompanied by the president (Rev. Claude Williams, Vicar), the viceplesident (Col. A. A. Oakham), and Mr. C. M. Taylor, churchwardens, also the Rev. L. Hends, former curate of St. Saviour's, now on holiday in England fram South Africa, had their anuual outing recently, when iney enioyed an excursion to Maidstone. The route was taken by way of Pevensey, Niofield, Casfield, Battle, Nuthimm, a pull at Rolvenden and theace to Tenterden, where luacheon was served after a few touches on the melodious peal at St. Mildred's. Seats again being taken in the well-appointed 'Southdown' charabanc, Headcorn, via Biddenden, was reached, where the eight bells were set going to some very good ringing, the journey being afterwards continued through Sutton Valence to Maidstone. After partaking of tea at a local restaurant, a wisit to All Saints belfry was made, where the bells responded to the tune of Grandsire and Stedman Caters, and Bob Royal. This concluded the ringing for the day. At $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. , a start was made on the lomeward journey through Tonbridge and Tunbridge Wells. There is no gainsaying the frot that the ten miles between Maidstone and Tenbridge, which is termed 'the Garien of Eden' loy Kentish foll, well merits that description, with its river, with fine meadows on each side of it, and vale covered noti only with hop gardens aurl beautiful woods, but immense orchards. A stop was made at the Abergavenny Arans Hotols, Frant ito water the 'bosses' and other light refreshments). Here the opportunity was taken to thank the donors of the outing and feast, viz., the Ficar aud churchwardens, logether with the worthy secretary, Mr. W. Ware, for their kindmess and appreciation of the efforts of the members of the society in all matters connented witll the belfry. The churchwardens and Mr. Ware responded in felicitous terms. The Rev. L. Hands, whose anme was coupled with the toast, said how pleased he was to bave been ahle, after such a long absence abroad, to be present and to Gave spent such an enjoyable time as that day had afforded. Fe hoped that on his next risit, three years bence, he might be given a similar opportanity.
Fasthourue was reached by 11 p.m. after a most glorious ride througlt some of the prettiest villages in Kent and Sussex. In connection with this outing there is-only one regret, and that is, owing to a previous arrangement at Eastboune, the Vicar had to leave the party at Tenterden. The members of St. Saviour's Society desire, through the meditum of 'The Ringing World,' to thank the incumbents and those in charge of the churches mentioned, for their hinutuess in allowing their bells to be rung.

## LANCASTRIANS IN SOMERSET

Heaing about 'Bumshire, near Bath, four kindred spirits decided to find $1 t$, und, after mearly 200 miles of a journey by various routes, we met together at tea, and started what proved to bo a successfin! week. Sunday morning found us at St. Saviour's Churets, Bath, where we successfully brought round a quarter-peal of Stednan Triples. Going round in the evening, we found two 'strangers ab the gate," who proved after challenge that they came from Plymouth for half a day. They made us up for Kent and Plain Bob Mujor for tha service. On Monday Evening we wert at Tiverton, where tomelics of Kent Major, Stedman Triples. Cambridge Major and Superlative were rung. A motor called at the dopr on Tuesday and taok us to Wells, where we speut an imteresting hour ronnd the Cathedral, going on to Cheddar, viewing the Gorge and one of the caves, and, driving on to within seven males of Bristol, we found a house on the roadijide, whete we were suppled with tea. Then on to St. Stephen's practice, where touches and tourses of Stedman Gaters, Kent Royal and Cambridge Major were the order, during which time the laxlie: drove to Clifton Downs nul Bridge. Eventually wa arrived at J3ath before 10 p.m. On Werlnesday, someone conveniontly geting married gave us a chance for a course of Grandsire Caters on the Abhey bells. Thursay heing second day of ihe reces, we went to try for our winter's keep, but after the fiflh vace wo got a 'duckillg' hefore we found shelter. We finished the day at Stt. Saviour's practice. Farlier in the week we arranged to meet Miss Willians in her own tower at Weston an Friday, and bere wo rang 720 Kent Troble Boh Minor with her, afterwards taking tea with her and hev father and enjoying a walk in the garden funder the mulberiy, walnut and tulip trees, whish we do not see in out part of the country. One of the party discovered a piano, and that meant a trial of vocal powers against jt, and a flute, played by Mr. Wiliame, who found us some old songs which were popular about the time we trook up ringing. We went on to meet Mr. Cunning at liathford, where Kent and Bob Minor were the order. Flaring that Tannton ylagers wore passing through on Saturday morning, we met them and had a word as they stretched their legs after their two honms run. Sunday conchaded with service rimging at St. Michacl's. Our guide, haring spent his Facation there for 20 vears, tried to show us in a week what he had found by tramping and traming us up aud down the hills. At the end of a long peal the footnote says the welcome "That's all' was a relief, or words of that sort, but in our long peal it was most unpopular, as it meant going luck to earn another "eightpence.' to deplace that we had spent, and, at the same tive, part with such friends whose names are too numerous to mention, hut whom we hope to mot gatir ix our homes or at Bnmahive. WOO OOP OT BEE.

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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

The longest peal winandbells was rung in the belfry of Holy Trinity Churcl, Guidford, on Angust 31st, 1912, by the Winchester Dioeean Guitd. M1. Alfred Pulling called 19,738 Stedma Caters, wheth was rung in 9 hours 32 minutes. The original intention was to riug 22,222, but a late stack mado it mecessary to bring the bells rand tanliar. As it was, the ringing did not conclude until 11.27 p.m. The ringers werc Arthur Shepherd (now deceased), Alfred Pulling, Willan Shephed, James Hunt and Frank Blondell.
Bertiam l’rewctt, one of the linest ringerg that ever entered a belfry, was killed in action on August 31st, 1918. He had rung 953 peals.
The first ten bell peal in Sootand was Cuandsive Caters ruag at St. Hary's Cathedral, Edinbtrgh, on August 31st, 1886.
The first posl on the bells at Bishop's Stortiord was Grandsire Caters, ring by the Junior Society of College Youths on September 214, 1820.

## SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR.

MR. YTMMAN PRODCCES A PEAL IN ELEVEN METHODS. 20 the Editar.
Dear Sir-With your kind permission, I have greaf pleasure througlı The Ringing Worle " in congratulating Min. W. Pye and his band on Ninging my plal in ten Suprise Majen methods. It is certainly a wonderful performance, and, whon I produced it, I was: very doubtinl if a band would ever be able to ring if. There is no doubt it is the most difficult peal evor rung on tower bells.
The following peal ean be rung in eleven methods. Fours faithfully,

5,600 CHANGES IN ELEVEN M. A. JTRMAN. 2345678

- 6493857 -Rutland

3547682 Lincolishine or Cambridge

- 8435276 Lonclon.
- 36d5278 Bristal.
- 2436857 Lonkion.
* 6547283 Superlativa, Lincolashire, Pudsey or Cambridge.

4525378 Rutand.

- 3246857 Rnlland.

6527384 Yorkwhtke, Superlative or Cambridge.

- 4326857 NorFolk (fourth's place bob).

6537482 Lincolnshive or Cambridge.

- 4365278 Rulland.
- 2613857 Rutliand.

3567284 Superlative or Cambridge.

- 2635478 Rutland.
- 3265478 New trloudester.
- 4632857 Rutland.
- 6257483 Pudsey, Lincolnshire, Superlative or Cambridge. 5642378 Bristol.
4535827 Bristol.
- 3456827 Bristol.

1024385 Putsey, Lincolnshire, Superlative or Cambridge.
4632578 Loudon.

- 5346827 Londour.
- 3627584 Yorkshire, Superlative of Carnbridge.

2355478 Lundan.

- 4525867 London.

3657482 Superfative or Cumbridge.
5346278 tutland.

- 2453467 tandon.

3647285 Super'ative or Cambridge.

- 2436578 London.
- 5324867 Lonklon.

4637582 Suphrlative or Cambridge. 3456278 Landon.
Repeat four times.
Frow ${ }^{*} 6547283$, Norfolk may be rung, producing 3246857 mext lead eud. This has the effect of reriweing the peal by 32 changes in any part or parts. For the thred consecutive leads of Fristolt two leads of Jeterborough may be rung. This alsa reduces the length by 32 changes in each part, but it must be clearly understood that if Peterhorough is ring in one part, it must be rung in the five parts to ensure the truth of the peal.

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

A successful meeting of the Gainsborough District of the Northerm Brameh was lield at Stow on Snturvay, August 17th. About 36 members and friends were present from Gainsborough, Upton, Willinghanr, Misterton, Lincoln, Scinthorpe, Branston and Burton Stather, togother will the local ringers. Fvencong was sung at 4 p.m., at which the colleotion was devotot to the Church Restoration Fuod. Tea, followed by the short business mneting, was hehd in the schoolroom. Carabridger Kent wnal Oxiond, St. Cloment's Bob Minor, Bob Doubles and Stedman Doubles comprised the ringing.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

SOME SUGGESTED CHANGES.
[Contributed]
The relation between the Central Council and the constituent organisations has been brought prominently before the Exercise on several occasions in the past, but it has come in an acute form this year on account of the action of the Gloucester and Bristol Association in cutting itself off from the Council. However much this may be regretted, the Council and the Exercise have got to face the position that a large and important association has withdrawn itself from membership because it is dissatisfied. Disintegration of this kind has a habit of spreading unless it can be promptly stopped and, while it is now stated that members of the association intend to do their best to bring their organisation back again to the fold, it is not certain their efforts will succeed.

It therefore behoves the Council itself to look into the ground of disagreement and not to bury its head in the sand and ignore the circumstances of the moment. If the house needs putting in order the Council should see to it. It may be that its present constitution and policy suits the majority of the affiliated bodies, but let it be remembered that the Council was formed close on forty years ago and that now the constitution and policy remain unchanged.' That may be considered by some to be a virtue; but there are others who look upon it as stagnation. The Exercise bas moved considerably in the last forty years and it is doubtful if the Council has progressed in equal degreeindeed, there are many who will declare that it has moved much more slowly.

When the Council was established its mission in the Exercise was a more or less self-appointed one. Many of the territorial associations at that time had bardly got upon their own feet and the Council, naturally, had carefully to feel its way. It was by no means certain that its presence would be welcome, but a judicious bandling of affairs established it safely as the organi-ed head of the Exercise. From tue start its policy has always been to influence and not to direct matters affecting ringing-to follow rather than to lead. After forty years 'in the saddle' is it not time that the Council adopted a bolder policy, and made itself a real centre of thought and progress, calling for loyal recognition on the part of all the many associations and guilds throughout the country

This question of whether members of the Council are representatives or delegates is bardly one upon which the Exercise need stop to split straws. They are members, and that should be sufficient. They are elected by their associations and if those by whom they are apfointed wish to have certain views expressed on any special subject they should, 'n loyalty to those who elect them, give expression to those opinions-or let someone else do so. And in this connection it might be well if the Council considered an alteration in the constitution to make elections aunual instead of triennial, as it now is.

Nothing would be lost by this change ; but it might do some good. In those organisations where the members of the Council have satisfactorily represented their association, there could be re-election, but in cases where an organisation wished to ensure support of a particular policy, they would be able to ensure the election of men (or women) who were in favour of such policy and there
would be less likelihood of the spectacle of a member having to confess that his association wanted him to vote one way, while his own convictions urged him to vote the other. An anaual election would strengthen the position ot the associations, by giving them a more direct control ; it would strengthen the position of the Council by keeping it thoroughly representative of the current views of its affiliated bodies.

Another step in making the Council the feal head of the Exercise, in practice as well as in name, would be to make it a sim qua ron of membership that the Council's rulings should be recognised. To get all the associations to accept this may at first sight seem a difficult task, but it is really the only logical action that can be taken. After all, if the associations are content to send members to the Council, why should they not be content to accept the decisions arrived at? A free and easy attitude, by which an associdtion will accept the decisions whicb please it and reject those that do not, is one that leads no whither. If the question were properly put before the association-if they were educated so to speak-they would, it is easy to believe, come to the view, that to be consistent, they must, if they are affiliated, accept the rulings of the Council and that there is no reason, therefore, why, in retaining affiliation, they should not pledge themselves, as some of them have already done, to do so.
The rules of the Council lay down the number of ' representative members ' which an affiliated society may elect, the number, with a maximum of four, heing governe. 1 by the membership of the society concerned! Instances could be quoted where societies, entitled to, say, three or four members, elect only one or two-presumably in order to save the small affiliation fee. That is a parsimony that ought to be discouraged and even if an association does not send the whole of its representatives to the meetings (or delegates, if you prefer it) it ought at least to pay its full fees.

The Council's rules provide for the representation to be in a certain proportion, so the society of over 450 mem bers, whicb is entitled to four representatives, and which elects only one representative, is depriving the Council of a part of its legitimate income. The Council has just altered one of its rules, by which the fees have beeu raised from $2 / 6$ to 5 - per member ; it might well give consideration to a further change, by laying down, instead, that a society exceeding 75 but not exceeding 150 members should pay an affiliation fee of $5 /$ - and be entitled to one representative; exceeding 150 but not exceeding 300 should pay a fee of yol- and be entitled to two representatives; exceeding 300 but not exceeding 450 sbould pay a fee of I5/- and be entitled to three representatives; and exceeding 450 should pay a fee of 201 - and be entitled to four representatives. This in turn ought also to involve a definition of those who should be included in the total, and obviously the proper basis of counting heards in county and diocesan organisations would be to include only resident members. A large proportion of the strength of many associations is made up of 'compounding ' or nonresident members and these should be excluded when arriving at the membership upon which representation should be based.

In another direction the liok between the Council and the associations might le strengthened and a possible (Costinued in next column.)

## ST. MARY ABBOTS GUILD'S LOSS.

The sit. Mary Abhots Guild of lingers, Kensington, deeply regret the doss uf their friend and treasurer, Mr. Regimald Carter, who on Angust 14 bh collapsed and diad in the street. The funtral service took place oll Augrast 20 th aL St. Ma' H Abbots Chinch.
Mr. Cater will he sadly missty in all branches at St. Mary Ahbots, where he was a gonerous church worker, especially iu tle belfry. He was also a betougli councillor

## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION

A quarterly moteting of the Whaterm Division was held at Rogate on Satumay, there boing a goor gathering of ringers, their wives and friends. Between 30 and 40 were present, including Mr. C. Tribe, of 'lentarten, members from Anguering, Chichester, Han, Pul. horongh, Kidiford, Rogate and visitors fron Manchester allid Bristol.

A short scrvice was hela and an adircss given by the Rev. M. Champheys. Tea was partaken of at the White Forse Inn, with the Rewr. M, Climpneys at the head of the table. A short business menting followed. No new members were fortheoning, and, after the nanal vole of thanks to the chairman for presiding, etc., the members atadin visitex the belfy for further ringing
'Jlus next quarterly meeting is fixed for Chichester in November.

## BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION'S FIRST PEAL OF STEDMAN

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir, - 1 n the report of the retirement from ringing of Mr Maldock, of Tannton, it was stated that he conducted the first peals of Minor, Bet Major, Kent Troble Bob and Stedman Triples for the Ball and Wells Association. The first peal of Stedman Triples for the assomistinu was rumg at Dunster on February 4th, 1895, conducterl by U. F. Winncy. Mr. Maddock rang the tenor to the first peal of Stedman at st. James', Trunton, July 3rd, 1897, eonducter by Fervis Shephated, and he wang his first meal of Stedman Triples inside on Demenher 27th, 1898, conducted Wy C. F. Winmey, at St. James'. It is, blevefore, an error to say that he condueted the first peal of Stcdman fuples. I rang in all three of the peals mentioned.- Yours trils, W. W. THORNE

## MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

CAYTRORPT, 2 NACS. At St. Yincent's Clurch an Werluestay Augusi $14 t h, 1,260$ Gramdsire Tripies: Leslie Squires (first quarterpeal nud aged 13 , 电tisi $1, \mathrm{FL}$. Haynes 2, T. Cragg 3, H. Thorpe 4, S. Prortor 5, H. Squires 6, W. Y'horpe (conkluctor) 7, R. Pick 8 . KOTHWETJ, YORKS, On Tuesklay, August 13th, at Foly 'ILiuity Chureh, 720 Boh Minor : J. Ellis (first 720 : 1 , A. G. Wood 2 , G. Conley 3, A. Womald 4. F. L. Jones 5 , T. W. Strangeway (conrluctor) 6 .
RRTGHTON, SUSSEX.-On Monday, July 22nd, at St. Nicholas' Charch, hy the St. Nicholas' Socicty, a quarter-peal of Steclman
 Smart ${ }^{2}$, Mrs. T. I. Hairs 4, F. I. Hairs 5, F. N. Smeaton 6, F. Bemmett (nndnctor) 7, G. H. Shuker 8. This was specially arranged to celebrate the golden wedding of Mr . and $\mathrm{Mrs}^{\mathrm{s}}$. A . A. Coard, o highly-respecfed member of the saciety, It was intended to ring n peal, hat owing to unforescea circumstances the ahove hat to be sulastitulead.
(Oontinued from previous colume.)
means of irritation removed. Both the Gloucester and Bristol Association and the Suffolk Guild have complained of the way in which motions which they bave got on to the agenda bave been treated. At present the only recognised form of motion is that given in a personal way by a member. If associations are to take a fuld interest in the Council and get their suggestions considered by the central body, they ought to be able to send them officially as recommendations. It would often give a proposal more weight and even gain for it a wider consideration by other aflijated bodies. What apparently is wanted is a set of Standing Orders as suggested by Rev. H. Dralke, which would put this procedure and other matters on a proper footing.

Once again, let the Council examine its own position and adapt itself to modern developments. There are many ways in which it might make itself the leader as well as the adviser of the Exercise.

## THREE ASSOCIATIONS* JOINT MEETING.

BIG GATHERING AT HEBTFORD
The popularity of associantions' joint mectings was further extmplified on Sacurday lust, when between 70 and 80 xingers atterded a joinl; gathering of the Essex, Herts and Micdlesex Associations at Hertford. A pleasing featate was the number of veterans present, and it was evident that thoy eacl came to see if they would mects other volerans, to chat together over old days. They were not disappointed, and tee especially hope that onc old friem Mr. Joe Waghom will bu spared to attend many more suchs meetings. Divine service was hehl in St. Andrew's Church at 5 p.un., when the Rev. R. J. Paulsen gav the members of the three assoniations a sincere welcome to the conty Lown. 'Tlue Herts Association form of service was used.
At tea Mr. C. H. Foward (Master, Essex Association) took the chair. He was supported by Mr. W. H. Lalurence (Herts), Messris. E. J. Estler, G. R. Pye and W. J. Nevard (Essex), Messrs. C. T, Coles and W. Piokwortil (Middlesex), and a large number of members und fliends of the three socibties.
Mr. Fownd expressed the pleasure of the Essex ringers in being associated with these jome meetings. They werte not now satisfed with two societies fratemising; and lo was pleased that the three associations conkd meet together.
Mr. Lawrembe gave a learty welcome to the visitors from Essex and Middlesex. He was cleliglited at the presence of the Master of the Tssex Astoriation, and also expressed his pleasure at geeing members of the Ashton long peal hand present. Fe heartily congratulated them on their achievement.
Mr. Coles thanked the lnst speaker for the vory kind welcome given to Middlesex ringers, and said he hoped to give Heatis and Essex ingers an egually herrty welcome in Midklesex mext pear. Ho also thanked Mr. Labreuec for his kind refertence to the $A$ shton peaf, and paid a trilute to the excellent; 'go' of the bells, staling that if the belliangers lad not done theit work well it would liave been impossible task.
Mr. E. J. Bither, on behalf of Essex ringers, also expressed pleasure at being present, and was glad to notice that all had lad a nucts octiter tea this year
M: Howard moved a vote of thanks to the various incumlantis for the tuse of the bells, and to the Rov. R. J. Panlser for taking the servico. He also roferred to the Aslaton peal, and to the spliect peal in ten mebherls rung at Willesten. Te ceased to be surarised at anything that was accomplished by ringers nowadays. Mr. Howard also proposed a hearty vote of thanks to M1: Lawrence for the excellent arrangements made, whicl was oarried with acclamatien.
A great cleal of ringing took rilace Aming the aftemoon and onenimg at All Saints (10), St. Audiew's (8) and Bengeo (8), in most of the standurd nethods, the day coming to an end all too soon.

## CRAWLEY DISTRICT RINGERS IN KENT

On Saturday. July 13th, the Crawley ringers, with yinging fricads from Horley, Charlwood, Butckland, Reigato and Mcrstham, chibarked early in the mornurg on a trusty Soulhdown charabnie their ammal 'outhurs ' of ringing. They liad a pleasant, picle Rethit aud Sevenoaks to Speldiust, the first port of cull. Tho go raming bells at wis church were soon tripping along ouerrily in changer, whiln some of the forticultarally-mindect members took stroll round the Rector's garden, which the very kindly opened to the and which was greatly asimired. The next tower to be wisited Maylen, on which octave Superlative and Cambridge, etc.. were rul Proceerling to Strplehurst, whese massive bell, the tenor, was rung a massiwe man, the Reigate men had the pleasure of renewing nequantange of 3 N . Wenban, an okd futencl who mot the part the tower. After tinging, a "scrumptions' dinner was enjoyed at liailway Tarern, and then a Charlwood gentioman enterdained company to some amusing songs, and others contributed on the ha belis. Tho jourrey was then resumed fo Headcorn, where some furt Surprise vinting was indiuged in and a fine view of the surcounding contrisyide obtaned from the summit of the towby. A more w then mando to Leeds, famous in ringing history, with its luge squa tower, $44 f^{t} . \times 47 \mathrm{ft}$. inside. Stedman and Grandsite Caters, Bob Royn, Treble Ten and London Surprise Mrjor were rning, and same of
party had their frst tonch on ten hells here. Canhoidge Roval to have been attempted, but one of the ringers was missing at the critical time. (Fe was fascinated in watching the ten bolls turnitug over in the bell chamber. Tea was partaken of on the lawn of the Geare Hotel before proceerling to Linton, where the party were net by Mr. Sono. Last of all cane Hadlow, where they "ran into" thas St. Margaret's, Westminster, parly. These (the bells at Hadlow-mont the ringers from Westminster) are a quaint toned lot, but were son put into changes. Seven towers were visited during the day, and the ringing throughout was of a high order. The eompany take ilns opporbunity of thanking the various incmmbents for the use of clue to that entergetie and capable arganiser, Mr: Oliver Sippetta, must hare put in a lot of unseen work, and last, but not Ieast, the weathec' clerk, who provided an ideal summer day.

## SURREY ASSOCIATION

SOUTHERN IVISTRICL MEATLNG FNDS IN DARKNESS
A fery sudeessful aueting of the Southern District of the Surrey
 being present from Rerliil, Reigate, Godstonb, Burstow, Buckland, Merstham, King*woorl, Charlwoud, Horley, Chelsea, Crawley, Godalniug, Adershwt. Darking, Lentherheat, Croydon, Belehworth aud Limpsfield Chart. An excellent ter was provided at the Rod Lion Fofel, followed by the butiness mecting, at which Mr. A. Gear was lecter to the clizit
The usuat busituess was transacted, Kingswout heing proposed is the place for the next meeting, to be held in October.
Fotes of thatiks were accorded the chairman for presiding at the areeting, to Mr. J. Judd for having everything in readiness, also to Mr. F. Sanderg for obtainitg puruission for Buckland bells for the rest of the ervening
At tite conclusion of the hasiness mecting some ringers weat to Buckland, and spent an enjoyable hour on this light peal, iv ringirg Grandiste Doubles, Oxford, Kent and Plain Bob: whilst the remainder returned to Betaworth tower, where snceessful tonthes of London, Camhridge, Superlative and Norfolk Surprise, Double Norwich, Kent and Bob Major, Stedman and Giandsire Triples were brought round, several ringers taking part for their first touch in these methods. The leamers also were not forgotten, all those who cared to being given the opzortunity to lake part in some good roumds. Ringitg was bept up till 8.30, when the electric liglit gave out, and hrought an anjogable meting to a sudden ond.

## BROMLEY YOUTHS

The ringers art our grateful nates prolong, Apollo listens and approves the soug. (Bromley 7in bell.)
The first peal on the bells of Bromley was rung on Manday, June 14Lh, 1773, in 3 lurs. 7 mins., conductea by James Barlam, of Leeds, who was very jealous of any strange company coming iato the county of Keat for bell openings. He never joined either of the twa old London societies, as he considered the Lemham and Leeds company second to mone in England at that time. His band had rung four peals in that year before visiting Bromley, includiag a 13,000 of Bob Major, at Leeds.
The College Youths opened Bromley bells, and the Royal Cumberlands followed in unsuccessful efforts to score the 'first.' However, both bands consoled themselves the following year by ringing a peal of Treble Hob Major, May 8th, 1774, conducted by Edward Rumball for the College Youths; and a peal of Unton Bob Major, composed and couducted by George Gross, on September 25th, 1774 , for the Oumberlands. It is interesting to note the lengli of these performances $-5,088,5,056$ atod 5,184 clianges-alI Major.
The eight bells were cast by Thos. Jannaway, of Chelsea. He was an offshoot of the Whitechapel Foundry before William Meara retired in 1789.
W. H. F.


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## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

SUTTON-IN-ASHFIELD, NOL"S. - At St. Mary's Okurcla un August 25th for evening service, 720 Double Court Bob in 23 mins. O. M. Heathcote 1, W. A. Allen, sen., 2, 主. A. Wilson 3, C. J. Partridge 4, G. M. Beekley 5, J. Bettison (conductor) 6. All are Sunday service ringers.
MINEHEAD, SOMERSET,-At the Parish Cliurch of St. Michath for evensong on August 25th, 1,260 Grandside Triples in 45 ruins.: A. Amnold 1, F. Coxon (Syoudou, Derbyshire) 2, L. Mason 3, F. Date 4, Rev. E. G. Benson 'Thewkeshury) 5, J. Pus=ley 6, G. Atkins (canductor') 7, W. Male 8 .
PORTSMOUTE.-On Sunday, Augnst 25 th, for evensong af the Cathedral Ohurch of St. T'homas of Caterbury, 1,264 Bob Major in 52 mins. : C. Shepherd 1, E. O. Martin 2, Mris. J. A. Burnett C. Smart 4, J. W. Wilkins 5, J. F Ballinger 6, T. W. Burnett H. L. W. Aitken (conductor) 8. Arvanged for the ringers of the 4th, 5 th and Eth, who lafl from Pulborougla, High Wycombe and Cheltenham respectively.

CIRENCESTER, GLOS.On Sunday, August 25th, for mormine service at Holy Trinity Church, Watermoor, a quarter-penil of Grantsiro Tuiples (1,260 changes). 7. J. Lewis, jun., 1, F. J. Lewis, slen., a H. L. Cotok 3, H. S. Patsons 4, H. Lewis 5, E. C. Bond 6, wilfud F. Haywand (conductor) 7, F. liwards 8. First quater-peal hs conductor and first attempt.

MALDON.-At All Saints' Church on Suuday, August 25th, before ewcusong, a quarternpeal of Grandsire Triples ( 1,260 changes) : H. Mansfeld 1, S. R. Lintott 2, W. H. Glalk 3, E. G. Ellender 4, South 5, F. Chalk 6, G. Green, Great Baddow (conductor), 7, J Amos 8.

LLANBRADACF- On Sunday, August 25th, for evensong, a quar-ter-peal of Grandsive Dotibles was rung halt-mufleal in menory of the late Vicar (the Rev. Edwin Edwands), who passed away on August 24th, 1928: W. Gwillym 1, F. Stevens 2, G. Gwillym 3, H. Skinner 4 H. Cassel (conductori) 5, Mr. Gwillyms 6, W. Burgess 7, J. Williams 8. First guarter-peal for ringers of the 1st and 3rd inside; first quarter-peal for fth ringer; fisst quarter as conductor. Pang with 4, 6, 8 covering.
SOMERSHAM, HUNTK.OM Hospital Sunday, Augest 25th. In afteruoon service, 720 of 1'lain Bob Minol: J. Ransom (finst 720) W. Young 2, E, Wakeling 3, 3. Grainger 4, A. Abrans (conductor) W. Ransom (first T20) 6.

QAFISBROOKE, I.O.W. On Sunday, August 18th, for evellgong, quarter-peal of Grandsime Triples (daken from Holt's Original) 49 mins.: F. "raylor 1, A. Legge 2, A. Drake 3, H. \&. Phillips H. Barton (contuctor) 5 , G. Smart (Brighton) 6, C. Taylor 7, B Sibbick 8.
MINEEEAD, SOMERSET-At the Prishl Church for evensong wh August 18th, a guarter-peal of Grandsirc Triphes ( 1,260 changes) in 46 mins. : A. Armold 1, C. Strawhridere 2, F. Coxem 3, L. Mason 4 F. Date 5, F. Woolley 6, G. Atkin (condnctor) 7, W. Male 8. ringer of the 3 ral hails from Sponton, Derby.
STAINES.-At St. Peter's Churh on August 18th, a quarter-pual of Grandsire Triplen in 44 mins. for marning service: A. Stevens G. Walmsley 2, H. Worsfold 3, W. Shorter 4, W. Phipps 5, WF. Butler 6, W. C. Parker (conductor' 7, F. W. Smith 8. Alse a birtholay complimiant to the ringer of the 3ra',

HYTHE, KENT.-At St. Leonard's Clurch on Sunday, Aurust $18 t 1$ for morniug service, a quatter-peni of Crandsire Triples in 47 minW. J. Prehble 1, W. Bidnell 2, H. Hoskins, of Greenwicts, 3. R. Birch 4, W. Binfeld, of Tolkestone (conductor), 5, W. Kitchin, Follestone, 6, S. A. Gower 7, A. Sivan 8.
SOUTHEND-ON-SEA, ESSEX. - On Sumpay, August 18th, a St. Mary's Churoh after evening service, a quarter-peal of Cambringe Surprise Majoi ( 1,260 clanges) m 53 mins.: B. Nouth 1 , G. Brcon 2, W. Duclley 3, F. Lufkin 4, F. T. Wilson (condictor') 5. S. Baytun E. E. W. Corder 7, L. Page 8. First quarter of Cambrige by ringers of the ist and 4 tit.
TIPTON, STAPFS-At the Parish Church for evening servicu oal Sumday, August 18th, guarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1.260 clagnes) in 44 nime.: H. N. Williams 1, F. Fintom 8, G. Hughe 3 J. Raurd 4, A. Rowley (conductor) 5, T. W. Cattell 6, T. Goodman T F. Williams 8 First quarter-peal by ringors of the 1st. Srd and oth. Specially arranget for F. Finton, a visiting ringer from Sethy Yorkshive.

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GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (Farnham District, WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD (Basingstoke District), OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (Sonning Deanery Branch). - A joint meeting will be held at Hawley, Hants, on Saturday, August 3 Ist. Divine service at 5 p.m. Preacher: Rev. B. Long, Rural Dean of Sonning. Tea in Memorial Hall immediately after service. Hawley (8), Yateley (8) and Sandhurst (0) bells available afternoon and evening. C. W. Denyer, Rev. D. L. Board, W. J. Paice, Hon. Secs.

DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.-The quarterly meeting will be held at All Saints', Sedgley, on Saturday, August 3 Ist. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service in church 4.30 , conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. Dr. Swindell). Tea and business meeting afterwards.-Herbert Sheppard, Hon. Sec., II3, Hirpley Road, Dudley.

NOTTINGHAM SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS (Established $167^{2}$ ).-A meeting of the above will be held at Nutloali ( 6 bells) on Saturday, August 3 Ist. Tower open 5 o'clock. All ringers welcome.-F. Blood, Hon, Sec.

JANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Furness anc Lake District Branch.-The ammul meeting will be held at Ambleside on Saturday, August 3 Ist. Beils (8) available from i to 6 p.m....W. T. Clark, Branch Sec.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West District. -A meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Staines, on Sattircay, August 3 ist. Bells available from 3 p.m. Members will be entertained to tea by the Vicar. -Wm. H. Holifer, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W. 千.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at Batley on Saturday, August 3Ist, Bells available at 3 p.m. Tea can be obtained near the church.-H. Lofthouse, Hon. Sec., 8, Wortley Road, Armley.

LADIES' GUILD.-Northamptonshire District. - A meeting will be held at Weekley (6) on Saturday, August 31 st. Ringing from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 , followed by tea. - S. Thursfield, Hon. Sec, Cranford Rectory, Kettering.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckley District.-The next meeting will be at Broughton Astley, on Saturday, August 3 rist. Bells available 3.45 p.m. A good meeting is requested, all ringers being welcomeW. A. Cope, Smockington.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Derby District.-The next monthly meeting of the above will be held at Ockbrook on Saturday, August 3 rst. Bells (6) available from $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Business meeting in belfry at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All ringers and friends welcome.-Geo. Freebrey, Local Sec., 81, Roe Street, Derby.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION. Bristol Branch.-The next meeting will be held at Henbury on Saturday, August 3 Ist. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Teą 5 p.m., which will be it Blaisè Castle, by kind permission. All visitors welcome.-Harry Bennett, Hon. Sec., Highfield, Runswick Road, Brislington, Bristol.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD. - Meetings for September: St Clement Danes, Sunday, ist, at io a.m., Mondays, gth and 23 rd, at 7.30 p.m. St. Mary's, Lamheth, Tuesday. 3rd, at 8 p.m.-S. C. Moye, Gen. Sec.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637 ). - Meetings for practice will be held at *St. Paul's Cathed:al on September 3rd, Southwark Cathedral on the 5 th, St. Magnus' on the 12 th and 26 th, *St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the ryth, St Andrew's, Holborn, on the igth; all at $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. *Business meeting afterwards. -William T. Cockerill, Hon. Secretary, Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at Eyam on Sept. 7th. Bells open early. Tea can be had by applying to Mrs. Godber, Refreshment Rooms, Eyam. Visitors will be welcome and it is hoped that we shall have a good attendance. R. Harrison, Hon. Sec.

SWANSEA AND BRECON GUILD.-Southern District. -The next quarterly meeting will be held at Aberavon on Saturday, Sept. 7 th. Bells (8) available for ringing at 3 p.m. Service at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea and business meeting to follow. All ringers welcome. - E. Stitch, Hon. Dis. Sec., 21 , Cambrian Place, Port Talbot, Glam,

DEVON GUILD.-Exeter Branch.-The autumn quarterly meeting will be held at Kenn on Saturday, Sept. $7^{\text {thh. }}$ Service 4- Tea (rs. each) 4.45. Bells available: Kenn (6), Alphington (8), Exninster (6), Kenton (6). All ringers weicone.-Miss E. Lomas, Whimple, Devor.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rossendale Branch. -The next meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Rawtenstall, on Saturday, September 7 th. Bells ready at 3.30 p.m Meeting at 6.30 p.m. A good attendance is requested; business very important.-J. H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 8, Oaklands Road, Edenfield.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Leicester District.-The 3 rd quarterly meeting will be beld at Billesdon on Saturday, September 7 th. Bells (5) available from 3 p.m. Tea in the Old School at 5 p.m., followed hy business meeting. Will all those requiring tea please inform Mr. J. G. Geary, Sunny Sidp, Billesdon, not later than Thursday, 5th ?-Alban Disney, Local Sec.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Devizes Branch. -The monthly meeting will be held at Bishop's Cannings. on Saturday, September 7 th. Bells (8) ready at 3 p.m. Guild service $4 \cdot 40$. Tea 5. Business meeling follows tea. All ringers welcome.-E. Gresn, Branch Hon. Sec., 53. Avon Road, Devizes.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Lincoin District.-Next meeting at Navenby (new peal of 6 by Taylor) Saturday, Sept. $7^{\text {th }}$. Tower open 2 p.m. Silver Queen bus leaves Lincoln at 2 p.m., 3 p.m. and 4 p.m.; returns from Grantlam at 6.15 p.m., 7 p.m. and 8.30 p.m. Notification to tea to Harold Marcon, Dis. Sec., 269, Wragby Road, Lincoln.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Newbury BranchA meeting of the above branch will be held at Peasemore on Saturday, September 7th. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., at $1 /$. All ringers welcome. Intending visitors please notily Mr. M. Rosier, Peasemore, nr. Newbury, not later than Wednesday, September 4th, for tea.-H. W. Curtis, Hou. Sec., Church Road, Shaw, Newbury.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-A meeting of the Southern District will be held at Shildon on Saturday, September 7 th. Bells ( 8 ) available afternoon and evening. Tea at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.; ringers attending who require tea please notify me not later than Thursday, September 5 th. All ringers weicome.-J. Titt, Hon. Dis. Sec., 71, Surtees Street, Darlington.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. - Southern Branch.-The Summer meeting will be held at Broadway Old Church on Saturday, September 7 th. Service, with an address by the Vicar, the Rev. V. H. Patrick, at 4.30 p.m. prompt, who also is arranging tea for those who send me their names not later than Tuesday, September 3rd. Midland red buses leave Evesham for Broadway at I and 2 p.m.-J. Hemming, Branch Sec., 29 , Church Bank, Great Hampton, Evesham.
BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Ilchester Deanery Branch. -The next meeting of the above branch will be held at Crewkerne ( 8 bells) on Saturday, September 7 th. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5. Meeting to follow.-F. Farrant, Hon. Locai Sec. North Street, Martock.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Maidstone Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Hollingbourne on Saturday, Sept. r4th. Tower open for ringing, at 3 o'clock. Service at 4:30. Tea after service. All ringers welcome. Please notify me not later than Tuesday, Sept. roth.-C. H. Sone, Dis. Sec., Bungalow, Linton, Maidstone.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. - North and East District. Meeting at Nortlaw on Saturday, September I4th. Bells from 3 p.m. Short service at 5 . Tea at usual terms at 5.30. Please advise me by inth, without fail. Members and friends cordially invited. Nearest stations; Cuffley and Potters Bar. Buses from Barnet.-C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 2I, Vincent Road, E.4.
GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Guildford Dis-trict.-District meeling at Godalming, Saturday, September iqth. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service 4.30 . Tea 1 --, Business meeting. Nimbers for tea to Mr. C. Childs, Hethsett, Queen Street, Godalming, by September ioth please.-G. L. Grover, District Sec., Merrow Cottage, East Clandon.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Eartern Division. The next meeting will be held at High Easter on Saturday, September I4th. Bells (6) available 3 o'clock; usual arrangements. All those requiring tea please notify me by Wednesday, the Itth, last post.-H. W. Kirton, Longmeads Cottage, Writtle, Cheimsford.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch. -A meeting will be held at Prescot on Saturday, Sept. Ithl. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 5.30 p.m. Meeting to follow. Members make their own arrangements for tea.-Claude I. Davies, Branch Sec., Caerleon, Dunbabin Road, Wavertree, Liverpool.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-A general meeting of the Yorkshire Association will be held at Huntington, near York, on Saturday, Sept. 14th. Bells (6) available from 2.30 p.m. York Minster ( 12 ) available 6.30 to 8 p.m. Tea will be provided at 1 s. per head, and all applications for same must reach Mr. G. Rank, New Lane, Malton Road, York, not later than first post, Tuesday, Sept. 1 oth.-P. J. Johnson, Hon. General Sec., 396, Meanwood Road, Leeds.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.The next meeting will be held at Hoghton on Saturday, September 14 th. Bells available from 3 p.m. A good attendance is requested.-Fred Rigby, Hon. Mranch Sec. 8, Carrington Road, Chorley.
YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Northern Division - By the invitation of the Huntington Guild the quarterly meeting will be held at Huntington, near York, on Saturday, September I4th.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch. A meeting will be at Cross Stone, Todmorden, on Saturday, September 14 tb . Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. : business-Election of Branch President. Tea will be provided at the Bay Horse Inn at a charge of $1 / 6$ per head for those who send in their names to Miss R. A. Bell, Lower East Lee, Eastwood, Todmorden, not later than Wednesday, September Itth. - William Horan, Branch Secretary, 2, Greenhirst Hey, Todmorden.

LADIES' GUIED.-Western District. - The next quarterly meeting will be held at Wraxall on Saturday, September 14th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service 4.15. Tea at Battle Axes Hotel 5. Will those desiring tea kindly let me know by September ifth?-N. G. Williams, Hon. Sec., Weston House, Weston, Bath.

NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.-The balf-yearly meeting will he held at Llandudno on Saturday, September 14th. Bells (8) a vailable 2 p.m. to 6.45 p.m.-W. Cathrall, Hon. Sec., 20, Ffordd Estyn, Garden Village, Wrexham.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - The eighth annual commemoration dinner to the memory of the late Jasper Whitfield Snowdon and past officers of the Yorkshire Association will be held at the King's Head Hotel, Change Alley, Sheffield, on Saturday, Sept. 2 Ist, when the chair will be taken by the Venerable John Russell Darbyshire, M.A., Archdeacon of Sheffield, at 6 p.mis. prompt. The bells of the Cathedral (i2) and St. Marie's R.C. (8) will be available from $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. to $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Good accommodation provided for visitors staying overnight if desired. Dinner tickets (price ${ }_{5}$ s. 6d. each) may be had from Messrs. G. Lewis, R. Harrison, jun., and M. E. Wilson, or direct from the undersigned not later than Tuesday, Sept. 17 th. Kindly enclose remittance with application--Sidney F. Palmer, 87, Bradley Street, Crookes, Sheffield.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Asliford Dis-trict.-The annual district meeting will be held at $H y$ :he on Saturday, September 2rst, by kind permission of Rev. Chestel de Boinville. Tower open at 2.30. Service at $50^{\circ}$ 'clock, followed by tea and business meeting. Election of officers for the coming year. A good attendance is requested. All ringers welcome.-A.C. Kay, Dis. Sec., 6, Sturges Road, Ashford.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637 ). - The annual dinner will be held at the Bridge House Hotel, London Bridge, on Saturday, Noy. gth, at 6.30 p.m.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec.

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ings within an association's own proceedings of anything relating to the Council, can it be wondered at that memhers of the associations not only lose touch but also interest in the Central body? An annual election, therefore, is, in our opinion, a most necessary change in the constitution of the Council.

## TWELVE BELL PEALS.

BIRMINGEAM.
THE ST. MARTHN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIPMTNGHAM.
On Ttusday, August 27, 1929, in Four Hours and Fony Minutes,
Ai the Cadrch of St. Martin,
A PEAL OF CAMERIDGE 8URPRISE MAXIMUS, 5280 GHANGES; Tenor 37 cwt in C .
Percy O. Laflin ... ...Tpable Eratest T. Allaway... ... 7 Alegert Walker ..... .1 Grorge F. Swann ... ... 3 Ernest Morris... ... ... 9 Grorge R. Pye ...... Charles T. Coles $\ldots \ldots$.... 5 Edward P. Duffield ... il Jonn S. Goldsmith .... .... 6 . Widliam Pye ... ... ...Tchor Composed by Cbas. J. Sedgley. Conducted by William Pye.

* First peal of Cumbridge Surprise Maximus. Both have now rung peals of Cambridge Surprise from Minor to Maximus. First peal of Maximus on the recast bells.

IPSWICH.
THE PUFFOLE GUILD.
(St. Mary-le-Tower Society.)
On Saturday, August 37, 1929, in Thyee Hours and Thivty-One Minutes, At tee Chorch of St. Mary-Le-Tower.
A PEAL OF FORWARD MAXIMUS, 5040 EHANGES; Tenor 32 cwt.

Charles A, Cazcerole
Robert H. Beondle
Treble William P. Garrett - Harry R. Roper *Harold E. Symonds
$\begin{array}{ll}\ldots & 2 \\ \cdots & 3\end{array}$
... 4
... 5 Frederick J. Tilemit …Temor Composed by John Carter. Conductef by George E. Symonds.

* First peal in the method. Mrr. Poppy's 300 th peal. By a cnincidence his 100 th and 200 H peals wete rung on the same bell.

CHELTENFAM.
THE SOCLETY OF ROYAL GUMBERLAND YOUTHES. On Saturday, August 31, 1929, in Thyee Fours and Thirty-Siz Adinutes. At the Parisi Churca,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5035 CHANGES;
Tenor $22 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
John D. Mattarws
John Sparrow ...
Ronald H. Bollen . Aryhor N. Haroy Thomas Nzwman Cecic J. Matterws

- William G. Sidgley ... 7 - Ernest F Pofpy $\quad . . .8$ - Leonard E. Last ... .... 10 George E. Symonds … in ds.
...Tyeble Thomas Bevan.
- William C. Romsey

Composed by Gabrire Lindore * First peal of Cinques. G. H. Cross' 400 kh peal.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.
THE RUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday, August31, 7929, in Three Howes and Trenty Nine Minuts, At tee Chorch of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5091 CHANGES;
Tenor $25 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Kerta Hart... ...
C. Ernest Smith
.. 2
Henry J. Tucher .... ... 3
Alfred T. Grernwood ... 4
Frederice C. J. Torner ... 5
Composed by Edgar Bennett. Conducted by Alfred H. Pullint

Jack M, Cripps ... ...
Alfrid W, Groves ...
Fraderick W. Rogers Edwin J. Harding, sen.

BRDDINETON, SURREY.

## THE SURREY ASSOCRATION.

On Satwrday, Argnsi 37, 1929, in Three Honrs and Ten Minults, At the Cefrce of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor I8) cwt. in Eflat.
Horace Belcher ... ....Tyede James E. Davis ... ... ... 6
Edwin F. Pike ... ... ... 2 Charles W. Roberts ... 7
Mrs. FrankI. Hars... ... 3 Frank E. Darby... ... .... 8
FrankI. Hairs ... ... ... 4 Frederick E. Collins ... 9
John T. Kentish ... ... 5 Charees H. Kippin ... ...Tenor
Composed by Wm. Pye. Conducted by Chas. H. Kippin.
First peal of Cambridge Supwise Royal as conductor, to whom the peal was rung as a birthday compliment.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

BUXTED, SUSSEX.
THE SDSSEX COUNTY ASSOCTATION.
On Saltuday, Augrst 24, 1929, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,
At rhe Church of St. Marearet.

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 50\$0 GHANGE8;

Thorstans' Four-part.
Tenor 16 cwt .

Albert D. Stone
... ...Tteble Richar Lambert ... ... 2 John Dearlove ... ... ... 6 Frabd D. Dival ... ... 3 Keith Hari... ... ... ... 7 Frederick C.J. Tqraer ... 4. Wilfieb Boote... ... ...Teray Conducted by Kerin Hart. QUlENSBURY, BRADFORD. THE YORESHIRE ASSOCIATION. Oi Monday, $A$ wgus 26, 1929. th Thre Hours, Ax the Cherch of the Holy Trinity
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Temor 14h cmit.
Roland Kendali
.Tyeble | Harry Wilde
Arthor Skelton Clifford Elcison Edgar Whiteley ......
Composed by J Barkrar.

Barker.
Sam Longbotton
William Ambler
$\begin{array}{ccc}\ldots & \ldots & 5 \\ \ldots . & \ldots & 6 \\ \ldots . & \ldots & 7 \\ \ldots & \ldots . \text { Тено }\end{array}$ Ros to wish to thank Mr. aud Mrs. Whiteley for them kind lrospitality after the peal.

THICKENHAM, MIDPLESEX.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCLATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tusaday, August 27, 7929, in Two Hours and Pifty-soup Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAR TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

## Thurstans' Four-part

Tenor $18 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cw}$.
William H. Hollizr ...Trebla Ernbst G. Garrard... ... 5 Edward A. Morris ... ... 2 Wilfred G. Wilson... ... Frrderick W. Goodfrclow

5 Charles W. Roberts $\quad . .7$ Arther Harding ... ...Tenar Arther Harding

This is believed to be the first peal of Stedman on the hells. 'I'ROWBRIDGE, WILTS.

## THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

Dn Wedrasday, August 28. 1929, in Two Hours and Fifly-Scuen Minutes,
At tee Church of St. James.
A PEAL OF TOUBLE MORWICH COURT BOE HAJOR, 5040 CHAMGES; Tenor 24 cwt .


[^55]CRAYFORD, KEN1".
THE KENT CUYNTY ASSOCIAlION.
On Fiday, ciugtist 30, 1929, in Two Hours and Fourtecm Mintites,
At ihe Chorch of St. Padlinos,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANEES

Washbrook's Variation.
Tenor 123 cwt.
Edwin Barnety, seln. ...Tyeble
Edwin Barnett, jos. ... 2
John H. Chersman ... ... 3
Thomas Groombridge, jun. 4
Conducted by John H. Chrasman.
The quickest peal on the belle.
WHITLEY BAY, NORU'HUMBERLAND.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DTOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Friday. Alugust 30, 1929, in The Hours and One Minute. At the Chorch of St. Pagl.
1 PEAL IF DOUBLE NORWICH CBURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANREN: Tenor ifil cwt.
William L. Gofion ...Treble Wileiam J. Davidson ... 5
-Robert S. Stratford ... 2 Adam Deas ... ... ... ... 6
"John Anderson... ... ... 3 Stepgen W. Stratpord ... 7
William H. Barber .... 4 Thomas T. Gofton ... ...Tenor
Composed by J. W. Parker. Conducted by Teomas T. Gofton,

* First peal in the method. Great credit is due to the zirger of the second, who is just thirteen years of age.

LINTON, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASGOCIATION,
Or Saturday, August 37, 1929, in Three Hours and One Minute,
At the Chorch of St. Niceolas,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 505B CHANEES; Tenor 15 civt.
Harry Bakgr
..Treble Charles H. Sone Charles H. Sone
Wilziam Ashdown.
Mrs. H. Baker ... ... ... 2 Villiam Ashdown ... ... 5
William E, Pitman....- .3 †Alexandra Waddimgton 7

- James W. Knight ... ... 4 Teomas E. Sone ... ...Tency

Composed by arthor Knights (319). Conducted by Thomas E. Sony.

* Eirst peal 'inside. 4 First peal of Treble Bub.

BUCKLAND, BFRKS.
THE OXFORD DIOGESAN GULID
On Satuvday, August 31, 1929, in Three Howrs and Twelve Minutes,
At the Church of Sy. Mary-ter-Virgin,
1 PEAL BF DOUELE NORHICH GUURT BGE MAJON, 6088 CMAMEEE
Tenor s 7 cwt.

Jack Haney
Alsert E. Lock
Gordon Cadoweli ... ....Tem. r
Composed by ]. Carter.
Conducted by Abberi E. Lock.

* Fiorst perl in the methoil.


## STANSTED, LSSEX

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Suturday, Angust 37, 1929, in Tiw Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes At the Charce of St. Mary-ihe-Virgin,
n PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 GHANGE Middleton's.

Temor 13 cwt.
William T. Prior
Treble Erngsi J. Boieza
$\ldots 2$...Treble ERNESI J. FRESI WQRBANH. 5
6
7
William Pye


3 |ames Benneti
Walter Ayre
Tsm:
Conducted by Grorge R. Pye.

* 150ila peal.

BOLSOYER, DERBYGHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, August 31, 1929, in Two Honrs ard Fijty-Six Minales,
At the Parish Chorch,
4 PEAL DF DOUBLE MORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CMANEEE:

Jobe H. Brothwell -..J reble | John W. England ... ... 5
john Holman ... ...
2 J JBSSE J
Ebssz J. Moss ...
 Composed by Rev. H. Earle Bolwer. Condacted by John Fint.

* First peal in fla meblod.

| MORETONHAMPSTEAE，DEFON． <br> THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD． |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| On Saturday，Augwst 31， 7929 ，in Three Honys and Sixteen Minutes， |  |  |  |
| A PEAL OF Bob major， 5040 Changes； |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| Tenor 15 cwt ． |  |  |  |
| －Everard Davenpori | ．．．Treble | Christopher Walker |  |
| Mrs．E．S．Powell ．．． | ．．． 2 | †Victor Benneit |  |
| $\dagger$ Miss I．Davenpori ．．． |  | Rev．E．S．Powece |  |
| John Aridry ．．． | ． 4 | Frank Davey ．．． | ．．．Tenor |

Composed by John Carter．Conducted by Mrs．E．S．Powell．
＊First peal．† First peal inside．$\ddagger$ First peal of Bob Major．First peal of Major on the bells．lilist peal to be conducted by a lady for the Devenshite Guila．

ERDINGTON，BİMINGHAM．
THE ST．MARTIN＇S GUND FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM．
On Saturday，August 31，1929，in Thyee Hours and One Minute， At fer Cherch of St．Barmabas，

## A PEAL OF NDRFOLK SURPRISE HAJOH，b 024 CHANCES；

## Tenor 55 cwt．

Joseph W．Pemberton Georga F．Garrison．．． William J．Mears ．．． Grorge iz．Swann

Compose

First peal in the method by all the band，on the bells and by the Guild．Rung at the lirst attempt．

SHEFFIELD，YORKSHIRE．
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION．
（Sarffield District Society．）
Un Saturday，Atgars ．31，1929，in Threa Hours and Eight Minutes， At the Cborch of All Saints，
－PEAL BF dOUBLE MORWICH COURT EOL MAJOR，bass chaMREI Tenor 15 是 cwt．
Arthor Kinghts ．．．．．．Treble｜Jobn Thorpe ．．．．．．．．． 5
Miss Nobl Cawthorne ．．． 2 －Acberi Smithsor...
William A．Wooler ．．． J．Edward Cawser ．．．．．． 4 A．Pbrciqal Knigets

Composed and Conducted by Arther Kingets．
＊First peal in the method．First peal in the method on the bells． LEYTON，JSSEX．
THE ESSEX ASSOCLATION．
On Sathrday．Angust 31，1929，in Ttwo Hours and Fifty－Fius Minetes， At the Parishi Cherch of St．Mary，

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES， 6040 GHANGES；

Holt＇s Original．
Tenor 8 cwt．
－Robert Molton
Alpred Prior ．．．．．．．．． 5
Frepraick W，Ricuardon ．．．Teble
Ernest E．Holman
ernest e．holman ．．．．．．． 3 Grorge Dawsoa Williab H．Thgobaed ．．．． 7
－Harold A．Edwards ．．． 4 †joun Bellan ．．．．．．．．．Tehor Conducted by Fredrrich W．Richardson．
＊First peal in the methol．$\dagger$ First peal．First peal in the method an the belis．

> WORSLEY, LANCASHIRI.
the Lancashlre association．
On Sutarday，Alugust 31，1929，in Two Holirs and Fifiy－Nine Minutes，
Ay yhe Chorch of St，Mark，
a PIAL BF BOUBLE MORWICH COURT DOE MAJOR，b040 CMAMEESI Tenor 21 cwt ．

| James Marsh | $\ldots$. | ... | ．．．Tyebie | James W．Grocnds | ．．． | ．．． | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

Jobn Potrer ．．．．．．．．． 2 John Bootra．．．．．．．．．．．． 6
fosepl Pottrar ．．．....
－Chris Gudgron ．．．．．． 4 Walter W．Wolstgnbeofi Tehoy Composed by Grorga H．Cross．Conducted by Joseph H．Ridyard
＊First peal in the meflend．Firsi peal as conductor．This was the lirat time this methed had been rung on the bells since 1914.
UXBRIDGE，At St．Ambrew＇s Chureh，on Suaday，August 18th， Jor arening service，a quarter－peal of Grindsire Triples in 43 mins． B．G．Swift 1，P．E．Jomes 2，R．Wurnett 3，C．Nicholls 4，T．J． Bother（litst quarter ia the trenhod）5，R．Garter 6，F．Corke（con－ riwetor）7，J．H．Lucas 8 ．

EDMONTON，MIDDLESEX．
THE ANGIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS．
On Saturday，August 31，7929，in Three Fours and Five Minutes， At the Cberch of All Saints，

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES，B040 CHANGES；

Thurstans＇Four－part．
Tenor $177^{\frac{3}{4}} \mathrm{Cwt}$ ．
Thomas Beeney ．．．．．Trebie
Herebit Langdon ．．．．．$z$
Challas F．Winsey ．．．
James Beclock ．．．.. .0
Conducted by H．Langion．
Rung on the 78th anniversary of the bithiay of Mr．T．Benney， who took part in a peal of Grandsire Tripies at the same church on Apzil 26th，1875，for the above society．

## CRAWLTEY，SUSSEX．

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION On Saturday，Augest 31，1929，in Thre Hours，
At tee Chorch of St．John－tee－Baptist，
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR， 5120 GHANGES； Tenor 13 3 年 cw ．

John S．Morley ．．＊ ．．．Treble ${ }^{\text {Nels }}$ 和 Elliott． Gborge Olliver ．．．...$a^{2}$ Bernard Weils．．． | $\ldots .$. | $\cdots$ | 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\cdots \cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 6 |
| $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 7 |
| $\cdots$ | 7 |  | Kbnneth Snelling ．．．．

Composed by F．Hopgoon． Conducted by O．Sipperts．
Arranged and rung in honour of the wedding of Mr．Cecil Nice（a popular member of the local band），and Miss Dorothy Emery which took place on the above date．

# SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS． <br> dennington，suffolk． <br> THE SUFFOLK GUILD． <br> On Sunday，August 25，7929，in Three Howy and Fony Minthes， <br> At the Cherch of St．Mart， <br> <br> A PEAL OF HINOR， $\operatorname{foso}$ CHANGES； 

 <br> <br> A PEAL OF HINOR， $\operatorname{foso}$ CHANGES；}

Being 720 of Kent，two 720＇s each of Woodbilse and Oxford Treble Bob，and two of Plain Bob．Tenor 19 af ewt．
James Bennett ．．．．．．．．．Tyeble Grorge Pryme ．．．．
．．．．$\quad . .$. TYeble
Gzorge Bennets
William A Woods … $\cdot \cdots$ ．．．． 3 Jambs Wardley ．．．...
Conducted by George W．Ablitt．

## FELKIRK，YORKS

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETX．
On Monday，August 26，1929，in fivo Howrs and Forty－Six Minutes，
At the Parish Cherch，

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR， 5040 CHANGES；

Being 720 each of Hull，Ringerss，Berwick，Chester，Sandiacre Carlisle and Canterbury．

Tenor 10 ert
A．Kelsall．．

| $\ldots$ | ...- | $\ldots$ | Treble | H |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $z$ | D |
| $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | J |

Chant

| A．Cole．．． | .. | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | D．Smith | $\ldots$. |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| M．Perry | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | J．T．White.. |  |

Conducted by J．T．Weize．
This＂is the first Surprise peal by all the band，also the first Sur prise jueal on these belis．

## LAPLEX，STAFFORD．

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD． On Satnvday，August 31，1929，in Two Howrs and Forty－Five Minutes，

## At teg Parish Chorce，

A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES， 6040 GHANGES； Forty－two extents，ten different callings．Tenor 10 cwt （appros Albert D．Collins ．．．．．．Trebie｜Abrabam Grebnfirld ．．． 3 Hereeri R．Pickrrisg ．．． 2 ．Herbert e．Booth ．．．．．． 4 Hargy Boswell．．．．．．．．．．Tetroy
Conducted by Abraham Greznfield．
＊First peal of Grandsire Doubles and firstit attempt．First peal of Grandsire Doubles on the bells．First peat on five bells by all the band．The conductor has now rung Grandsire from Doubles to Cinques．The band extead their thanks to the $\forall i c a r$ for the use of the ieells and his kind hospitality after the peal．

## HANDBELL PEALS. <br> SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GEILD.
On Sunday, August 25, 1929, in Two Hours and Thiyly-Fiue Minntes,
At Glyn Garif,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;
Tenor size I $_{5}$ in $C$.

 * First peal 'in land' away from the tenors. t First peal of Bob Major 'in land.'

## LAVFNHAM, SUTFOLK <br> THE SUFFOLE GULLD.

On Sathriay, August 37, 1929, in Thres Hours and Thirty-5wen Minutes, At the Caurch Tower.
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 7200 CHANGES;
Ten rifferent callings.
Frank A. Torngr ... ... i-2:Stedman H. Symonds ... 3-4 Arther Symonds... ... ... 5 -6 Conducted by S. H. Symonds.
Longest length on handbells in West Suftolk.

## THE VICISSITUDES OF AN ANCIENT BELL

BROKEN AND UNFANIED-NOW TO AUGMFNT ABBEY RING
Few ancient bells ean havo experienced the vicissitudes of that which is shorlily to find a new home in Minster Abbey Churela at Sheppey. Recently the tive bells here were restored by tho generosity of Mr. S. T. Hipwell, the old bell thove roierred to froken and useless) is tiow to be recast at the Whitchapel Foundry, and is to be added to Minster Abbey ring to make a peal of six.
The story of this ancient bell is telal by the 'Sheerness Guardian, and will be of interest to ringers:
'It was cast round about the year 1002 by Messrs. Hateh, the same family which, some 60 years later, cast the bells of Minster Abbey Church. The Iong, slender shape of the pall indicates its antiquity Chat bell was hang in the tower of Warden Church, a mud and plaster buidling, wilh a stone tower, which alone withatood the onslaught of time. Ia due course, however, the churel had to be demolished. (Contrary to the usual story, it did not fall down the clifs, although its remains are at present under the sea.) The tail, apparently unwanted, lay for a considerable time among the ruins, forgotten by most people, and neglected by tha rest.
'So time passed, until, during' the time when the late Mr. W. Bramston was Vicar of Minster, it was decided to build a mission church at Halfway. The church was built, and there was but one thing that was missing-a bell. Then Mr. Crawley, who had long been interested in the project, vemembered the bell at Warden. He approached the Ficar on the matter, permission was sought and ohtained, and the bell was carted from jis bed among the ruins and insstalled into the tower of Si. Peter's Church, where again it entered apon-its ecclesinstical duties. Its carcer, however; was not to remain radisturbed, for before very long a fire broke out at the church, which was destroyed. Again the bell was found among the ruins, hat the intense lieat and the fall hat done thein work-it was in pieces.
'That seemed likely ta be the end of its carcer, but Mr. Cumpey again intervened, and the pieces were collected. Being useless for Their original purpose, however, they were deposided in a forge kept hy Mr. Foreman, then at Halfway, now at Minster. There they remained, lying in non obscure conner, until the removal of Mr. Foreman to Minster. There being then no piace to stove the remnins of the bell, they were taken to Minster Abbey Cluveh, whero they remained beneath the clock in the bell tower uytil the death of the Vicar of Minster, and the coming of the Rew. E. A. Miller, some four geare ago. At that time the parish of Warden was taken away from Tinster, to which it liad formerly helonged, and was transferred to Fastehurch. The goods of the parish had accordingly to be transferred also, and artong iliem the broken bell, stil] wnownted, travelled.

During the last few yeurs the pieces have lain at Eastchurch. Nobody scemed to want them, and nobody seemed to know what to do with them. Then Mr. Hipwell, having restored the bells at Winster, wished for another beil, in order that the church might be brought into line with Eastchurch and Quecaborough, which possess six bells each, there being only five at hinster. Hearing by clance of the broken warden bell, Mr. Hipwell spproached the Wicar of Minster with a view to getting the pieces transferred. This was done, and the pieces were sent to London, where they are now in process of being recast.'

## THREE GUILDS MEET

Three neighbouring Guilds, Guildiord, Osford and Winclester and Portsmotuth, held a joint meeting nt Hawley, Hants, on Saturday. Hawley is one of the few Fampshire towers which came into the Guildford Diocese when the old Winchester Diocese was elivided, and it stands very close to the boundaries of all three of the dioceses mentioned. Yateley, an eightbell tower, only a mile or so away, is in the Winchester Diocese, and Sandhurst, with six bells, a little further off, is in the diocese of Oxford. All these towers were open for rimging in the afternoon, but the visitors, who numbered nearly 60, seemeri to concentrate on Hawley.
The Guildford Guidd's farm of service wis used, and was conclucted (in the absence of the Rector of Hawley) by the Rev. D. L. Board, of Wolverton, hon. secretary of the Basingstoke District of the Winchester and Portsmouth Guild. The lesson was read and the address given by the Rew. B. Long, Rector of Wokingham, who succeeded Canon G. F. Coleridge as Rucal Dean of Souning. He preached from Romans xi. 13, 'I magnity mine office, and spoke of the necessity of recognising, first of all, the fmportance of any work which whs undertaken, and of recogrising, nexi, their wealkness in being able to carry it through. $A$ grnsp of these iwo prineiples, lie said, would do much towards making their work better and more effective. They as bellringers were offeers with a great work lo do for God and His Churel, and they could magnify their oflice if they had in mind the two principles to which ho bad referred. The rauk and file in the Church looked to them to see that their work was well done, and that their lives were lived as hacame their high calling.
Iea was selved in the Memorial Hall, after which there were wotes of thanks to the incumbents of the cliurches, the preacher, tha organist, and those, including Mr. Boyles, who hat made the local arrangements, proposed by Adwiral T. P. Walker, D.S.O., hon. treasurer of the Guildford Diocesan Guild, who welcomed the visiting Guilds, and said how greatly the Guildford Guite valued the opportunity of meeting their nelglabours in this friendly way.
Mr. G. Pullinger (general secretary of the Winclester and Portsmouth Guild) replied, reararking that he hoped the joint gailsering of the three Guilds would become un anmual event.
Mis. R. T. Fibbert (gencral secretary of Oxford Diocesan Gulal) also referred to the good results that must acepuc from such meetings, ant he apologised for the absence of tha Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn (Master of the Oxforl Diocesan Guild), who was away on holiday.

Mr. W. J. Paice (hon. secretary of Soming Deanery Brauch of the Oxford Guild) said that Canon Coleridge lad sent lis regrets that he was unable to be present, as he also was away on boliday. Mr. Paice went on the say that the ploposal to frave a peal of twelve bells at St. Lawrence's Church, Reading, had now been definitely decided upon. It would be the first peal of 12 in Berkshine, and the scheme hard gone through largely as the result of the efforts of Mr. Hithert. About $£ 170$ liad got to he raised for these fwo bells, and tha belp of any ringers would be greatly appreciated.
Mr. J. S. Goldsmith, hon. secrelary of the Guildford Guild, ulso spoke, and Mr. Hibbert explained the position of the scheme for zugmenting St. Lawrence's bolls.
A number of contributions were alterwarts handed to Mr'G. Gilbert, who had brouglat witly him an, rifficial receipi book.
smong those who attended the gathering, in addition to those whose names have alrendy been mentioned, weve Mr. G. Williams (Master of the Wiachester and Portsmonth Diocesan (iuild), who had to leave early, Mr. C. Denger hon. secretary of the Farnlame District of the Guildford Guild), Mr. Wilfred Audrews (Winchester Cathedrall, and wingers from Aldershot, Bagshot, Buamley (Fiants), Binfield, Finclampstead, Harrow Weald, Hawley, Maidenhead, Seate, Sandhurst, Slough, Woking. Wokingham, ete. In the evening there was further ringing, and Yorktown bella, another ring of eight, were also open.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

A mecting of the Western Division of the Yorkshite Assuciation was helf at Kildwick on Saiutday, August 24th. The attendance was small, the following towers being represented: Bradford, Halifax, Keighley, Sheffield, Guiseley, Far Hearlingley, Queenshury, \$kisuon and the local company. In the afternoon, vouches of Grandsine thad "Creble Bob were dinng, and at 5 o'clock an adjournment was made for tea. Afterwards, the business meeting was held in the Parish Room, Mr.J. Cotterell (vice-president) heing in the chair.
There were no invitations for the hecmber meeting fortheanimg, and it was decided to endenvour to wrange onn at. St. Michal's, Feadingley.

Votes of thanks were proposed to the Ficas and chrurelnardens for the use of the bells, to MT'. J. J. Brigg for kindly placing his trmunds at the disposal of the visitors, and to the local company for the arrangements made. These were carried unamimolys. The tower was again visited, and touclıes of Duuble Norwich, Stedman Triples, Trehle Beb, and frandsie were tumg.

## SOME INTERESTING CHURCHES.

## HSSEX EINGFRS HABPY FXCURSION.

The lunghtou and Woadford ringets had illeir annual outing on Sulurday, August 24th. Invitations to join the party were extonded to the Winstrat difigers sud litiends of the local bands, and fortiyone limel up, for the two charabanes engaged for the trip. By eight "'clock the 'Right away" wis sounded, und signs of a sunny day guicest put all in a lappy veia.
Willaan was chosen as the first, latting place, via Epping, High Ongan, and Chelmsford. 'The landscape varied, beginning with hawthorps gnily hedecked with crimson berries, follewed by stretches of Pasciuating forest scenery. Dainty hirohes, leafy beeches, and pollarforf horndeams with their fartastic arms and grotesque trunks, hers nun! there interspersed with open stretehes of bracken and tall grasses "cosserl hy verflerers" footpablis, gave a beautiful setting to a rond that has become a highway for motarists and cyclists. Signs of lita changing limes whe scen at North Weald, where aviation and wibcless hase heen theveloped. Further on, larvest operalions were in full swing, and it some placts the. golden cars had been called upm lagive up their yield. Chelmsford was soon reached, but no time ctauld be spared to look round the Cathedral. The main roud traflic was then expurienced. What a contrgst to the old coaching days!
 imes were noticed whilst passing thmugh the thousandiyears-old
hown, futhons in Jistory for its resistance, the Danish juwaders jn
 Withuar known as chipping Hill, riges prominenty abovo the quatint and utrmetive cottoges thal surrouma a triangular Green, and is rogarelent ans ono of the best edifices in lissex, with good examples of anrly $14 \mathrm{l}_{1}$ century workinanship. The ontstanding features are the batile munted tower huilt chicfy of large pebbles and fints with a fair murbber of homant tiles, the psemdo-Norman soulh poreh, the well-proportioned chancel containing handsomely carved eloir stalls wend bordered with fine oaken screens, tho lady chapel, a recent momorial to the fato Gamon Ingles, and hentatiful stained glass windows, also memorials to old worslippers. Near the organ are two recurnhent full-longth digures, carvel in alahaster and coloured, placed over the lonh of Sir John Southeote, is judge, and his wife, who lived ill Lley IGth century.
The parly was met by Mr. Wrm. Jutler, one of the progressive local Inand. Thuches of Kent, Cambridge Surprise, Plain Bob and dirandsire Dunblus were zung, and the Ione af the hells, barticularly that of the lanor, 18 cwt., was greatly admired. With the addition of would become o Mecca, of ringers, near and far
Colchester was jeached hy mid-day, after having passed horough famols secd-growing dishrict with Dobbies name well to the fure Dinnar was promptly serwed at the Red Lion Hotel.

A hasty fisit was paid to the ancient castle close by, where the musmun toulains some womberful specimme of Roman potiory, coius, F.

Finat liergholt was visited next in order to see the 400 -years-old Foll uge that glands in the churchyard. Mr. Scarfo kindly arranged the his besud to he jresent to ring the five bells, tenor reputed to be 28 cut. 'tho unique sotting of the bells in the figme with only the lifndstork tu control the swing requires very careful mamipulation
anf corvect timing. Congratulations to the Jocal hand for rarring alm entruet timing.

The nexb halt was madi, aE St. Nary the Virgin, Ardeigh, where otwhes wore rung of fimbelsire Tripless, Stedman and Keni, Ireble Hob Hajor on at light masieal oight. TIbe well-proportioned claurch is in a yory" Eoal state of preserwation. 'Phe elancel roof and walts are brick anf flint, the ringing being done from the gromis fonit of Vely ald oth door is within the stately south porch.

Manch was then mnde to Brantree, via Marks Tey and Coggeshall, placos that played an intoresting part in the early days Time would only ullow fos mive good toucls of Grindsire triples. The (ower, of barly Englisl style, Jus a conspicuous spire, 120 feet lugh. consiaing of deeply moulded tibs and very interesting bossus. a framed dacument gives the mames of all wha petished in tho Plague af 1665 -about one-third of the residents.
Tea was takon at the White Hart, Harlow Common, after an jnferesting run throngin Dunnow and Hatield Broad Oak. posed by Mr. A. Chalis (Wanstad), and carried with acclamation, to Mr. J. Pnmu (Loughton) hud Mr. C. Moriss (Woodford), thic orHonisers of n wory suctessful outing. Both expressed their delight in the work that diey had mowordaken, and their wiltingness to atrange tor fulute ontirigs.
The Clutel of St. Mary Hagdalene was ouly a shoct distance away, and int tho rbsence of Hilu. Ti. Deat, Mr. H. Smale snd members of the loend band extended a hearly weleome to all comers. The chureh is or mokem evnstruction, with tha main entrance through the fower rloor. The gargoyles attachod to the tower depiet local colebrities.
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## NO "TRICKS" AT 'THEE FOUNDRY.

Accompanied by a fow ringers from Groft, Earl Shilton ringers cisited Loughborough for thoir anual auting on Satorday, August 24in. The principal attraction was the Bell Foundry, where they were met by Mir. H. Stubbs, who kindly conclucted the party round the works, where now peals and chimes of bells were objects of great interest. Mr. J. P. Fidjer hindly cntertained the party with twes on a carillon which lad buen erected before lueing despatched to Amorikia. Tho ringers then adjouthed to the foundry campaaile, where some well-struck tonches of Grabdsite and Stedman Triples and Boh Major were brought round on the litile peal. After a grod repast at a local cafe, the parly visited Woodlaouse Eaves and trited the very nice ring of six there, the "bag' being six-score of Grandsire and Stednan, touches of Bob Minor and coturses of Kent Treble Bob. Tumes and courses of Girandsire Triples on the handbells brought a very pheasant ouling to a close. Thanks are dite to Messrs. 3. Taylor and Co. for kink permission to visit the foundry, and Messis. Stubbs and Fider for their linduess, the Foundry belle on this occasion did not "play Lrioks," as is sometimen recorded in "Mas Ringing World' as being the anse when strangers handle then. One resident remarked that he thouglst the local men wore ringing them.
If ringers cannot ring at the Foundry it is entively their own fault. The party take this opportnaty of hanking the Vioar and Ringing Master at Woodhouse Eaves for putting the bella rat that chareh at their disposal.

## HARWICH RINGERS' TOUR.

'I'se ammut outing of the St. Nipholas' Gaikl, Horwioh, tools place on Saturday, August 24th, in glorious weather. Leavirig Harwich al 8.45 a.m. by charabane, a party of twelve, widh their friends, set forth for a visit to Braintree and Makions. After journeying through Calchester and Marks Tryy, a call was matic at Great Tey, and a tisit was paid to the tower, of this old clinch, where the bells wore set going to Kent 'ryeble Bob Major and Grandsipe Triples. At Buantree, the party were met by Mr. C. H. Howard (Master of the Essex Association and Mr. Wiffen, who had everything in readiness for ringing at the Parish Church. Touches of Graudsire Triples and Kent treble Boh Major were brought round on this nice peal of night, the 'go' of them being splonalid. Lunch was serwed at the Nag's Fead, under the supervision of Host E. Searle, and wans much apprediated. Luncla nyer, fle journoy was resumed to Madon. Hore they were met, all All Saints by wr. W. Chalk, amd touches of Grauclsire and Kent Treble Boh Major were duly brought rouncl. The last time the company rang here the hells wore a peat of six. After tea, tracks were made for St. Mary's, where there is at peal of six. This is a very old tower, wilh enough room for 12 holls. Kint and Oxford Treble Bols Minor were brouglit round, also two courses of Grandsine Triples on handbells. The party left fon home via 'Гip Tree ama Cohehester, Harwich being reached all 11 p.m. The company wish, through 'The Ringing Worki,' to thank the varions incumbents for the use of the bells, also Mr. J. Dyer (liycat Pey), Mr. C. H. Howart (Master), and Mr. Wiffen (Brantree), and Irr. F. Clank (Maldon, for their kintmess which made the day so enjoyable and the outine a success.

## LEEDS SOCIETY BREAKS NEW GROUND.

The Leeds and District Society held amother suceessful and wellattended gathering on Saturday. New ground was hroken in the society's history by holding the meeting at Batley. The Vicat wolcomed the ringers at 3 p.ms, and apologispd for the weather, nIhad done with a garden party which was to bave heen held in the Vichirge grounds that afternoon.
Ringers were present from Calverley, Rotiwell, Headingley (St Chad's', Leeds Parish Ghurch, Lindley, Mirliele, Liversedge, Armley, and the local company. After various metlions had been mutr, some of the rimgers adjourned to the claurch schools and joined in the tea which had been arranged for the gatuen partiy
The rext meeting will be beld at Hunsict Parish Churel on September 28 t tl.

A hearty vote of thanks to the Ficar and chturchwardmes for thu use of the bells and ta the locai company for the necessary arranguments, brought the husiness meeting to a close, when ringing was resumed.

## (Continued from previous column.)

Thas tone and casy running of the bells, east by J. Tayfor and Co. in 1905, won the admiration of all. Touelaes of Stelman, Kent Trehe Bob, and Double Norwich and Bob Minor were rang bat dime stopped the ery for more

Daylight sud ringing were both finishen, and the run home was brightened by the "gentle whispers' of the young bloods and the tumeful Norfolk melodies of Mr. Plumner. A happy day harl beer spent, the spirit of comyadeship lind been sirengtheued, and confidenar gained by those who kad recently become association members. All offer their sineere thanks to the incumbents of the various parishes for the use of the bells, aut to the ringeres whagreeted the party-

## PORTSMOUTH RINGERS' OUTING

On Saturday last the ringers of the Cathedral Chureh of St Thomai of Canterbury, Portsmouth, with their friends, keld their lirst annual outing, which included visits to six towers in threc counties. Tl'he tour cammenced punctually at the scheduled bime, 7.30 a.m., which fact elicited remarks from the facctious ones, comparing this with tive times of attendance on Suudays and prachice nights. After a plessanti run of 30 miles, througla kie beautiful Meon Falley (durins which certain members completed their radely disturbed beauty sleepl, Alton was reached at $9.15 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$., where the splendid octave at St. Lawrence's Chureh (Lenor* 18 cwt ) were soon im motion, tonches beins rung in the standard methods. Leaving at 10 a.m., a quick lun took the party into Farminam by 10.30 a.m. Here an old friend in the person of Mr . A. Hasted was present, and by the time haln The party hard blacked the elder ringers, who had found a very congenial retreat in which to renow old acguaintanceship, and a coupla of touches had been rung, it was found that the driver was playing a solo on his horn, being already 20 minutes late for leaving. The next atop was Dorking, where a splendid lanch was done ample justice to at the White Horse Hotel, an ancient and historic coaching house, in which haff the ledies of the party lost their pay in the ]abyrinth of passeges. Unfortunately time did not permit of any inging here in this town owing to the time lost by the conviviality at the last stop. A pleasant run of I4 miles brought the party to Horsham, where a certain member was taught a lesson regarding ringing with a slack rope, when the rope slipped wheel. Touches of Stedman and Kent were brought round. Another six miles landed the party in fillingslurst, where a good ring (tenor $13 \mathrm{cwt}$. ) were soou going to Givaldsire and Kent Treble Bob Major, which were successfully brought round, before settling of for Petwonth and tea at the Angel Fotel. After three of the party had been dragged from the intricacies of clock golf, a move was made the the tower, where hangs a beautiful octave, aud great surprise was expressed that such at specimen of the bell founders' art should cxist without a resident change-ringing bund to ring them. Pulborongh was reacher at $7.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$, where 45 minntes ringing in the cormpany of Mr. Doick was thoroughly enjoyed, the return journey being made via Stindon Woods and Chichester. Whe methons rugg ineluded Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Boh and Kent 'reble Bob Mrjor, the conducting heing shared among Messls. F. A. and F. W. Burnetit and H. L. W. Aitken. All who participated wish to express, throngly the medium of this paper, their gratitude to all incumbents and stecplekeepers, who contributed so much by their courtesy and assistance to the suceess of the outirg.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

SOUMF AND WEST DISTRICi ENTERTATNED AT STAINIS.
A meeting of the Soulla and West District of the Middlesen County Association and London Diocesan Guild was held in tropical heat at St. Peler's, Staines, on Saturday, but the riverside tower drew a large-company, nearly 60 being present from Achon, Chiswick, Lating, Heston, Hillingdon, Harrow, Beaconsfetel, Boyn Hill, Maidenhead, Felthan, Farnham Royal, putney, Croydon, Staines, ete. Ringing started at 3.20, and methods from Girandsire Triples up to anil including Cambridge, London and Bristol Surprise were practised during the meeting. A service wns conducted by the Vicar (the RevDi. W. H. Flecker), and the singing was lex hy the organ.

After service, the company was entertained to tea by the Vicar and Mrs. Flecker in the Parish Eall. 'He Vicar presided, supported by the vice-president (Mr. C. S. Bird), Mrs. Flecker and Mra. Bird The usual business was transacterl. Dr. W. H. Flecker was elected an honorary member, and Master George Fawksworily a ringing member for Acton.

At the request of the Vicar, several Louches of Caters, Major and Triples were rung on handbells by Messts. $\mathrm{F}^{\text {. Goudfellow (Ringing }}$ Master), W. Wilson, R. A. Fardon, E. S. Tumel", G. Martin, J. Herbert, J. R. Maekman, Mi. sud Nits, C Mayne
A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Dr. and Mis. Flecker for their kind hospitality, which was grearly appreciated by the whole company, to the Vican for conducting lue bervice and the weleome he gave to the Guild, to the organist, to Miss Helen E. Riggs, who 50 ably served the tea with the assistance of Mr. and Mris. G. Walms ley, and the attention they pajd to the needs of the comprany will not he forgotten.
An appeal was made by the hon. sectetary on belalf of Mr. Tom Beadie, who is in his 79th year; nad has been in and out of hospital for the past three years. "He has becu a member of the Isleworth band for forty-four ycars, ath was it pioneer of change linging in West Middlesex.
The sum of two guineas was collected at the meeting. Further coutributions will be gratefully received by the hou. secretary of the district (Mr. W. H. Hullier, 29 , Duko Road, W.4), and will be acknowledged in "The Ringing World.

Best thanks to Mr. W. E. Parker and Mr. Wralmgley of the Jacal band brohight a most pleasant afternorn to a close. Afterwards the bells of St. Peter's and St. Mat's Churchas were rung.
The next meeting will be held at Twiekenhant, aud the usual notice will appoar in "The Ringitg World."
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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

The first lady to conduct a peal for the Devon Guild is Mrs. E. S. Powell, wife of the president of the Guild. This she did on Saturday, when she called a peal of Boln Major at Morelonliampstcad.

An appeal is being wade on behalf of Mr. Tom Headle, an oid Isleworth ringer, who, nearly 80 ycars of gge, is in failing health. He was a pioncer of the old West, Middlesex Association. Some further particulars about the appeal wilf be found in the report of the Middlesex County Association meeting.
The West Middlesex Association, the mueleus from which the present flourishing Middesex County Association and London Diocesan (ixild grew; was established 45 years ago.

Rohert S. Stratford, of Whitley Bay, is one of the youngest ringers in the North of Figland, and at the nge of thirtect he has now rung a peal of Double Norwich Major

What was the 'Catch-joint company of change ringers' which met at St. Peter's Church, Biadley, Lancs, on August 29Eh, 1874, atma "rang in excellent style Mr'. John Falt's ten-corige peal of Grandsive Triples ${ }^{2}$ ?

Did James Barhan, the famous old Leeds (Kent) ringer ring a clastch bell for a longer period without a stop than any other man before or since? A correspondent raises this guestion, and remarks that he has seen it recorded that in the 40,320 Barham rang for 14 lirs. 50 mins. on end.
A peal of 6,140 of 'Bobh Major Royal' was ung at Coventry on Scptember 6th, 1807. Coventry, to the regret of all ringers, has lonr been without a, ringing peal in its famous spire. The authorities are stili waiting for a generous danot to build a campanile.

Charles Henry Hatersley, of Sintilicld, one of the finest composers of the last generation, was born on September 12th, 1844. Ho dien ab the age of 71 years.

Mr. Thomas Bemey, one of the oldest members of the College Youths, has jast celebrated his 78th birlhday by ringing in a peal of Stedman Trriples, at Edmonton, where be reug a peal of Grandsinte Triples over 54 ycars ago with the Aneient Sociely. This is a rate link for a man to forge.

## THE QUICKEST PEAL ON EIGHT BELLS?

What is the quickest peal of 'Iriples rung on tower bells?
Last Friday a peal of Stedman 'riples was rung at Crayford in 2 hrs. I4 mins.! It was rung in a deliberate allempt to see bow quickly a peal could io completer an these fasi-going bells, the temor of which is 123 ewt., and the band really surprised themseves.

Naturally, as the outcome, there is an inquiry as to the fastest tower heli peal af 'rriples. The band that rang the peal at Crayford make no clan to a record, but they would like to know if any peal of Triples has been rumg on church bells in quicker time.

The rate of striking was over 37 clanges per minute, which is, wher one comes to think about it, a remarliable speed.

The Ringing Worla" will be glad to receive brief particulars of any eight-bell peals on tower bells rung in 2 hrs. 20 mins. or less.

## THE SHERWOOD YOUTHS.

SUCCESSFUL MEETING AT GREASLEY
A meeting of the Society of Sherwood Yortlis had been arranged at Nutlaall for Saturday last, but owing to the sudden death af the church orgamist, the Vicar (Cunon Bucter) asked that the meting should be postponed. The request was, naturallw, immediately acceded to. Communication witll the Rer. J. S. Galloway, of Greasley, asking for the use of has bells testuter in permession locing al once readily given by telephone message as follows: 'Come; shall be delighted to have yotu." \& notice was, therefore, left on the church door at Nuthali informing those who cared to travel on to Greasley.
The party's arrival was welcomer by same of the local men ard also the Ficar, and a very delightful two hours' ringing was enjoyed by aft, only one tonch failing to come round. Members and friends were, present from the following towers: Bottestord, Coterave, St. Mary's, Nottingham, Arksey, Loughborough, ant the loctis. Touchos in the follawing mothods were brought round: 360 Bob Minor, Grandsire Triples, Stedman Tuples, Kenl Treble Bob Major, and a plain caurse of Cambridge Surprise Minor'. As the party were jusi thiaking of getting ready for home, a well-known representative of the local bell foundry walked in. He was either 'prospecting. or 'joyriding '; it is not known which, so there was anotlaer 'sot to, end the evening finished with a nice touch of Stedman Triples with the abovementioncd gentleman ringiug the 6ilh. The bells at Greasley are a very nice, laudy ring of eight by Taylor.

A very cnjozable meeting ended wilh a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar and the local men for meuting the members, and furthen meetings of the same kind are loped for.
It is proposed to heve the nexd mecting at sonthwell Miuser, on September 28tJ.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

## To the Editor.

Sir, - No one, I feel sure, could do otherwise than applaud the spirit and general tenour of the article on the Central Councit contributed to your last issue. With the bulk of its suggestions I cordially agree, and if I seem to criticise some of them, it is solely with a view, in complete harmony with your contributor, to forward the Council's utility and influence.

As far as regards the Cloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association in its relation with the Council the 'ground of disagreement' is what I have never been able to discover, the ground hitherto alleged in your columns being wholly, and I may say ridiculously inadequate, and suggesting some hidden discontent which has not yet come out.

The Council can, of course, alter its constitution, and I am among the number of those who say: By all means let it do so, or at least let it try. I much doubt if an annual election of its members would effect any considerable difference, but there could be no harm in giving it a trial. As concerns the Council's policy, it can work only on the materials supplied to it. In other words, it can never make its own policy. Its policy is that which the associations and the Exercise make for it. It can, of course, decline to deal with any subject that it thinks questionable or dangerous, but of these the only ones treated thus, so far as I iemember, have been proposals that the Council should deal with or have control of funds other than its own, those, that is to say, which defray its own expenses of meeting, committees, printing, etc. it has purposely held aloof from anything in the shape of benefits in illness or in want of work, or anything of that sort, and my own strong opinion, I may say, certainly, is that the moment it trangresses this rule it is digging its own grave.

Of your contributor's meaning in saying that it would be well' to make it a sine qua non of membership that the Council's rulings should be recognised ' I am not sure. 'Membership - of what? Of the Council or of the association? If of the Council, surely it is the case already. If of the association I do not see how it can be ensured. The rest of the paragraph is quite plain, and 1 heartily agree with it.
I heartily agree, also, with the contributor's two concluding suggestions, viz., that it might be well for each association to pay an annual lump subscription to the Council according to the number of its resident menibers, and to elect the maximum (or a smaller) number of representatives to which that subscription entitles then; and, secondly, that notices of motion should be forwarded a certain number of weeks beforehand by the honorary secretary of the association to the honorary secretary of the Council, and be published by the latter in 'The Ringing World "not less than six weeks before the annual meeting. This would allow time, in the event of any of them being out of proper form, to correct what is amiss. Want of proper form has, I believe, once or twice created difficulty with the association.

CHARLFS D. [' DATIES.

## A PEAL OF TWELVE FOR BERKSHIRE. ST. LAWRENCE'S, READING, TO HAVE TWO MORE BELLS.

A decision has been taken to add two trebles to the ring of ten at St. Lawrence's Church, Reading, to provide the first peal of twelve in Berdshire, but it means that the ringers have got to do their part in helping to raise the funds.

A scheme of resturation had previously been undertaken, by which a new frame and fittings for the old ten was to be provided, the treble recast and the other bells tuned. The contract was secured by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, and it was felt that the opportunity should be taken to complete the twelve at the same time. Mr.
Tom ' Hibbert, who is the Foreman of this tower, as well as being Secretary of the Oxford Diocesan Guilk, worked assiduously to this end, and eventually persuadeal the church authorities that such an extension was a desirable one. The authorities, already committed to an expenditure of $£ 600$ or $£ 700$, would not, however, shoulder any further financial responsibility, but in order that the opportunity should not be lost the necessary guarantee was given by the Master of the Guild (Rev. C. W.O. Jenkyn), who is confident that the necessary additional money, something near 200 , can be raised.

The order was, therefore, placed for the new trebles and St. Lawrence's will now add one more to the rings of twelve in this country. The tenor is about $z_{4}$ cwi., and when the bells have been tuned an excellent ring for their weight is promised. This addition will give the Diocese of Oxford a peal of twelve in each of the three Archdeaconies, viz., at Christ Church Cathedral, Oxford; High Wycombe, Bucks; and Reading, Berks.

## BOCKING BELLS FUND

On Saturday a very successful garchen fete and sale of work anul rummage sale was held in the Deanory Grounds, Bocking, in aid of the fund for the relanging of the hells of St. Mary's Chureli. There were mumerous competitions and sideshows, and between 2,000 nod 3,000 people attended. Mrs. S. A. Constauld opened the gromads at 2 p.m. The Brantree town band attented, and there was ifancing in the evening. The takiogs ammonted to about $£ 150$, and it is expected that, aftor expenses have been paid, 8120 with go to the fund.

## DEATH OF CROYDON RINGER.

We regret to record the death of a wolf-fnown and respected Croydon ringer, Mr. Willian Groves, who passed tway aftm alomt bwo months' illnoss, at the age of 62 years. Mr. Groves was formenly connected with Croyton Patsh Chareb, where he rung peals as far back as the 'mineties, but about four years ago, ofs leawing that parish, he joined the St. Peter"s Saciety.
Some splendid examples of the dereased's handiwork can be seen in some of the woml carvings in the Parisla Chureh, of which he was carelaker for a number of years.
The funeral service at St. Petar's and the interment at Mitcham Road Cemetery were conducted by the Rev. P. Thornton (senior earatel, while as a last token of respect to thell colleague and friond, the following rang at St. Peter's Cburch a well-struck quar-tel-peal of Grandsire Caters (1,259 changes) in 55 mins., with the Lells lale-muffled: D. Wright 1, R. H. Dove 2, C. FL. Kippern 3, J W. Trappilt 4. li, W. Larbog 5, 13. N. Newson 6, E. Denlam 7, A W. Clarke 8, F. J. Collins 9, W. J. Adsock 10.

## A RINGFR FRON BOYHOOD.

At Broughton Astley, Ieceestershire, on Monday, August 26tb, in 50 milus., a quarter-peal (1,260 changes) of Grantire Doubles in ton nifferent callings: J. Brant 1, F. S. Joulycote 2, C. E. Carr (comiuc (10r) 3, A. Borlycote 4, H. Bird 5. Rung with the bells half-nuffed as a lagt token of rospect to George Fretter, who ried at the age at 66 years, and who had been a chorister and a ringer af the ehureh from hoyhood. He was interven in the churehyard earlier in the dap. First quarter-posl as conduetor.

## GLIMPSES OF THE PAST.

## CJIPPINGS FHOM A SCRAD BOOK.

Aneieat prantices with regard bo bells are always intereating, al tlengla they are not always concenned with clange rioging. Time was, apparontly, when in a town nu bells cuuld te rung hefore the helles is ithe, Cnthedral, ar mother church, wore rung, and, necording 10 in sha 'History of Balla," "crase ith which this right was dispated :utwe is that city in 1h21: "The Prow of Bath had claimed tha right of ringing the beils belonging to the abbey the fiss and last in the eity: rone of the parisls chutuches tolling (their hells (except in particular days) before the bells of the convent lad struck ont in the morning, mor after the Prior's curfew had tolled in the evening. This privilege the Mayor and citizens considered as an interference with their manicipal rights, for oven in the diftemtat century luells hergun tor ereve certait civil as well as eccesiastical purposes. They, Iherefore, determined to interrupt the elaims of the monastery by ringing the bells of the parists cluwches at haurs hitherto unpreeedrnted, lioth before and atter the pribr's bell hat been sonaded; and ucendingly gained over to their cause Jotha Barret, the Vicar of Stalles; iohn Lane, the Rector of Southgate; Willian Savage, Rectov of St. Michael-wilhout-tie-Gate; Johm Hobles and William Aishley, chaplains of St. John's and Magdalern Hospitals. Fhis brond of privilege was highly resented hy the monastery, and a contest arose in consequence of it that subsisted many years, occasionally funing out inco bicfer invective and persomal insult lyetween the cuntenning pafties. At length, ari inquisition, held at Frome in the niotla year uf the relon of Henry Y.a puta periud, to the dispute by arknowledging and cstablishing the right of the peior that no
 been tolledi.'

## WLET TFE CFURCHWAJDENS PAID.

In the old Hays wher bell founders set our to tho a jobs the whurchwredens diten hat to pay out something more that the mere cost of the contrad. There was of Len sundry refreslmemi to he pro-
wided, mot infrequently pianly deseriberd ins beere, or arink.
 whe shilling was payde to laborers that did help to make them Aringe, Probably they did not want anything to help make the men hemaselras drink, but this is an ambiguous wiy of saying that money wny paid to halp make the strink for the men. The Woking chuwchwardons patid live shillings 'for beare for the ringers, when the bells ware rung after heing recast in 1684 . In addition to refreshment,
 hangers. One, Udal, relumg these hells at Wolking, and they paid Gonily Davy 11s. Ext. for Ital's alie. In 1619 the churchwardens at F'ullam Marken paie bomary luylles for Dymont's Dyet whan the ledla were taken down ijes, and to nary beylles for Johm Brend's Dyet when the bells wero hanged, and for here fand cakes iijas. wijit. Johm Brend, presmanly, travelled to Pulham on horade-buth-an most wit the tratelling in those days was atone, if one did
 hotscmet when ye bells weye hatiged ijs.
ST. SAVIOURS SOUTHWARK.

Nourly sixty years ago a writor fu Chured Bells thus deserihed A risil to St, Saviotr's, Sothowark, then the hosdquartars of the
 whardyrad, whore, at 8 p.m. or altermate Mondays, will be found collected ton nr twelve meat who, dis a body, are the finest ringers in ihu wordd. From them we meet witi a conrlial reception, and pre-

 ainuerely that no carrelnss workman lins lefti a drap-rion, open; another wiading stair britgg us to a vast chamher, tow dim, hut sonn hrilliambly lighted hy it coroun of gats. the are at onee strudit with the spactolstess of the phace, and the absence at all crowding
amsaty the twelve ropes; the pasition af the tenor is indicated by an tharamus hax worthy of the clecpest-toned bell of any aing in Lonlon. One "it two of the larger hells are spi at hackstruke, and we are inviled to " try the $11 h_{1}$." Tha small bells are rapidly raised one by unc, and lime three men hegin to swing the tenor a slac acos not surenk for n while, but prebenty her derp note 13 is heard vispating
 man. $A$ tenor is aften bapminous in tho mater of "going," and when shon. whikge upwhids of 58 cwi.. and " goes hath "t it is as well to stick to entithed methurls. We are therefore first breated to th touch of Stodman Chters and then wits ahont 500 of Sterman's Cinquas. Not-
withanaling the intriency of the method and the vast difference betwren the size of the larger and smalter bolles, the striking is guite pertwet. tho are most asfonished ni the consummate nase and pregigion with which the heary hack holls are handled. A short touch of cimadsive Dinques, in which somo of the younger menibers of the society khow thair skill, lyimgs tha protice to a close.
In itho sixzy yans which have elapged since the above was written, longer tho loodutarlers of the Colloge Yotillas, and the tunor no
lad to cede pricle of place ns the deepest-toned bell of anty rung in London. Kut the Aucient Saciety still meets at Southwark; ite regnlar practising members are sfill anong the finest ringers in the world, and Stedman Cinques is still a feature of these gatherings. There arc old ringers an the active list who will probably remember same of the mon who collected on those Monday ereningg at the fron gate of the churchyard near Lundan Rridge.

A MANLY FMPLOYMENT.
Two humdred years ago there lived at Totnes, Devon, a youth wha, som of the parish clerk, later hecame D1: Kennicot, a Canom of Christ Chureli and Regius Professor of Hebrew at Oxford. Fe placed Gn recora the following 'arlicles' to which the Totnes ringor's suth serilued, and they ged a standard both of fidelity to the art and of sacial promise which, if quaintly expressed, might nevertheless be an object lesson to many companies to-day :-

Among the nany recreations approved of by the sons of pleesure, ringing is a diversion that may be eqphatically said to hear away the bell: and so nueh daes it engage the natives of Grent Britain, be-
yomd all other mations, that it lat borne the distingarining appentation of "the ringing isle." The ert, thon, for which this kingdoms is renowned shows a judicious taste it those of its inhabitants who have by their perfornunces contributed thereto, since this art wante no foreign encomiast, but the harmonious bells are the heralds of their own praise. Hhe insenuity required for the diversion adminisparticular sanction among mankind and recommend it as an enployment at vacant hours worthy the regark of all demomintaions.

We, therefore, whose names are sobseribed, taking into fonsidera tion the groat pleasure that results from this manly cmployment, the monemee with which it is performed, and the advantage enjoyed from so halthy un exarcise of out bodies, and also having the peculiar satisfaction of ringing with ease a set of eight bells of establisled fame and applauden excellence, do hereby agree to meet together in the usual place of ringing every Monday cwening at six oclock for our improving this science; and for the greatec certainty of attendance, we do lucreby severally promise to farfeit the sum of threepence if not attonding at tire liour aforesaid, and sixponce not present at seven o'elack, to he deposited in the hands of the treasurer for the time heing, and spent as the major part of the society shall seen fit. And for the better regulation of this our fraternity, we do also hercby agree that we remain in the helfry
during pleasure, and then for the furtler pleasure and beneft of conversation adjourn to any house the company slall choose, and then tarly till the hotry of tens, and no longer:
had wheroas the stays supporting the hells are lizhle to demage from unskilful hands, we agree that whoever hurts shall repair the sumb at his own proper elargo. We make no rules for converention, our penalties for any orishelaviour in it, resolving to render it immocontly agreeable to each other, and whenever a hreach of this rule is comaitted, that a reprimand be admitted from the society. Thi all cases and disputes not laereinbefore decided the majority of the company shall determine, that so this society amionhly begnu mity be amicably carried m, and not meet the fate of others that have gane before it

## RINGTNG FOR A DERRE WINNER.

Bells liave been ruag in the past for some strange reasons-it has heen sain, not wilhous truth sametimes, that any excuse is good
enough for the ringers to resort to thair art. In the only $70^{\prime}-$ what was looked upors by some people as a judgroent of the gods hefel the ringers of All Saints' Church, Newmarket. 'Accidental as it may lave beens, said one writer, "let it be looked topon as a rebuke to the Parson mud Clardiwardens for allowing such a shamefu! desecration of the grouls of the Church." A newspaper reported the occurvences htus: 'Yery singular accidents occurrod in the steeple of All Saints' Church in khis town (Newmarket) while the ringers wey engaged in ringing peals on Tiursday last. It appears that the sed had just entered a penl in celebration of the Cotage Flower ant Horticultural Exhibition, when the second bell jumper frow langings and fell heamly upon the hearos and floor supporting the frame. Hawing recovered fmom thacir fright, the ringers obtaineil assistance and replaced tho bell and proceederl with their task, which they succeeded in acomplishing, and retired for refresloment. The Fotssembled in the croning on the accasion of the Cremarne Dert
 bouncing from its place, amd, like its neighbour, the second, fel. with a crash upon the already damaged haor; but; fortumately, the massive heams prevented her going flown, consequently the ringers below escaped injury, abd the bell was uniajured. The damage the bell bittinge and the frame could not be reparcel in time to allow
of fuythen ringing on that day, and the merry peals which culivenerl the kown thus abruptly ferminated.

PRIZE RINGING ARRANGED BY PUBLICAN
A prize-ringing contest at Flooro, Northanptonshire, on Septernber 13th, 1874, drew the following seathing oomment from the editor Church Rells " week or two after whe event: "What could have adned the Ficar and Chturciwardens of Floore to allow the bells
their Parish Chureh to disturts their ouiet little village by ad(Continued in nemt column.)

## BIRMINGHAM RINGERS' DAY IN LIVERPOOL

Un Satitrday, August 24th, a party of ringers from St. Mantin's farish Church, Birmingham, accompanied by their ladies, paid a visit to Liverpool. Starting from Birmingham in fair weather, it commenced to rain during the journey, and on arrival at the destination they wore greeted with a grey sky and a steady downpour, but to compensate for this they received a rery cheerful welcome fram Messrs. G. R. Newtor and C. I. Davies, of the St. Nicholas company. 'Ilae Ringing Mastor, Mr. Albert Walker, had arranged a full proaramme for the day, and the party immediately proceeded with the livist item-to inspect the 20,000 ton Chmard liner, "Carinthia.' Under the guidance of a steward all the public parts of the vessel were thoroughly inspected. Tu see the first-class state rooms, contnining full-sized heds and with batbrooms attaclied, also the dining, druwing and smoke rooms, set one wondering if the last stage in confort and ocean travel accommodation had been reached. The visitors alse inspected the swimming bath and gymmasium, the lather being fitted will all the latest equipment for physical exercises. Hore the Ringing Naster and secretary were promitted to lave a cycle race, which, after a keen siruggle, was won by the secretary by
'shor't wheei.'.
The next item on the programme was a visit to the new. Catherdual. On approaching this, one is struck by the severely plain exterior, which is Accentuated by the local red simistone used. Put when the building is completed and it has its huge central tower, no donbt its grinudetr will be better appreciated. On entering the building, one faces the choir, which is dominated by the great enst window, below which is a richly gilded stone reredos containing sculptured pasels of scenes from our Lord's life. Another noticeable feature is the way the organ case, choir stalls and Bishop's throne all blend with fhe colour of the stone. Nor can one realise that the Lady Chapel has neen used for services for almost 20 yeats.
An excellent lunch was next partaken of at the Oriel Restaurant, and this was followed by a trip across the river to Wallasey. On returning to the landing stage, the party were in lime to sec the White Star linter 'Adrintic' leave for New York. Meatwlile the weather had improved, and the sun was shining glorjously. It was now time to pisit St. Nicholas' tower, and here the Bimmingham ringers were met by a goodly company of local mon. With their assistance, touches of Stedman Cingues and Cambridge Royal were suceessfally accomplished. Tea was served at the White Cafe, and the fisitors greatly appreciated the company of the Liverpool ringers, who, Mr. Niwton later anounced, wotild liave pleasure in defrayms the cost of the theal. Ma. Walker, on belalf of the visitors, thanked them for their hospitality and cordial welcome to liverpool and for Heir nssistance jh the tower, mad Messers. Newton and Davies esfecially for having given up the whole day in order to make their visit a suecess. This was not the first time it company of riugers from Birmingharn hat visited Liverpool, for many years ago, when St. Nioholas' hells were put in, Birmingham ringers were awarded a silver cup for being the hest company at the opening. But where that elap was now, to ane knew. Mr. Walker gava tlyem a cordial Thyitation to wisit Bimingham and ring on St. Martin's new peal.Tewton, on belualf of the local company, said the pleasure had been theirs, and that anything they had beon able to do to make the visit eujoyable had been done willingly. They would like them to came arain soon and ring a peal of Stedman Cingres.-Mr. Walker thanked Mr. Newhon for the invitation, which he hoped to accept at no very distant drae.
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mitting to the beliry six sets of strange ringers ta pull about the church beils under an arrangement mate by the landord of the willage pablichouse, who appears to lave managed this ungodly compotition? As usual, the publican seems to have ome in for the he no repetition of such useless fooleries. One of the first steps in belfry reform is fos sever the link between the belfry and the village taproom. Surely it is the dity of all parsons nad churchwardens, by their influence and a athority, to effect this, and then they wild easily shieed in Haisug the tone and respetability of their ringers.

Lead-swingers' have been always with us. Thie 'Anmmal Register Oetoler 13th, 1804,' recorded the following: "A singular" accient happened at the new church, Dagenlam, Essex. Tho Society of Cumhriland Youths were inviled to gpen the new peal of hells, on which they performed in the morming by ringing 7,008 changes of Oxford Treble Loh in 4 Ins 49 mins, but in the evening Mr. Clamon, Masfrer of the Society, wished to oblige the inlabitants of the village with another peal, when mforturately lis leg got entangled in the une, which drew bim up to the next loft, nod, falling thence on his lond, was killed on the spot, the part of his skuld being bert in so that the brains oozed out through the cavilies.' A vivie deseription of the grnesome end of a celelorated ringer of those daps-or it would
have lucan had it been accurate. Happily for Mr. Channon, there was not a word of truth is it; and, in fact, the whole paragraph was a fabrication. At that time Dacenlam hat only six bells, and Mr. Clisumom read the description of the 'fatal aceident' to himsels manly years after.

## AFTERNOON TRIP IN SOMERSET.

On Salurday, August 24tl, six ringers from Enst Bront, South Bront, Axbridge, ant one from Port Talbot, Glam, liad a tour of about 60 miles, in llie cotrrse of which they ramg at four towers. Crosenmbe was the first ou the list, when five 120 's of firandsire Doubles were rung. Pilton was visited next, where a similan totuel was seored. At West lemand the Vicar arad ome of the local biund gave the visitors a belping land to "rise' the bells, and then twor $240^{\circ}$ s were rultg. Fine wobld not allow further fingirs lace, although ringing on this lovely peal was much enjoyed. Shapwich was tha last call, and 240 was all that could he rung heve. A 15 -mile ridobrought the party safely home about 10.30 p.m., after a plossans aftermon in the country. Tha best thanks of the hame are given for the use of the bells and to the ringers who kindly met the visitors.

## A TWELVE-BELL OUTING.

The ringers of St. Mary's, Tambton, held their annal outing ou
 Mr. W. A. Cave, Bristol, Miss Williams, Gatl, and Mir. W. Crocker,
former member of the band, mat the party) to Strond, where Mr4. Wright welcomed them. Here the fine peal of ten was set going in Sterman Caters. The next move was to Painswiek, where the famous rigg of 12 was rung in Stecman Cinques. Lanch followed ait the Goldea Heart Hotel, after which the party proceeded to Cheltenham, where Mr. W. I' Pateg gave a weleome to the party, and the ring of 12 was get going in Stedman Cinques. After tea, the party went on to St. Mary Redeliffe, Rristol, where Mr. H. Pring awaiterl Ehe visitors, and further Stedman Cingues were rung. The pauty wish to thank the incumbent of each parish for the use of the bells, also Messus. A. Wright, W. T. Pates aud F. Pring for makiog rangenients.

## FAIRFORD RINGERS' EXCURSION.

The Fairford (Glos) ringers and friends had their annual outing on Salurday, August 24tla. Setting off at 7.45 n.m.. East Isley, Berks, was vached at 9.15 . On this nice light peal of eight, ringing waiz enjojed for about an hour. Peasmare was the next stop, whero the party were met by Mr. Rosier thead ringer), also by me of the chureliwardens, who gave the visitors a warm welcome on behalf of
the Vicar, who was away. The bells at feasemore no a lovely penal of six, and ringirg on them was very much onjoyed.
Chinvely uas the next call, and before the visitors had been ringing lang they were joined by scyeral of the local ringers, who reguested thens to come again.
Newbury was reacher at 1.10 , and here they were thet hy Mr. Curtis, who had kindy arrangen a lubl lunchoon. Neterwards, that fine peal of eight was set going. Some were in the belfry watening the bells swing, while others went to the top of the tower sightseeing. Hungerford was next on tho progranme. Here was fonnd a mice peal of eight, but rather noisy. J'ea had heen kindly arranged
here loy Mr. Wigyins. Last, but not least, the party visiten? St. Mark's, Swindov, and, and afler vinging here on the nice ring of eight, supper, kindly arragged by Mr. W. Smith, was enjoyed by all. Faifford was reached ail 11.55 , after at very enjoyable das

## CROYDON RINGERS' TRIP

St. Tohn-the-Baptist company, Crordon, held their numual onting Seaford. A company of 20 rinecrs and friends started nt 7.30, amo a pleasant ride wia Tumers Eijl] brouglat them to Lindlieta, the first Etop. Here touches of Girandsire and Stedman Triples and Kent Treble Bob ancl Dotble Norwich Major were rume at the Parish Church. The joundey was then continued to Bridhton, where they found St. Peter's loelfs ready for them. A flep photographs of the group had been taken, this lovely peal of hells wero soon ringing out to the tune of Grandsire Triples and Caters, Stedman Triples and Cambridge Surprise Major. Then a muth-needed course of refreslaments of rarious kinds, and a lovely rifie along the cliffs brought tho parky to Seaford and dimmed thme. Aur excellent mend
 and Cambridge were rung. After this, the aflemanm was free Eon the tingers to spend as they liked. Soms found ther pebhies on that heacl quite comfortalile for an afternoon map, aiherg perforred dech whirs, they reassembled and were welcomed to Sentorn by Mus Fisher, the churchwarden, who was a member of the fire bripaio at Croydon, when the Parish Church was burnt down some 82 years tas made wia Lewes to Maytield, where it short ring was indulged in. The visitors met the Horlev band, also on their anmual outing. The Croydon band went on to Tunbrider Wells, ware they rany Grandsire and Stedman I'riples and Cambridge Major, Then home to Crovdon will community singing, and a little rofrabament to help them on their way, Croydon was reached at 11.30, and so ended a rery enjogalyle daf. The band iake this opportunity of lianking the incumbents for the use of the bells, and the steepleheeper for baring everything in teadiness.

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES

DEPTPRORD.-On Sunday, September lst, for evening scrvice, at St. John's Church, a quarter-penl of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) trow Hold's Original: R. A. Fosdike 1, W. A. Martin 2, Ir. W 'Hornlon 3 , 1'.S. R. Sleers 4 , W. J. Jeffries (conductor') 5, P.C. C. Elliotr 6, P.C. C. Davies 7, A. T. Petrie g.

FARINGDON, BERKS.-On Sunday, September 1st, at All Saints Church, for morning service, th quater-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 cllanges) : G. Wornham I, G. Webley 2, F, Wheeler 3, G. Bettes 4, C. 1. J. Pearce (conductor)' 5, E. C. Hughes 6, T. Clatk 7, J. Deasley 8.
READJNG,-On Sunday, September 1st, for Patromal Festival erensong, at, St, Giles' Church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes) in 52 mins: W. Osboune (first quarter-peal) 1 A. W. Ostoorne 2, J. T. Osborne 3, F. Osborme 4, A. Bailey 5, A. Jeftery 6, G. R. Goorlship (conductor) 7, R. Sawyer 8

QREAT BARDFIELD.-At St. Mary's Church, for memorial serviee, on Sunday. August 25th, in 43 mins., a gumeter-peal of Bob Major (1,264 clingese): W. Richardson 1, G. Eills 2, A. Piper 3, F. Suckling 4, W. Piper 5, G. Piper 6, B. Townsend 7, J. Jennings (con ductor) 8. Alen rung in houour of the birthay of C.S.M. A. Piper NPWPORT, ISLE OF WTGRT.-At the Parish Church of St Jhomas, for matims, on Sunday, August 25th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: W. Johnson 1, W. Chambers 2, W. Scott, jun., 3, W Soote 4, A. Gallaway 5, S. Mondy G, W. Tjplon (conduetor) 7, W
 W. H. Q. Scoth, and rung on the $20 t 1$ wedding anniversary of the conduetor.
NEWMARKE1", SUFlOLK.-At St. Mary's Chureh, on Sumfay, August 25th, for evensong, 720 ehanges Bob Minor: Mrs. L. Warner 1,0 . A. Moody 2, M. White 3, L. Koon 4, L. Warver 5, R. Sharpe (conductor) B. Rumg as a farewell to M. White, who is leaving the bnand to join the Reyme Mir Forec.
GUILDFORD-On Sunciny, August 18th, for evening scrvice at S. Nicolas', a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1,295 changes): A. Col liof 1, C. Fazeldea 2, F. Radford 3, E. Etheridge 4, Mrs. C. Hazelden 5, T. Theobstd 6, G. Tomsett 7, E. Raddon 8, S. Radford (couductor) 9, R. Radford 10. First quarter by ringers of 1st and 6th, and first alternpt.

## RINGER'S SILVER WEDDING

At, Croft, Leicestersliire, on Saturchay, Atrgust 31st, at the Chureli of St. Michael and All Augels, 720 Gitandsire Doubles in 20 mins . J. H. Bailess 1, Win. Lomae 2, Frank Bailess 3, M. E. Watenn (condetery) 4, Wrn. A. Wood 5, A. E. Warwick 6. Rung in honour of the visit of Rev. A. T. G. Bhackmere, M.A., former Pector of the parisl. Also to commemorate the ailver wedding of Mr and Mirs. Q. H. Wehb, wio were married exactly 25 jears ago at this church, where Mr. Webb is one of the ringers.

## BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION

TEREF TOWFRS TIE IN SHIELD CONTEST
The ammal shield conteat of the Barnsley and District Association took phace on Saturday at Coofton, lyy kind permission of Rev. Fi. Brownitigy (Reelow) and the chatehwardens. Wath, Sandal, zaci Shalley rang as drawn, amd, strange to relate, each made the same number of inults, viz., 121. Thie last tower to compete mude many more funts, but the thre marned have to go througli the contest again at an carly date. Tea was serped during an interval in the rimang; In the Parochial Room an entertimment was given by one of the lowal company, Mr'. Cooke, who as a stroug man ${ }^{\text {a }}$ gave many displays of stwength, inclualing weight-lifting, bending and breakimg bats ol iron by lanta, halancing a piano on his cliest, while two men with a strung rope contd not flurotbe lim, etc.
A vote of thanks was hearily acoorded to Mrs. Brownregg, who should have presented the prizes and had attended the proceedmgs. Kow, $H$. Brownigg, ]Rector, whs morenitting in his findmess FIe, with the durchwardens and local men, were wammly thanked.

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SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at Eyam on Sept. $7^{\text {th. Bells open }}$ early. Tea can be had by applying to Mrs. Godber, Refreshment Rooms, Eyam. Visitors will be welcome and it is hoped that we shall have a good attendance.R. Harrison, Hon, Sec.

SWANSEA AND BRECON GUILD.-Southern Dis-trict.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at Aberavon on Saturday, Sept. 7 th. Bells (8) available for ringing at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea and business meeting to follow. All ringers welcome. - E. Stitch, Hon. Dis. Sec., 2 r, Cambrian Place, Port Talbot, Glam.

DEVON GUILD.-Exeter Branch.-The autumn quarterly meeting will be held at Kenn on Saturday, Sept. 7 th. Service 4. Tea (is. each) 4.45. Bells available: Kenn (6), Alphington (8), Exminster (6), Kenton (6). All ringers welcome.-Miss E. Lomas, Whimple, Devon.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rossendale Branch. -The next meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Rawtenstall, on Saturday, September 7th. Bells ready at 330 p.m Meeting at 6.30 p.m. A good attendance is requested business very important.-J. H. Haydock, Branch Sec. 8, Oaklands Road, Edenfield.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Leicester District.-The 3rd quarterly meeting will be beld at Billesdon on Saturday, September 7 th. Bells (5) available from 3 p.m. Tea in the Old School at 5 p.m., followed by business meeting.-Alban Disney, Local Sec.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Devizes Branch. -The monthly meeting will be held at Bishop's Cannings on Saturday, September 7 th. Bells (8) ready at 3 p.m. Guild service 4 .fo. Tea 5. Business meeting follows tea. All ringers welcome.-F. Green, Branch Hon. Sec., 53 Avon Road, Devizes.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Lincoln District.Next meeting at Navenby (new peal of 6 by Taylor) Saturday, Sept. $7^{\text {th }}$. Tower open 2 p.m. Silver Queen bus leaves Lincoln at 2 p.m., 3 p.m. and 4 p.m.; returns from Grantham at 6.15 p.m., 7 p.m. and 8.30 p.m. Notification to tea to Harold Marcon, Dis. Sec., 269, Wragby Road, Lincoln.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-A meeting of the Southern District will he held at Shildon on Saturday, September 7 th. Bells (8) available afternoon and evening. Tea at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All ringers welcome.-J. Titt, Hon. Dis. Sec., 7r, Surtees Street, Darlington.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Newbury BranchA meeting of the above branch will be held at Peasemore on Saturday, September 7 th. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 p.m.; at $1 /$. All ringers welcome. -H. W. Curtis, Hon. Sec., Church Road, Shaw, Newbury.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Southern Branch.-The Summer meeting will be held at Broadway Oid Church on Saturday, September 7 th. Service, with an address by the Vicar, the Rev. V. H. Patrick, at 4.30 p.m. prompt. Midland red buses leave Evesham for Broadway at $I$ and 2 p.m.-J. Hemming, Branch Sec., 29, Church Bank, Great Hampton, Evesham.
BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -Ilchester Deanery Branch. -The next meeting of the above branch will be held at Crewkerne ( 8 bells) on Saturday, September 7 th. Service at $4 \cdot 30$. Tea at 5 . Meeting to follow.-F, Farrant, Hon. Local Sec. North Street, Martock.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Maidstone Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Hollingbourne on Saturday, Sept. 14th. Tower open for ringing at 3 o'clock. Service at $4 \cdot 30$. Tea after service. All ringers welcome. Please notify me not later than Tuesday, Sept. roth.-C. H. Sone, Dis. Sec., Bungalow, Linton, Maidstone.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-North and East District.Neeting at Northaw on Saturday, September 14th. Bells from 3 p.m. Short service at 5. Tea at usual terms at 5.30 . Please advise me by irth, without fail. Members and friends cordially invited. Nearest stations; Cuffey and l'otters Bar. Buses from Barnet. Practice meeting at St. Mark's, Dalston, on Thursday, September rgth. Bells from 7 to 9 p.m.-C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 21, Vincent Road, E. + .

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Guildford Dis-trict.-District meeting at Godalming, Saturday, September 14th. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea ilBusiness meeting. Numbers for tea to Mr. C. Childs, Hethsett, Queen Street, Godalming, by September Ioth please.-G. L. Grover, District Sec., Merrow Cottage, East Clandon.

ESSEX ASSOCYATION.-South-Eastern Division.The next meeting will be held at High Easter on Saturday, September 14th. Bells (6) available 3 o'clock; usual arrangements. All those requiring tea please notify me by Wednesday, the rith, last post.-H. W. Kirton, Longmeads Cottage, Writtle, Chelmsford.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GLILD.-Presteigne Dis-trict-A quarterly meeting will be held at Kington on Saturday, Sept. I 4 th. Bells (6) available at 4 p.m. Service at 5 - Tea $5 \cdot 30$, free to those who notify me not later than Wednesday, Sept. inth. Business meeting atter tea.-J. C. Preece, Dis. Sec., Lea Lodge, Staun-ton-on-Arrow, Herefordshire.
YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-A general meeting of the Yorkshire Association will be held at Huntington, near York, on Saturday, Sept. 14th. Bells (6) available from 2.30 p.m. York Minster ( 12 ) available 6.30 to 8 p.m. Tea will be provided at is. per head, and all applications for same must reach Mr. G. Rank, New Lane, Malton Road, York, not later than first post, Tuesrlay, Sept. roth.-P. J. Johnson, Hon. General Sec., 396, Meanwood Road, Leeds.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch. -A meeting will be held at Prescot on Saturday, Sept. 14th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 5.30 p.m. Meeting to follow. Members make their own arrangements for tea.-Claude I. Davies, Branch Sec., Caerleon, Dunbabir Road, Wavertree, Liverpool.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.The next meeting will be held at Hoghton on Saturday. September 14 th. Bells available from 3 p.m. A good attendance is requested.-Fred Rigby, Hon. Branch Sec., 8, Carrington Road, Chorley.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Northern Division. -By the invitation of the Huntington Guild the quarterly meeting will be held at Huntington, near York, on Saturday, September 14th.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch. A meeting will be at Cross Stone, Todmorden, on Saturday, September 14th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. : business-Election of Branch President. Tea will be provided at the Bay Horse Inn at a charge of $1 / 5$ per head for those who send in their names to Miss R. A. Bell, Lower East Lee, Eastwood, Todnordey, not later than Wednesday, September IIth. - William Horan, Branch Secretary, 2, Greenhirst Hey, Todmorden.

LADIES' GUILD.-Western District. - The next quarterly meeting will be held at Wraxall on Saturday, September r4th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service 4.I5. Tea at Battle Axes Hotel 5. Will those desiring tea kindly let me know by September irth?-N. G. Wilhams, Hon. Sec., Weston House, Weston, Bath.

NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION. - The half-yearly meeting will be held at Llandudno on Saturday, Sept. 14th. Bells (8) available $2 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. to $6.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea will be provided. Please notify me not later than Tuesday, Sept. Ioth.-W. Cathrall, Hon. Sec., 2o, Ffodd Estyn, Garden Village, Wrexham.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Nottingham District.-The next: meeting will be held at Cotgrave on Satirday, Sept. 14th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Will all those requiring tea please notify Mr. W. White, Post Office, Cotgrave, by the 12 th inst.?-F. W. Bailey, Local Sec., 42, Rupert Street, Nottingham.

EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD.-A ringing meeting will be held at Crawley on Saturday, Sept. I4th. Tower opened 3 p.m. Kindly notify me all requiring teat. All ringers welcome.-G. Lambert, Drummond Hay, East Grinstead.

PETERBOROLGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Darentry Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Willougliby (6) on Saturday, Sept. 1 \&th. Usual artangements. -WV. C. Moore, Braunston Road, Daventry, Northants.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-A joint meeting of the Beds and Herts Associations will be held atl Biggleswade on Saturday, Sept. 14th. Bells (8) available: at 2.30. Tea at 5. All ringers welcome.-C. ]. Ball, Dis. Sec., 2, Tempsford Road, Sandy; Mr. D. Mears, School House, Offley, Hitchen.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Christchurch District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Milford-on-Sea on Saturday, Sept. 14th. Bells (8) avalable from 3 p.m.-G. Preston, Dis. Sec., 3. Waterloo Place, Christchurch.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Loughborough District. - The next meeting will be held at Woodhouse Eaves on Saturday, Sept. ith. Hells (6) ready at 3.30 p.m.-D. S. Collins, Hon. Dis. Sec.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUlLD.-Portsmouth District.-A by-meeting will be held at Catherington on Saturday, Sept. Ifth. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Will all those intending to be present kindly inform me by Wednestay, the ilth? All ringers welcone.-F. W. Rogers, Hon. Sec., 52, Samuel Road, Portsmouth.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Bedford District. The next meeting will be held at Wilden on Saturday, Scpt. I4th. Bells (5) available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. All ringers welcome.-P. C. Bonnett, Stagsten, Bedford.

ONFOR! DIOCESAN (illizD.-North Bucks [3aneth, - A quarterly meeting of above branch will be held at Great Brickizill on Saturday, Sept. I4th. Bells (6) atvailable from 2.30 p. n7. Service 3.30 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. Those requiring tea please notify me not later than Sept. $9^{\text {th }}$. All visitors welcome. -Walter Sear, Hon. Sec., 19, Alberi Street, Bletchley.

SALISBLRY DIOCESAN GUILD. - Marlborough Brancl. - The next meeting of the branch will be held at Chiselcion on Saturday, Sept. ith. Those requiting tea kinclly notify the secretary.-Cyril Hussey, Hon. Sec., East Leaze, Baydon, Marlborough.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Hunts District.A meeting will be beld at Long Stanton on Saturday, September i4th. Will those requiring tea please send a card to Mr. F. Wallington, Long Stanton, Cambridge.Katherine Fields, Dis. Sec., High Street, St. Neots.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GiUILD. - Central Bucks Branch.-Meeting at Winslow, Saturday, September I4th. Ringing 2.15 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., i/- each. Please send number for tea to the Hon. Sec., Rev. J. F. Amies, Edgcote Rectory, Aylesbury, by Tuesday, September roth.

ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD.-The mext meeting will be held at Stone on Sat., Sept., 14th. Bells available at $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All ringer welcome.-A. J Battin, Hon. Sec., Heronden Hall Garders, Tenterden.

MIDLAND COLNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Peak Dis-irict.-The next meeting will be held at Tideswell on Saturday, Sept. 14th. Chureh of St. John the Baptist. Bight bells (tenor i3 cwt.) available afternoon and evenner. Ted (free). Meeting in the Institute at 5 p.m. Tea will only be guaranteed to those who notify Mr Tiiles Chapmatn, Belmont House, Tideswell, by Sept. :ath. A good attendance is hoped for.-J. E. Lewis Gockey, Hon. Dis. Sec., Leamwood, Dore.

LADIES' GUILLD.--Northern District. - A meeting wid be held at Tideswell in connection with the Peak District of the Mitland Counties Association. Arrangements for tea, please see M.C.A. notice. - N. Cawthorne, 1 -Ton. See, 394, I-Tandsworth Road, Sheffielc.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Asliford Dis-trict.-The annual district meeting will be held at Hythe wn Saturday, September 21st, by kind permission of Rev. Chestel de Boinville. Tower open ar 2.30. Service at 5 o'clock, followed by tea and business meening. Election of officers for the coming year. A good attendance is requested. All ringers welcome.-A. C. Kay, Dis. Sec., 6, Sturges Road, Ashford.

ESSIEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Western Division.A meeting will be held at Barking on Saturday, Sept. $21 s t$. Bells (8) from 2.30 p.m. Service $4.43 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea in Alumitpal Restaurant 5.15 p.m., is, per head. Will Those intending to be present and requiring tea advise

Mr. G. W. Fankner, \&t, Abbey Road, Barking, by Thursday, the rgth, latest? This meeting las been specially arranged in conjunction with the Weck's Hallowing Services held in connection with the restoration of the ancient Abbey Charch of St. Margaret's. All ringing friends cordially invited.-E. J. Butler, Dis. Sec., 3, Eustace Road, Chadwell Heath.

SURREV ASSOCIATION.-North-Western District -The next meeting will be held at Beddington on Saturday, Sept. 2ISt. Tower open for ringing 3. oclock. Service 5 p.m. Tea following. Those requiring tea please notify me not later than Wednesday, Sept. isth.D. Cooper, Hon. Sec., 5 , Harrison's Rise, Croyclon.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - The eighth annual commemoration dinner to the memory of the late Jasper Whitfield Snowdon and past officers of the Yorkshire Association will be held at the King's Head Hotel, Change Altey, Sheffield, on Saturday, Sept. 2 ISt, when the chair will be taken by the Venerable John Russell Darbyshire, M.A., Archdeacon of Sheffield, at 6 p.m. prompt. The bells of the Cathedral (z2) and St. Marie's R.C. (8) will be available from 2.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. Good accommodation provided for visitors staying overnight if desired. Dinner tickets (price 5s. 6d. each) may be had from Messrs. G. Lewis, R. Harrison, jun., and M. E. Wilson, or direct from the undersigned, not later than Tuesday, Sept. ${ }^{1} 7^{\text {th }}$. Kindly enclose remittance with application.-Sidney F. Palmer, 87, Bradley Street, Crookes, Sheffield.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. - West Dorse Branch. -For the quarterly meeting to be held on Sept. aist the following three towers will be visited: Rampis ham, Evershot and South Perrott. A charabanc will call for ringers at Bridport 2 p.m., Bradpole 2.10 p.m. Netherbury 2.20 and Beaminster and Stoke Abbott 2. 30 p.nı. Teas will be provided only for those sencling names by the $17^{\text {th }}$ inst. - T. Hervey Beams, Hon. Sec Bradpole, Bridport.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-. Eastern Divi-sion.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Battle on Salurday, Sept. 2Ist. Tower open at 2.30 p.mn. Service all 4.30 p.m. Tea, by kind invitation, at 5 o'clock. Business meeting to follow. Will all those intending to be present kindly let me know by Wedresday, Sept. ISth? -G. W. Stokes, Hon. Dis. Sec., 22, Melbourne Rond, Eastbourne.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICIS ASSOCIA TION.-Northern Branch. - A meeting of the abow branch will be held at Stone, near Kidderminster, on Saturday, Sept. 2Ist. Beils available at 3 o'clock. Service in church at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Business meeting to follow. -A. J. Skelding, Branch Sec., 7, Cecil Strect, Storir britge.

DEVON GUILD.-North-Eastern Branch. - A quillterly meeting will be held at Stoodleigh on Saturday Sept. 2Ist. Bells (6) zvailable 2.3o. Service 4.45. Ten is. each, 5.15. Will those requiring tea send their names without fail to Mr. Bishop, Church Cottage, Stoodleich, by Tuesday, Sept. Ifth?-M. Hanson, Hon. Sec and $\Gamma$ reasurer.

LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - The next meeting will be held at Caldicot on Saturday, Sept. 2Ist (St. Mattitew's Daty) Bells ( 8 ) available all the afternoon. Meeting at 4.30 , Followed by tea and service at 6 p.m.--Joln $W$. Jones, Hon. Sec., Cartref, Barrack Road, Numport, Mon.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION. - The Crawford Silver Cup Competition will be held at East Martian, near Tuxford, on Saturday, Sept. 2 st. First company drawn to take ropes at 3 p.m. Tea and meeting to be held after contest. Those desiring tea must inform the honorary secretary before Sept. 18th. Bells available 10 all ringers immediately after contest. All ringers webcome. Good attendance requested. Good bus services from all directions.-R. W. Stockclale, 34, High Street, Ordsall, Retford, and H. Revill, Hon. Secs.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 5637)-T The annual dinner will be held at the Bridge House Hotel, London Bridge, on Saturday, Nov. goth, at 5.30 p.m. -William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec.

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[^57]nothing we can say can increase the love and esteen in which he is held, not only by the members of the Cambridge University Guild, but by all who know him. In the name of the Exercise we congratulate him most heartily upon bis presidential jubilee.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

WREXHAM, DENBIGHSHIRE THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thuysilay, Septenter 5, 1929, it Thete Hours and Tutenty-Four Minutes At tee Parish Cherce of St. Giles.
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 6007 CHANGES;
Tenor 25 cwt . in D .
Robert Sperring ... ...Treble George R. Jones a ... ... $6^{6}$
 -Jambs C. E. Simpson ... 3 James Morgan ... ... ... 8 Genry W. Wilde $. . . \quad . . .4$ Percival W. Cave ... ... 9 Jambs Martin ... ... ... 5 Wilifam Weatherby ... temor Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood. Conducted by Percival W. Cave * First peal of Stedman Caters 'inside.'

SOUTHOVER, LIWES. THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday, September 7, 1929, in Three Hours ard Eleian Alinutes,
At tee Chorce of St. Joen-the-Baptisi,
A peal of stedman caters, bo43 changes;
Tenor 17 ewt. 1 qr. 20 lb .
*Ernest G. Higgin ... ...Treble Ersd Wilford ... ... ... 6 Albert H, Ward .. ... 2 Frank Bensett ...... Frederici N. Smeaton ... 3 Frank I. Hairs.... Mrs. F. I. Hars ... ... 4 Roberi J. Dawe ... ... ... 9 C. Ernest Smith ... ... 5 George H. Sbuker ... ... Tenor Composed by Gabriel Lindofr. Conducted by Frank Benneti

* First peal with a working bell. This peal was rung as a compliment to Mre. E. Goldamith on attaining ber 83 rd birthday. Mr, Wilford was elected a member of the association in the tower.

LONDON.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, September 7,7929, in Three Hours and Ton Minutes, Ay the Churce of St. Margaret, Wectminster.
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWIEH GOURT BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor 264 cwt.


Composed by C. W. Roberts. Conducted by W. H. Hewett.

* First peal of Double Norwich Royal, also first in the method by the association. First peni of Double Norwich Royal as comductor.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

ORMFSBY, FORKSFIRE.
GLEVELAND AND NORTH YORESHIRE ASEOCIATION. On Wednesday. June 5. 1929, in Two Howrs and Fifty-Three Minntes, At the Parish Cherch,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor 18 cwt.

| S. Yates | Trebia | J. C. Poleard |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| *Ralph Jackson... | 2 | W. Elleringion |
| Miss L. Lancaster | .. 3 | T. Metcaper |
| Jobn G. Hact | 4 | T. Lancister | Joba G. HaEL .... ....... 4 , T. Lancaster ... ... .... 「emor Composed by J. A.

* First peal in method. This peal was rung to commemnrate (1) the birthday of His Majesty the King, June ${ }^{2} \mathrm{ct}$, (2) anniversary oi wedding of ringer of Sth, June 5 th, (3) hirthdays of ringers of bill and 7th, Jnoe 5th, (4) bitholay of ringel of tenor, Junc 8th, (5) 2lst birthday of ringar of treble, June 13 th.

ORMESBY, YORKSHIRE
CLEVELANU AND NORTH YORKSEIRE ASSOCIATION. On Wednesday, August 14, 7929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Fivs Minktes,

## At the Parish Cebrch,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holt's Ten-pary.
Tenor 18 cwt .

Jogn G. Hall ... ... ... 3 T. Metcalfe ...
J. C. Poleard

Couducted by Ralph Jackson.
\% First peal pn inside bell in method; also first peal as conductor, and rung at the first attempt. † First peal. This peal was rung as a welcome to the newly inducted Vicar of Ormesly (Rev. E. F. Wood).

LISCARD, CHESEIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Wirral Branch.)
On Saturday, August 17, 1929, in Thre Hours and One Minute.
At the Parish Cejrch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, E120 CHANGES;
Tenor $16 \mathrm{cwt}, 2 \mathrm{qr} .2 \mathrm{lb}$. in F


CHERCH, LANCASHIRE.
THE UANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, Scptomber 2, 1929, in Three Hours and Tin Minutes.
At fee Church of Sx. James.
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANEES;
Tenor Ift cwt.
Iames Parr
Thomas Watson...
Trebla Arthor Lord

Joen Cavannage
Arnold Bronton
ames Ingham 5
6
... 4 Ladrence J, Willeams ...Teror Conducted by L. J. Williams. Arrenged for Ms. T. Watson, of Dalton-in-Furness.

## LIVERPOOL.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tusaday, Seplenber 3. 1929, in Three Hours and Elewen Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANEES; Tenor 15 cwt I qr. 23 lb , in G
G. Ronald Edwards ... ...Treble $\mid$ John Bagley ... ... ... 5

John Breese ... ... ... 3 Erancis Brutherion ... 6
Thomas Rogers ... ... ... 3 James F. Smith ... ... ... 7 Ralph G. Edwards ... ... 4 James C. E. Simpgon... ...Temay Composed by F. Dench. Conducted by J. C. E. Simpson,
This peal was rung on the front eight of the rwelve to replace an attempt for Bob Royal, which was fusirated by the breaking of a alapper. Mr. Brotherton is from Wolverhampton, and this was his first attempt for a peal of Treble Bob.

> STOWMARFET, STFFOLK.
> THE SUPFOLK GUILD.


## At the Chorch of GS. Peter and Mary,

## A PEAL DF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE HAJOR, 5024 CHANGES:

Tenor 24 cut.
Seelford Sparrow ... ...Treble William C. Romsey Leslie C. Whiteman .. ... 2 Cbarles E. Fisher Willias J. Ghoom ... ... 3 Erenest F. Popph
$\qquad$
$\qquad$ Composed by Wm, Wighiman. Conducted by William C . Rनmsey Arranged as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the tenor, also to the duughter of the conductor. First peal in a Surprise method by the treble nan, who rang the bell in an excellene manner.

GEORGEFAM. DEYON.-Dit August 29th, at the Parish Chumels, a quarter-pea! of firandsire Twiples ( 1,260 changes) is 42 mins.: J. Riehards 1, C. Rook 2, F. G. Riage 3, J. Sprague 4, G. Eiler 5, A. F. Hayward 6. W. J. Jefiries (conductor) 7, A. Turner 8. First quarter-peal on the belly.

> BIRSTALL, YORKSHIRE.
> THE YORKSHIRE 4 SSOCIATION. (LEEDS AND DIStRICT SocIETY.)

On Satuyday, September 7, 1929, in Thyer Hours and Fourten Minmtes, At the Chorch of St. Peter.
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, $50 g$ G EHANES;
Tenor 22 cwt. I qr. 7 lb.
Caarles E. Lawion ... ...Treble | Thomas Wm. Sirangeway 5 Grorge Barraclodgh ... 2 Harry Marsden... ... ... Edward Crowther $. . . \quad . . . \quad 3 \quad$ Henry H. Smith $\quad . .$. William H. Senior ... ... 4 Herbert Peel ... ... ... Tenoy Composed by G. Eindorg. Conducted by Thomas W. Strangeway ECOLES, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Satwrday. September 7, 1929. in Three Howrs,
At the Choreh of St. Mary.

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:

 Tenor 193 cwt .Algred Barnes ... ... ...Treble. W. W. Wolstencrott Robert Davis
.. 2 foseph H. Ridyard ... ... 5
James T. Potter

| ... | 3 | john Potier... | ... | .. | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| ... | 4 | William Pennington | $\ldots$ | eno |  |

Wifrred J, Moss ....... 4 William Pennington ...f enor
Composed by Rev. H. Earee Belwer. Conducted by John Poiter First peal on the bells.

BLACKBURN, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday, September 7, 1929, in Thyes Honvs and Two Minutes, At tee Churce of St. Michagland All Angels.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Parker's Tweeve-part.

| Fred Hindle. ... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ Tyebla | Thomas Watson | ... | .. | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Joen Shmberson | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Arthor Tomlinson... | $\ldots$ | 6 |
| James Harrison | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | Ladrence J. Williams | ... | 7 | *Fred Bentley

Conducted by A. Tombinson.
First peal in the method. Mr. T. Watson is from Daltor-in-

## Furmess. BREWOOD, STAFFORD

THE SOCDETY FOR THE AROHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.
Um Saturday, Septuber 7, 1929, in Three Haws and Tem Minutes.

## At the Parisin Chtrch,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Groves Transpasition of Parkrr's Twelve-part.
Tenor 2I星 cwt.
Frank Howt
..Tyebla Abraham E. Winterton
$\dagger$ John Yerrold
2 Harry Boswell
Edward F. Mivchelí
Herbert T, Piper ... 4 Teomas Perky ... ... Ten

* Hhist purl and lirst attempt, also proposed a member of tho society previous to starting the peal. 1 First peal. Rung on tho eve of the Dedication Festiyal.

HARRIETSEAM, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOOIATION.
On Sathrday, Septenter 7, 1929. in Two Hours and Fi/ty-Seven Minutes,
At the Chgref of St. John-the-Baptist,
4 PEAL DF DOUBLE MORWICH COURT BDE MAJOR, EO24 CHAWEES
Tenor $1_{3}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ cwt. in $G$.
Thomas E. Soni... ... ...T Treble Samdel E. Taylor
Mrs. H. Baker ... ... ... 2 Cgarles H. Sone
Willjam E. Pitman ... ... 3 Harry Barer
William Spice ... ... ... 4 Frederick A. Fairbeafn ... Ttho
Composed by Gabriez Linpors. Conducted by Thomas IE Song
Rung as a birthday peal for MIes.

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A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;
 Tenor 18 cwt .

Composed by Gabriel Liadopf. Conducted by Wm. B. Dencan * First peal of Majou. † First peal of Oxford "inside." PENWORTHAM, LANCASHIRE.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS and THE LaNCASHire association.
On Saturday, Soptemier 7, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At tag Chorch of St. Mary,
a peal of counle monwign count mon major, 6040 enamels, Tenor $8 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

Composed by $\Lambda_{\text {rygor }}$ Knigets (roo.) Conducted by B. A. Knigers. OXHEY, HERTS.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Satarday, Seplember 7, 1929, in Three Howrs, At the Cburch of St. Mattere,
4 PEAL OF superlatiye surprise major, goss chamess: Tenor 8 cwt.
Harry long
Henry Hodgetts
-Ernest G. Garrard Stephen H. Hoare..

Treble William G. Weitregad ... 5 Stephen H. Hoare ... ... 4 Ronald H. Bolien ... ...Temo Composed and Conducted by Grorge H. Cross.

* Jirst peal in the method. The conductor's 100th Surprise peal.


## SIX BELL PEALS.

KCMBOLTON, HEREFORDSHIRE. TEE EEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Suadivy, August 25. 1929, in Tro Hours and Forty Minktes,
At ine Cadrea of St. James,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor 10 cwt .
Fredrrick $\boldsymbol{A}$. Jacne Treble Joun F. Fox...
2 William H. Jatne
3 Rev A S Hotcanson ... 5
Cbarles Jaine ....
Thomas G. Coore
Conducted by F. A. JAine.
Rung with all the 'Mqils piain hunting ins tarn, two 720 's with the Znd ind 4th, and one each with the frelbe, 3ud and 5th. This is the firat peal of Grandsire-rung on this principle for the Guild. FELEIRK, YORKS.
BARNSLEY AND DISTRIOT SOCIETY.
On Fividay, Augist 30, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Sevsn Minutes, At the Parish Chergh,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES; Being 720 each of Norfolk Surpribe, Primeose Surprise, London Vicloy, Duke of Chateace, Hoylandswaine, Queen Bess and York Delight.

Tenor 10 cwt.
A. Kelsall
A. Cole...



Conducte ${ }^{\text {by J T, White. }}$

LEOMINSTER, HEREFORDSEIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, August 31, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Six: Minutes,
At the Ceurce of SS. Peter and Padl,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of St. Dunstan's, Morning Star, Old Doubles, April Day, Plain Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Grandsire.

Tenor 8 cwt . (approx.).

 Conducted by F. A. Jaine.

* First peal ia seven meibods. First peal in seven methods on tha bells. Rung on the front six of the peal of ten, and in honour of the wedding of W. H. Jaine and 3iss C. Preece, who were married earlier in the day.


## DENTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, August31, 1929, in Three Hours and Five minutes,
Ait the Chorch of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Being eight six-scores of Plain Bob and 34 six-scores of GrandsireTenor 15 cwt.


Conducted by J. G. Grary.
LLANELLI, BRECONSEIRE.
THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GULD.
On Wednesday, September 4, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,
At tee Chorch of St. Elli,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Seven different extents.
Tenor 13 cwt .
Wilfred Williams ... ...Treble $\mid$ Grorge Popnell ...

Conducted by W. Williams.
Rung as'a farewell ta W. Williams, an old boy of the above tower who is leaving to take up a position in Deptford. It was also a birthday compliment to S. T. Rackham.

## COBHAM, SURREY,

THE GULDFORD DIOCESAN GULDD.
On IVednesday, September 4, 1929, in Two Hours and Thiry-Four Minutes.
At the Caurce of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;

Seren extents.

- Williad James ... Arthor Shith ....Trbie William T. Beeson
 Alpred H. Wince .... ... 3 Albert Harman ... ...Tenor

Conducted by Albert Harman.

* First Surprise pal. First peal of Surprise on the bells.

CRANFORD, NORTHANTS.
THE PETERBOROUGE DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sathriay, September 7, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,
At tee Chorca of St. John.

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 6040 CHANEES:

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Ozford and Kent Treble Bob, apd two 720 's each of Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt . I q̧. 2 lb . - Frid Armold
$\dagger$ William Wbitmore......$z^{2}$ George W. Jabra $\quad . .$.
 Conducted by Leslie Groom.

* First peal in zoore than one method. † First pesl in fye metliods.


## BARLEY, HERTS.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIA?ION.
Ow Thursday, Septenber 5, 1929, in Two Fowt and Forty-Seven Minutes

## AI tee Chorcy of St. Margaret

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANEES;

Being 720 exch of Ipswich, London, Wells, York, Durham, Cambridge and Beverley.

Tenor 8 cwt

 | Mass Ifitty Willers... |
| :--- |
| John W... Ward |
| Jo....... |

Conducted by Robert Howard. MORTON, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION

On Friday, September 6, 1929, in two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,
At tee Cagrcu of the Holy Cross,
A PEAL OF BOE MINOR, 5040 CHANEES;
Being seven different 7e日's.
Tenor 43 cwt.


## CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD TOUR

ICKLETON, ©AMBS.
THE CAMBHIDGE CNivERSITY GCILD
On Wedmasday, Sthembet 4, 1929, in Threc Hours and Fourteen Minutes,
At the Parish Chorch of St. Mary Magdalene
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, $5: 84$ CHANGES Temor 18 cwt.
F. E. Haynes (St. Cath.) Trele 1 Rev, H.S.Richardson ( $T_{i}$.) 5
E. M. Athins (St. Cath.)

Rev.H.G. Benson (King's)
R. O. Street (St. John's)

Composed by W. Harrison.

## BOERN, CAMBS

THE UAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Tharsday, Siptember 5, 1929, in Thice Hokrs and Four Minctes,
At mee Chorch of SS. Mary and Helena

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRiPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Thorstans' Four.pari,
Tenor $\mathrm{I}^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathrm{cwt}$ J. H. R. Fresbors (Clate) Treble Canon G. H. Ridoor (Sel) $z$ E. M. Atkins (St. Cath) Rev. H. S. Ricaardson (Ty.) 5 W. H. J. Hooton (Queens') 5 Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn ( $\mathrm{I}_{\text {rin.) }} 7$ F. E. Haynes (Se Cath) ... 4 J. R. Doffizld (Selwyn) ...Tenor

Conducted by kev. C. W. O. Jenhyn
First peal in the method on the bells.

## SOHAM, CAMBS.

TIIE CAMBRLDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD
On Friday, September 6,"1929, in Ihee Honys and Ninetecn Minutes,

## At the Chorce of St. Andrew,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATEAS, 5000 CHANGEB;
Tenor 2 I cwt.
Rev. H. Law Jambs (Caius) Treble $\mid$ R. O. Street (St. John's) J. H. R. Fregbors (Clate) z Rev. R.H.Whitford (Pemb.) 3 Canon G. H. Ridony (Sel.) Rev. B. F. Sheppard (Tim) 5 E. M. Atkins (St Cath) W. H. J. Hooron (Oueensi) ${ }^{7}$ Rev.C.W.O.Jenkyn (Trin.) 9 Rev. B. H. Tyawhiti-Drake (Pemb.) Tenor
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## DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.

## MEFTING AT EEDGLEY.

The quarterly meeting of the athove Guild was held on Saturday, August 3lst, at all Saints' Church, Sedgley, Staff's, but was sparsely attended owing to the inclemency of the weather, whicn greaty marred the proceedings. The beauciful peal of eight bells werc $k$ opt merrily going irom 3 p.m. until the service, ai which the Guiht form was used. The Ticar of Sedrley (Rev. Dr. Swindell) conducted the service, and gave an eloguent address. The assistant priest, the Rev. Aleock, also took part in tho serviee. The Vicar extended a cordial welcome to the mombers of the Guild.
A bountiful tea was aerved in the schoolroom, and "Eull justice w'as done to the good things provided, but it is ragretted that so few turned up to enjoy them. After tea, the business meeting tonk place, the chair being occupied by the Vicar, who was supported by his warden, Mr. E. A. Dews. Apologies were received Irom Mr. E. A. Babb, people's warden, and from Mr. A. Greenfeld. Business of a rouilie character baving been disposed of, ITr. S. J. Hughes gave bis report npon the business tranacted at the Central Conncil meeting al Cbelmaford. He lucidly explained matters dealt with, and asked Mr. F. W. Perreas, who also autended the meeting at Chelmsford, to say a few words. Mr. Perrens very ably dealt with the question of six-bell peals, and at the close of their remarks a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to hoth these gentlemen.
It was arranged to hold the mext quarierly mecting at Netherton, subject to the usual permission being obtained. It was also propasod to attempt the quarteriy peal at Sedgles, tho arrangements being left in the hauds of the Ringing Master (Mr. John Goodman, jua.)

On the proposition of Mr. Jolun Price, it was decided to send a letter of sympathy to the family of the late Mr. G. N. Cockin, of Halesowen.
At the close of the mecting, on the proposition of Mr. S. J. Hughes, seconded by Mr. John Price, and supported by the Vicar's warden, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar of Sedgley for his kindness in granting permission to the Guild to holid The meeting at Sedgley, for conducting the service, and for his eloquent address, also for the use of the tower and bells. Thanks were also given to Mr. Benjamin Eullwood for his untiring efforts in helping to make the meeting a success; to the Rep. Alcock for his share in the serriee; and to the organist for the musical part of the service.

A special vote of thanks was given to Mrs. Frulwood, who kindly undertook to provide the tea, and to ifore young ladies who assisted her in preparing and serving the bueal. Thanks were aleo tendered to Mr. Dews, the Vicar's wardeb, for his prasence and support, and to all who assisted in any way to make itite meeting a happy and successful one.

The members afterwards returned to the belfry and kept tho bells merrily going until wearly mine o'elock.

## GORING RINGER'S RECORD

Goring-on-Thames is to have a peal of eight bells, and the last touch on the old six prior to dimanating was rung on Sunday week, whon a six-score of Grandsire Doublec was brewght ronand by 3. Bower 1, L. Haines 2. W. Aldidge 3, H. Perry 4, G. Wilson 5, R. Barkins 6. An interesting feature ahout ihis six-score was that it was called by J. Bower, who conducterl the first 120 rung on these bells, over 40 rears ago.
It was early in ilje year 1888, when ilhere ware only five bella in the tower, itat the Rev. C. Littlewond promisen asixth bell to the ringers as soon as they could recomplisin the feat of ringing 120 changes; this they did in Harch of that year. The ringers on that ocoasion were J. Holder 1, J. Tarrant 2, W. Aldridge 3, W. Moss 4, J. Bower (conductor) 5 . By condueting the lest 120 on the ring of sis, Mr. Bower can claim fa wonderful lucal recorn.
The new bells are the gift of the late Mr. H. A. Lacey Smith, and are expected to be ready early in December.

## FIRST PEAL ON ECCLES' NEW BELLS

The bells, which were formerly at St. John ${ }^{\text {s }}$ Church, DeansgaLe, Manclester, have been recast (with the exception of the tenor) and re-erected at St. Mary's Chmref, Eccles, Lancs. Tho work was carried out by Messrs. Taylor and Ca., Eouglabornugh. The firgt peal on the bells was rung on Saturday by members of the Lancam shire Associntion representing eight towers, viz., Redditch, West Didsbury. Eceles, Stretford, Ashton-under-Lyns, Worsley, Walkden and Smithills, Boltor. The peal was rung on the eve of the 20th anniversary of the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. J. Wyles, to whom the riggers wish to convey their thanks for tho bospitality shown to them aiter the peal.

## PEAL CORRECTION

The fime for the 7,200 changes of Buh Minor rung at Lavenham, Sufolk, on laandhells, Satnrday, August 31st, was two bours and thirty-seven minutes, not three lours an! thity-seven minutes.

## GLIMPSES OF THE PAST

MORE CLIPPINGS FROM A SCRAP BOOK
This is to acquaint the pahlic that on Easter Tuesday mext, at New Shoreham, two half-guinea lats will be rung for, a round peal on six bells, to raise and fall. T'o meet at John Jarman's, at the sign of the Red Lion, at New Shoreham aforessid.' This quaint nnnouncement of a riyging contest at New Slioreham, Sussex, appeared ' F fho 'Sussex Weekfy Advertiser' of March $41 \mathrm{~h}, 1771$. It was piodahly promoted by Jolin Jarman, but what will no doubt strike rendera as curious are the prizes-lwo half-guinea hats. What would have been the use of two hats among six :ingers? Perhaps they world pass them rouni and use them in tirin.
Fifty or sixty years ngo ringing contests were of frequent occurrence in sonue parts of the country, and one sucle took place at Holy. Trinily Church, Loww Moor, Yorks, and extended aver two diays. Fiight banuls of ringers took part, and each had to ring 'half the peal of Holt's Grandsire Triples, or 2,520 changes, and a peal of Kent 'treble Eol.' The prizes emonuterd to £28. One worders what tise umpires got! The Editor of 'Cburch Bells' entered a strong protest argainst tho compctition, in this efforts to further 'belfry reforsh,' "nad at the same time he took an almost equally strong line against Sunday peal ringing. He said the praetice of ringing bells before service is peculiur to the North of England; but it is not the legitimate way for calling people to clurch; the luella should be chimed, pouring forll their sweetest and most suldued music.'

## A ST. MARIIN'S, BIRMINGEAM, RESTORATION.

The recent reasting of the bells of St. Martin's Church, Birmingliam, recalls the fact that abouk sixty years ago tinere was no ring ing upon lhem for two years. On Ghristmas Day, 1868, a gudgeon of the elwenth broke, anrl a woek after this accident it was found that the fifth was eracked. The fourth of that time was always considered a poos bell, so that white repaiss were being undertaken it was decided to recast the fourth and fifth, ald to hang the whole peal in a new fionce. Blows nucl Co. recast the bells, and upwards of 700 cuthic feet of onk was put into ine two frames, which cnrried the hells in two biers. Incidentally, his frame now holds the new peal of wwelve it win wo yerrs before the work was completed, and the cost was ahout $\begin{gathered}500 \text {, } 1 \text { rived by puhlic subscription. The }\end{gathered}$ Church Council of St. Mntin's have been saved the tast of raising the wost of the last big undertaking-the new peal of twelve-for, as why be known to many, a "rope ofoft" fund has supplied the nucessary money. Jwo or three centuries ago a generous supporter of the hells left a plocerof land, the income from whidh was to go to the provision of bell ropes. Whith the propress of time, the ancient lenses lapsech, and the lnan, now woll within the boundaries of the city and covered with huildings, is bringing in a substantial innual rental which is devoted lo shurch maintenance and restoration purposes-as well as the prowision of bell ropes. New bells ware required, and the 'rope croft' provided thens.

THE COST OF FUNERAL BLLLS.
The custom of ringing 'the passing bell' is consicered as old as the use of bolls themgelves in Christian churches. Old records prove that fron four lundred to five hundred years ago the relatives, if they cand afford it, could choose the number of bells that were to be rang for the occasion. That a death knell was not limiterl to the bolfing of one hell seems to be prowed by an order of "leet" at Coventry in 1496, by which it was ordained that 'all man p"sones that. heraflir will have the bells to ryng after fe decease of eny their friends, lincy shall pay for a bell rynging w't all ye belles ijs (2s.) ; xxd. (1s. 8d.1 yt of to ye chircheward, and iiij (4d.) to ye clerks. And yf he well have but iiij lyelles xvjel (1s. 6n.) ; xid. (1s.) to ya Charel and itij to ye clerks. And ins for ifj belles, eny p'son y'l well have theym to payc but iiij to the clerks.
In the purish of Wolchurch in 1526 , the charchwardens set out Whe scale of "fees thas:
Fiynte, for the leste belle to rynge the space of oue ower, for man or wamail, of clylde, 4d.
Item, the geconile bell to rynge one ower, Bd.
Itera, thyrde helle to rynge ons ower, 8rl.
Eborn, whute pursome whll have the thyrde to ring 6 owres before nonn, or aftor mone, with the three smallyste belles to rynge at dyryge and masse, to pisy 3s. 4d.
rtan, whate persone wyll have the fourthe bell to rynge 6 owres hefore mone, or after none, witli the four smallest belles at dyryge and masan, to pay 5s, 0 d.
Item, whate persone wyll have the 5 th belie, wiyche is the greatest belle, to rynge 6 owres byfore noue, or after none, wivi alle the bellos to rymge al dyryge and masse, shall par gar go and the sextone to have for the same greate belle, fyndymge all the ringers, 6s. 8d.
Ftem, the sextone to fynite the roope for the same, ath also the inwdrycks for the same helle at hys owne coste and charge.

Also hyt in agreed the same tyme the clerke have all the vantage of the 4 inells and the to fyude hoth bawdrycks and ropes for the 4 neyd bellos.
Hom, tho elerke to have all the vantage to hymselfe of ryagyige of the beiles for yorely sibyts, and crerely myndes.

Item, the clerke to have for tollonge of the passyage belle for manne, womanne, or childes, if it be in the day, 4d.
Item, if it be in the night, for the same, 8 d.

## 'GENTLEMEN OF EDUCATION.'

On Tuesday, March 14 th , 1871, six members of the University of Oxford paid a risit to the neighbouring village of Islip, and succeeded in ringing on the pretty peal of six several peals of Sixscore Grandsire Doubles: Rep. E. P. Barrow (Oriel), treble; J. S Leadam, Esq. (Univ.), 2nd; R. Troyte, Esq. (Twinity), 3rd: H. C. Sturges, Esq. (Univ.), 4th; J. E. Troyte, Esq. (Christ Church), 5th; W. B. Ingham, Esq. (Univ.), tenar. Gondueted by John E. Troyte, Esq., College Youth.

In these days such a performance would hardly be noticed. But in 1871 it was a significant sign of the times, and "Church Bells, in giving prominence to it, added the comment, "Probably these are the first peals on record rung entirely by gentlemen of education. The bells were fairly struck, without any break down; three of the ringers had only been learning since last November. What an encouragement to others to follow their cxample! Besides being able to sing, we think epery young elergymen should be able to ring, aad thea lie will be able to take his proper place in the belfry.

## ALL "SNAPPERS."

In the year 1793 there was a very capable six-bell company a Bingley, Yorks, and on the occasion of a local higwig, William Busfeild, Esc., attaining his majority, they "rang sevel whole peals of 720 changes each, in all 5,040 changes, on the most diffeult of known methods, all "Snappers," namely, Chestew, London, Garlisle, Chelsea, Lincoln, Lichfield, Wells. This will be acknowledged to be a mosk remarkable and uncommon feat, all the performers being members of the Bingley Company." This company continued to maintain a high standard, and two of them, Jsare Rhodes and Hezekiali Briggs, took part 33 pears later in thirty-six twelve scores in all 8,640 changes, in 36 methods. Rhodes aud Briggs shared the conducting in this peal. The methods were all Treble Bob or Sur prise methods. 'The above is the greatest number of peals on record rung by one company, all living in the same town, and was acknowledged to be a masterpiece by the best anthorities of the time. The performance, as far as is known, is without a paraliel in the history of change vinging.

## FIRS'L COMRINED UNIVERSITY PEAL.

Ou Saturday, Warch 10th, 1877, seven members of the Oxford University Society of Change Ringers, assisted by Mr. C. A. W Troyte, of Trinity Hall, Cambridge, and Huntsham Court, Deron rang at the Parish Chitroh ai Appleton, Berks, Holt's six-part peal of Grandsire Triples, oomprising 5,040 changes. It was brought round in 2 frs. 58 mins. by the Fallowing: J. R. Keble (Kehle) treble, F. A. Milue (Keble) 2, C. D. P. Davies (Pembroke) 3, H. W Ellicott (Brasenose) 4, G. H. Phillott (Christ Church) 5, Rev. F. E. Robinson (Exeter) 6, G. A. W. Troyte (Trim. Hall, Ganlo.) 7, W. C H. Bume (Keble) tenor, Conducted by the Rev. F. E. Robinson. This is the first peal ever rung by members of the two Unirensitiss without the assistance of any other persons

PROGRESS OF IPSWICH COMPANY
On January 17th, 1878, ten members of the Ipswich Society, also of the Norwich Association, rang 1,061 changes of Graudsire Catert in 50 mins., by the following persons: D. Preutice 1, T. Saddler 2 T. Alexander 3, W. Meadows 4, R. Hawes 5, H. Bowel 6, H. Taylor 7, W. Kemp 8, E. Beve 9, J. Minler 10. Conducted by D. Prentice It will be seen by ringers that the above is no great skilful performanec," said a report, "but it is recorded merels to shom the progress made since the formation of the company about twelve months ago, at which time they were scarcely able to ting a course of Grandsire Triples, but through the kinchess and perseverance of the old members several young hands have been raised that are now able to quit themselves creditably in rarious methods, so that at last, it seems probable that this fine ring of twelve bells will have attached to thems a good band of vineers, which they so richiy deserve. The 2nd, 3nd, 7th and 8th were young luands, who had never rung a thousand in the above method before, and besides these the company has several more young liands who are rapidly advancing.'

## LONGEVICY AMONG RJNGERS.

Writing fifty years ago in support of the contention that bell ringing was a healday exereise and canducive to longewitj", Dr. George Gregory, of Great Lever, Bolton, recalled the Painswick peal of 12,312 Grandsire Caters, rung in 1817. "Records of long peals rung at Painswick' (he wote, quoting fiom 'Lefsure Hour')' 'date
back to 1755 , when change ringing was in ils infancy. The Pains wiet men who rang these later penls may therefore be said have been borr mingers. Thein fathers hefore them were mostly rimgers, and they themselves devated much of their leisure to prac tising this arl. It has been shown that Barhem's comrades could muster in such an advanced stage of life that eight of them who were able to ring nveraged 72 years, amb, in the same mantier, the ages of the Painswick men who rang in the pers just described may be cited in favour of the benefcial eftects of ringing. The only survivor of this band (1878) is Giles Mansfeld, who now, at the ag (Continued in next column.)

## SWANSEA AND BRECON GUILD

A meeting was held at Aberavon, Giam, on Saturday, when menbers attended from Catloxton, Baglan, Moryiston, Gorseinon, and the loenl band, and, in nddition, welcome visitors were present from Pentre mad Llanbradsch. The eight bells were raised in peal about 3.30 p .m., and hept going until 4.30 , when a short service was held, conducterl by the curate-un-charge (Rev. A. I. Lewis), who gave the menters of the Guild a welcome to the church. Tea followed in the schootroom, kindly provided by the chureh members, and, needess to say, was emjoyed by all.

At the business meeting, with the Rev. A. T. Lewris in the clair, mention was made of the death of the Yicar of Aberavon, who was an hon, member of the Guild, nud the members stood a few moments in silence as a mark of respect.

Gorseinon was chosen for the place of next meeting, and the Chairman said he was sure all present woutd join him in wishing the local captain and his wife, who were married on the previous Suaday, health nad happiness in the future. -The local captain thanken theat all for thein kind wishes.

Votes of thanks were accorked to the chairman for a[d he had done to make the meating a success, to the donors of the ment lea, and to the ladies for looking after the wants of the company-The Chairman replied, and said it was a pleasure to have the Guild there. He hoped they would come again.

The merlods rong during the day were Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob Majo: and Kent Treble Fob Major.
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of 85 , is alive and bearty; the other nine men died at the respective ages of $89,87,78,80,84,50,71,70$ and 85 years. These mambers, with the age of Mansfield, make an average of nearly 78 years for ench mans: and if the age of the ringer who died at 50 be excepted, the average age of the remaining tine will be 82 years. As a waming to baclulors, it may be mentioned that the ringer wha died at 50 was the only unmarried man amongst the band! These examples will show that ringing may be classed as one of the most beneficial of exereises, aud may fitly be concladed by adding that the oldest riuger ia England is Jonathan Pavier who was born at Sonils Hincksey, neat Oxford, on May $30 \mathrm{~h}, 1778$. He rang his first 5,000 in 1807, and in 1815 ring in a peal of 10,080 of Grandsite Cnters at New College, Oxfard. Although he hias now been blind for many yearo, he is otherwise in full possession of his faculties." The Cuniberland Youths, of which Pavier was a member for nearly 70 years, roug a peal to celebrate his one laundredth bithday in the year 1878.

MR. GEORGE H. CROSS 400 PEALS.
 (b) inclutes 7,136 and 1 peal now-condtreted; (c) includes "name peal.

LAVENHAM. - On Sunday, August 25th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Gracdsire "Iriples ( 1,260 clanges) in 50 mins. : F. A. Poulson 1, A. Symunds 2, W. Faiers 3, W. Jarvis 4, S. H. Symonds (conductor) 5, W. R. I. Poulson 6, F. A. Turner 7, W. A. Tarvis (Wisbech) 8 .

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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

All the arrangements are now satisfactorily completed for the Yorkshire Association's commeroration dinner at Sheffeld an September 2lst, and it is hoped that a large wumber of ringers will give this gathering their loyal support. Those who lave not already applied for tickets should do so at once.
A ringing tour in Dorset has been in progress this week.
A quarterly meeting of the Leicester District, M.C.A., was biela at Billesdon on Saturday. After tea, several members went to ring on the eight bells at Kiog's Norton (Leicestershive, not woreestcrshirc). A novel way of travelling was devised, viz., placing there forms in a lorry, and one of the party took his bicycle por a ride.
The first 720 of London Surprise Minor on the ljells of Eorsmonden Church was rung on the first of this month. Mr. F. I. Lambert, sen., who rang the 2nd, conducted tire first 720 of Minot on these bells 41 years age
'The penl of Stedman Triples rang at Stansteri, Essex, ou August 7th, should be credited to the Essex Association.
The claim to the first peal of Bob Major wn the bells at Moretonliampstead, Devon, made in a footnote to a penl rung ulare ous August 31st, is withdrawu, as a peal in this method was rung on the bells on August 6th, 1924, under the arspices of the Society for the Archdercanry of Staffort.
William shipway composet and conducted the first peal of Imperial Place Major over rung. This was at St. Mary's, Ishington, ont September 13th, 1802. On the peal board recording this penl-we do not know if it is still in existence-shipway was described as
Author of the System of Ringille.
The first peal of Superlative Surprise in Wrales was rung at Llangollen on September 13th, 1907, conducted hy Bertram Prewet, whose great ringing career was eut short by his teath in action in France only fen weeks before the Armistice.

Clatles Middleton, of Norwich, the composer of the one and only peal of Cambtidge Surprise Major with tenors together, died on September 14th, 1886.
The first peal by the Socicty of St. Martin's Youths, of which Sta Martin's Guild for the Diocese of Birminglam is the lineal descendant, was rung at St. Philin's (now the Cathedrali, Birminghann, on September 16th, 1755 . It was a peal of Bob Major.
A London Surprise Major record was set up at Drayton, Berks, on September 17th, 1896, when members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild rang a peal of 11,328 in 6 hrs. 6 mins. The Rev. F. E. RohirSon was at that time Vicar of Draylon and Master of the Guid and was one of the ringers. 'Jim. Washbrook was the conductor' With two men on the 9 th and three on the tonor, the first peal on the then new ring of hells at Granthan was jung on कeptemher 19th, 1775, conducted by W. W. Grofts. They had not heard aboust ball bearings for bells in those cays.

## FAST PEALS,

Our inq̧iry as to eight-hell peals rung in 2 hess. 20 mins, or lems raised as the result of the Crayford Feal of Stedman Triples rung in 2 hrs. 14 mins.-has brotght us a list of four, all lung at the Loughbotough Bell Foundry, where the tenor is 65 ewt. The quickest eight-bell peal rumg there was on February 1解h this year and occupied 2 hrs. 16 mins., which, like the Crayford peal, was over 37 whanges per minute.
5,040 Stedman Triples, February 16th, 1929, conducted by Fir. Elkington, 2 hrs. 16 mins.
5,040 Stedman Triples, Frhruary 14th, 1927, conducted by w. B. Whitehead, 2 hrs. 19 mins.
5,040 Grandsire Triples, April 19tb, 1924, couducted by Emest Morris, 2 Lus. IS mins.
5,152 Superlative Surprise Major, December 2ud, 1922, conducted by F. J. Poole, 2 lirs. 20 mins.
In addition to the above, a peal of Minor on the front six was rung in 1 hr. 54 mins. To this pes, Mr. James George rang the tenor ( 2 cwt 33 lb .). This, we believe, is the quickest peal ever rung on tower bells.
Another fast performance was the 13,440 Bob Major on the same bells ou April 8th, 1922, called by Enost Moris. This was rung in a hrs. 48 mins. The same length, rung on landelis at Pudsey, took 7 hrs. 7 mios.

## RINGERS CELEBRATE GOLDEN WEDDINGS.

On September 2nd, at St. Mary" Church. Broughton Astley, Leicestershire, a guarter-peal of Gramdsire Doubles $\$ 1,260$ ehmges in 49 mins. by: John Brunt 1, Cecil E. Carr 2, Frank S. Bodycote 3, Charles H. Webb (Croft) 4, Henry Bird (conductor) 5. Rung as a compliment to the ringer of the troble and to Mr. Tom Brumt, his brother, on their golden wedding day; also to Mr. C. H. Weblr on his silver wedding. Mr. John Brunt las been parish clerk at the church for 30 years. He is captain of the local band, and has actually beed a ringer at the church for 57 years. Mr. Tom Brunt was for many years a member of tha loeal band, and regardess of his 76 years carae into the belfy after the quarter-peal and rang in few rounds.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

## [Contributed.]

The support which the Rev. C. D. P. Davies gave in his letter in the last issue of 'The Ringing World' to the sugrestions put forward by the writer for bringing the Exercise and the Central Council into closer touch, is very gratifying. As Honorary Secretary of the Council for something like 20 years, the Rev. C. D. P. Davies has, periaps, a more intimate knowledge than anyone else of its working and, if one may say so, of its shortcomings. His comments-they can hardiy be called criticisms-are welcomed, as would be any other reasoned opinions upon the suggestions put fotward, advanced as they were solely in the hope of promoting the welfare of the art of ringing by strengthening the ties between the Council and the affiliated associations.

Mr. Davies says that he has never yet been able to discover the 'ground of disagreement' between the Gloucester and Bristol Association and the Councii, the ground alleged hitherto being, in his opinion, 'ridiculously inadequate.' That is probably the view of many other people, but the fact remains that upon some ground or other the Gloucester and Bristol Association has withdrawn its membership, and the Council ought not merely to leave the matter as it stands. The opinion of the writer, for what it is worth, is that the Council is entitled, under the circumstances, to ask for and receive the definite reasons for the association's withdrawal-at present, it would appear, the Council has no official cogrnizance of the secession except the non-payment of the affiliation fees. A good deal has been said about it, it is true, in the columns of 'The Ringing World,' but the real issue between the association and the Council is by no means clear to anyone outside the association. For that reason the Council ought to go further into the question, so that it may learn exactly the grounds of complaint and, if they are reasonable, do its best to remove them.

One remark made in the first article was apparently a little ambiguous. It was suggested that ' another step in making the Council the real head of the Exercise, in practice as well as in name, would be to make it a sine fua non of membership that the Council's rulings should be recognised.' Mr. Davies asks: 'Membership, of what? Of the Council or of the association?' Membership of the Council by an association was intended. Membership of an association by an individual already implies acceptance of the rules of the association. Membership of the Council by an association ought similarly to imply acceptance of the Council's rules. But it does not always do so. No good purpose would be served by drawing attention to specific instances which have occurred in the past of the ignoring of the rulings and decisions of the Council-but they have not always been accepted, everywhere. It is true that it is only logical that membership of the Council should be accepted as commanding loyalty to its decisions, but ringers are not always noted for their logic. The position of the Council would ultimately, therefore, be strengthened if every affiliated Association and Guild were called upon to incorporate in its rules one which provided that the decisions of the Council should be accepted and recognised. Some associations have already got such a rule, (Continued on page 587, col." 1.)

## CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

 JUBREE CELEBRATIONS. presentation to rev. A. H. F. BOUGHEy.This year Cambridge University Guild has reached its jubilee and last week, on the occasion of their anoual reunion, the event was celebrated by many of the members.

Known orfginally as 'The Clare Society of Ringers, the Guild was founded on February $4^{\text {th }}, 1879$, by the Rev. W. C. Pearson and others of Clare College. Men from other Colleges joised, and in May of the same year the Rev. A. H. F. Boughey became President. This office he has held ever since, and for many years past his rooms in Great Court, Trinity, have been the headquarters of the Guild.


REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY, President for fifty years,
Mr. Boughey's enthusiasm has resulted in a large number of Cambridge men leaving the University with a knowledge of the art of ringing wheh has been urned to good purpose, and many well-known members of the Exercise owe their interest in ringing to the inspiration of the President of the University Guild.
The 19th nnual reunion of members, held this year in cambridge, brouglit together an especially good attondance to celehrate the jubilee of the foumbation of the Guila on Februsry tht, 1879. "The followiug were present for the whale or some part of the week: The Rev. A. F. F. Boughey, president, Canon W. W. C. Bakes, the Revs. R. Copernn, M. C. Potter, F. If. James, E. B. James, Cannil G. H. Runot, Camon H. J. Elsee, the Revs, G. W. O. Jenkyn, H. S. T. Richardson, R. H. Whitford, B. F. Tyrwhitt Drake, C. A. Clements, B. F. Sheppard, F. G. Benson, F. (I. Benson, Messis. J. T. Rickman, E: M. Atkins, R. O. Street, J. H. R. Freeborn, J. Butler, W. H. J. Honton, M. U. G. Hooton, J. R. Duffield, F. F. Haynes.

During He week about twanty fowors were wisited within th radius of thirts niles from Cambridge. Hour peals were altempted, of wheh three were sacecssfully lmaght round. Members were phased to liaye the upportunity of ringing on the reconstituted I welve at Saffoon Walden, the fine ring of eight at St. Nools, and the wollknown ten at St. James", Bury St. Edmunds. The "go" of the Fulam ten was wath appreciated; they have recouty beea restored by a Soham tizm.
To commenorata the 50th ammiversary of the forndation, the president entertained the Quid at dinnes on Werlnesday, Septemfier 4th, in Trinity. The dinner hud been planned for February 4 kh , Ile netual day of the foundation, but all celcheations were postpunerd owing to the sudifen and greaty lamented death of the Rev. H. J3. Woolley, uf Long Stauton. The postponemenc, howaver, gave the Guilit an opportunity of angratulating Mr. Boughey on the completion of fifty years as prexident.
After the dijmet, al which 26 members weve present, Mr. Boughey in a few wotds proposed tho lealth of "The King."

Cruan Baker proposed 'The Guild, coupled with the name of Mr Boughey, who had done such wonderful work for the Guild duringhis long presidency.
Later, Canon Elste also spoke of the work of the Guild and the value of the annual 'Ringing Week. Fe went on to speak of the president and Mrs. l3oughey, expressing a desire thut tho best wishes of the Guild should be conveyed to her.
Mr. \#aynes, the Master, spoke in appreciation of the social side of the Cuild's life in Cambridge. He read a letter from the Ht . Rev. B. C. Roberls, Bishop of Siugapore, who lamented bis inability to be present, and sent his hest wishes for the continued suecess at the Guild.
Dis behalf of the Guild, the Master then presented MIr. Boughay with a large silver rose bowl, inseribed, 'A. H. F. Boughey, President, C.U.G.C.R., 1879-1929.
Tn reply, the Eresident thanked the Guitd for its unexpected gift, and expressed lais pleasure nt entertaining so many of the Guitl's memberis.


St. Andrew's Church, Saham, Cambs,
where the Cambuidge Uuiversity Guild rang one of their peals during their "Jubilees week.
Prior to 1788 this tower had six bells, but in the year mentioned these were replaced' by a ming of eight, cast by Thomas Osborn, of Downham. Iu 1808, Johm Rriant, of EIertford, recast the two smallest bells and addol two trebles.
The Soham Youths thrived as a ringing socibly for many years. Among them were several members of the Tebbitt family, who took part in a number of peals, and in 1845 rang n "family" peal in which three fathers and five sons took pert, viz, Thomes Tebbitt and his sons Joha, Thomas and William, Robert Teblitt and liss son Robert, Eil. ward Tebbitt, and Benjamin Tebbitt, who at that time was only 15 years of sge. WThuse son he was, the record does not say. At the time the new trehles were put in, Robert Tebhitt was one of the churchwardens, and his name appears on the bells. William Trebliti, Jolin Tebbitt, Robert Tebhitt aud Thomas Thbitt, jun., were still peal ringing in the year 1830, when with other Sohnm Youtlis they took part ie a peal of Grandsire Tittum Caters.

## A SUNDAY RINGING TOUR.

'I'lie buellingers from St. Mnry's Earish Churek, Market Drayton, accunpanien by friends from Wellington, Stanton, and Konstone, han a very enjoyable outing, organised by Mr. W. Weatherby, on Sumdny, August $25 t h$. Iewving Drayton ahout 8 n.m., they travelled by rlarabous, win Staftord, Limpheld, and Rugeley to Burton, where tho bernuiful church of St. Pabl was inspected, the interior being granly admired. Thes rang for morning service on the very fine gral of 10 hells with tenor of 28 a cwt. The hells were greatly adnuived hy the whole purty. Leaving Burtun at 11.15, the party proceeded, vin Ashby-de-la-Zouch to Lougbhorough, where an excellent lanch toas partaken of. Aftorwards the famous bell foundry of Messis. John T'aylor and Ca. was wisited. The party were welcomed ly hicssra. C. Harvison and J. P. Fidler, who tool charge of and conducted them round the extemaive works and explained the many intriwacios and processes antailed in the casting and hanging of a moderı peal of bells. Amung the numerous peals of bells to be geen in the conrse of completion, sperial interest was taken in a carillon of 21 bells. which are destined for Amerion, and which were fitted with man attomatic koyburd, whon the pianist of the wisiting party was vary luth to lonve. A ving, aried on the light peal of ton erecter in the foundry, cansed a for noxtous monents to some of the memIn ow-ing to the lighlacess of the hells. The party proceeded to the litule church at Stanford-on-Soar, where they rang on a nice poul of eight, aftor which shopshed was wisited and further ringing flone. From hede they went back to Loughborougli and rang for लrinag service out the umgnificent peal of ten at the Parish Church. After ton. all propeded to Quepn's Park to bear a carillon recilal given by Mr. W. E. Jordan (borough carillonneur) on the magniffere carillon evected itr the War Memorial tower. At $9.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. The party Iffi fro lome, wia Derby aull (thtoseter, and reached Dravinn about 12.30 a.me, after laving spent a biglily-enjoyahle mat instrmetive time. "Ithe thanks of the pathy are rlue to members of the firs of Messis. Taylor ate Co. for kindly giving their services in

## A STAFFORDSHIRE OUTING.

On Saturday, August 31st, the Kingsiey and Cheadle (Stafts) ringers risited Rugeley and Mavesy Ridware. At cach of these two places there is a very good going ring of six bells. Arriving at Rugeley, the party met with a very hearty weleone from the local men, who were delighted to see the visitors. During the latter part of the ringing hore the pilot (Mr. H. Carmmeli' was busy 'fishits out. a suitable place wheren they might refresh the inuer math His quest resulted in a capital tea being partakea of at the operative Cafe, sfter whicl the rimpers went on to Mavesyn Rid ware. The tower at this church holds a beatiful ring of six. recently rehuug by Messrs. J. Teylor and Co., and 720 each of Lirn don and Cambridge Surprise was rung, A tour of this llth century church was then made under the conductorship of one of the Joral ringers, and was very mucl enjoyed. About 7.30 p.m. a start was made for home by way of Abbotts Bromley, where a halt was malo to 'cool the engine,' but whea loading-up time came several of the 'young bloods ${ }^{\text {1 }}$ were missing (and, it is said, they were also 3Fissing. The delay created some anxiety, as one of the party had to make a conncotion at tho other end of the lide. However, the delinquents turned up eventually, so 'all's well that ends well.' 'The thanks of the party are due to Mr'. H. Carawell and Mr. A. W Hall for so ably altending to all the necessary arrangenents.

## FRESH SPLICING ?

On Sunday, July 14th, St. John-the-Baptist, Leytonstone, compary rang 720 Cunecastre and Carlisle Suprise Minor spliced: G. L. Joycs (conductor) 1, P. H. Avey 2, W. Theobahi 3, A. Prior 4, W. Miller 5, E. D. Smith B. The same was again rung on July 29th, witle E. J. Butler and a. Dawson standing m. On Sunday, August 25 th, 7idn Bourne and Netherscale spliced: G. L. Joyce, W. Theobala, A. Print
t. Drwson, W. Miller, E. D. Smith (conductor). This is believed to be the first time these methods have been rung spliced.

## NEW BELLS AT PENN, STAFFS

The dedication of nerw bells at St. Bartholomew's Church, Pean, near Wolverhampton, took place on Sunduy, August 25th, by the Lord Bishop of Stafiord.

In the early pat of this year it ues found necessary to call fn the belt hanger, and upon the report of his inspection being received the church athorities decided to make a clean sweep of the existing bells and frame, and were confronted with a task of raising stum of about 8500 . This was tackled in grim earnest, with the object of getting the scheme completed hy St. Bartholomew's Day, August 24 th, and the bells dedicated free from debt. This happy resule was achieveri, to the great credit of all concerned. Every. body worked hatd, and if special mention may be made it is of M1. Churchwarden Alan H. Twentyman and Mrs. Twentyman, with Miss Twentyman as a strong supporter; also of the Rev. W, L. Grump, assistant curate, who produced each week some novel postcra which were exhibited in the willage. The bellringers also did their part. Besides distribating upwerds of 300 collecting boxes (which, by the way, realised over £60, thenselves promised the sum of 820. The totit sum obtained exceeds $£ 600$, the surplus cash going towarchs 'extras," i.e., encasing the steel girders in conerete, copper-plating small parks of the fittings, etc.
The dedication ceremony took place at the morning service before a fisll congregation. A special form of service was used, during which the bells were chimed for a short period. After the service they were raised in peal, and several tonches of Grandsire Triples were rung by the local band, and the bells were also ' fired' several times.
Nesars. Gillett and Johnston, who were responsible for the work, are to be cougratulated, both on the tone of the bells they have produced and the speedy way in which the scheme was completed, espocially as difficult obstacles were encountered.
The basis of the old peal was four bells cast by William Bagley in 1696. In 1858, a trehle and tenow were put in by Warner and Sons, ant as a diamond jubiles memorial, Barwell's added two trehles in 1897. The hew tenor is 10 cwh. 12 lb . in $A$, with $n$ dinmoter of 373 frehes, and the total weight of the bells is 45 cm . 3 gr .21 lb . The old haseriptions have been reproduced, with certain adilitions, as follow:-
T'reble, Victoria Regina Vocor. "Jacobirs Barwelt de Birmingham Exeudit Ke. Dedicatus Sum in Honorem Dei in Sexages Imo Atho Regni Fiatoriwe Regine et Imperatrix. A.d. MDCOCXCYII. Rerast 1929.
2.- Vietorin Regina Vocor: Jacohus Barwell de Birminginam Lxemdit Me. Dedicatus Sum in Eonorem Dei in Sexages Imo Anno Regni Fictorix Regina el [mperatricis, A.d. MDCCOXCYII. Recasi 1929.
3.- Casi hy John Warner and Sons, Loudan, 1858. Recasi 1929. Edgar Hantilt, Ficar.
4.-' Wrilliam Bagley Made Mee 1696. Recast 1929.
5.- William Bagley Made Mee 1696. Reast 1929. Alan Henry Twentyman and Cecil Eubert Janes Pugh, Churchwardens. ${ }^{3}$
6.- Willian Bagley Made Mee 1696. Recast 1929.'
7.- Pichard Raban and Thomas Nock, Clivrch Wardens, 1696. Recast 1929.
Tenor. - Cast by' John Warner and Sons, London, 1858. Recast 1929.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL

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but the majority have not, although, of course, the fact that they have not does not necessarily make them, as an organisation, any the less loyal in intention to the Commeil. But the fact that the rule appears in the constitution of an association would bring it home to the members of that association that they are expected to honour the rulings of the Council as loyally as they respect the rules of their own society. The least signifcatst village cricket club would not for a monent think of settiog up its own standard of recognition of the laws of the game. Why then should individual ringers or compantes not be animated with the same spirit, and whole-heartedly accept the ' laws' which the Council lays down? The ringers have the right to send whom they choose to represent them, and, being thus represented, the policy of the Councit on any guestion-s the laws of the game " or anything else-is what the ringers like to make it. It is possible that this spirit is not yet fully developed in the Exercise, and that among certain classes of ringers it needs encouraging. If so, this is one of the first matters to which the Council should turn ils attention.

## DEDICATION OF PEAL BOARDS AT TROWBRIDGE

An interesting ceremomy took place in the belfy of St. James ${ }^{\text {B }}$ Church, Trowbridge, on Monday, August $26 t h$, when the new Rector (the Res. S. J. Nisbett-Wallace) attended to dedicate thres peal boards. One of these bonals confaned the records of two pealsone of Girandsire Caters, rung on July Tth, National Thanksyiving Day, to celebrate the safe recovery of H.M. the King, and the other, rung on March 9th, in honour of the 81st birchdey of Mrs. James Lansiown, of Trowhridge.
There was quite a gathering in the tower for the unveiling. Several menders of the Lansdown family being present (as a mark of appreciation of the tinduess of the ringers to Mrs. Lansdown), together with the church oflicials, the local ringus and ringers from Devizes amd Melksham, who took part in the mational thanksgiviug peal.
30. Snan Hector was at the belfry door with the Rector, and introduced the visitors as they arrived, Mr. Hector apologised for the abschec of the tower captain, Mr. C. F. Andrews.
After opening prayers lad been sair by tho Rector, MI. Hector axplained the objee of their presence that evening. Irs. Lansdowns fancily had alwnys done much for the hells and the ringers in Trowbridge, he said, and he nsked Mr. M. M. Snailum to unvefl the board recording the peal rusg in honour of Mrs. Landown's birtladay.
M1: Philip M. Snailum said it was a great lunour to hima, as the eldest of Hrs. Lansdown's grandelaidren, to have been invited to unveil the peal hoard. He spoke of the great pleasure it gave Mra. Lanslown to luear the swect music of St. James' bells on her birthday, and he wished to convey to them all her gratitude for the exceptional and high honour that fand been done iner.
Mr. Hector then asked the Rector to unveil the portion of the buard recording the thanksgiving peal for the Ning"s recorery. The Rectov said he would like to cougratulate the ringers upon the peal Which they had rung, and lee was very glad to zee that the Lood Lieutenant of the county had sent thena a letter of thanks and congratulations. They all rojoided at the ronovery of His Majesty the Kiug.
A the Reefor"s request, the Gcoeral Thanksging wis said, and we then riedicated the tablets.
Two more tablets were afterwards dedicated, wae recording the first peal of Kent Treble Buh Royal rung for ine Saliahury Guild in the county in 1925, and a peal rung ly the Antient Society of Gollege Fouth5 in 1923.

At the conelusion of the ceremony a course of Grandsire Caterz was ruag, much to the interest of those who land never before wisited the lower.

## A HALF.PEAL AND A BROKEN ROPE

At All Gaints Church, Gresford, Dishirhalife, on Wednestay, Auguse 14th, a half-peal of Stedman Triples (Hewwoot's) (2,604 changes) in 1 br. 32 mins.: T. Butler, sen., 1, R. Sperring 2, G. R. Jones 3, P. Swindley 4, J. F. Rodenhurst 5, J. C. E. Simpsoa 6, T. R. Butler (conductor) 7, A. Tilston 8. A peal was being astempted, but the bells were allowed to "run home" after the half-way single owing to the fraying of the Sth rope, which broke immediately after rounds was reaclied.
On the previous Salurday, the same band was stapped at Chester after ringing a quarter of the peal on account of ithess near the churet.

MR. ERNEST F. POPPY'S 300 PEALS.
F'orward Maximus Kent Treble Bub Maximus Boh Maximus Stedmar Cingaes Kent Trehle Boh Royal Boh Rayzal Stedman Catera Grandsire Caters London Surprise Major Briatol Surpriac Major Cambridge Surprise Major Superlatue Surprise Major Double Norwieh Gourli Bob Major Kent Treble Bob Major Oxford Treble Bob Major Boly Major Siedman Triples Grandsire Triples Bob Triples Surprise irinor Other methods ininor

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By a colncidence, Mir. Poppy rang the gth mit Bt. Mary-le-Tuwer Church, Ipswich, to Lis 100th, 200th, and 300:1 peals. Rung nu 64 towers.

## NOTICES.

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YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - The eighth annual commenoration dinner to the memory of the late Jasper Whitfield Snowdon and past officers of the Yorkshire Association will be held at the King's Head. Hotel, Clange Alley, Sheffield, on Saturday, Sept. 2ist, when the chair will be taken by the Venerable John Russell Darbyshire, M.A., Archdeacon of Sheffield, at 6 p.m. prompt. The bells of the Cathedral (12) and St. Marie's R.C. (8) will be available from 2.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. Good accommodation provided for visitors staying overnight if clesired. Dinner tickets (price 5s. 6d. each) may be had from Messts. G. Lewis, R. Harrison, jun., and M. E. Wilson, or direct from the undersigned not later than Tuesday, Sept. ${ }^{17}$ th. Kindly enclose remittance with application.-Sidney F. Palmer, 87 , Bradley Street, Crookes, Sheffield.
ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established I637).-Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on the 26 th, "St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the $1_{7}$ th, St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the igth; all at 7.30 p.nı. *Business meeting afterwards.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, $3^{2}$, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Maidstone Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Hollingbourne on Saturday, Sept. 14th. Tower open for ringing at 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30. Tea after service. All ringers welcome.-C. H. Sone, Dis. Sec., Bungalow, Linton, Maidstone.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. - North and East District.Meering at Northaw on Saturday, September 14th. Bells 5.30 . Members and friends cordially invited. Nearest stations: Cuftey and Potters Bar. Buses from Barnet. Practice meeting at St. Mark's, Dalston, on Thursday, September 19th. Bells from 7 to 9 p.m.-C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 23, Vincent Road, E.4.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-A general meeting of the Yorkshire Association will be held at Huntington, near York, on Saturday, Sept. 14th. Bells (6) available from 2.30 p.m. York Minster (12) available 6.30 to 8 p.m. Tea will be provided at is. per head. - P. J. Johnson, Hon. Gen. Sec., 396, Meanwood Road, Leeds.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch. - A meeting will be held at Prescot on Saturday, Sept. 14th. Beils (8) available 3 p.m. Service 5.30 p.m. Meeting to follow. Members make their own arrangements for tea.-Claude I. Davies, Branch Sec., Caerleon, Dunbabin Road, Wavertree, Liverpool.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Presteigne Dis-trict-A quarterly meeting will be held at Kington on Saturday, Sept. 14 th. Bells (6) available at 4 p.m. Service at 5 . Tea 5.30 . Business meeting after tea.-J. C. Preece, Dis. Sec, Lea Lodge, Staunton-on-Arrow, Herefordshire.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Guildford Dis-trict.-District meeting at Godalming, Saturday, September 14 th. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service $4 \cdot 30$. Tea $1!$. Business meeting. - G. L. Grover, Dis. Sec., Merrow Cottage, East Clandon.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Eastern Division,The aext meeting will be held at High Easter on Saturday, September 14th. Bells (6) available $30^{\prime}$ clock; usual arrange-ments-H. W. Kirton, Longmeads Cottage, Writtle, Chelmsford.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch.The next meeting will be beld at Hoghton on Saturday, September 14th. Bells available from 3 p.m. A good attendance is requested.-Fred Rigby, Hon. Branch Sec., 8, Carrington Road, Chorley.

YORESHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Northern Division, -By the invilation of the Huntington Guild the quarterly meeting will be held at Huntington, near York, on Saturday, September i4th.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch. A meeting will be at Cross Stone, Todmorden, on Saturday, September $14^{\text {th. }}$. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting at 6.30 p.m.: Business-Election of Branch Presiděnt. William Horan, Branch Sec., 2, Greenhirst Hey, Todmorden.

LADIES' GUILD.-Western District. - The next quarterly meeting will be held at Wraxall on Saturday, September 14th. Bells available from $30^{\circ}$ clock. Service 4.15. Tea at Battle Axes Hotel 5--N. G. Williams, Hon. Sec., Weston House, Weston, Bath.

NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION. - The half-yearly meeting will be held at Llandudno on Saturday, Sept. 14th. Bells (8) available 2 p.m. 106.45 p.m. Tea will be provided.-W. Cathrall, Hon. Sec., 20, Ffodd Estyn, Garden Village, Wrexham.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Nottingham District.-The next meeting will be held at Cotgrave on Saturday, Sept. 14th. Bells ( 6 ) available from $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. -F. W. Bailey, Local Sec., 42, Rupert Street, Nottingham.

EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD.-A ringing meeting will be held at Crawley on Saturday, Sept. I4th. Tower opened 3 p.m. Kindly notify me all requiring tea. All ringers welcome-G. Lambert, Drummond Hay, East Grinstead.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Daventry Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Willoughby (6) on Saturday, Sept. I4th. Usual arrangements.-W. C. Moore, Braunston Road, Daventry, Northants.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-A joint meeting of the Beds and Herts Associations will be held at Biggleswade on Saturday, Sept. 14th. Bells (8) availabla at 2.30. Tea at 5. All ringers welcome-C. J. Bail, Dis. Sec., 2, Tempsford Road, Sandy; D. Mears ${ }^{\prime}$ School House, Offley, Hitchin.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSNOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Christchurch District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Milford-on-Sea on Saturday, Sepi. I4th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m.-G. Preston, Dis. Sec., 3, Waterloo Place, Christchurch.
BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Bediord Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Wilden on Saturday, Sept. 14th. Bells (5) available at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at 5 p.m. All ringers welcome.-P. C. Bonnett, Stagsder, Bedford.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Loughborougls Districi. - The next meeting will be held at Woodhouse Eaves on Saturday, Sept. 14th. Bells (6) ready at 3.30 p.m.-D. S. Collins, Hon, Dis. Sec.
WUNCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Portsmouth District.-A by-meeting will be held at Catherington on Saturday, Sept. 14th. Beils (6) available $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All ringers welcome- F. W. Rogers, Hon. Sec., $5^{2}$, Samuel Road, Portsmouth.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-North Bucks Branch, A quarterly meeting of above branch will be held at Great Brickhill on Saturday, Sept. 14th. Bells (6) available from $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea and meeting to follow. All visitors welcome.-Walter Sear, Hon. Sec. 19, Albert Street, Bletchley.
SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. - Marlborough Branch.-The next meeting of the branch will be held at Chiseldon on Saturday, Sept. 14th. Those requiring tea kindly notify the secretary.-Cyril Hussey, Hon. Sec., East I.eaze, Baydon, Marlborough.
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Hunts District.A meeting will be held at Long Stanton on Saturday, September rith. Wirl those requiring tea please send a card to Mr. F. Wallington, Long Stanton, Cambridge.Katherine Fieldis, Dis. Sec., High Stıeet, St. Neots.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Central Bucks Branch.-Meeting at Wiaslow, こaturday, September 14 th. Ringing 2.15 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., r/ each. -Rev. J. F. Amies, Hon. Sec., Edgcote Rectory, Aylesbury.
Mid Land COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Peak Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Tideswell on Saturday, Sept. 14th. Church of St. John the Baptist. Eight hells (tenor 13 cwt.) available afternoon and evening. Tea (free). Meeting in the Institute at 5 p.m. A good attendance is hoped for--J. E. Lewis Cockey, Hon. Dis. Sec., Leamwood, Dore.
LADIES' GUILD.-Northern District. - A meeting will be held at Tideswell in connection with the Peak District of the Midland Counties Association. Arrangements for tea, please see M.C.A. notice.-N. Cawthorne, Hon. Sec., 394, Handsworth Road, Sheffield.
SAlisbury Diocesan guild. - North Dorset Branch.-Quarterly meeting at Durweston, Sept. 14th. Towers: Durweston (6), Bryanston (6), Blandford (8), Pimperne ( 5 ) - A. E. Nedham, Hon. Sec., Compton Abbas Rectory, Shaftesbury, Dorset.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Ashford Dis-trict.-The annual district meeting will be held at Hythe on Saturday, September 21st, by kind permission of Rev. Chestel de Boinville. Tower open at 2.30. Service at 5 n'clock, followed by tea and business meeting. Election of officers for the coming year. A good attendance is sequested. All ringers welcome-A. C. Kay, Dis. Sec., 6, Sturges Road, Ashford.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION. - The Crawford Silver Cup Competition will be held at East Markham, near Tuxford, on Saturday, Sept. 21st. First company drawn to take ropes at 3 p.m. Tea and meeting to be held after contest. Those desiring tea must inform the honorary secretary before Sept. isth. Bells available to all ringers immediately after contest. All ringers welcome. Good attendance requested. Good bus services from all directions.-R. W. Stockdale. 34, High Street, Ordsail, Retfurd, and H. Revill, Hon. Sees.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Western Division.A meeting will be held at Barking on Saturday, Sept. 2 tst. Bells ( 8 ) from $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service $4.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea in Municipal Restaurant 5.15 p.m., is. per head. Will those intending to be present and requiring tea advise Mr. G. W. Faulkner, 84, Abbey Road, Barking, by Thursday, the 1gth, latest? This meeting has been specially arranged in conjunction with the Week's Hallowing Seryices held in connection with the restoration of the ancient Abbey Church of St. Margaret's. All ringing friends cordially invited.-E. J. Butler, Dis. Sec., 3, Eustace Road, Chadwell Heath.
SURREY ASSOCIATION.-North-Western District. -The next meeting will be held at Beddington on Saturday, Sept. 2Ist. Tower open for ringing 3 o'clock. Service 5 p.m. Tea following. Those requiring teaz please notify me not later than Wednesday, Sept. I8th.D. Cooper, Hon. Sec., 5, Harrison's Rise, Croydon.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. - West Dorsel Branch.-For the quarterly meeting to be held on Sept. 2rst the following three towers will be visited: Rampisharn, Evershot and South Perrott. A charabanc will call for ringers at Bridport 2 p.m., Bradpole 2.1o p.m., Netherbury 2.20 and Beaminster and Stoke Abbott 2.30 p.m. Teas will be provided only for those sending names by the ${ }^{17}$ th inst.-T. Hervey Beams, Hon. Sec., Bradpole, Bridport.
SUSSEA COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Divi-sion.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Battle on Saturday, Sept. 2 Ist. Tower open at $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea, by kind invitation, at 5 o'clock. Business meeting to follow. Will all those intending to be present kindly let me know by Wednesday, Sept. iSth? -G. W. Stokes, Hon. Dis. Sec., 22, Melbourne Road, Eastbourne.
WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Northern Branch. - A meeting of the above branch will be held at Stone, near Kidderminster, on Saturday, Sept. 215 t. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service in church at 4.30 p.m. . Business meeting to follow. Those intending to be present must notify the secretary not later than Sept. 16th.-A. J. Skelding. Branch Sec., 7, Cecil Street, Stourbridge.

DEVON GUILD. - North-Eastern Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Stoodleigh on Saturday, Sept. 21 st. Bells (6) available 2.30. Service 4.45. Tea, is. each, 5.15. Will those requiring tea send their names without fail to Mr. Bishop, Church Cottage, Stoodeigh, by Tuesday, Sept. r7th?-M. Hanson, Hom. Sec . and Treasurer.
LlaNDAFF AND MONMOUTE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - The next meeting will be held at Caldicot on Saturday, Sept. 2 rst (St. Matthew's Day). Bells (8) available all the afternoon. Meeting at 4.30 followed by tea and service at $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. -John W. Jones, Hon. Sec., Cartref, Barrack Road, Newport, Mon.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.-The next meeting will be held at Brinklow, near Rugby, on Saturday, Sept. 2ist. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 o'clock at a moderate charge. - D. E. Iewis, Firhom, Kine Edward Road, Nuneaton.

NORTH STAFFS AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. -A meeting will be held at Uttoxeter on Saturday, Sept. zist. Tea will be provided for all who notify Mr. R fi. Lewis, $3^{6}$, Heath Cross, Utloxeter, before Sept. 18 int. - C. S. Ryles, Hon. Sec.

GIOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION. Swindon Branch.-The autumn quarterly meeting will be held at Christ Church, Swindon, on Saturday, Sept. 21st. Bells (io) available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. for those who notify me by Thursday, at is. per head.-S. Hopper, Hon. Sec, 79, Edinburgh Street, Gorse Hill, Swinton.

HERTFORD COLPTY ASSOCIATION.-Northern District. - $A$ meeting will be held at Barley on Saturday, Sept, 2 rst. The bells (6) will be available at 3 p.m. A short service will be beld at 4.30 p. 17 . Tea can only be guaranteed for those who notify Mr. R. Howard, High Street, Barley, Herts, before Thursday, Sept. 1gth.Donalkl C. Mears, Hon. Dis. Sec., Offley, Hitchin.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Alton District.-Quarterly meeting at Privett on Saturday, Sept. 21st. Bells (8) available from 2.30. Service $4.45^{-}$. Tea 5.55 , at the Privett Bush Inn, Priveti Station, Business meeting follows. All requiring tea please notify by Thursday, Sept. Igth.-B. C. Taylor, Binsted Vicarage, Alton.
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CLIEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSO-CIATION.-The next meeting will be held at Ormesby on Saturday, Sept. 21St. The bells of the Parisli Church ( S , tenor is cwt.) available for ringing all the afternoon. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea will be provided. Members 1s., non-members 1s. 3d. Those intending to be at tea please notify the secretary not later than Wednesplay, Sept. 1Sth.-T. Metcalf, 26, High Street, North Ornesly, Niddlesbrough.

AlDIAND COLNTIES ASSOCIATION.-The next meeting of the Chesterfield District of the above association will be held at Bolsover on Saturday, Sept. 2 ist. Will those requiring tea please notify Mr. J. Flint, 45, Oxcrolt Lane, not later than Sept. I8th?-J. P. Tarlton, Hon. See.

BEIJFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District.-A meeting will be held at Sandy on Saturday, September 21st. Bells (6) available at 2.30 . Tea at 5 p.m. at the lectory. All ringers welcome. Good train and bus service.-C. J. Ball, z, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

CUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Chertsey District. -l"he next meeting will be held at East Molesey on Saturday, Sept. 28th. Full particulars next week.-H. Hancollt, Hon. Dis. Sec., Chobham Road, Ottershaw. DEVONSHIRE GUILD.-East Devon Branch. - A mecting will be held at Luppitt, near Honiton, on Satar" day, Scpt. 28 th. Bells (6), also Honiton (6) and Ottery St. Mary (S) available. Service 4.30. Tea 5. All ringers welcome.-John H. Godfrey, Hon. Sec., Silver Street, Ottery St. Mary.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-The anmual mecting will be held at Blackburn Cathedral on Saturday, Sept. 28th. Further particulars by circular. - W. H. Shuker and A. Tomlinson, Hon. Secs.

SUFFOLK GUILD.-Bury St. Edmunds District.-A quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, Sept. 28th. Bells available : Norman Tower (10) and St. Nary's (8), Bury St. Edmunds, Horringer ( 8 ), and Fornham St. Martin (6). All ringers weicome. - J. Chinery, Dis. Sec., $5^{1}$, Garland Street, Bury St. Edmunds.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755)-Quarterly meeting at Egbaston Parish Church on Saturday, Sept. 28 th. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Business meeting to follow tea. Mease notify me by Wednesday, 25 th, without fail. - Thomas H. Reeves, Hon. Sec., i36, Newton Road, Sparkhill, Birmingham.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - A joint meeting of the Derby and Burton districrs will be held at Alrewas on Saturday, Sept. 28th. Bells (8) ready 3 p.m. Tea at George and Dragon (1s. 3d. per head). It is essential that those requiring tea must notify me by 25 th inst. at latest. Will members please make a special eftort to attend and ensure a successful meeting? Bus leaves New Street Park at 2.40 p.n. and train leaves Burton 3 p.m.-John Leach, 4, Vernon Terrace, Burton.

ELIY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-A meeting of the Ely Archdeaconry will be held at Ickleton, Cambs, cn Saturday, 28 th inst. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea, 5 p.m. Please notify Mr. P. Webb, Ickleton, Great Chesterford, Essex. All ringers are welcomed, even ex-perts.-F. Warrington, Dis. Sec.

## SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAF-

 FORD.-Quarterly meeting will be held at Wombourn on Saturday, Sept. 28 th . Bells available from 3. Service in church at 4.45 . Tea (is.) at 5.30 . Please send word not later than $24^{\text {th }}$ inst. Reports are ready.-H. Knight, I5, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.NORFOLK AND SUFFOLK GUILDS.-A joint district meeting will be held at Bungay on Saturday, Sept. 281h. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Tea will be arranged for those who notify me by the 25 th. A good attendance is requested.-E. R. Goate, Queen's Road, Beccles.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North-Eastera Division.The next quarterly meeting will be held at Harwich on Saturday, September 28th. Service at St. Nicholas' 4.30 Tea $5.15,1 / 3$ each. All intending to be present will they please notify me not later than Tuesday, September 2 qth $^{\text {th }}$ -R. W. Stannard, Hon. Sec., Iz, Ireton Rd., Colchester.

HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION will hald a quarterly meeting and six-bell contest on Saturday, September 28th, at Friezland Greenfield, near Oldham. Draw to take place at $2,45 \mathrm{p} \cdot \mathrm{m}$. Will those requiring tea, $1 / 6$ each, send word not Jater than September 23rd, to L. Hargreaves, Hon. Sec., 30, Bankfield View, Halifax?

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION,-Cnnterbury Dis-trict.-The autumn meeting will be held at Wingham (8) on Saturday, Oct. 5th, by the kind permission of Rev. Taylor. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea provided for those who notify me on or before Thursday, Oct. 3rd. Half fares up to 2 s . paid io members attending this meeting. - Percy W. Smith Hon. Sec., Fair View, Littlebourne, Canterbury.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. -General quarterly meeting at Lutterworth, Saturday, October Eth. Bells (8), also Bitteswell (6), available during afternoon. Other details later.-Eraest Morris, Gen. Hon. Sec. 24, Coventry Street, Leicester.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637). - The annual dinner will be held at the Bridge House Hotel, London Bridge, on Saturday, Nov. gth, at 6.30 p.m. -William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec.

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BRIDGEND, GLAM-On Sunday, September 8th, at the Church of St. Illyin, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 45 mine: : W. H. Evans 1, J. Evans 2, B. J. Toby 3, R. Davies (conductor' 4, C. F. Perry 5, A. W. Wright 6, D. R. James 7, I. if. Smith 8. First quarter-pesl as conductor and first attempt.

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## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL'S CONSTITUTION

The next meeting of the Central Council is some distance off, but it would be well if associations would, before electing or re-electing their representatives, as they have now to do-the last Council having completed its triennial period-kive careful consideration to the proposals which have been made by a contributor to our columns on the subject of the reorganisation of the Council. There is no better time than the present for an overhaul of the position, and with the election of members of the Council is presented the best possible opportanity of putting forward any views for improving the relationship between the Council and the affiliated bodies. At present the ties between the two are of a loose description and, as far as the associations are officially concerned, all that they are entitled to do is to elect their quota of members and pay the corresponding fees. That condition of affairs, established wher the Council was first formed and in no position to take upon itself any authority, may still satisfy some, but there are otbers, the Gloucester and Bristol Association among them, who consider that the associations should be given a definite status in the constitution of the Council. At present the rules lay down that the Council shall consist (I) of representative members from all recognised Societies, Associations, and Guilds of Church Bell Ringers numbering not less than seventy-five members, etc. In these things a good deal depends upon the words that are used, and it might be possible and desirable so to revise this rule of the constitution that the definite status that is asked for could be provided for.

This discussion is outside the Council, therefore it provides an opportunity for the representatives of the Gloucester and Bristol Association to draft when they think are proper amendments to the rules and put them forward-50 that other organisations may consider them. The important necessity seems to us to be to make the affliation of the societies the basis of the constitution, with, as a natural corollary, a provision that each affliiiated association or guild shall, as far as lies in its power, recognise and observe the rulings and decisions of the Council; also that the societies shall have direct access to the Council and the right to submit motions for consideration, instead of as at present, having to get them placed on the agenda in the names of individual members. Naturally any association which put forward a proposal for the consideration of the Council would be responsible for providing a proposer and seconder, and, it seems to us, a motion thus submitted must carry more weight than one which merely stands in the name of a member. But whatever steps are necessary to test the feeling of the new (Contimued on page 594.)

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[^58]Council as to a revision of the constitution, they shonld be taken early so that as-ociations may have as long a time as possible in which to consider them. The Gloucester and Bristol Association would do a service to the Exercise if it would formulate its alternative proposals in definite terms and not leave to others the difficult task of finding a formula to which they would be prepared to agree as a preliminary to rejoining the Council.

## TEN BELL PEAL.

SOUTH CROYDON, SURREY. THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Sahirday, September 14, 1029, in Three Hours and Sixtern Minntes, Ait the Chorch of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN GATERS, 5055 CHANGESI
Tenor 30 cwt 2alb. in D .
David Wright ... ... ...TYeble William S. Smith
2 George Marriner .... 3 Amos W Ciaek 7

- Erzderick E. Collins .... 4 Charies H. Kippis .... .... 9 William Bulpitt ..... $.5 \quad 5 \quad$ Ernest Denham...... Composed by Jas. W. Washbrooz. Conducted by David Wright - First peal of Stedman Caters. The course-ends of this peal aro alterately in the tittum and handstroke-home positions throughout. Rung as a birthday compliment to Messes. Wright, Arthur Dean ancl F. E. Collins.


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THE WOROESTERSHTRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
(Western Brance.)
Or Friday, September 6,1929 , in Three Hours and One Mintue, At tee Chorce of SS. Peter and Padi.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Groves' Transposition of Parkra's Twelve-part.

## Tenor 171 cwt.

Charles Young ... ... ...Treble| Frank Lawrence ... ... 5
Aleert Hartcand ......$\quad 2 \quad$ Freb Hawkes ......
Jogn Rowicatt ......
William Hacford ... -.. 4 "Henry Bishop ... ... ... Jemor

* First peal on eight bells. The above peal was rang in connection witi the jubilae festivities of the church.

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THE CHESTER DIOGESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, September 7, 1929, in Two Honers and Fovty-Two Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Mary-tee-Virgin,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, EOGO GHANGES;

Tyurstans' Four-part.
Tgomas Butler ... ... ...TTrebla
George R. Jones ... ... 2
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… .... 4 Jons E. RANDLES $\quad . . . . .7$ mar

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On Tuesday, Septenbey 10,1929 , in Two Howrs and Fifty-Seven Ninutes, At ine Church of St. Petea,

## A PEAL DF LITYLE BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 13 ewt. $2 \mathrm{qr}, 20 \mathrm{lb}$.
Percy Gledgione ... ...Tprble Herbert Fowler ... ... 5
-Oliver Greatarad.... ... 2 "Frederick G. Lhwis Milion C. Fowier... .... 3 J. Edward Cawser ...
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On Monday，Soptember 9，1929，in Three Hours and Five Minutes，
Ai the Chorch of St．Botolph，Bishopsgate，
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Isaac Long．．．
Fred E．Tyler ．．．．．．．．．Tenor
Conducted by Edwns J．Brown
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John H．Swinfield ．．．．．．Treblo James S，Horceby ．．．
Joseph Bailey ．．．...
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＊First peal．This composition is now rung for the first time，The band onos mginin thank the Rev．J．S．Gailoway for his kind hos－ pitality after the peal．

SUTTON COLDERELD，WARWICKSHIRE．
THE ST．MARTIN＇S GURD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM．
On Saturday，Sptomber 14，1929，in Two Hours and Fity－Eight Minates， At the Church of ahe Holy Trinity，

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES， 5040 CHANEES；

## Thorsians＇Fodr－part．

Tenor 24 cwt．
－Erick Pickering
－Wilciam H．Halt … ．．．ITeble Wir H Fonce $\quad . . .2$ Wilfrid H．Fonge ．．．．．．3 James W．Reynoris $\quad . . .8$ Conducted by Bertram $G$ ．Leedham．
＊lirst peal and first attempt．$\dagger$ 100th peal of Stedman Triples． Finst peal on the bells after rehanging by Messus．Mears and Stain－ bank．Arranged and rung as a compiment to the Rev．F．Francis Atkins，curate of the above church，and Miss Marjory James，on the iccasion of their marriage，which took place at Cheltenham earlier in the day．

BRIDSTOW，HEREFORDSHIRE．
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GULLD．
On Saturday，Suptomber 14，1929，in Three Hours and Five Minutes，
Ai the Cegrca of St．Bridget，
A PEAL DF BOB MAJOR， 5056 CHANEES； Tenor 9 cwt ．
 Conducted by Ernest Stitch．
Rung as a wedding peal for the conductor，the band wishing him and his wife long life，the bent of health，and every happiness in the future．

## CLUN，SHROPSHIRE．

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD．
On Saturday．September 14，1929，in Thyee Fours and One Minute，
At the Chorcil of St．George，
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES，5040 CHANGES；
Holt＇s Ten－part．
Tenor tif cwit．
Hobert jones
．．．．．．Treble John J．Price Fomas H．Y．Smallwood 2 Willifm R．Nash Ernest H．Mrredite－．． 3 Francis Evans William J．Beniams ．．．．．． 4 Artgir C．Nason... Conducted by Francis Evans．
Rung to commemorate the I5tlu anniversary of the recoustruction and restoration of the towel and bells．

HARBORNE，SLAFEORDSHIRT．
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCEDEACONRY OF STAFTORD． On Saturday，September 14，1929，in 1 wo Hours and Forty－Eight Minder，

## At the Chorch of Si．Peigr，

## A PEAL OF STEDHAN TRIPLES， 5040 OHANGES；

Thorstans＇Four－part．
＂Tenor io cwt．

John Prory ．．．．．．．．．．．．． 3
William Fisher．．．．．．．．．． 4 Sidney Elton ．．．．．．．．． 4 Thor
Conducted by Chrisfoparer Wallater，
Ihe band desire to express their thanks to 3Ir．S．Grove，who met them at the towew and suw to crewthing boing ready．

OSPRINGE，KEST．
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION．
On Saturday，Sphtember 14，1929，in Threc Hours，
At tee Cuorce of SS．Peter and Pade，
－PEAL DF mounle Nanwich coliht bob majon， 5088 CHAmLent
Tenor 工多 cwt．
Ernest J．Dobeie ．．．．．．Treble Charles W．Brett ．．
John W．Unwin $. . . \quad . . . z^{2}$ Frederick Wellyr...
William Spige ．．．．．．...
Samere E．Taylor．．．．．．． 4 Edwin G Boesden ．．．．．．Tanor
Composed by F．A．Holdh．
Conducted by E．G．Bobsen．
＊First poai of Double Norwich．Fuag as a binthday peal to Messre．C．W．Brett and F．Fairheard．

## BenI



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THURGASEON, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MDDLAND COUNTLES ASSOCIATION.
On Santhday, Septemdar 14, 1929. in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes, At tee Chorch of All Saints,

## a feal if dousle morwich court bos mador, 5066 chances;

 Tenor to cwt. 7 lb . Composed by E. Morris. Conducted by R. F. Elxington. * First peal of Double Norwich. $\dagger$ soth peal. Arranged for the ringers of troble and tenor, who hail from Croydon and Market Deeping, Lincs, respectively.

## RUSPER, SUSSEX.

'IHE GUIJDEORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Suriday, September 15, 1929, in Thyee Hours and Seven Minates, At tez Church of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, bOB8 CHANGES Tenor 14 cwit.



Composed by Frid A. Holden. Conducted by Albert Harman.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

Batcombe, somerset.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Satnyday, Septenber 7, 1929, in Two Homrs and Fiffy. Three Minutes, At tae Churge of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES; Forty-hwo six-scores, ten different callings. Tenor 20 cmt . (approx.) Jack A. Limtarn... ... ...Tyeble Waltar G. Tiley ... ... 4 Thomas Whitr ...... James F. Hatchley ... ... 3 Walter Crabez ... ...Temoy

Concucted by W. C. Shdre.
Arranged ancl rung in honour of the wedding of Mr. J. Coombs (a member of Lhe lom bsud), and Miss Ruby Leua Day, which took phace on the above date.

> THYMONSTONE, ESSEX.
> THE ESSEX ASSOOIATION.

On Monday, Septanber 9, 1929. in Two Hours und Forty-Two Minutes, At the Darish Chorch of St. John,

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Boing 720 each of London, Cambridge, Wells, Ipswich, York, Heverloy and Durham.
William H. Theohald ...Treble John Moule... Grorge Dawsos

Canducted by Edward D. Smith.
This peal was rung to celebrate the weding of the Rev. Douglas Meare, M.A. (anrate of this church) to Mise E. B. Mrce, of Harlow, who were married at Harlow on this day.

WTCKHAM SKETTH, SUFPOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GULD.
On Monday. Stptember 9. 7929, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minhtes, At tay Chorch of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES:

Mring lirea 720's of Thain Pob and lwo 720's eaclis of Kent and Oxโord.
Alpacias J. Berry
Bert Chilqers


Treble

## Conducted by W. Sibggale

THan pera! was rung as a woleome to the Rev. 'l'. Th. Carem, of Highlury, Litudon, und a birthday compliment to G. A. Blaxceli.

ECCLPSTON, CHFESFIRE.-On September 13th, at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Siedman Triples $(1,260$ changes) : $R$. Sperning 1. G. Jones 2, A. B. Richnerls 3, J. Swindey 4, J. Borgan 5 , i. W. Clarke 6, H. w. wilde (conductor) ${ }^{2}$, W. Thonas 8.

REDGRAVE, STFFOLK
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Sunday, Septenber 15, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Thyce Minutes,

## At the Church of St. Botolpa,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINDR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven 720 's of Oxford Trehle Bob, each called ditierentify. Tenor 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ ewt.
 Raybond Grant... ... ... 2 Garnham A. Blaxcell ... 5 Alphafes J. Brrry ... ... 3 William Steggall ... ...Tbagr Conducted by W. Strggall.

## A WESSEX TOUR.

The following six peals were rung by visitors during a fow days ${ }^{*}$ holiday in Dorset, with the secretarial beip of Mr. T. Hervey Beams and the kind permission of the clergy at the respective towers:-

BRADPOLE, DORSET.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUIZD.
On Sunday, Stptember 8, 1929, in Cwo Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,
At the Parise Ceurch of the Holy Trinity,
4 PEAL DF DOUBLE MORWICH COURT EOE MAJOR, EO24 CMANGES;
Tenor $33 \mathrm{cwt}$. in F
Norman V. Andrews... ...Treble | William A. Cave ... ... 5
Wiciam H. Fossert
Grorge Wieliams 6
Samubl J. Hector...$\quad$... 3 Edwatd V. Rodenaurst ... 7 Cbarles F. Andrews ... 4 Stafford H. Grern ... ...Tpmoy Composed by Gabriel Lindoff. Conducte $\mathcal{Z}$ by Gborge Willams First peal in the method on the bells.

## HYME REGIS, DORSET.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, Septembey 9, 1929, in Two Honrs and Fifly Minutes, At tre Chorch of St. Miceael and All Angel.s.
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, s0ab CHANGES Johnson's Variation of Midileton's. Teeor io $\frac{1}{2}$ civt. in G.

- Norman V. Andrews

Treble
Stafford H. Green … 3 Charles F. Andrews $\ldots$... 5 Grorge Williams ......${ }^{3}$ Edward V. Rodrnbidrst ... 7 William H. Fessell .. 4 Willam A. Cave ... ...Temor Conducted by William A. Cave.

* First peal of Treble Boh Major. First penl on the bells, which were made an octave in the year 1911.

BRIDPORT, DORSET.
THE SALISBURY DIOCEBAN GUILD.
On Tuesday, Stptember to 1929, in Thee Hours and Nine Minwes,

## At the Parisa Chorce,

 Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. is lb . in E .
Grarge Williams ... ...Tyeble Sampel J Hector
Mrs. Evgrard Powzle ... 2 William H. Fussbll ... $\cdot .$.
William A. Cave ..... .3 Charles F. Andrews ... 7
Rev. E. S. Powrll ... ... 4 Stafford H. Green ... ...Téoy
Composed by Gabriec. Linnofr. Conducted by George William:
This is the first peal of Major in the town of Bridport.
MILTON ABBEY, DORSET.
THE SALISDURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
Dn Wednesiay, Septembe, 17, 1929, in Three Hours and Twenty Ninutes,
At tae Abbry Cebrce of Si. Sampson,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor in cwt . in G .

| Norman V. Andrews... | ...Trebla | Sadmel J. Hzctor |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Rry. E. S. Poweli | ... 2 | Edward V. Rodenturst |
| Fo | ... 3 | Cbarles F. Andr |

 Composed by Henry Dains. Conducted by Grorge Williams.
First peal in the methont on the bells.
ILFRACOMBE, DFYON.-On Tuesday evening, Augusi 27th, af the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1,260 charges) in 45 mins. : J. Riclaveds 1, 0 Rook 2, H. ©. Ridge 3 , I, Sprague 4, C. Filer 5, A. H. Hayward 6, W. T. Jeltios (conductor) 7, A. Turner 8. First quarter-peal for rinfar of 3rd, althougla he has previously rung a peal.

WYKE REGIS, DORSET.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GDIED.
On Thursday, Septomber 12. 1929, in Three Howrs ated Eleven Minutes, At the Parish Chorch of All Saints,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5OFA EHANGESI Johnson's Variation of Middleton's.

Tenor 16 cwt. $3 \mathrm{qr}, 18 \mathrm{lb}$, in $F$
Norman V. Andrews ...Tyeble Wieliam H. Fossell ... 5
Grorge Williams .... ... 2 Cearles F. Andrews ... 6 Siafford H. Green ... ... 3 Edward V. Rongnherst ... 7 SamoelJ. Hector ... ... 4 William A. Caye ... ...Temof Conducted by William A. Cave.
First peal of Surprise on the bells.

## DORCHESTER.

THE EALISBUAT DIOCESAN GUILD,
On Thursday, Soptember 12, 1929, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,
At the Paresf Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, E040 CHANGES:

## Wasebrook's Variation.

Tenor 21 cwt. in E flat.
Samore J. Hector ... ... Troble
William H. Fdssell .... 2
Mrg. Everard Powell Edward V. Rodenhterst

> Conducted by

First peal of Stedman. This appropriately celebrated the birth of the first grandehild for the noble president of the Guild, which took place at Westminster the same day.

## GRANTHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINGOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Salurday, September 7. 1929, in Thyes Hours and Forty Minutes,
At the Chorch af St. Wulfrom,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, SOAO CHANEES; Tenor 32 cwt .
Sidnev J. Proctor ... ...Treble Alberi W. Coles ... ... 6
Rev. H. Law James ... ... 2 John A. lireeman ...
Jokn Walden ... ..

- 3

Cbarles T. Coles
Gzorgh R. Pye
Composed by Fredi. Dench
First peal in the method on the bells.

## EWERBX, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, September 9, 1929, in Three Howrs and Thirly-Five Minutes, Ax the Chorch of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANEE8; Tenor 15 cwt.

Composed by Henry Dains
Conducted by William Pye.

* First peal of Royal.

HEGKINGJON, LINCOLNSHIRE. THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Moniday, Spptombsy 9. 7929. in Thpee Howrs and Four Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrhw,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SUPPRISE MAJOR, 5D24 CHANGES;

Walter H. Wood

## Treble

Fred A. Holden..
Cgarlest. Coles
Walter Prikins

Albert W. Coles
Ghorge R. Pye
Ropart Richardson ... ... 7 6

Composed by Ered A. Holden. Conducted by Wileiam Pye.
First peal in the method on the bells and by the association.

## A HALF-PEAL.

At Banwell, Somerset, on Saturday, September 7th, a half-peal of trandsire Doubles ( 2,520 changes) was iung in 1 hr . 35 mins., being 21 siz-scores with ten different calings: E. Shallish 1, E. Avery 2, G. Gilling 3, R. Roberts 4, ]: D. Rick ards (conductor') 5, J. Shallish 6. The tenor is 24 cwt.

## A RING OF TWELVE BELLS FOR BERKSHIRE.

玉170 WANLED.Two well-known Berkshre ringers are intenf on raisine the 8170
 Reading, to increase them io a peal of twelve, and so great is their faith that, as already mentioned in these colamns, the order has boon placed, so that the work may he done while the restoration of the other ten is in land. Jhe Eollowing appeal for funds lins heen sent out:-
About two years ago the ruthorities of St. Latrence's Chureh in Reading were made aware that their listavic ring of ten bells was in need of rehanging.

As soon as they could see their way to take time matter in hand a fund was opened and estimates wicre obtamed for carrying out the necessary work.

Messra. Mears and Staimbank oblained the contract to take down and tune the ten bels-recasting the treble-and to rebang them with new fitinga in a new castiron and steel flume.
Parishoners and others specially interested in the dhurch responted promptly to the appeal for funcls, sa that in three imontus fses out of the $£ 600$ required las been contributed.
When the scheme was wall launched it whs represented to the anthorities by Mr. R. T. Hibbert, who hesides heing secretary for the Diocesan Guila of Claurch Bellringers is also forentar of Si. Laurence's tower, that ik was a unigue oppartmity for securing a ring of twelve hells fay Reading and the archdeacomy and county of Berkshime-such being already possessed by Oxfordshive and Buck-inghamslire-and that it was possilile io laigg the ten with two additional trebles on one level, that he had it on the best authority that the result would rank amolig the hest of the light rings of twelpe in the country, and that if the auflorities wonld entertain the idesa he, in conjunction with the Rer. C. W. O. Jenkyn, the Master of the Guikt, wond malerake the raise the addlional amount reguired.
This representation was received witla nuch favour.
Will you, then, belp us two Berkshire men to raise $£ 170$ in order that this anchleaconry fund county may possess a ring of twelve mells? Suhseriptions may be sent to Trw. C. W. O. Jenky, Brohdands, Grosvenor Road, Cayersham, Reading; or to Mr. R. T. Hibbert, E9, E'ark Rond, Reading.

## HOW IT CAME ABOUJ' <br> To the Editor.

Sir,-The relamging, tuning hall augmentation of the good ald peal at St. Laurence's Churelı Reading, has heen mentioned in the columns of "The Ringing Worla' several times recently, and my пame has been mentionerl as having senthething to do witly the jols, hemee these few words of explanation and appeal. When it was de: cided io tume and relang the old ton and add melal to tha freble, all ringers who knew the bells erealised that they would he, whon finished, a very fine ritug. A fow of us older vingel's also realised that here and how was the only anance 1.0 get a peal of twelpe in Herkshire, and by so rloing a peat of twelwe jas cach of the archdeamontes uf the cliocesc. Well, I will admu 'fults and follies' by owning up that I did agitate certain people in anthority and drove bome thase facts on all possible occasions; that wo should lave a goond pral of twelve; that there was romm for twelve an ono lovel, with a good circle, and thab in fime we would ring them. When the churela anthoritieg saicl they would he pleased to acecpt two hew bells, but woud not sloulder the further responsihility of $£ 170$, [ went, klraight to the Master of the Oxford Diocesna Guitri, Rev. C. W. O. Jeakyn (who is, like myself, a Borksaine mant, amb, after a slort talk, In said: "We will have a peal of twolve in our artive county. I will guarantee the amount, and we must get what help we can forough onv cum Guild, hrunclacs and towors, and alse from mersomal frimula.' So now, if any tower, bund, or indiwidual tinger would like to lefp. I will be pleased to send a receipt for amomit received, and also, if the editor of "The Ringing World' will oblige, print a list of aubseribers and bulance sheet. I may say that no eheque will be too
 required for the tehanging of the peal of teln.
RRCHARD T. HIBBFRTM.
69, York Roat, Reading, Berks.

## A COMBINED PRACTICE AT LAVERSTOKE.

A very sucecssful comalined mractice of the Andover Bianch of tha Winchester and Porismondh Diocesan Guilil was bekl at Laverstoke on Soturday, members attending from Highelere, Overturs, King's Somhorne, Woolton Hill and Woutton St. Laurence, including two Indies from Highelere. Ringing commenced shortly after threr riclock and continued mial five oclock. Then, by kind insitation of the Rev, and Mra, W. Wragge, the memhers were entertained to tat on the lawn, Followed by a stroll romad the beattiful gerden, which extends to the banks of lle Birnw Test. This the memhers grently appraciated, and cordially thanked the Rev. and Mrs. W. Wragge for their kind hospikality. A move war haen made to the tower for further practice. A very nsefal afternom and evening was epent in practisint frandsire and Stedman Douhles mad Foth "imms.

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD <br> NAVFNBY"S QUATET JOWER.

Tifo mewly-inslalled peal of six at the vidnge of Nevendy was an atataction la the large company of ringers who assembled there on Saturday, September 7h, upon the occasion of a guarierly meeting rat the Lincoln Distriet of the Lincoln Diocesnn Guild.

To the anmals of tho district one has to go back 4 good number of years to find wuy mention of this tower figuring in any events of campanalogy. It must, howewer, liave heen desired by the prime movers of Lithe bell restoration scheme that Navenhy should no longer be in the dark as far as ringing is concerned, and that it should he Frought inta line with its noiglibouring parish. There was a little diffecalty on a feelnical mature at the outsot of the restoration scheme, but fortanately it was quickly overcome, and now Navenby possesses th fine peil of bells, with a tenor of 13 cwt.
Viewing this church from the roadside, the smallness of the tower in comparison to the nave of the church presents a notable feature, from which one might well Hssume lisat the builders were suddenly fuced with slartage of material. The entrance to the belfry, like many others in the comntry ends in a peculinu manner. Having proceeded up wifticient namber of steps, one is suddenly confronted witla ath fuertmo in the wall leadiug to the ringing eliamber, the floor of which is some 8-10 feet below. From this opening in the wall one anim obdain an unobstructed bird's-eye view of ilie room. With the new iastallation of bells, consideration has been extended to those rasicling very close ta hide chunch, for the louvres lave been baraled over. Willd lis impurement, however, there is coupled the disadvantage that the striking of the ghutoh clock caunat be liearal to its required measure, with the result lhat it is lighly probable that sarac of the boarding of the louves will yat have to be fomoved. Those present at the meeting came from Lincaln, Blankney, Bassinghnm, Branston, Bardncy, Gainshorougl, Folkigham, Worksop, Ordsall, Callinghant and Navenby, many of whom arrived early irt the aftumoon. The Rector of Navenby kindly conducted a service in the church, and also gave an address. T'ea was then served at the Lian and Roysl Fotel, at which upwards of 40 were present.
Following this a meetmit took place, at which Mr. Geo. Chester took, for the first time, the official position of presiflent-the outcame of a very unanimous election at the Bardney meeling.
Mr. Ohester first of all thanked the eompany for the honour bestowed upon him, fand went on to say that he was following a very good man in the Rev. R. Bond, the late president. He wonld do his utnosl lot the benefite of the Guil. He emphasised the importance of keeping up the strongth of the Guid by obtaining young ringers, and he hoped that the move skilled ringers would not grodge the time given by thon in toaching the new recruits. The main thing for ringers to obsarve was 'to kecp going lorward.'

Mons hew menherg were added to the roll, viz, Miss Rollitt (Navenly) and Mr. B. Jhoyes (Bardney) ps ordinary members, Mr. (Hibeon dackson (Doneqster) and Mr. R. E. Stockdale (Ordsall) both as mon-resident life members.
The next meoting is to be held at Caythorpe on November 16th, for whinh meating the methor of Oxford Bob Triples was selecten for proferential study.

Thanks were accorded to the Rector af Narenby, to the organist, und to the tea makers.
The ringers returned to the tower for further ringing until nite o'clock, when the bells were loweyed, bringing to a close a most succossiful mectiag.

## BLIND RINGER'S ACHIEVEMENT.

## RINGS STFDMAN DOCBLFS AT FTRST ATEEMPT

A very pleasant theeting of the Mandoorongly Brancli of the Salishury Guidd was hedr at Chisleclori an Saturday. A lovely old-world
willan on the wiltshire Down, with its fine old ehurch dedicated to the Holy Cross, and a good-going ring of five bells (temor I4t cwt.), provided mach eujoyment for those present. Ringers were present from Aldhourno, Chisedon, Oghourne, Sheffeld, Swindon (Christ Ghureh and SL. Mark's), and Wootton Bassett
An excellent ton was provided on his lawn by Mr. S. C. Aucher, the fuxury of deek chairs and the like being nucts appleciated.
Some very good ringing was acoomplished both before and after ton, in Plaim lioh, Origian, Grandsive and Stedman Doubles. The most intelesting event of the तay was tho tray remarkable perform-
fone of Mr. Whitaker, the well-known organist at Chisledon
 Boh Doubles withoul the slightest hilch, and later, remarking that Ifte knew the methad but lind nol tried it before, be rang the 2nd isell Ilrough two 120's of Stedman Doubles, striking his bell perfectly. One hinks biat the two touches mentioned ate worth recording, as they musi be almost, if not quite, unique, and one would like to add word of admination and congratulatian to Mr. Whitaker on his achievement. Tho 120 Plain Bob Dhuhtes was rung by: L. Wilson (Wootion Bassett) 1, D. Heginbothom (Aldyourne) 2, H. Wlittakev (Chisladon) (condactar) 3, J. E. Lewis Cockey (Dorc, Sheffield) 4, S. Areher (Clisledon) 5. 120 Stedman Doubles: C. Hussey (Aldhoumoj $1, ~ T h . ~ W h t h a k e r ~(C h i s h e d o n) ~ 2, ~ L . ~ W i l s o n ~(H i o o t i o n ~ B a s s e t t) ~$

## WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

THE SATETY OF BROADWAY TOWER.
A meeting of the Southern Ruanch of the Worcestershire and Diztriets Association took place at St. Eadburghe's Church, Broadway, on Saturday week, and proved very enjoyable to all concerned. Tlie hells lave reeently been rehung in n new iron frame with ball bearings, by Messrs. Gillett and Jaluston, of the Groydon Bell Foundry, who have carrien out the work in a very satisfactory manner.

Mr. R. H. Dove, a member of the staff, represented the firm at the meeting, and among those present were the Rev. D. FitzMaurice (Hampton), Mr. and Mra. A. J.. Parsons (Old Hill), Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Bird and Mrs. Bird (Old Hill, T. J. Saltel (Kidderminster), W. Sllort (Clent), G. Fern (Smethwick), H. and A. Martin (Bromsgrove), C. H. Jones (Worcester'), S. T. Holt (Crowle), W. Ranford (Suckley), J. Fyle (Charlbury), and members of the branch were also present from Evesham, Hampton, Cropthorne, Hinton, Childswickhats, Dumbleton, Offeninarn, Bretfortor, Badsey, Staintbury, Overbury, Bredion's Norton, etc.
Soon after 3 p.m. the bells were set going to various standard methods, and the order of the afternoon and evening was for short touches so that all present could have a pull. Service was held at 4.30 p.m., the association's form of service being used, many parishiboners being present.
rhe Vicar, the Rev. V. H. Patrick, took the service, and the choir and organist were in attendance. The Vicar, in welcoming the assaciation to Broadway, said he appreciated the good fellowsbip and brotherhood they were creating among their numbers. The old church, be said, had nestled between those hills simee the Norman period, its bells had pealed forth joytul news, and its mufled peals bad sent forth sorrowful news, athd now again they would still brighten and cleer the countryside.
Tea was provided by the Vicar and churchworkers, and was taken at St. Patrick's Cafe, upwarts of 60 sitting down
At the business meeting which followed, the Vicar presided, and was also elected an hon. member to the association. Several performing members were also elected.
It was decided to attempt the quarterly peal on Broadway bells with Mr. J. Hemming as conductor, hut this camsed some discussion, as the Yicar pointed out that the architect was of the opinion that the tower was not safe for long peal ringing, but this was ridiculed by Mr. IR. H. Dove and Mr. C. A. Binyon.
It was further resolved to hold the nexli meoting at Great Hanipton.

Tlig usual vote of thanks was moved by Mr. G. A. King and was arried with loud applatse, and the Fica hriefy feplicd,
A collection was taken al the service for a belfry repairs fund which amounted to 18 s., since which a further contribution of 5 s. has heen sent by the Misses Hingley, of Middle Hill Park, who also bave kindly consented to hecome lion. members of the association.

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

## NEWBURY BRANCH.

A very successful meeting of the Newbury Branch of the Oxford Piocesan Guild was held at Peasmore on Saturday, Soptember Till, whon the following towers were replésented: Bucklebury, Briglit-
walton, Beedon, Chieveley, East Ilsley, Newbury, Shaw, Highicre and the Peasmore ritgers. Visitors wore also present from Maiden heal. A service was conducted hy the Rector of Newbury (the Rur L. F Majendie), who gave a very helpful address form Psalm cxxii. "I was glad when they said unto me: We will go into the bouse of the Lord." Miss Jacohs presided at the nrgan. Tea was served the Misses Brown in their orchard, which was much appreciated the ringers on such a hot day.
The business meeting followed, over whiol the chairman of the branch (the Rev. L. R. Majendie) presided, stpported by the hoo. branch secretary and treasurer (Mr. H. W. Curtis).
The Secretary reported the death of Mr: J. Pummell, of Hampstead Norris (an old menber of the Guild, all standing for a fgiv moments as a tokell of respect.
The amual meeting was fixed for Newhury about the middle of November, the date being left ta the secretary to arrange with tie Master of the Guild.
Mr. N. J. Blunden, of Bucklehury, was elected an hon. member, and three new ringing members where also elected.
The Rev. L. R. Majendie proposed a hearty vote of thanks to tho Misses Rrown and their helpers far moviding such an excelent teat This was seconded hy the secretary, who also thanked the Rector for his eddress, and Miss Jacolos for presiding at the organ. The tower was again visited, and this noted peal of hells set going again in the following melhoils: Grandsire and Stedman Dotables, Plam Bol, Kent Irehle Bob and Cambridge Minor-

## MR. TOM BEADLE'S FUND.

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## AN ESSEX EXPEDITION

ASSOCIATION VISITS NFGLEOTED TOWERS.
Forty members, repreachting twelve parishes of the South-Eastern Division of the Essex Association, assembled at High Easter on Saturdisy last for the purpose of creating interest in the bells, which have nut been rung for many years. Among those present were Mr. O. H. Howand (Master of the Association), Mr. G. Green (District Master) and Mr. H. W. Kirton (district secretary), Dr. Spencer Phillips, Messrs. W. Keeble, F. L. Hammond, W. Lincoln and afber prominent neighbouring ringers.
The bells, a ring of six, with a tenor 18 owt., half a tone flat, restoved, and a treble added to commemorate the diamond jubilee of Queen Victoria, need the attention of a competent bell hanger. The 4 th, especially, goes very hadly. Fortunately, there were among those present men wha could hande nad strike the worst going bells, and some very creditable ringing was done in the following methods Canloridge Surprise, Oxfort and Keut Treble Bob, Plain Boband Grandsire Doubles. Tea and meeting were held at the Cock and Bell, Mr. G. Green, District Master, presiding.
Rey. Canon Payater was eleched a life hoa. member
A short service was held in the church. The Rev. B. H. Vincent, Vient, officiated, gave a warm welcome and a short well-chosen address. The lesson was read by the Master.

After the Vicar had been thanked for the use of the bells and for officiating at the service, his atiention was called to the need of some belfry repairs. A wish was also expressed that an effort should be made to form a hand of sarvice ringers.
The Wicar promised that the request woulrt receive his attention at the same time pointing out the difficulties of securing churchworkers in so scattered and rural a parisl.
A call was made by some on their way home at Gaod Easter. Here is a very musical ring of five, hanging in a turret, tenor about 10 cmt . No ringing has been done on these bells for several jears. The long draught of rope and the need of some oil on the bearings may have accounted for the indifferent "go." Several six-scores of Doubles were brought round, possibly the first change ringing on the hells. No band of हervice ringers is now in existence. The Vicar, Rev. W. T. Vaughan Jones, expressed his plepsure at the visit of the members.

Allhough no opportunity occurred of meeting any local ringers at either of the parishes, it is hoped that the expedition will result in an effort being made to induce some of the jounger generation ta lake up this branch of church work.

## HERTS AND BEDS JOINT MEETING.

On Saturday last a joint meeting of the Eertford County Association and Bedfordshire Association was held at Biggleswade. The meeting was well attended, and the different counties were well represented by members from Bedford, Biggleswade, Clifton, Everton Roxtor, Southill, Sandy, Baldock, Barley, Hitchic, Letchworth, Offley, Stevenage, Melbourn (Gambs) and Cambridge.
The bells were raised ahout 2.30 p.m., and were kept going in the following mefhods: Plain Bob, Grandsine Triples, Kont Treble Bob Major, Double Narwich, Stedman Triples, Cambridge and Superlative Surprise, and \& course of London Minor for the benefit of the 'Minor' ringers.
An excellent tea han been arranged by Mr. C. J. Ball, the Beds secretary, at the Cafe.
After tea, the bells were again suon on the swing, and not before8.30 p.m. was the meeting brought to a close as the bells were rung down in peal in masterly fashion, a fitting close to an enjoyable day.
The sccretaries wish to thank all who lent their aupport, therebs making the meebiag the success that it undoubtedly was, and hope that anothar may be arranged at a future date

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Pictures should, for pieference, be photographic postcards and, where there is any choice, the tower should be a feature.

Obviously, of course, all the pictures cannot be published at once, the object of getting a collection being that the pholographs may be ready at hand for use when fitting opfortunity oocurs.

Will each tower secretary be good enough 10 send a photograph of his own tower this week-end--before he forgets it? It should be forwarded in an envelope for protection and addressed to The Editor, 'The Ringing World,' Woking, Surrey, and the sender should enclose his name and address.

## BELERY GOSSIP.

The peals at Grantham, Ewerhy, and Heckington were tung duling a week-end wisit to Surfleet by siveral well-knowu ringers, who were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. Richardson. The peals at Ewerly and Heckington were rung as a compliment to the host and hostess on the anmersary of their engagement.
The peal of Stedman Caters, rung at St. Peter's, Brigliton, on August 31 st, in which Mr. H. J. Tucker, formeriy of Bishop's Storkford, and now of Chichester, took part, was rung on the 50 th anniversary of his first peal, whicl was Holt's Ten-part meal of Grandsire Triples, ung at $S t$. Mary's Church, Ealing, Middleses, on August 31st, 1879, for the oid St. James' Society.
On September 25th, 1845, a peal of Stedman Gaters, composed and conducted by Jolnn Cox, was rung at '- St. James', Bermondsey. It was a 6,701 , and was recorden as the ' greatest number attainabli with trelle in 2nd's place aud bobs only
The first peal of Double Norwich Caters was rung at St. Stephen's. Bristol, on September Z2nid, 1894.
Matt. Wood, of Bethal Green, one of the mest famous of the old Joandon sehool of ringers, ant one of the band that opened St. Prulls Catherval hells, was horn in 1826. Ho rang aver 300 peals, which was a greal performance for a man in his days, and tonk part in scyeral celebrated long lengths. He was a martinet in the belfry-but he was a good ringer.

## WILL OF THE REV. MAITLAND KELIY

Tistnite valued at 818,538 was left hy the Rev. Maitlani Kelly, Kelly, Devon, who died on June 15 th , aged eighty-six. He was the head of ane of tinc uldest families in the West Country, his ancestars hiswing been settied continuonsly in Kelly since the midde of the twelfth century. He was formerly Viear of Saleombe and of Ottery St. Mary.
For over sixty years he was identified with ringing in the West, and was secretary (1890-1896) and president (1896-1924) of the Devnat Guild.

## WINCHESTER CANON'S BIRTHDAY

On Monday, Canon Rraitlwaite, of Winchester Cathedral, cellbrated his 80ilh birthelaty, and the Cathedral ringers heralded the dins by meeking at seven and ! firing' the bells for 80 times, and afterwards ringing a touch of 395 Grandsire Caters: R. Patine 1, W. C. Lampayd 2, A. Goulding 3, H. Cook 4, C. Russell S, E. G. Lamparl 6. G. Noice 7, W. H. Loveland 8, w. Andrews (conductor: $9_{9} P$. Tibale 10.
Canon Braitlwaile has done a certain amount of ringing, and hm: for many years been chairman of the Winchester Disfriet of the Winchester Guild. He presented a set of handbells to the Kime Alfred (Training) College, Winchester, for the use of students, shlw nlways makes a point of including the Cathedral ringers among thosp invited to the party given by him and Miss Braithwaite early in the year. He has, indeed, proved a real friend fo ringers. In spite off bis 80 vears lre is still' 'going strong,' and the good wishes of members of the Guild will go out to him.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD'S JUBILEE.

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 bridge days, weeupied prominent positions int the Exereise.

Seated (left to right): (1) Rer, C. A. Clements (St. Cath'si, Mustor of Chester Diocesth (iuild. (2) Rev, C. W. O. Tenkyu (Tria.), Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guith. (3) Mr, J. T. Rickman (Jesus), Master of tre Sussex County Association. (4) Canon W. W. C. Buker (Clare), President of the Bedfordshire Association, (5) Rev,

 President of the Lancashire Association. (9) Rev. H. Law James (Gains), Master of Lhe Lincoln Diocesan Guild. (10) Garon G. H. Ridout (Solwyn), of Jahamesburg,


 worlh. (10) Mr. E. M. Atkins (St. Cath's), Loadon. (1t) Mr. J. R. Dullield (Selwya), Westminster Hospital, London. (12) Rev. H. (i. Bensun (King's), Likowa, Nyasa-
In Front: Mr. 1. L. Haynes (St. Cath's), Master of the Cambridge University Guilt, with the presentation bowl.

## GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

 GODALMING AND ITS BlBLLS.'Jlue quaint atd town of Godianing, Survey, has many clanms, nlthough the speeding motorist, lbanperert by its narrow and congested atrrets as he rushes from London th the southern sea coast, may mot 1hink Ho. Tho town groups itself picturesquely between the hills and Whones, on the banks of the River Wey, nat one of its glorios is fis fine olf! charch, with its moble lested spive, and its chmochyard, Which runs down to the very verge of the sluggish riper. Parts of 1, We Tatrly Norman elhureh are still to be seen, includiag an arela be twien the choir and the chancel. Garkalming has had o long succession of Rectors and Vicars. The former, whose interest presuruably centred chielly in receiving the rectoral tithes, for the holders of the office ware obviously 'absentecs, being, many of thew, Deans of Surnes, cani be traced hack to the days of Edward the Confessor, rud : harard in the church records their names down to 1846 , when their imbume From this source was diverted to the Ecclesiastical Commissidnerg. rhhe mames of tha Vibars, who, of course, were responsible tior the spiritual diarge of the parish, are also recorded, the finst bung Willian, II85, ant the next Richard of Chiddingfold. The list appears to lies almose oomplate down to the present date.

A FING DF NO ARCHEOLOGICAL INTBRJST
Tho centrial tower has a loty spire, probably the tallest to be found in the rianese. The ahnreh has long harl a ring of bells, for 3n the time of Tedward VI. il is recorded Lhat there weare, in atdition
 tohor was alout a ton. The present ring ase a mixed lol and poor in quality. The oldest is the thind, east in 1740 ly Themes Lester', of Lomalon, who in 1746 recast other bells, probably the olit five which figured in the Lifwardine returns. The fifth of this ring was recast by Mhorass Swaine in 1772, two more bells were added in 1792 , the trable of which was recast in 1839. Ten years later the tenor was pertist, nnal in 1874 the fifth passed througls the melting pol. Tha, bells have thus no archreolgegal interest, and, though the temor is ahout 25 cwhe are an indifureme ring. Far some yons they have soridusly meaded rehanging, while ringing at Goditming is carried on mader anolher serions handicup, fur there is searcely any ventiation in the belfry. There are no windows in the ringing room (for tear, the spirn), and only two smal] holes have heen pierced tiluongla the 5ft, thek walls to let in the fresle air. Ringing has alwiys to be maried on by athilicial light, and on that thy such as fast patarday it was hatdy the best conecivathe place for a ringing meeting
Novertheless, menturs of the Guidford Distriot of the Guildford Diaresan Guild were present for a disbrict mecting, and enjoyed ilmmselves as ringers are wont to do, even umber the most atuerse conditions. Feroes were neter lacking for the back-end jobs, but the shoftest totahes werc enough at a time. Methods up ta Canbridge Surntise Major were rung during the day.
Tha Gaid's service was conducted lyy the Yicar kev. A. S. Jichatdsh, the singing heing led lag the choir boys. t'lie Vicar's Hidrebs was based on 2 Clyon. y. 13: "Th make one sound to the henrel in praising and thanking the Lord.' The bells of the parish marabes of this country, he said, entered verg closely into the lito of He local communily. In these days when mankind seemed to be mosily maleres of moise, it was a great thing that the boils, with thair mossage, given out Sundny by Sumaley, should call attention to the higher things of life. The preacher referved to the atutios and reponsibilities of the ringers, and poind rd out that their ministry was anll the mosw dfective when, in addition to ealling athers to worship, they set tho example themerlves and attended the services.
An exeellont tea was afterwards gerved in the Chureh Institute, athe the Vienr presifled owe the shout hasiness meeting which followed. Those present inchated the hous. treasturer of the fuild (Admiml T. P. Walker), the hon. secretary (Mr. J. S. Goldsmith), tha. Distriet Ringing Muster (Mr. C. Hazelrent, the district hon.
 ringers from Guidford (Cathetral and S. Nicolas"), Godniming, Dunsfold. Aclershot, West Clandon, Woking, Thursley, and Otter-

'Those prosent stood far a morment in silence in memory of the late Mr. Alwyn Charman, of Cramfigh, a member of the Guild. Mr. Golitanitil tendered lise apolugies fur absemee of Najor Hesse, of Itastmene, the Ringing Master, owing to the annual onting of the Fuslemente ringers heing lixed for Saburday.

11 was amounced that the next quarterly meeting of the Guildiort Distriet woula] he helal at Slablford tht Nowensher 16th, and a joint mevting with the Surtey Asseciation at Guildford on Oetober Sth. Adphral T. P. Walker, D.S.O., of Woking, hou. Lrasurer of the allowing them to use the beils and tor his helpfu] address. He also thanikd the argenist, eloir, those who hat "provided tea, and Mr. ( 3 . Childs (enptain of the Godalming ringers) for making arrangements for the moeting

HINT TO CTFITRCH ATETRORITIES
It seconding, Mr. Geldsmith said they realised that Godalming was fise cold town, and hatd a liac oled cliureh, but he enuld not sny it
had a fine peal of bells. He liad not come to grumble, but he would like seriously to suggest to the church authorities at Godalming that Whey consider doing something to their bells. At the moment, the bells really went very badly indead, and he thought Mr. Childs and the oliter Godalming ringers would agree with him.
The bells themselves necder the attention of a bell hanger, continued My Goldsmith, and he thwught the choreh authorities would find it would be chexpir to luve them attended to now than let Then go a few more years, when the state of the bells would be far worse. He believed it was true that Godalming was quite a wealthy borougls (laughter'). So they would not have much difficulty in raising any money mecessary to put the church bells inta order. If that was the case, he suggested they should make a clean sweep. The Fiear lad told them in his sermon something about makers of noise. All the while the Gorialruing bolls want as they did now, the ringers in the tower would be makers of noise-noisc, pernaps, that the inhabitants would not apprecinte! If those responsible wonid put tha hells in good order, and, if possible, lave them tuned harmonicallywhich these were not-and have one or two of the cracked ones put right, they would liave a peal worthy of the town and of the fine old church (hear, hearl.
Mr: Goldsmith said he was sure members of the Guild would not think he was riawitur the long bow, because be believed that certainly not. for 30 years hat the Godalming bella had a serious amount of maney spent on them. There was also not enough venlilation in the tower, fand if anything onuld he tone to improve it while relange ing the bells it would be appreciated not only by Godalming vingers but $\mathrm{by}^{2}$ all who visifed the tower.

## THE VICAR'S RFPLY

The Yicar, acknowledging the vote of thanks, said not only bells wore out but even Godalming poekets were liable to wear out (latughter). The Chureh Rons in which they ware gathered was rather inelined to wear out, and at the present monent there was a considerable debt in regard to the repairs. But he was glad to hear from someane outside the parish of a defnite need like the bells, which would have to he fincod, hecause very often a proplet in his own country, such as the secretary or chairman of one's own ringers, whs less likely to be listenad to than someone from outside, of whom there could he no suspivion that ho liad any axe to grind. He know That Goclalming had \& reputation of being able to raise money for Anything and everything, and it miglut be to the credit of the parish that slonald be so, but he laped no one would imagine it was necessarily too easy to do that in the present day. As a matter of fact, in reeent poars Godalming had been suffering the loss of some of its hest church supporters, and those who came and replaced them were
not quite so strong in their support. That applied, he supposed, not quite so streng in their support. That applied, he supposed tainly bear in mind what Mr. Goldsmith said ahout the bells, and he was sorry to hear that snme were cr:abked.
Mr. Childs, proposing the election of the Vioar of Godalming as an hon. member of the Guilm, remarked that what Mr. Goldsmith had stid ahout the bells was perfertiy true. They dial mend atitention, and had done so for a long time.

Admiral Walker secouded the proposition, which was carried with acclamation.
Responding, the Vicar said he knew of the goor work the Guild alid in the diocnse. Bells were a real national claracteristic in the conntryside, 日nd low believed the work of the ringers was an asset to the spiritual life of the country.

## WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD, PORTSMOUTH DISTRTCT AT CATHERINGTON.

A very enjoynble by-meeting of the Portsmouth District was held at. Chatherington on Saturday last, when, hy kind permission of tha Vicar (Rex. F. M. Lake), the peal of six was matable to the menbors daring the afternoon and evening. The weather was ideal, and mombers wore present from Catherington, Easi Mcon, Portsmouth (St. Mary'sl, Ryde and Titelffeld, also visitors from Ragate and Mr. 7. H. Shepherd (Swindon).

A short service was held in the ehurch, at which the Vicar officiated and gave an excellent athliess, after which the members adjourned to tea. At the close of this, the Vicar welcomed the Guild to Catheringlen, and hoped that before long they would pay them another thanked the Vicay for his kind words, and also for allowing them the use of the hella Ilat day.

At the conolusion the mombers pairt a further visit to the torer until ${ }^{7}$ p.m., when the hells were lowered in pal. The ringing during the day comprised Grandsire. Stedman and Boh Doukles, Pan Bob, Oxforl and Kent Treble Bob and Cambridge Surprise Minor.

## FRESH SPLICING

A paragraph last weck mentioned the ringing on spliced principlas of methods which had not hitherto been joinod up in this way. As a matier of fact, something lof wert to is only a nart. We hope to stone, of whel the ringing heferen to something further about this new departure shortly.

## DORSET DAYS.

## BY W. H. F

A bvief holidny amidst Thomas Hardy's fascinating Wessex scenery in South Dorset was olganised by Mr. M. Herrey Beams, assistant hon. secretary of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild, on behalf of a party of change ringers nof unknown to readers of 'The Ringing World. Drewn by 'the ropes' from six counties, they formed a ' non-resilent ' team of eight men, with an Exeter 'pigeon pair' in valuable reserve. Members arrived at Bridport as you please, some of them nt hendquarters, the Greyhound, a noted house, especially to a noted fondon band, but owing to the smmmer crowds others lad to be hounded ' elsewhere
After Sunday morning service on September 8th at Holy Trinity Clurci, Bradpole, everyone assembled under the bospitable roof of Mr. and Mis. Beams for lunch, at which the Vicar, the Rev. ©. W. 1'Ombrain, M.A., welcomed the visitors to Dorset, and offered grace bifore meat. When the aftermon peal carme home, some half-dozen lopty local young men came to see the band, and were surprised to lime no blisters. Ower the tea cups time thavelled 'Schneider speed, and recollections of Leytonstone and Sussex, of the days before M: feams came to Bradpole in 1906, were recalled.
A quarter of a century ago change ringing in the Bradpole district was unknown; there was nowe to be had nearer than Dorchester The Diocesang Guild existed in name rather than as a body, with its four unwieldy divisions to the cardinal points of the compass. Areas unworkable were subdivided into the present districts, which are still too large. Perseverance has produced in West Dorset a good erop of 190 nembers in 17 affiliated towers, and the work of restoration has not been neglected. Scventeen peals of bells have been restored in some way or other according to the means and the interest of Dorsetshire men. Good as the results have been in the past, much still neens to be done, especially in terching the art of change ringing but it is growing gradually, thanks to the practical and personal interest shown by the president.
Referring to the last annual report of the Guild (1928), the list of peals was a record for the Guile, and no less than four prominent ringers paid a visit to the diocese, whose peal records total upwards if a thousand each-Messrs. W. and G. Pre, F. Bennett and George Wiliams. Pinancially, too, the Guild is in a llonsishing state, and muybe, the fgo balance in hand last year is $£ 100$ by now
Witin a bright moon to prolong a joyous Sunday, the company proneded by cers and malot-cycle through Bridport to take a breati if the 'Atlantic air " at West Bay. Tley left belind the 'Norman ${ }^{\text {E }}$ Anureth, nor yet a centary oid, erected on the morth side of the older rainous building, which tells onc that the font bowl may have been 700 rears in use; that a solid slab of stone, carved for the lead of is three-light window is one piece, was found in a rubbish heap. In his parish was born an lumble ringer, who rose to be the general nisanager af Elze G.W.R., well known to the wriber as a resident of Slough for many years, and here ho rests. Near the church door, too, where he wished to lie, rests also the late Ticar, the Rev, C. F. going.' His encourarement of Mr. Heans in the efforts to restore unt augment the old ruinaus peal of six bells (cest by Warnel of London, 1865), led to the "order" for tie work being given before t pound was in the trands of the treasurer. But the debt was cleared a one year, and the opening peal $(5,000)$ toused the inhahitants to me to breakfast.
The county of Dorsel from tire days of Elizabeth lias not been eglected by our Kings and Quenns. Lyme, Melcombe, Wyke and Theer Regis all have associations with King Charles II, and George III., but we have yet to hear that there is a Regis St. Giles. Thanks to the Rev. C. Garew Cox, Vicar of Michael's Church, Lyme Regis, ilae party were allowed to ring in the marning, on Monday, Septemher $9 t h$, and an anouncoment in the parish magazine mentioned their coming to ring a peal (which they did), inviting young men of the parisk to take up the art. In this belfry is an ornamental panel of wood, with a hold drawing in gold of a skull and crossbones, in eribed "Monentes Mori," ous a dark background-just the sort of enicement to a young man who is tived of the dungers of motorcling to hang himself. Before rg11, Lyme possessed a ring of six ant by Thomas Bilbie in 1770, from funds raised by voluntary sub ariptions and a clatech rate.
There is mach to be sitid in favour of Sir. Cox's nmouncement. deatifu] bell music is poured from the chmoln towers throughout Ile country without any preliminary notice to the townspoople. When the bells ring, many people would like to take their favourite
alk abrond and listen to the 'loud eymbals,' whilst others who are listressed by bell music would prefer a visit to fistant friends and erighbours, and notice of a peal gives them the opportunity of makTheir arcangements.
The visitors retmrned to Bridport via whitehurel Camonicorum Here is a line old ring of eight, tenor 21 cwt. in E flat, and Stedman 'Iriples was lost appramhing lialf-way, while the tenor clapper broke churing the touch of Major, which was treing rung so that all could ate a "pull."
This chareh, which has an unsual derteation, viz. S.S. Wite Canita and IDoly Gross, possosses a fine western tower, a well-kept (Continued in next columa.)

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION

## MEETING AT NORTHAW

A visit to Northaw was paid by a few enthusiastic memberg of the Middlesex County Assaciation and London Diocesan Guild on Saturday, Soptember 14th, on the occasion of a North and East District meeting in this clarming but out-of-tie-way village. The smal company included Miss K. Wilhars, who cyeled from Tumpington, Cambs, to attend the mecting. Divine service was held at 5 p.m. at which the Vicar (Rev. E. S. Allen) officiated. Als excellent tea was provided, after which the usual short business meeting was hedr
Two new members were elected, and a wote of congratulation passed to the Ref. A. H. F. Boughey (a vice-president of the associationl on attaining his jubilee as president of the Cambridge University Guild.

The note in the current issue of 'The Ringing World, referring to peal rung at Appleton in 1877, was commented on. Mr. F. A. Milne, the president, was one of the tingers on that occasion, and fully recollected the peal.
Mr. Milne proposed a vote of tianks to the Vicar for the use of the beils, and for his address at the service, also to Mr. B. McKie and the local ringers for arranging the meeting

The Hon. Secretary expressed his great pleasure at the recent successes of the Northaw baud, who, being quite up to date, wero practising Spliced Treble Bob methods with good results. He urged thern to keep the progressive policy going.
The charming peal of six bells (tenor $13 \mathrm{cwt)}$. were rugg to severa. methods during the aftornoon and eveniug, including Stedman Donbles, Plain Bobs Minor, Kent, Oxford and Kingston Treble Bob Minor, and the latter two methods spliced. Rounds were also rung for tile beginners.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

## DEVIZES BRANCH AT BISHOPS CANNINGS

'مlte monthly meeting of the Devizes Branch was held at Bishop's Camings on Saturday, September 7th, a large number of ringerg being present. Ringing commenced aboul 3 p.m., and later the Guild service was held, the surpliced choir being in attendatace. The service was intoned by the ehaiman of the hranch (Mr. C. D. Heginbothom), the legson being rad by the Vicar, the fer. L. R. Sharpe, M.

Tca followed, after whieds a short Lusiness meting was held, Mr C. D. Heginbailiam presiding, and extending a bearty welcome to the visitors. He drew attention to recent articles in "The Ringing World ' urging ringers ta take an interest in the work of their associations. He also congratulated Mr. J. T. Dyke on his taking part in the recotd peal of Cambridge Surprise Maximus at Ashton-under Lyne on August Bank Holiday.

The death of ML. A. N. Smitio, of Bratton, a member of the Guild, was reported, those present standing in silence as a taken of respect Mr. Gyril Gilbert, of Roundeway, Devizes, was elected a metnher, and on the motion of the chairman a role of thanks was passed to the Vicar for the use of the hells, the organist, the chofr and thost who prepared the dea.-The Vipar replicd.
Fisitors included Mr. L. A. Wilson, Wootton Bassett (secretary of the Calne Brameh, Messis. E. Bishop, S. Palmar, R. W. Hyncr, C. J. Gardiner, J. S. Roberts aud J. Berry (Swindon), Messrs. S. Wil shire, C. R. Davison and H. P. Marsh (Chippenham), and Mr. H. Bury (Calne) Mumbers of the branch were present from Bishops
Canmings, Warminster, Dewzes (St. John's and St. Mary's), Southbroom, Rowde, Bratton, Trowbridge, Holt and Melksham. Touches of Grandsime and Stedman Tuples, Canbuidge Surprise, Superlative Kent and Oxforcl Trehle Bob, Double Norwich and Plain Boh Majo were rung during the afternoost and evening, a very plaasant time being spent.
It was decider to hold an evoning mecting at Bration and Eding tor ous Septemker 21st, if the be nonthly meeting af Waminsler
Bishop's Cannings Chuvel is a very beautiful building, and the hells (tenor 16 cot.) make one of the finest peals of eight in the county Great credit is due fo Hi: T. Merritt, the eaptain and steeplekeeper, for the way in which the ringing clamber and bells are kept.

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belfry, and a most courtcons foreman. Canon Raven, in his notes on Church Bells of Dorset, gives the temor of the okl ring of five as 49 inches diameter and 37 inches heigith, inseribed:-

> Hark, when I call, come ta church all; Come to serve God, or come not at all. W. L., F. G.; G. W., J. I. Anno Domini 1669.

In all probability the riflage inn, where tea was partaken of, was named after the elumely hells, the Five Hells, when this grand, deeptoned tenor was added to the four ond onç. Since the atwent of laiways, authors and whers coast of Beidport Bay Traking Charmoulh as a centre, one word comes to athul-elarming and the Great Western Railway publications reveal much of its hes lory to those interested in ' Darsetshire.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
NOTTINGHAM DISTRICT MEETING AT COTGILAVE.
A very pleasant and enjoyable meeting was held at Colgrave on Suturday, the enthusiasm of ringere from afar, coupled with the glorious weather, no doubt contributing mach to the success of the grthering. The six hells were available from 3 p.ma, but even before llat time a dady ringer had arriped from Surleet, and a start was made witl a 360 of Bob Minor. Soors there was a goodly conpany al ringers of both sexes fram the following amongst otlier pances: Nobinglan, Sindiacte, Sulton-on-Trent, Treaton (Yorks), Worksop and Wymondiam (Oakham), severnl of the local ringers also being present.
The bells were kept going in warious methods until an adjournment was made for tea, amply provided on Mr. Walter White's lawn, twenty siting down, only three of whom had sent notice of their intention to be present. Luckily the caterer was able to overcome the dificialty, and gave a hearty welcome to all. Will the time ever tome when ringers will give a thought for those who are arranging Thr meeting, ned who uro anxious to make it as comfortable as possible for the visitors? Some may make excuse, and say, 'A bit of bread and cheese will do for me, bat that is not quite the proper thing. A comfartable meal in company with the others who msy be present does much to make an afternoon outing a success.
'Tea being over, a retarn was made to the belfy, the company heing augmented by several ringers umble to put in an envilier apprarance, and ringing contimad imbill after cight ofock. During In: alay many methods werte well rang, ranging from Plain Bob to Cambridge and from the complimontary renarks heard an all sides as to the tone and 'go' of the bells, there is no doubt those present varried away very pleatant recollections of the meeting.

Owing to the absence of the distriet secretary, no armangements were mate for future meetings.

OVERSEAL RINGERS VISIT HIGHAM-ON-THE-HILL.
On Saturday, Soptember 7th, six ringers from Si. Mathew's, Overseat, Had a vory empoyable outing to Higham-on-the-Hill

On arriwing at the Churoh of St. Peter, Higham, the belle were raised in peal, and 720 of Bob Minor rung hy: A. E. Clayfield 1, T. Froman 2, W. Brooker 3, W. Clayficla 4, J. W. Cotton (conductor) 5, W. Curzon $B$.
The treble rirger than provided an execlent tea, after whelr further tomehos wote brought remnd. The return jouncy was made vin Fenny Drayton, Twycross ami Appleby.

DEVON GUILD.
The rutumin mecting of the Exeter Hranch of the Devon Guild of Ringers was helal at the picturesgre village of Kemm obl Saturday, Sepmember 711 , about 50 members and wisitors from other branches hemg pursent. A serwice was held in the chureh, which is one of the most beantiful country charches in the district, the Rev. F. W. Vining oflicialing. A tea and business meeting whs afterwards held in a room kindy lent by the Rector in the charming grounds of the Reclory.

The Rex, IE. V. Cox presided, and Hanked the Rector, the looal riturers, tho organist and choir, and all others who had holpoci ta Make the uffermonn so mjoyable. The meeting stood in sitence as at tribate la the memory of the late president of the Guild, the Rev. Mailland Kelly.

Flareo new members were elected, and it was rosolved that the antual moeting of the branch shoukd be leld in St. Sidwell's parish, Fixuter, un Demenher 7th.
Several meighowing lowers wero visited during the afternoon, the nte. of the bolls having been granted by the Ficars.

DEATH OF A BRATTON RINGER,
After m briç illuess, Mr. Oliver N. Emith, of Bratton, Wilts, passed nway rocontly at Westonry Cottage Hospital. He was at work on Friclay, hot whs tuken ill in the ovening. An immediate operation Was tecossary, but this was without nval, and he passed nway two the lame athendance at the finneral service, whene the claurch was atowded. The Bratton Silver Band, of which he had been handmaslor [or ton yens, attendel in uniform and acted as bearers. Mr. Suitli's actioities in the village hought him into touch with many friends, and great sympathy is felt for the widew and family in their suiden bereavement.

Mr. Smith, who was only 50 yeats of nge, was steward of the wilts Frimenly Socioly : momber of the church choir: chief cireman of the Brattoni tive Brigade: ex-chureltwarden; and member of the Salishary Dincesam Guilal of Ringers; aud aut of respect a muffled peal was rumg the the eliurch belle after tho service.

Heandiful wreathg and foral emblems to the bumber of about 40 were sent by sympathetin friends.

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YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - The eighth annual commemoration dinner to the memory of the late Jasper Whitfield Snowdon and past officers of the Yorkshire Association will be held at the King's Head Hotel, Change Alley, Sheffield, on Saturday, Sept. 21st, when the chair will be taken by the Venerable John Russell Darbyshire, M.A., Archdeacon of Sheffield, at 6 p.m. prompt. The bells of the Cathedral (12) and St. Marie's R.C. (8) will be available from $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. to $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Good accommodation provided for visitors staying overnight if desired. -Sidney F. Palmer, 87, Bradiley Street, Crookes, Sheffield.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).-Meeting for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on the 26 th, at 7.30 p.m. - William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road. Clapham, S.W. 4.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Ashford District. - The annual district meeting will be held at Hythe on Saturday, September 2rst, by kiad permission of Rev. Chestel de Boinville. Tower open ar 2.30. Service al 5 o'clock, followed by tea and business meeting. Election of officers for the coming year. A good attendance is requested. All ringers welcome.-A. C. Kay, Dis. Sec., 6, Sturges Road, Ashford.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION. - The Crawford Silver Cup Competition will be held at East Markham, near Tuxford, on Saturday, Sept. 21st. First company drawn to take ropes at 3 p.m. Tea and meeting to be held after contest. Bells available to all ringers immediately after contest. All ringers welcome. Good attendance requested. Good bus service: from all directions.-R. W. Stockdale, 34, High Street, Ordsall, Retford, and H. Revill, Hon. Secs.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.--South-Western Division.A meeting will be held at Barking on Saturday, Sept. 2 Ist. Bells (8) from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.45 p.m. Ten in Municipal Restaurant 5.15 p.m., is. per head. This meeting has been specially arranged in conjunction with the Week's Hallowing Services held in connection with the restoration of the ancient Abbey Church of St. Margaret's. All ringing friends cordially invited.-E. J. Butler, Dis. Sec., 3 , Eustace Road, Chadwell Heath.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. - West Dorse Branch. -For the quarterly meeting to be held on Sept. 2 Ist the following three towers will be visited: Rampisham, Evershot and South Perrott. A charabanc will call for ringers at Brifport 2 p.m., Bradpole 2.Io p.rn., Netherbury 2.20 and Beaminster and Stoke Abbott 2.30 p.m.-T. Hervey Beams, Hon. Sec., Bradpole, Bridport. WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.-The next meeting will be held at Brinklow, near Rugby, on Saturday, Sept. 2ist. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 oclock at a moderate charge. - D. E. Lewis, Firholm, King Edward Road, Nuneaton.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-North-Western District. -The rext meeting will be held at Beddington on Saturday, Sepr. 21st. Tower open for ringing 3 o'clock. Service 5 p.rn. Tea following.-D. Cooper, Hon. Sec., 5, Harrison's Rise, Croydon.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Divi-sion.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Battle on Saturday, Sept. 2 Ist. Tower open at 2.30 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea, by kind invitation, at 5 o'clock. Business meeting to follow. - G. W. Stokes, Hon. Dis. Sec., 23, Melbourne Road, Eastbourne.
DEVON GUILD.-North-Eastern Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Stoodleigh on Saturday, Sept. 21st. Bells ( 6 ) available 2.30 . Service 445 . Tea, rs. each, 5.55.-M. Hanson, Hon. Sec and Treasurer.
LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - The next meeting will be held at Caldicot on Saturday, Sept. 2 Ist (St. Matthew's Day). Belis (8) available ail the afternoon. Meeting at $4 \cdot 30$, followed by tea and service at 6 p.m.-John W. Jones, Hon. Sec., Cartref, Barrack Road, Newport, Mon.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Northern District.-A meeting will be held at Barley on Saturday, Sept. 2rst. The bells (6) will be available at 3 p.m. A short service will be held at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.-Donald C. Mears, Hon. Dis. Sec., Offley, Hitchir.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Sonning Deanery Branch. - Quarterly meeting at Arborfield, Saturday, Sept. 2 Ist. Beils from 3 o'clock. Short service $4 \cdot 30$. Barkham bells also available. All welcome. Tea at 5.W. J. Paice, Hon. Sec., Merrel, California, Wokingham.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORESHIRE ASSO-CIATION.-The next meeting will be held at Ormesby on Saturday, Sept. 21 st. The bells of the Parish Church ( 8 , tenor 18 cwt.) available for ringing all the afternoon. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea will be provided. Members is,, non-members is. 3 d . - T. Metcalf, 26 , High Street, North Ormesby, Middlesbrough.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-The next meeting of the Chesterfield District of the above association will be held at Bolsover on Saturday, Sept. 2ist. -J. P. Tarlton, Hon. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch. The next meeting will be held at St. Mary's Deane on广aturday, September 21st. Bells available 3 p.m. Meeting 7.-Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., 203, Devonshire Road, Bolton.
ABBOTT'S LANGLEY.-Saturday, September 21 Ist. Ringing from 3.30. Cheap tickets from London to King's Langley and buses from Watford at intervals.-C. H. Horton, Bushey.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District.-A meeting will be held at Sandy on Saturday, September 2 ist. Bells (5) a vailable at 2.30 . Tea at 5 p.m. at the Rectory. All ringers welcome. Good train and bus service.-C. J. Ball, z, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Wednesday Guild.-A meeting will be held at St. George's Church, Jesmond, on Wednesday, September 25 th. Bells available from $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at 5 . All ringers welcome.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-The annual meeting will be held at Blackburn Cathedral on Saturday, Sept. 28th. Further particulars by circular. - W. H. Shuker and A. Tomlinson, Hon. Secs.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Thrapston Branch.-A special meeting will be held at Denford (6) on Saturday, September 28tb. Usial arrangements.-]. Nickerson, Halford Street, Thrapston.

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. - The next meeting will be held at Conisborough on Saturday', Sept. 28th Bells ready early. Will all members please make a special effort to be present? Tea will be provided to those who notify M. Fowler, Clifton Terrace, Highfield Road, Conisborough, not later than the 26th.-Percy Gledstone, Hon. Sec., 34, Silverwood View, Conisborough.

NOTTINGHAM SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS (Established 1672).-A meeting of the above will be held at Southwell Minster on Saturday, September 28th. Tower open $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All ringers welcome.-F. Blood, Hon. Sec
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - North Berkshire Brauch.-Autumn meeting at Milton on Saturday, Sept. 28th. Service $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea +30 . Those requiring tea please notify A. E. Lock, 35, East St. Helen Street, Abingdon, Berks.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Reading Branch,The Autumn meeting of the above branch will be beld at Henley on Saturday. September 28th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 . Ringers service at 6 . All ringers welcome. Please notify me by Wednesday, September 25 th. -F. W. Hopgood, Hon. Branch Sec., 75, Kensington Rd., Reading.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Chertsey Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at East Miolesey on Saturday, September 28 th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 5. Tea 5.30. Names of those requiring tea to be sent to Mr. F. Brown, Cul-de-Sac Road, E. Molesey.-H. Hancock, Hon. Dis. Sec.
LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be beld at Hunslet on Saturday, September 28th. Bells available from $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Methods for practice, Grandsire and Stedman Triples.-H. Lofthouse, Hon. Sec., 8, Wortley Road, Armley.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckley District.-The next meeting will be held at Thurlaston on Saturday, September 28th. Bells available from $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. A good attendance is hoped for at this meeting, all ringers being cordially welcome.-W. A. Cope, Smockington.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUIILD.-Northern Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held on Saturday, September 28th at St. Dunstan-in-the-East, Eastcheap, London. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. until 8.30 p.m. Meeting, tea etc., at 5 . Every one welcome--J. A. Waugh, Dis. Sec., 8, Fuliers Road, E.I8.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-East Berks \& South Bucks Branch. - The next practice has been arranged at Cookham on Saturday, September 28th. Bells available 3.30 p.m. Guild service 5 . Tea by kind invitation 5.30 . Send your name to T. J. Fowler, Ship Lane, Cookham, by 25 th if you are coming.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - A joint meeting of the Derby and Burton districts will be held at Alrewas on Saturday, Sept. 28th. Bells (8) ready 3 p.m. Tea at George and Dragon (is. 3d. per head). It is essential that those requiring tea must notify me by ${ }^{2} 5$ th inst. at latest. Will members please make a special effort to attend and ensure a successful meeting? Bus leaves New Street Park at 2.40 p.m. and train leaves Burton 3 p.rm.-John Leach, 4, Vernon Terrace, Burton.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Chester Branch.Autumn meeting at Tusbingham, Saturday, September 28th. Tower open 3. p.m. Service 4.30. Will those requiring tea please let meknow by the $24^{\text {th }}$ ?-J. W. Clarke, Ecclesion, Chester.

DEVONSHIRE GUILD.-East Devon Branch. - A meeting will be held at Luppitt, near Honiton, on Saturday, Sept. 28 th. Bells (6), also Honiton (6) and Ottery St. Mary (8) available. Service $4 \cdot 30$. Tea 5. All ringers welcome.-John H. Godfrey, Hon. Sec., Silver Street, Ottery St. Mary.

SUFFOLK GUILD.-Bury St. Edmunds District.-A quarterly meeting will be heid on Saturday, Sept. 28th. Bells available: Norman Tower (10) and St. Mary's (8), Bury St. Edmunds, Horringer (8), and Fornham St. Martin (6). All ringers welcome. - J. Chinery, Dis. Sec., $5^{1}$, Garland Street, Bury St. Edmunds.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755).-Quarterly meeting at Egbaston Parish Chureh on Saturday, Sept. 28 th. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Business meeting to follow tea. Please notify me by Wednesday, 25th, without fail. - Thomas H. Reeves, Hon. Sec., 136 , Newton Road, Sparkhill, Birmingham.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - A meeting of the Ely Archdeaconry will be held at Ickleton, Cambs, en Saturday, 28 th inst. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Please notify Mr. P. Webb, Ickleton, Great Chesterford, Essex. All ringers are welcomed, even ex-perts.-F. Warrington, Dis. Sec.

NORFOLK AND SUFFOLK GUILDS.-A joint meeting will be held at Bungay on Saturday, September 28 th. Bells (8) available from 2 p.m. Tea will be arranged for those who notify me by the $25^{t h}$. A grod attendance is requested.-E. R. Goate, Queen's Road, Beccles.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North-Eastern Division.The next quarterly meeting will be held at Harwich on Saturday, September 28th. Service at St. Nicholas 4.30. Tea $5.15,1 / 3$ each. All intending to be present will they please notify me not later than Tuesday, September $z_{4}$ th ? -R. W. Stannard, Hon. Sec., I2. Ireton Rd., Colchester.

HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION will hold a quarterly meeting and six-bell contest on Saturday, September 28th, at Friezland Greenfield, near Oldham. Draw to take place at 2,45 pm. Will those re quiring tea, y/6 each, send word not later than September $23 r d$, to L. Hargreaves, Hon. Sec., 30, Bankfield View, Halifax?

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-A joint meeting of the Bristol and Wotton. under-Edge branches will be held on Saturday, Sept . 28 th, at Alveston and Thornbury. Service and tea at Alveston. Ringing after tea at Thornbury. All ringers welcome. Bus leaves Centre, under the Clock, 2-I5 p.m.-Harry Bennett, Hon. Sec.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAF-FORD.-Quarterly meeting will be held at Wombourn on Saturday, Sept. 28 th. Bells available from 3. Service in church at 4.45 . Tea (IS.) at 5.30. Please send word not Jater than 24 th inst. Reports are ready. -H. Knight, I5, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

DURHAM \& NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO. CIATION.-The 52nd annual meeting will be held at Durham on Saturday, September 28th. Fertival Service in the Cathedral at $10^{\prime} c l o c k$, with address by Rev. G. W. Froggatt, Vicar of Stockton. Committee meeting at II 45 and dinner at 2 at the Three Tuns Hotel. The bells of the Cathedral (8), St. Oswald's (6), and St. Nicholas' (6) will be available. Will those intending to be present please advise me not later than the 24 th? -George S . Taylor, Secretary, 149, St. Leonard Street, Sunderland.

CLAVERLEY, STAFFS.-The peal of 8, tenor 17 cwt., restored and augmented by Messrs.| Gillett \& Jobnston, will be dedicated on Sunday, 2gth inst., at 3 p.m. Visitors will be welcomed.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis-trict.-The autumn meeting will be held at Winghan (8) on Saturday, Oct. $5^{\text {th }}$, by the kind permission of Rev. Taylor. Bells available from $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service at 4.30. Tea provided for those who notify me on or before Thursday, Oct. 3 rd. Half fares up to $2 s$, paid to members attending this meeting. - Percy W. Smith, Hon. Sec., Fair View, Littlebourne, Canterbury.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Tonbridge Dis-trict.-The gext meeting of this district will be held at Shipbourne on Saturday, October 5th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea (free) after service, at the Club Hall, followed by business meeting. Members requiring tea must notify the Dis. Sec. not later than Oct. ist. A good attendance of members is desired.-W. Latter, Hon. Dis. Sec., II, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Fylde Branch. The next meeting will be held at Singleton on Saturday, Oct. 5th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Meeting 5.30.-..C. Sharples, Branch Sec., io, Warbreak Road, Blackpool.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -The next meating will be held at Oswaldtwistle on Saturday, Oct. 5th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting at 6.30 p.m.-Fred Hindle, Hon. Branch Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (Guildford District; SURREY ASSOCIATION (Central District) Joint Meeting at Gaildford, Saturciay. October 5th. Bells of the Cathedral Church available 2.45 to 4.15 p.m. ; S. Nicolas', afternooin and evening. Service at S. Nicolas at 4.30. Please send numbers for tea to G. L. Grover, Merrow Cottage, East ilandon, near Guildford, by Monday, September 3oth.-G. L. Grover; D. Cooper, 5, Harrison's Rise, Croydon

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. -Genera! quarterly meeting at Lutterworth, Saturday, October 5 th. Bells (8), also Bitteswell (6), available during alternoon. Lutterworth is on L. \& N.E. main line. Trains leave Leicester 12.55, 3.50. Committee meet 4.15 in Church Hall. Tea (1/3 per head) at Coach \& Horses Ion 5.151 followed by meeting. Lutterworth is famous for John Wycliffe's relics, the great reformer and bible translator. It is essential that those requiring tea advise Mr. E. W. Tipler, 22, Baker Street, Lutterworth, not later than Thursday, October 4th.-Eroest Morris, Hon. Gen. Sec, 24, Coventry Street, Leicester.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637). The annual dinner will be held at the Bridge House Hotel, London Bridge, on Saturday, Nov. gth, at 6.30 p.m. William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec.

## notice.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Basingstoke District.-Quarterly meeting at Overton, Saturday, Sept. 28 th. - D. L. Board, Hon. Sec.

## SITUATION WANTED.

GARDENER requires situation, single-handed, 27 years' reference; leaving through place being sold; married ; no family; cottage; Guildford district preferred. -T. Schofield, The Gardens, Worplesdon Place, Worplesdon, Surrey.

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES

MACCLESFIELD-At Christ Church, on September 15il, for moruing service, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor in 29 mins. : F. Ronan 1 , A. Challinor 2, W. Stevenson 3, J. Tipper 4, T. Worth (conductor) 5, W. Gayes 6. For evening service, 720 Kent Treble Bob iu 25 mins.: 4. Challinar 1, W. Stevenson 2, F. Ronan 3, J. Tipper 4, J. Worth (conductor) 5, W. Gayes 6. First 720 of Kent an the bells, and first by all the band.
CHESTER--At St. Mary's-without-the-Walls, on September 8th, for evening service, 1,248 Kent Treble Bob Major: H. Lewis 1, J. Tomlinson 2, M. Harris 3, A. Watkin 4, J. Swindley 5, J. Hayes 6, P. Swindley (conductor) 7, S. Jones, jun., 8.-On Sunday, September 15 th , for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1,260 changes) in 42 mins. C. Hallows 1, G. F. Sperring 2, R. G. Jones 3 , R. Sperring 4, O. Humphries S, G. R. Jones (conductor) 6, F. Fox 7, H. Pye 8. Rurng also for Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dutton's silver wedding.

## ‘ODDS \& ENDS OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES’

Being mainly an explanation of the nafure and working of the $Q$ sets in ordinary ringing phraseology, with one or two other matters.

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To make one great and general amalgamation of all the ringing societies is oper to many serious objections, not least of which would be the loss of individuality and local identity of the territorial Associations and Guilds. A national organisation is hardly likely to command the support of the individual ringer to the same extent as at diocesan or county association; its management and direction would be too remote to interest him-even now, in many cases, he shows only the faintest interest in the affairs of his local association, and if this fratl link were broken his interest would doubtless evaporate entirely, And apart from the ringers, there would most probably be a loss of interest among those outside, that is among honorary members, who at present give their support to ringing societies. A national organisation would not be likely to appeal to their sympathy or their pockets in the same way that something intimately linked up with their diocese or county does to-day. Financially, therefore, there would most likely be considerable loss, and as few of our societies could carry on on present lines without the assistance of honorary members, it means that the ringer's contribution to a national society would of necessity have to be greater than he at present pays.

There is, however, a means already at hand, by which something could be done in the hope of drawing the associations closer together than they are to-day, and that is through the Central Council. There are various small ways in which closer relationship could be promoted between the societies, and if a reorganisation of the con-
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[^60]stitution of the Council is to be considered, associations might well explore any avenues by which their joint advancement might be furthered. One of the reasons which lead to the suggestion of a national arganisation is the cost to a ringer who desires to visit some place outsiche his own area to ring a peal. He becomes mulcted in a 'compounding' member"s subscription, which may be anything from half-a-crown to seven shillings and sixpence, and he may, perhaps, never visit that district again. There are some ringers who think that a scheme should be evolved to lighten this 'burden,' and this is one matter to which the associations and Council might give consideration.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

IPSWICH.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
(St. Mary-le-Tower Society.)
On Satnrday, Septomber 21, 1929, in Thyee Hours and Thirty-Four Minutes At the Chorch of St. Mary-Le-Tower,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5017 GHANGES; Tenor 32 cwt .

William Tillett ... ...Treble Grorge A. Fliming ... ... 7 Cearles J. Sedgley ... ... 2 Willam J. G. Brown ... 8 A. Sianley Boar...$\quad$... 3 Gborge E. Symonds ... Harry R. Roper ... ... 4 William P. Garrett ... 10 | Robert H. Brondle ... |
| :--- |
| Har |
| Hary Barton... | Composed by Arthur Knights, Conducted by Genrgr E. Symands

Rung as a compliment to Mr. R. H. Bruvdle on uttaining lis 78th birtladay. Messrs. Barton and Roar were visitors Erom Yentnor and Teigmouth raspectively.

## TEN BELL PEAL

WALPHAMSTOW, ESSEX.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOGIATION AND LONDON DLOCESAN GUED.
On Sathyday, Septembey 21, 1929, in Three Hours and Twelve Minates, At the Chorch of St. Mary
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5067 CHANGEB; Tenor 193 cwt.
*Leslie R. Welch ... ...Trehb James C. Adams... ... ... 6 John H. Wilkiss .. ... 2 Fred C. Maynalid ... ... 7 Wifliam R. Madgwick ... 3 Ernest E. Holman ... ... 8 Charles T. Coles .. ... 4 James Bennett ... ... ... 9 James E. Davis... ... ... s IRobert J. Maynard ... ...Tenty Composed by John Carier. Conducted by Charles T. Colrs. * Firsf peal in the method. Rung as a birthday compliment to Robert J. Maymarl ; also to Mrs. F. C. Maynard.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

SWANSCOMBE, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Saturday. Sepienber 14. 1929, in Thved Hours, At the Choreh of SS. Peter and Pagi,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Holt's Original.
John J. Lamb ... ... ...Trobe| P.C. Charles Davies Thomas A. Easterby .. 2 *Witphed Williams... Frederick J. Ring, jun. ... 7 William J. Jhppries William Martin ... ... 4 Marcellus Digby ... ...Temay Conducted by W. J. Jefrries.

* Propaser a member before starting.


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On Saturduy, September 7, 1929, in Two Hoursand Fifty-Five Mitutes,

## At tee Chorce of St. Lawrence.

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5O40 CHANGES;

## Thorsians' Focr-part.

Georgr I. Bronsdon ...Trehte Thomas Baldwyn William H. Harris ... ... 2 Teomas Newman ... ... 3 Jesse Gileett

Tenor 14 cwt. .. $\quad . .5$ ,ORNADSIIN... ... ... .... 6 Gegrge Condtck... ... ... 7 Henry Danizls ... ... ...Temar Conducted by John Aosing.
Rung with the bells muffled as a last token of respect to William Savage, aged 75, for many ycars one of the local band. Mr. T. Newman was on a visit fromz London.

## PORT SUNLIGHT, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Wirral Branch.)
On sadurday, September 14, 1929, in Thee Hours and Five Minetes, At Christ Church,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5050 CHANGES;
Tenor 14 cwt. 3 qr. II lb. in $F$

| * William Bailey | Treble | John Bagley |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - William Jago ... | 2 | Lestrr L. Gray | . 6 |
| Josepr Leslir | 3 | James C. E. Simpson... | 7 |
| G. Ronald Eowards |  | Joun Breese | (1) |

Composed by J. C. E. Simpson
Conducted by J. Brerse.

* First peal and first attempt. First peal as conductor.

DORCRESTER, OXON.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUTLD
On Satiryay. September 74, 1929, in Three Hours and Six Minules, At the Chorch of SS. Peter and Padl,

## A PEAL DF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE8;

Heywood's Transposition de Thdrstans' Four-part.
Mrs. A. E. Lock.

$\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Walyer F. Judgr } & \ldots & \ldots . & 5 \\ \text { William Stone ... } & \ldots & \ldots & 6 \\ \text { Gordon Caddweli } & \ldots & \ldots & 7 \\ \text { Frank West... } & \ldots & \ldots \text { Tano }\end{array}$ Alberi E. Lock Jack Honey
... 3
John Nobes .. ... ... ... 4 Frank West... ... ... ...Tanar Conducted by Walter F. Jodge.

## WOODSCOCK, OXON.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mondav. Septomber 16, 1929, in Two Hours und Fifty-Two Mintites, At the Cenoreh of St. Mary Magdalene
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES; Carter's Variation of Parker's Twelve-part.

Georgr H. Cox.
...Treble
Walter F. Jodge
Willam H B wilul...
William G. Coleezi

IGeorge Cooke
alter F. Judge.

* First peal on eight bells. "First peal on eight on a bob bell. First of Grandsire Triples. Fung as a wedding compliment to Miss Margatel Wickson and Mr. Prederick C. Leech, who were married the nhove flurel exylier in the day. Miss Wickson is the churchwarden's dauglter, and the band take this opportunity of thanking lim for his hospitality after the peal.


## DUNMOW, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Saturdar. Stptomber 27. 1929. in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes. At ine Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BOB MASOR, 5056 OHANGES;
Tenot zt cwt. in E .
Albert Riabans ... ...Treble |Joseph Jennings
farthok T. Smith .... ... $\quad 2 \quad$ †Alpred Pgrry ... Wilciam Kerble $\quad . .$. P.S. George Schiedir... 4 Walter Smith... ... ...Tenor Composed by Nolan Goldes. Conảucted by Willam Kerble.

* Firat peni of Mujor. H First peal in the method. First peal in the methed on the bells. Rung as a thankoffering for the recovery nfter a serjors illoss of Lantence Smith, sun of Mr . and Mrs. A. Smith, who findely entertained the band at the close of the peal.

WEST HALLAM, DHRBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCLATION.
On Wednesday, Stptember 18, 1929, in Two Fours and Fifty-Seuen Minntes, Aitbe Chorch of St. Wilfmed,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5050 CHANGES;
J. W. Parker's Ten-part, No. 10 ,

Tenor 9 cwt i qr. 6 lb .
Madrice Swinfield ... ...Treble
John H. Swinfibld ... ... 2
Charles Draper ... ...

Conducted by M. Swinfield.
Thig composition is now rung for the first fime. First peal on the bells since they were augmented to eight.

## ABERAVON, GLAMORGANSHIRE.

THE LLANDATF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOGIATION. On Friday, September 20. 1929, in 7hyeo Hours and Thrce Minutes,

## Ay the Chorch of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;
Groves' Transposition of Parker's Twalve-part.
Tenot it cwt.

 Conducted by W. Posion.
Proposed a member before the peal. Arranged for the conduttor, who hails from Bridstow.

## LONDON.

THE GULLDFORD DIOCESAN GULLD.
On Saturday, Scphthber 21, 1929. in Thpee Hoxys and Five Minutes,
At the Chorch of Si. Andrew, Holborn,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, S040 CHANGE8
Pitstow's Variation of Thuretans"
Tenar $26 \frac{7}{2} \mathrm{CwL}$.

- Henry C. Alford ... ... Treble John H. B. Hesse ... ... 5

Ricgard Haybs $\ldots \ldots$.... 2 Herbert Langdon...
Alprgd H. Pqeling ... 3 Matrice F. R. Hibeert ... 7
C. Ernest Smith ... ... 4 Gpoffrey こ. Rice ... ...Tenop

Conducted by Alfred H. Polling.

* First peal in the method. Rung as a birtheray compliment to the tenor man and the conductor.

> MILNROW, LANCS.
> THE LANCASHIRE ASSOGLATION.
> (RDCHDALE BRANGH.)

On Saturday, Septomber 21, 1929, in Thre Hours and Eight Minutes
At the Cherch of St. Jamis,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

G. Stafe $\ldots$............ 7 reble S. W. Donn..

John Fitton $\quad . .$.
 J. B. Shaw ... ... .... ... 4 J. H. G. Massey... .... ... Tenor

Composed by W. Hogeard. Conducted by G. Sxaff.
All are servico ringers ath tho nove charels. First peal on the bells since ther were rehung n new frame by J. Taylor and Cons Loughborough. Rung to commemornte the dinnond jubilee of tive opening of the cluweh.

HACKINGTON, CANTJRBURY.
THE KENT COUNTY ASBOCIATION.
On Saturday, Septcmber 27, 1929, in 7 wo Hours and Farty Minuits,
At ter Chorch of St. Stepaen,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES

Midaleton's.
Edwin Barnett, sen
EDiward Ber, ...Tven. Teble
EDWARD J. BEER... ... ... 2
John H. Chersman ... ... 3
Gilbert R, Gopdship ... 4 Herbert E. Aonseey ....
Conducted by John H. Chersman.
Birthday poal for the ringess of 4th and 5th. Rung efter an attempt for a peal of Sterlinsin. Ginquas at Canterbury Callimbal, which had 10 he ahambloned owing to the had 'go of the fenor. The houd wish to ilank Mr . F. linachen fors his assistance, fond the Rechar of *t. Simplon's for granting pemissien at a moment's notice.

BUCKLEHERY，BLEKS．
THE LADEES＇GULLD．
On Saturday，Septowlar 27，7929，in Three Hours and Fiut Minules， Ax the Chorge of St．Mary，

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR，5040 CHANGES；

 Tenor 13⿺𠃊 c ext．Miss Esther Mathews Treble Mre．A．E．Lock．．．．．．．．． 5
Miss Vera Robinson．．．．．． 3 Miss Roby Hazel ．．．．．． 6
Miss Bertha M．Mills ．．． 3 Miss Stella Davis ．．．．．． 7 Miss Dorothy Fotier ．．． 4 Mrs．G．W．Fietcaer ．．．Tenol Composed by N．J．Prostow．Conducted by Mrs．G．W．Fletcher The conductor＇s 200tle peal．

## CHURCH STRETTON，SFROPSHIRE．

 THE HもTEFORD DIOCESAN GUHD．On Sathrday，Septomber 27，1929，in Two Foners and Fifiy Mfintes， Ai the Chorch of St．Lathrence，
A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES， 5040 CHANGES； Holis＇s Ten－part． Tenor II f cwt．
Hobert Jones ．．．．．．．．．Trabie Willtam R．Nash ．．．．．． 5 John J．Price ．．．．．．．．． 2 －Major W．T．Bodghey ．．． 6
Thomas H．Y．Smallwood 3 Franets Evans．．．．．．．．． 7 William J．Braiams．．．．．． 4 ｜Arthor C．Nason ．．．．．．Tenor Conducted by Francis Evans．
＊First peal of Triples．

## WHITWICK，LEICESTERSETRE．

THE MTDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCLATION．
On Saturday．September 21，1929，in Two Houys and Forty－Five Minutes，
At ter Chorch of St．John－yherBaptist，
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES，5OSO CHANGES； Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt，in F ．
James S．Hatchby
．．－Trejle Algred Ballard
Walter F Harry L．Smith ．．．．．． 3 Ernest Morris ．
－Ronalid H．Doye ．．．．．． 4 Jobn W．Rawson ．．．．．．Tenoy
Composed by J．W．Washbrook．Conducted by Ernest Morris．
＊First peal of Stedman Triples．

## OOPETUN，SOMERSET

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION．
On Sadurday，Seprember 21，1929，in Two Hours and Fifty－Five Minuter， Ay the Choreh of Ale Saints，
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES， 5040 CHANEES；

## Holt＇s Ten－part．

Miss F．Davey ．．．．．．．．．Trebie Gejrge H Grose
Theod
Stи
SIEPHEN ］．WHITE ．．．．．．
Charles W．Bell ．．．．．．
＊Pirst moal of Fipot peal with a
RAMMORD
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GULLD．
Or Sathrday，September 21，1929，in Thyec Hours and Twelte Minutes， At the Chorch of St．Barnabas，
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR， $50 B 8$ CHANGES； Tenor $20 \mathrm{cwt} 2 \mathrm{gr}, \mathrm{I}_{4} \mathrm{lb}$ ．in E ．
Alfred H．Winch ．．．．．．．Tredle farthtr Mi．Smith ．．．．．． 5
－Frederick G．Woodiss ．．．． 2 talas Ir．Pink ．．．．．． Miss Iehne Hastie．．．．．． 3 ，Johen IJ．Welige ．．．．．． 7 Geqrge Marringr ．．．．． 4 ＊Albert Harman ．．．．．．Temor
Gomposed by N．J．Mitsrow．Conducled by Albert Harman．
＊First peat in the method with a＇hol＇bell，f First peal in the melhoi．This is the first Surprise peal rung entirely by zesident mewhers of tho Jeatherhead District of the Guild．

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## At the Chorch of St．Cyr，

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES， 5040 CHANGES：

In seven methods，being 6 six－scores of Stedman， 4 each of Now Doubles，Old Daubles，Plain Bob and St．Simon＇s，and 10 six－scores each of Grandsire and St．Dunstan．
－S．Joyner ．．． ．．．$\quad . . \quad$ ．．．Treble $\mid \underset{\text { E．Prerady }}{ }$
．．．...
A．Harmer．．． $\qquad$ ． 2 T．Price
$\cdots \quad \cdots{ }^{5}$
J．JOYNER

## Conducted by J．Joyser．

＊First peal and aged 14 Jrears．Tung as a compliment to the conductor on attaining his 2lst bivthday．L．Barry＇s 50th peaj for the association．First peal in seven methods by all the band．

## HUNTINGDON

THE ELY DIOCESAN ABSOCIATION．
On Wednesday，Septomber 18．1929，in Two Hours and Forty Minules，
At the Chorce of All Saints．
A PEAL OF OAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR， 5040 CHANGES； Seven 720＇s． Tenor 8 cwt．approx．
William Bayin ．．．．．．．．．TTedfe Frank W．Lack ．．．
Joseph Crisell ．．．．．．．．．． 3 Teomas H．Townsend ．．． 5 Grorge L．Perkins ．．．．．． 3 Trank Warringion ．．．．．．．Temor Transposed and Conducted by F．Warrington．
Ringers of the 2nd， 4 the and 5 th，for whom the peal was arrangme belong to Great Staugliton，and this was their first of Surprise．

## GOSBERTON，LINCS．

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GULLD．

 （Elloe Deameries Branch．）On Saturday，September 21，1929，in Thyee Hours and Thirtaen Mintutes，
At the Chorgh of SS．Peter and Pado，

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR， 5040 CHANGES；

Being seven different exteuts．
Tenor $17 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$
Miss Doris Clay ．．．．．．Tyebie Percy D．Baldock ．．．．．． 4

－Charles H．Farr ．．．．．．． 3 Arthor J．Farr ．．．．．．．Tenor Concucted by Arthir J．Farr．
＊First peal．中 50 th peal．First peal on the bells since they were rehung recently in a new frame by Messrs．Taylor and Co．，Lough barough．Rung as a thanksgiving for the recovery of Fis Majesty the King from his serious illness．

BRENDLE，LANCASHIRE．
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION．
（Preston Branch．）
On Saturday，September 21，1929，in Two Hours and Fovty Minutes，
Ai the Parisi Cerace．
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR，50AOCHANGES： Being seven different 720＇s．
＂John Brown ．．．．．．．．．Treble｜Herbert Blacklidge
－Arthur Hatch ．．．．．．．．． 2 Wilimam Sharpees ．
 Conducted by W．Sharples．
＊First peal in the method．H．Blacklidge was re－eleeted a mem－ ber of the association previous to starting for the peal．Rumg as a welcome to the Rector，the Rev．William Henry Saunders，who h． inducted on the 17 th September．

## MEAVX，DEVON．

THE DEVONSHIRE GULLD．
On Sattrady，Septesuber 21，1929，in Two Hours and Fifty－Fony Mirutes
At the Chorch of St．Peter，

## A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES，5040 CHANGES：

Being 42 six－scores with 10 callinge．
Tenor＇ 8 ant
－William A．Wonnacott Tybble Alpred W．Myeas
－William J．Rondle．．．．．． 2 Thomal G．Myers
Beriram Webber ．．．．．．． 3 Alfred Wonnacoti ．．．．．．．． Conducted by Thomas G．Myers．
＊70th peal and first peal of Danbles．First peal as conductor and first peal on the bells．The band extend their thanks to the Wicar for the use of the bells and to Mr．H．Stephens for making the arrangements and his kiud lospitality efter the peal．

FITZHEAD，SOMERSET
THE BATE AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIAMION．
（Tatnion Deanery．）
On Sattrday，September 21，1929，in Three Hours，
At the Chorce of St．James，
A PEAL OF MINDR， $\operatorname{tOHO}$ GHANGES；
Being three 720＇s of Cambridge Surprise，two of Kent Treble Bob and two of Oxford Treble Bob． B．T．Jeanes Tenor 12 cv Artedr H．Rerd ．．．．．．Tyebe Wieliam G．Gigg ．．．．．． 4 alfrrd J．Wyatt... Conducted by W．H．Lloyd．
First peal of Minor on the bells．

## HANDBELL PEAL．

SURFLEET，LINCOLNSHIRE．
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD．
On Friday．September 20， 1929 ，in Two Hours and Forty Minules． At Glynn Garte，
A PEAL OF BDB MAJOR，EEAO CHANEES； Size 15 in C．
Mrs．Roprrt Richardson i－2 $\mid$ Wilciam H．Hewett．．．．．． 5 － 6 Rtpert Richardson ．．．

3－4 Fredrrick A．Holden Composed hy F．A．Holden．

Conducted by Roperi Ricgardson

## A SUFFOEK TOUR

The following peals were the rosult of a week＇s ringing by mem－ bert of the Suffolk Guild，organised by Messrs．E．P．Duffeld and W． Pye：－

> ELVEDON, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD．
On Sunday，Septender 15，1929，in Three Hours and Five Mintes， At the Chdrce of SS．Andrew and Patrick，
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJDR， 5056 CHANGES； Tenor 17年 $\mathrm{c} w$ ．
Edward P．Doffield ．．．Tyebic $\mid$ Stephen．W．Stratpord ．．． 5 George R．Pye ．．．．．．．．． 2 Leslie G．Brett ．．．．．． 6 Thomas T．Gopton …... Cbables W．Robsrts ．．． 4 William Pye ．．．．．．．．．Tenay Composed by Gabriec Lindopr．Conducted by George R．Pye． Firsl peal in the method on the bells．

BURY ST．EDMONDS，SUTFOLK．
THE SUFFOLK GUILD．
On Monday，Seplember 70 1929．in Thyee Howrs and Nineten Minutes， At fhe Church of St．Mary．
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR， 5056 CHANGES； Tenor 28 cwt ．
Aether Symonds ．．．．．．Treble Thomas T．Gofton ．．．．．． 5 Charles W．Roberts.. .12 Albert W．Coles... William Miller $\quad . .6$ ．．． 3 Edward P．Ddffield $\quad$ ．．． 7 Grorge R，Pyf ．．．
Composed by Grogge R．Pye．Conducted by William Pye．
First peal in the methods on the bells．
NORTH LOPHAM，NORFOLK．
THE SUFFOLK GUILD．
On Monday，September 16，1929，in Two Hours and Fifty－Seven Minutes， At the Cherch of St．Nicholas，
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR， 5056 CHANGES； Tenor 10 cwt ．

| Berry | ．．．Treble | William Micler |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Albert W．Coles ． | ．．． 3 | William Pye |  |
| Edward P．Dupfield |  | Strphen W．Stratpord |  |
| Gzorgr R．Pye | 4 | Cearles W．Roberts |  |

[^61]WILBY，SUFFOLK．
THE SUFFOLK GUILD．
On Tuesday，September 17，1929，in Two Fours and Fifty－Seven Minutes， At the Chorch of St．Mary，
a peal of guperlative surprise major， 50 ge chamceif

Charles W．Roberts
Wiellam Miller
Tenor 15 cwt ．
．．Tyeble Albert W．Coles
Gbocr ．．．．．． 2 Thomas T．Gopron ．．．．．．
Edward P Purfirio $\quad . .$.
Composed by Arthor Knigats．Conducted by Williay lye
FRAMLING旦AM，SUFFOLK．
THE SUFFOLK GULD．
On Tussday，September 17，1929，in Two Hours and Fifty－Seven Minutes，
Atiteg Cedreh of St．Mary．
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR， 5024 CHANGES； Tenor $16 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt．
Harry Hall ．．．．．．．．．Treble Cearles W．Roberis ．．． 5 Albrrt W．Coles George R．Pye ．．． $\begin{array}{ccc}\cdots \cdots & \cdots & 2 \\ \cdots \cdots & \cdots & 3\end{array}$ ，

Composed by Gabriel Lindopf
＊200th peal in the method．

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { SUDBURY, SUFFOLK. } \\
& \text { THE SUFFOLK GUILD. }
\end{aligned}
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On Wadnesday，Septembet 18，1929，in Three Hours and Twilve Mintutes， At the Church of St．Peter，
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR， 5056 CHANGES： Teaor 22 2 cwt ．
 Composed by Henry Dains．Conducted by William Pye． First peal in the methed on the bells． MILDENHALL，SCFFOLK．
THE SUFFOLK GULDD．
On Thursday，Seplember 19，1929，in Threc Hones and Five Minutes， At the Cudrcb of St．Mary
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR1 506日 CHANGES； Tenor $16 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt．
Artaur Symonds … ．．．Treble Edward P．Ddphigld ${ }^{\text {E．．．}} 5$
 Stepaen W．Stratford ．．． 4 William Pre ．．．．．．．．．．Temor Composed by C．Midderion．Conđucted by George R．Pye． HORRINGER，SUFFOLK． THE SUFFOLK GUILD．
On Thursday，Septenber 19，1929，in Two Hours and Forly－Seven Minules， At tee Cherch of St．Leonard．

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

 Tenor 10 owt．
 First peal in the methods on the bells． HADLEIGH，SUFFOLK．
THE SUFFOLK GULD．
On Friday，September 20，1929，in Three Hours and Twelve Minktes． At tee Chirch of St．Mary，
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR，5056 CHANGESI Tenor 28 cwt ．
Wileiam C．Rumsey ．．．． Grorge R．Pye ．．．．．．．．． Thomas T．Gofton ．．．．． Thomas T．Gopton ．．．.. .3 Cgarles W．Roberts ．．． 4 Wilciam Pye ．．．．．．．．．Tenor Composed by Gabrigl Lindoff．Conducted by Grorgr R．Pye． First peal in the method on the bells．

HELMINGHAM, SUFFOLK
THE EUFFOLK GUILD.
On Fiday, September 20, 1929, in Three Hours,
At the Cedrce of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 502\& CHANGES;

 Tenor $19 \frac{8}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.| harles W. Roberts | - | George R, Pre |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gborge Whiting |  | Edward P. Doffield |
| Thomas T. Gofton |  | Albert W. Coles |
| Steruen W, Stratford |  | William Pye - ... ...Tero |
| Composed | Dofr. | Conducted by William Pre |

## CLARE SUFTOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GULD.
On Saturday, September 27, 7929 , in Thres Howrs and Twenty-Thres Minutes
At the Chorce of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 6056 OHANGES;
Tenor a 8 cwt .

| Thomas Chinnery | ble | Thomas T, Gofion |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Charles W. Roberts | 2 | Ghorgh R. Pye | 6 |
| William C. Romsey |  | Edwhrd P. Doffield |  |
| Stephra W. Stratron | D ... 4 | William Pye |  | Composed by C. Middezion. Conducted by Charess W. Roberts

Sirst peal in the mothod on the bells.

## SUDBURY, SUPFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GULD.

Un Satwrday, Seplember 21, 1929, in Thye Hows and Sewen Minutes,
At the Chorce of St. Gregory,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 6024 CHANEES;
Tenor 16 cwt .

| Arimor Symonds | ... | ...Treble | Charles W. Roberts |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| George R, Pye |  | ... 2 | Lewis W. Wipfen |  |
| Albkrt W. Coles |  | 3 | Wieliam Pye |  | Composed by Gabriel Lindofz. Conducted by William Pye.

First peal in the method on the bolls. The above is the 100th occasion on whicl the conductor has rung two peals in a day.
The band wish, through the medium of this paper, to thank the various clergy for giving permission, and the steeplekepers at all the iowers who did go much to make the tour a success.

## A KENTISH TOUR.

Ringers of Lymunge Parish Church, Kent, and friends lad their anmal outing on Saturday, Seplember 14th. Learing int $8.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. , they journeyed via Ashford to Harrietsham, where the first stop was made.
I'lie Ficar (tho Rev. H. de Y. Watson) was soon on the spot, and the bells were set going for aboul an hour. It was at Harrietsham that James Hatham rang his first peal. The company made their way to West Malling, where they were met by the Finar and enjoyed fruther ringing. Atter lunching at 'liunbrige Wells, they went on to Gmabrook. Here the only mishap of the day occurred, the hon. secretary of the pusty kindly breaking the rape of the tenor bell. This cut short the stop at Craninook, and the part set out for Headcom, where they were met by the Vicar (the Rev. Gertie), and Mr. Plilip Hodgkin, the hatiter lawing things ready. Grandsire Triples was rung on these heantiful toned bells, and the company were loth to leave. The parky then went on to Appledore, stopping en routo af Teuterden to partake of a well-earned tea. Reaching Appledore, the ringers made their way to the tower, uuder the leadership of Mr. Tohnson, sund to complete the ringing for the day, the exealen touch of Graudsire Triples was brought round. It was the unanimous opinion of friends and ringers that the best ringing of he totur was at Appledore. After an excellent ride, an ideal daya and some boantiful bells to ring on, home was reached about 10.15 p.m. The lingers take this opporturity of thanking the Wicars of Harielsham, West Malling, Cranbrook, Headeorn, and Appledore for grantigg pernission for the use of the bells, wheir kindness being musin appreciated by all.

## DORSET DAYS.

(Contimed from page 603.)
BELLS CAST' IN A FIELD
On Tuesday, Beaminster was the destination, While waiting for the conclusion of morning prayers, the ringers wisited Broadwinsor for a brief touch of Minor on the ring of six bells, rehung in an iron frame in 1897 , and with temor of 14 cwt .3 qr .27 lh . St. Mary's, Beaminster, posscsses a beatilul wesfern tower, similar to Tilchmarsh, Nortlants, and here the Vicar and Mr. Bugler, local hon. secretary, met the visitors and gave assistance in the belfry. valiant abtempt for Cambridge Mrjor was made, but, there being no 'Varsity man in the band, it failel to 'matriculate,' although owing to the beat of the day perspiration trickled freely for more than an hour. The bells fre a camplete rimp of eight, tenor 45 tin. diameter, 20 cwt. in D, cast in 1765 by the Bilbies, of Gullompton, in the field adjoining the churchyard. The boundary wall shows to this day where it was cut throurh to allow the beils to be moved up to iheir long lifo in the steeple.
A hot lunch was welcomed at an inm named the New Hotel, which was probably standing when Tom Bilbie aud his son came to cast their bells for both Broad and Beam parishes, This house possesses a skitile alley, dempting enourh for an alternoon off $b y$ the "Throwbridge' man, but George Williams simply carried Sam away after three balls had been bowled.

After the successful peal at Bridport on Thesday ovening, some of the local hand, with Mr. W. S. B. Northover, hon. secretary, came to offer cougratulations, and explained that onfy two peals had been rung in the town previously-Stedman and Grandsiro Triples. He saw that the mames of the party wave duly entered in tho belfry hook, and it is mivisable not to state where they went afterwards, or how they farel at the Sun Im whom the sun went down. Seated beside the chnrclyard sate in his claire was one of the old Bridport ringers, whe had placed himself in at favourablo position to sec the men and hear the performance. He is a young Lawrence, of Shifnal, in stature, weighing approximately 20 stone perhays, and he stated that he had got been able to go up to the belfry for gears, but had been to the bell loft, eeen the new bells and frame, and had telt happier ever siuce. Wonder ceased when he explained that he had bribed the hellhanger to boist him up to the bell loft before taking down the tackle.

How Mrs. Willians rolled lifu sleeves up to aed as scullery maid ancl how Mr. Hector parked his flyo-teater in a rablit lutch are sido issues to be passed over, with the remark that bellwingers do s see life '-occasiomally.

## MILTON ABBET

' Make yourself at home nan your friencls will lowe you'-and this is exactly what the party of ten aimed at on Weduenday, whon after a lost peal of Cambriclge Major at Bradpole in the morning they again invaded Lie lomestend of Mr. and Mrs. Hervey Beams. Devon cider aml home-made Dorsed sausfge aftorded ifleal tuncheon for a heat wave, hut the company were tenich the usual 'sit awhile' after it and only time enough was allowed for Mrs. Willians tol band to Mrs. Reams a small pareel containing a 'keepsake' from the guests. On removing the phper coverings the recipicnt, already agreeably surprised, rebumed her thanks with a beaming smilo, and thus farmells were spoken and taken mud the journey of 22 miles resumed.
It was not a case of "Hail! smiling morn, to one of the bant. Mr. Cave, half-macl with nemralgia, was driven io Bridport and had a painful tooth pxtracherl as soon as the party laft the belfry. Milton Abbey, the rext tower to be visited, retjoins ance of illo most ancient and stately liones of the countr, and permission for a peal is seldom obtained. All the velieles arryperl sale and punctually, including the little West Enal 'Morgam." Mr. Perkins' head gardener showed the gronnds, gatcins and greeulionges, where grapes ancl bananas ware hanging temptinga, Of the ancient Abbey, afily the chancel, transepis and tife remtral towers are stanting toway, restored from the ancient ruins; there is rat the nave to reconstrin Dedicaterl to St. Sampson, it is $\quad$ heandiful buiding, :hparated the mansion--formerly a Bmarlintine monastery-by a few yata In 1861 there were five hells hung here by Warners. They
since been made into eight, temor $38 i n$. diameter, 11 cwt. in These are ghite separabe forn the whree elock bells east bw Wells, of Aldbonin, in 1804. A whole book of thistory is athacheal to this farmus place, stones and fronts of the buidring going back to $12 t h$ century, The main roud of the vilage is an ohject lesson to all interested in garden cities, and it was laid ont move than a century back

Thb performance here was slow, for one reason being that little 73 years old 'Sampson' on the tenor never hurries his ringing or eating; another that lights were mot turned up, it grew dark and cyeryme slowed down to make sure if the ropes were at hand or backstuke. On the way hack to Doreliester the motorists slowed down, too, the brothers Audrews, with their motor-cycle, 'helping " two of the cars in a predicament before ten tried churchmen slept in the combty town.
Thargday, the final day, began at 8.15 , and by a pretty ride to Wyke Regis, througls Weymouth, ayly to find the clinreli in disorden and electrichans laying in their tubes. Lighting, however, does not tronble a morning attempt. Wyke bells are a peal of eight, uast by Taylor, 1891. Ereviously there were only three bells here, with the tenor badly cracked. A record exists here that thatee bolls were blessed by Bishop Beauchamp in 1455.

After the patal a call was maxle on Mr. Jemintrs, local captain, wha was laid up with a sprained back. Fis absence and that of the Ficar, who was on holiday, left the cluty of host in the verger's well-tried hands, and a roadman's hanch was cousumed before returning for the final attempt at Dorchester Parish Church in the evening.

To Mr. F. C. Benger (captain) and Mr. J. W. Snith (secretary) the visitors desire to tender their thanks for attentions which helped to complete the stedman peal achieved. The bells, ring of six, of 1734 -cast from five old hells of 1550 -were made eitht 1 y Bilbie in 1750 (thenor 49in. 《lameter'), Warners recasting two and restoring the peal in 1889 . A notice appears on the belty koor giving the foreman's address nud the hourg of Sumlay ringing and practices at St. Peter's, Rather a useful idea ancl a help to strangt ringers to find their way up for a touch. Three cars nad a cyele went their way of parting, and only old Bill was left for the railway to carry home with his little handbag, with the Irish customs' mark unon it still visible.

## A VISIT TO WISBOROUGH.

On Saturday afternoon, August 31st, ringers from various towers paid thisit to the very pretty villege of Wisborough Green, Sussex, and enjoyed a ring on the recently augmented peal. Among the wisitors was Mr. Charles Tribe, of Tenterden, Kent, who in his early vouth lived there. The ringing incluted 720 's in the following methods: Kent 'reble Boh, Oxford Troble Bob, and Bob Minor, also 120 each of Stedman and Grandsire Doubles. The following took part in the ringing: T. Adams, J. Burdfeld, F. Brooks, P. H. Doick, A. Fiest, C. Iribe, R. Wood, the conducling being shared by Messrs. A. Fiest and $C$. Tribe. At tea the company were the guests of Mr. Tribe. Vates of thanks were accorcied the Vicar (the Rev. G. H. Newton, M.A.) for granting the use of the bells, also to Mr. W. G. Ford, the local secretaty for his belp.

## WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

A successful montlily meeting of the Warwickshire Guild wns held at Brinklow, dear Rugby, on Saturday. Members atitended from Allesley, Bulkington, Chilvers Coton, Husbands Bosworth, Monk's Kirby, Numeatol, Shilton, Stoke in Coventry, Stoke Golding, Rugby and Wiiloughby. Tha bells, a light peal of six. (the back five of which were crst by Smith, of Edglussion, iu 1705, and retioned and augxnented by 'laylor and Co. in 1827), were raised about 3 p.m., and kept going in various methods until five o'clock. Tho ringers then repaired to the scloolfoom, where they partook of a splendird tea. Returning to the belfry, which has a stone foor sloping towaids the main door, ringing was again indulged in until eight aclock, when the bells were lowered. The methods rung durivg the afternoen and evening were Plain Bob Duubles and Minor Grandsive and Sterman Doubles, Double Stodman, Double Oxford, Double Court, Fent Treblo Bob, Cambridga and London Surprise.

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

## NORTH HLOKK BRANCH.

A verg plensant quarterly meeting of the North Bucks Brameh was hed ut Great Brickhill on Saturdiay, September 7th. The fine weather, the heautiful surcoundings, amd a good attendance made the gathoring all that could bo desined. The following towers were represerted: Bletchey, Beaclanmpon, Femy Stratiord, Stoney Stratford and Shenley, with visitors mon Bedford, Woburn and Liaglade. The bells were kept going in various methuds until the service, which was conducted by the Vicar of Great Brickhill, Rev. D. R. James, the Guild forro being used. A short and interesting address was given by the Rev. Harper, Vienr of Litlle Brickhill. Tea was served at the village hotel, when about 30 sat down.
T'he Secretary, M1'. W. Sear, anmonnced that there was no special business to be transacted, but proposed a wery hearty wote of thanks to the Vicar of Great Brickhill for arranging for the meeting, to the Rev. Harper for his address, and to the organist. This was auitably responded to.
Great Brickhill is a beautiful spot, with a nice church. The only place that is not pleasant is the ringing clamber, because of the absence of light and ventilation. No ringing can take place without artificial ligit, and a window is hadly needed. Tlais was brought before those concerned with a view to discussing the matter with the Parochial Church Conncil to see if sometining can be done.

Ringing during the afternoon varied from Grandsire and Btednan Doubles to London Surprise Minor.

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Pictures should, for preference, be photographic postcards, and, where there is any choice, the tower should be a feature.

Obviously, of course, ail the pictures cannot be pulblished at once, the object of getting a collection being that the photographs may be ready at hand for use when fitting opportunity occurs.

Will each tower secretary be good enough to send a photograph of his own tower? It should be forwarded in an envelope for protection, and addressed to The Editor, 'The Ringing World,' Woking, Surrey, and the sender should enclose his name and address.

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

The secretary of the Salisbury Guild, Rev. F. Llewellyn Edwards, who, in common with other members of the Central Council, has recently visited Belgium, has been elected a member of the Carillon League of Bruges, or, in the sonorous Flemish version of its title, Brugsche Klokkenspelvereeniging.
Mr. Robert Fi. Brundle, the Jpswich veteran, celobrated his 78th birthday last week by riuging a peal of Stedman Cingues.
The ringers who spent thro week-end at Surfleot, Septernher 7th to 9th, will learn with surprise and regret that Mr. Walter Perkins, of Irthliugborough, and wlo rang in the peals ai Ewerby and Heckiugton, is in bed suffering from typhoid fever.
A ringing week in Suffolk, which resulted in twelve Surprise Major peals, concluded on Saturday. This is the way in which they rang them:-

Sunday: London Surprise.
Monday: Bristol and Cambridge.'
Tuesday: Superlative aud London
Wednesday : Bristol.
Thursday: Cambridge and London
Friday: Bristol and London
Saturclay: Cambridge and London.
Four of the band, Messrs. W. Pye, G. R. Pyo, E. P. Duffield and C. W. Roberts, tonk part in all the peals, and during the week Mr. W. Pyo rang his 200th peal of London Surprise and two peals in a day for the one hundredth time!
for the one liundredth time! progress this week in Cheshire and Another rin
A gift of 850 has been received from Mir. T. H. Putnam, of Hart. ford, U.S.A., towards a new bell at Ashton Abbots, Bucks, Parish Clurch, which his ancestors attended in 1640.
Mr. C. H. Jennings, hon. secretary of the Dorchester Branch of the Salisibury Dincesan Guitd, has met with an accident, which han temporarily laid him aside.
'Old Bill' has heen haviug a good time in his favourite 'rest billet' in Lincolnshire. Taken on a tour over liges of communication. he has been able to pass an opiuion on the rings of twelve at Lincoln, Sheffield and York. He is back again now in his 'dug-out' in Lonclon.
Thinty years ago to-lay the first peal of Stedman Caters in Hants was rung at Winclester Cathedral. Only half of that hand remain William Shipway was born at Beth on September 29ti, 1760. His investigations in the ant and the publication of his 'Campanologia make lim one of the outstanding figures in the listory of the Exercise.
A peal of 5,040 ' Bob Majors,' the first peal ' on ye eight new hells at Saint Mary, Rotherhithe,' was rung by the Eastern Scholars on October 1st, 1749.
A peal of 15,360 Bob Maior was rung at Aston on October 1si, 1793, conducted hy Joshua Shoit.

## MR. TOM BEADLE APPEAL FUND.

Previously acknowledged $£ 3$ 13s., domation from a ringer who rang his first peal at Isleworth $\mathcal{E 1}, A$. H. Winch $5 s ., \pi$. K. Knight, Ley; tonstone 25 . 6d. Donations with be gratefully received an behalf of Mr. Beadlo by Wm. H. Hollier, za, Duke Road, Chiswick, W.4.

## THE CATHEDRAL OF THE PEAK.

## TIDESWELL'S FAMOUS CHURCH.

Tideswell Church, dedicated to St. John the Baptist, is of the Iq th century, and the tower in particular presents a very fine spectacle with its four surrounding pinnacles. The interior contains brasses and tombs, one of which is dated 1358, and a chancel screen. The wood carving in the chancel and elsewhere in the church is particularly fine, most of the work having been done locally. It has a peal of eight bells recently installed by Messrs. Taylor \& Co. This famous church is known throughout Derbyshire as the 'Catbedral of the Feak' and one has only to visit the church to realise the worthiness and aptaess of its title.


TIDESWELL CHURCE-'THE GATHEDRAL OR THF PEAK.'

A very successful joint mecting of the Northern District of the Ladies' Guild aud the Peak District of tho Midand Counties Association was held at this chureh en Satumlay week, when more than 70 ringers took the eppartunity of trying the fine peal of eight bells recently hung by Messrs. 'Iaylor and Co., of Loughborough.
The towers of the Poak District represented were Bakewell, CastleIon, Eyam, Longstone, Matlack, and Tideswell, whilst members from Ashiton-under-Lyne, Duffield and Handsworth were present on belalf of the Ladies' Guld. Other ringing visitors turned up fram Ecclesfield, Sheffield (Cathedral and St. Marie's), Derby, Staveley, Chesterfield, loughhorongh and Norton, a party from the latter place taking the opportanity of making. Tideswell their rendezvous for their anamal outing. Same very good ringing took place during the day, and many were the expressions of appreciation of the fine 'go of the bells; they are so easy to handle.
With their customary hospilality, the Tideswell folk provided a sumpluous tea, for which the Rev. W. P. Wright, of Eyam, expressed thanks on belialf of all present
In weleoming the visitors, the Rev. W. P. Edwards, Vicar of Tideswell, also took the opportunity of saying how much they owed Messis. Taylor and Co. for the fine work they had carried out; he felt sure it woulcl last for generations to come. In thanking the Vicar for his kind words, Mr. Colin Harrison explained what the restoration med qugacntation had involved, and said the frm had felt honoured to be associated with such a magnifieent claurch and tower.
At the meetings whinh followed, the Rev. W. P. Wrigin toak the chair for the Peak District, and explaised that the secretary, Mr. J. E. Lewis Cockey, much regretted being unable to be present owing to being on holiday. - It was deciled to hold the next meeting at Darley Dalo on October 12th.
At the ladies' meeting, Miss N. Caw thorne, secretary, was in eommavd, and it is hoped that it will be possible to hold their next meeting at Dore, near Sheflield, on the usual date.
Ringers were loth to leave the bells, but train and bus are no respecters rof persons, with the result that at 8 o'clock the gatioring broke up, but the memories of that happy meeting will linger for many days to come in the minds of those who were fortunate onough to be present.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIE.

## THE OBJECIION TO ANNUAL ELECT[ONS.

## To the Edifor.

Sir,-The proposal to substitute annual for triematal elections to the Central Council is open to two objections. First, it would prove impracticable; secondly, ii would have exactly the opposite effect to that desired. As is well knotwn, the actual work of the Council is clome chielly by committees. If mentoers held office only for one year, there would be no certainty that any of those appointed to serve on a committee one year would be present the next year to report! The only exceplion would lse in the case of honorars members. The mevitable result of such a state of flings would be that the work of the Council would tend to becone more and more concentrated in the hands of honorary mombers, to the exclusion of the elected representatives, and the acts of the Conncil would consequently become less, instuad of more, representative of the affiated societies.-Yours faithfully,
F. LL. EDWARDS.

## ONE CENTRAL ORGANISATION

CHESTER (GUILI) AN1) NORTH STAFFS ASSOCIATION MFET. A joint meeting of the Crewe Branch of the Chester Diocesan Guild and North Stafis Association was held on Saturday, Sepleanber 14th, at Asthury, which is a delightful rillage in Cheshire just over the Staffordshire barder. Fihe church is one of the most anciont and beautiful to bo found in the country, and well worih a visit hy astyone interested in architectural beaty. This clurch formerly possessed a peal of four bells, which have recently been augmenied by Messrs. Taylor and Ca., and are now a lovely ring of six.
There was a good altemdance, and almast all the towers in the surrounding district were represented. A service was conducted by the Iector.

Afterwards the company was eutertained to tea by the Asthury ringers, after which there were votes of thanks to the Rector for the use of the bells, aud to flue $\Delta$ stbury ringers for providing tha tea and entertaining the visitors so well.

Everyone agreed that this, the lirst joint meeting of the two Guids, must be repeated, and it was decided forthwilh to hold anoiker meetiug ati the same place next year.
Mr. T. E. Wheerdon, of Norion, spoke of the good work hiat might be done by ihese joint meetings, and expressed tho hope that they would be held more frequcutly all over the country, He also quoted extracta from 'rlie Ringing World's' leading meticle on tha subject, which was mum appreciated.

Mr. Langford, secretary of the Crewe Brancin of tile Chester Guild, spoke in similar terms. Mr. R. T. Holding refermed to the good feeling which prevailed anong ringers, and said that it was well that they should fraternise frequently ai such meetings. He also prophesied that all ringing societies would in time be worlsed from one centre, and that all meabers would, therefore, be mumbers of one great body, and so do away wilh the question of whether they were members of this ar that partictiter associations.
This idea secmed to meet witin the approval of abl present.
After tea, the tower was Rgain visited, and various metheds were rung, including Lomion, Cambridge, Biddulpin, Plain Bob, etc. This brouglit to a close one of the best meetings ever held in the district.

## JAMES BARHAM'S GREAT FEAT.

## To the Edilor.

Dear Sir, Replying to youn correspondent's query re Jamses Bnaham, of Leers. Kent, it was not in the 40,320 that he rang 14 hours, but in the following:-
-1755, March 31, Monklay, we attempted at 40,320 Quastruple and Tripple changes of Boh Major nud ended thus, viz., ... at 2 o'clock in the the afternoon Began and on Tuesdry morning ai B o'clock the 6th Bell Cinpper Broke after Ringing 24, 800 c:langes this never Been aftempterl Before and the Greatest Performance of Ringing ever known in this Peal Janues Barham stood 14 hours and 44 minutes under the 7 the bell. Drank two glasses of wine and called all the Bobs.'

ERNEST MORRIS.

[^63]YORKSHIRE COMMEMORATION DINNER.
RPPRESENYATIVE UAPMPRING AT SHEFFIELD.
MEMORIES OF GREA'J RINGRRS.
Sheflelf was this yeny tha teare of the eighth anmal dimer, ortanised by Lhu Yorkshire Assuciation in memory of Jasper Whitfeld
Sinowluri, the farst president, and past offecr: The event drew together it company of a hundichl, including representative ringers from various centres of the county nad visibure from momerous other asso-ciation- Excellent arringements for the enjogment of the large party had heen made by a lonal committee, consisting of Messrs. G. Lewis (prewiflent, M. F. Wilson, R. Harrison, jutr, and Mr. S. F. secretary. in the afternoms ringing took place on the twelve hells at the Colhedral and the eight at St. Marie's Churet. The Catteedral helfry is specially abtractive to visiting dingers, not only because it associaticur whe because of its hooks las found a lume in the riuging clamber.
The dimer was served at tha King's Huad Hotel, Change Alley, mater the geninl chaimanship of the Ven Archuleacon of Sheffield (the Iha'. J. Russel Darbyslire), who was supportet ly the Rev (hanon Delan (Sti. Maric's, R.C.) and Rev. C. G. Marshall (president of Jolasom (lonn. Seretary of the Yorkshime Association) and Mrs. Johnson. Mr. Jumes Corterell (hon. Lreasurer") and Mrs. Cottemell,
 Mussrs. Taylor and Co.), Mr. A. A. Hughes (Whilechapel Bell Fonndry), Mr. S. R. Ropey (Crovelon Leeld Foundry), Mr. J. W. Rowhotham (representing tha Ancient Society of Coltege Youths), Mr. Albert Walket (St, Martin's Guile, Birninglame, Mr. W. H. Shmer (secreThomas und Mr. W. Kinght (13vistol), Mr. T', King (Bath), Mr. and
 (Derby), Mr. TI. Witde (Chester' Guild), Mr. J. E. Lewis Cockey (Snemetary of the Peak District of the Difiland Connties Association) ght Mris. Cockey, Mr. J. T, Them (Redbourne), Mr. and Mrs. F. Ramons (Halifux), Mr, A. G. Rivers (Cambinge), Mr, and Mrs. G, Grimshaw (Leedsi, Mr, J. Fardeastle (Bradford), Messrs. J. Thorpe, H. Thorpe, J. Homan, J. Dixon, W. Burgan and P. Knights, Mr. Mud Mrs. R. Harrison, sent., Mr. and Mrs. R. Harrison, jnin., and Misses Harrison (Sheffeld, Hessrs. M, Biggin (Norton), G. Lewis (Fícelesiorti), F. Clanko (Doncaster),

RINGFRS' INDEBTEDNESS TO THE OHURCE.
'Ilne hayal toas having been honoured, Mr. Colin Haryison then properspa "The Clinwh nut Slate.' He said Lhey vegarded the pre sence of Ampheacon as a great complinent, heanse it was to honeut of the inception and carrying on of the ringers' art. Despite "freal alen of indilference by elergy in the past, they had only to think for a mament of what would more than forty thousnad ringers he daing to-day if the Church had not lounded the belfries off Chureh in particular.
The horinus piles of York Minster, Lincoln Cathedral, Selby Abhey, lieverthy Minster, St. Paul's Cathedral, Lichfied and Southwark Catherlats, and other instances of eeclesiastical architecture, with their mapificent towers, ench with a beanty of then own, were a legacy which the Church hat hancied down itrom gentration to generation and yel, even in their wresent impoverished state, all tho Not unly had the ringers to thank the Church for all she lad givon
 tnken l'm oma yens now on mations connected with both bel]s
 reform and hell restorations, and they hopert the puesent happy relatians hetween elergy and ringers would contime (applause). As
 thonsants of Ameriean rausins and forciguers, whe came to view Hie stately structures, they had also to remember that the lawahiding natime of our citisens was due to a great extent to the teachin: thay had received from the Shudity school teacher, the Bible Chass macr, the ensute and the Viene for it was undaubtedly from what was wrong. All lhas tondeal to show the very important part whidh the ('humblen play in on mational life, ant, despite the nuhamals in molities which we had from time to time, we foum the Chnreln still mannaming its dignity, and its clergy continning the
 tha Chuph, sa long as she continusi la tereh the chiturem to fean
foul, to lume their parents and to limour the King, she epuld flepend
upoti it that, not only ringers, but the najority of the citizens
of this wast Empire would support the Church and its undertakings (applatuse).

The Chaimtun, in roplying to thu toast, refered to the grent pleasure it had been to him to have the Rew. Canon Dolan gext to him that evening. He was not at all sulde that Canon Dolan should
not have respnoled to the toast, ns many mithions of his fellowchutrowen in England had been rejoicing this year upon one hundred years of latppy relations hetween his Churcha and the State, whereas some prople seemed to think that the Chutch of England was having somewhat strained relations with the State at the inesent moment (laugher). Tho Aphdeacon went on to sty that he was wery happy to think that in that hive gathering the co-operation and association between the Church and the ringers was so clearly demonstrated. He
hoped that priests and parsons on their part would loag continue to hoped that priests and parsons on their part woud loge conthat the
show sympathy and co-operation with the fimgers, and that the ringers, on their part, would realise that theirs was more than an art, that it was a pince of servien which they dembered, mot only to the commumity, for which the community was not always as grateful as it miglat bo (laughter), but to the Church and to God (hear, heary. The belfs were not merely put into the churches in order that eight,
ten or twelve men might enjoy thenselves from timo to time, but they were placed there for the giory of Gorl. He lioped thai all those whose vocation it was to recommend the Gospel to mankiud would always recognise the ringers as brothers in that service, and that the jingers would recognise their art as a sacred art. If that were romenbered he thought they could look forward to a great shecession of thost happy gatheriugs when, with acclamabion, if not always willa claguence, the toast of 'Church nad State" would be honotred ly the whule company (applause).

JASPER WHITFILLD ENOWDON.
The Rev. C. C. Marshall proposed the toast of the evening, "Tlite Memory of the late Jaspue Whitfiek Suowdon and Past Oficers of the Association, and first read a letter which le had received from Mr. W. T. Rates, of Cheltenlam, who, in expressing regret that he was unalle to be presertit owing to pressume of business, wrate that he rang a peal of Grandsin'e Triples with the late Jasper Snowdon,
in 1878. "Jnsper Snowlon, wrote Mr. Pates. was a freat man." Referving to his raspected and revered fryend, tite late Mr. C. H. Hattersley, Mr. Pates added, 'What a striker; what company! His motto was "short wisits; long peals." " They wete all glatl, said Mr . Marshall, to receire that greeting from one of the few surviving people who rang peals with their first piesident and founder. He thaught he woukt be in order in suggesting that Mr. Pamer should
gend greetings from that gathering to Mr. Pates and thank him for lis expressinn of kindiness. Continuing, the speaker said he had received a lefter from Miss Snowdon, daughter of the late Mr. Wh,
 ankl its members every happiness in the work. They wer proud to bear the mame of Snowlon and would continue to take an interest in the ativities of the association to the end of theis lives. He (Mr. Marshali) tuok it it woule be their ploasure that he should write and reciprocals the kind wishes expressed in the letter (liear hear). Continuing, Mr. Mrashall saig it was with mizerl feelings that he moso to propose the toast which was to revive their memory of the
fountwr of that association, their frest president, and other past officers, and to renow their gratitude to them for all that they ajel for tho association, and in hati, gratidude to renew treir own purpose to do thetr hest to carry on the work which had been handed down to them. He relt it a great honour to have bem nisked to propose that tonst, entiong, as he did, as their third president, following theit illusiriaus foumder, Jasper Whitheld Snowdon, fund his brather, William Snowdon. He had held office sinee 1911, and, while he fell it an honour to be entrusted with the toast, he wished someone else miglt lave becn found, outside themselves, to proposo it, someone who was, perlaps, more fitted to speak, either from personal iknowledge of the fonnder or from a more personal knowledge of their secoud president, and one who could speak on the deeper side of change ringing better than he could. He had said that their purposo was more especially to revive the memory of Jusper. Whitfeld Snowdon. There were some there who had persenal knowlorge of that ereat man, for undoubtedly he was a greal man, a man who brought to the work of chnge ringing and to the formation of their associntion great alility, a very strong, sterting, manly claracter, sumpassing energy and a very keen desire to lift the work of the bet] ringers to the very highest plame, realising that that work was an integme part of the wark of the Church, of which he was so devoted a son. On these points the wouk like to say a word or two.

AN HONOURED PIONEER.
Jasper Snowfon was a man of great and outsianding ability, Ho bronght to the work of change ringiag a very kcen and active brain, ancl he clicl a work for change ringing such as no man before thim had ever done thear, hear). As a linger himself they were told that in 16 short years ho dixi more than most, and the actually rang 129
peals, hesides altempting 127 which were not suenessful. That was some consolntion to those who often failed in their athempts for peals. But it was prohably in the sphere of the liternture of ringing that he out-idistaneal all others, aud ringers knew how much he did

For the Exareise by the assiduous, parctul amd able work which had been handed rown in the various books on bellringing. And not only atid he do this ereat work for bellinging by the books which lie wrote, but it was well also to remomber that he wrote at the same time a great many articles on bellringing in the pupular papters of the day, and by that means did more than, perhaps, any other man to raise bellringing in the estimation of the peogle of the farnd and to crise the whole lone of the Exerciso to a higher level altugether, Secondy, they had to try aud recollent him as a man of great and sterling clacacter, and all who knew hin very soon learned to love him. The gecounts which they liad of the affection in which he was lield by the ringers of that time showed them sumething, at any rate, "f the extraordinarily kind and strong elsaracter he musb have borne. That agnin was a thing most worthy to remember. The next thing which they recalled was inis assiduousness and hard work and the angelfishness in abl that he cid for ringing, in fact, in everything he undertook. As ane read of his life it was hard to understand How he did all that he alid do in those fow short years for bellrinping and for that association, in addition to carrying on bis own business. Hr: never spared limstif in bis desire to help other people, and he could only have accomplished all that he achieved by mever wasting a moment of his life and by giving to everything that he clid tlue vary lest that he conld give. 'Those were things which they wanted to remember. Mr. Marshall recalled the instance of dasper Snowdon's unhomded energy, when the walked from Leeds to London in five days for a loliday, and, on his arrival in the metropolis, took the isext train home. The next point was a greab poiat for them to rememhor, and that was his desire to raise the status of bellringerg and the art. He enabled ringers to see and to realise that theit work was a very real and integral and important part of the work of the Church. He was a piunece in that way, and his purpose in founding the associabion, with tho others who assisted lim, was to bind ringers together as a real part of the working personnel of the church. Before him very little had been done in that way. The Forkshire Association wha the second county or diocesan association to have been formed. The Devon Guild was the first and Yorkshire came mext, and those who did the work ind those days descred all the homour that they could give then as pioneer. It was one thing to be a pioncer, it was another thing to follow, and it was ns a great and homonred pioneer in that matten that they thought of Jasper Snowdor. In reviving that memory they desined to renew their own zurpose in wrying to bring something of that samo spirit into the work which they had been called upon to undertake, especially in connection with the great art and science of bellringing.

## OTHFR ILLUSHRIOUS MEN.

l'assing on to refer to other past officers of the association, Mr. Marshall spoke of Tasper Snowfon's brother, Wilham Snowdon, who de said, was, perisaps, sometimes rather eclipsed by the glory which surrounded the memory of J. F. Snowdon, but they lad to remind themselves of what they owed to William Snowdon for the fostering rave which the hestowed upon tinat association thrangh 25 years of presiclency. It was intercsting to reminel them that the firsli mimute hook coverch ten years of the life of the assaciation. and with the exception of one mecting it was written in the handwriting of Jasper Snowdon. The second set of minute haoks covered 25 years, and withont exception, lue believor, was written in the handwriting of William Snowdon. He helieved ho was right in saying that during the whole of tiat time he aid not miss a single general mecting of the assomiation. He undertoak the work in loyalty to lis hrother and with the rend desire to fulfil and carry out to the best of his ability the work which was so sudiden] thrust upon him, and they must that might do howour to his memory and remember with geatiturle what he did for their associatinn. There were other names which, of conrse, came to the minds of many of them, but he could not mantion them all. One or two, however, stoorl out conspicuonsly, and the first was William Horncr Howard, the old veteran of York, a devout son of the Church, who w'as one of the first, and most interesting suppulters of the association He took the chair at the preliminary meetings and in other ways showed his kecm and active interest in the life of the association. They in Sheffield would mot need to be reminited of the name of Chanles Henry Hatterslev, Whose kembess that the very liost should be given to ringing would he rememberex by those who knew him. Mn. Marshall went ran to mention the names of Charles Jackson, George Bolland. William Pearson, Farry Williams, all of whow lahoured devotiedy in the interests of the association, It was, le said. to ask them to rewive their memories of these men that he stom before them that night, and to ask finm to remmaber thal they were called as their surressors to $a$ great and honourable work and a great and homomable lieritage. Somedimes one felt that thase alavs in which we now lived were difficuli days for bellinging. Hr did not think there was the -a me ontlusiasm amongst young poople that they used to find. It was nof so onsy to get young prople to stick to this work, and it those who were tarying on the tiaditions of these men of the mast would put intis the work the some real urselfisherss, it would be the limat way in which they could homont their names. Also he wonld lite to emphasige the desine of those who had gone before them (Continued in next column.)

## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

EASTERN DIVISION WFtCOMFD BY DLAN OF BATILLE.
A quarterly mbeting of tho Eastiern ibivision was held at Batile un Saturkay, when 27 menners, representing the following towers, attended : Battle; Christ Church, Blacklands; St. Savion's, Eastbourne:
 Ringing commemed at about $2.30 \mathrm{p}, \mathrm{nn}$. ant various methods were indulged in during this aflermoon. The service was condnuted by the 1: an (the Rev. W. W. Youaral), who gave a most interecting address.

A splendis tea was provided in the Parish Room througln the kindness of the Dean, who presided. He also occupfed the clatir at tho shoit business meeting which followtex.

The lon. seeretary (Mr. W. Stokes) proposed a licarty vote of thanks to the Dean for the use of the hells, for the addiess at the service, and also for his kindness in entertaining the members to tea. He also thanked the organist for his services ant the ladics antl gentlemen who so kindly attended to the visitors' wants at the tea table. This was supportex by Mr. Amies, of Chri-L Church, St, Leonards

The Rev. W. W. Youard responded, and stated that it was justr over four years since the association had held a meeting at Battle. He thonght periops their visits conlal be made more frequent. He was very pleased to welcome the ringers and to know lhut he had helped to make their visit an enjoyable one.
This terminated the mecting, and the ringers then returned to the tower and kept the bells going until about of olock.

## SURREY ASSOCIATION.

## NORTH-WESTERN DTSTRICT

A very successful meeting of the North-Western District was hekd at Beddington ons Satumby, members and friends attending from Banstead, Beddington, Croydon (St. John's and St. Petor'sh, Cluisle-
hurst, Crawley, London, Merstham, Mitelian, Queenhorougl, Redhil and Reigate. The hells were kept gaing for, an hotu before service, which was conducted by the Rev. F. G. Witcomb (curate at Beddingtan), who save an excellent anderess. Tea followed at the Harvest Home, 34 sitting down to a very enjoyable menl. Aiter some lamelbell ringing, the busimess was Lraisacted, witl the Distnet Master (Mr. A. W. Clark) presiding.

The secretary reported the deatli of Mr. Wr. Groves, of st. Poter's, South Croydon, since the last meeting, and the members stom for a few moments in sileuce as at token of respect
Six mew memhers were elected and it was decided to hold another meeting in November, the tower being leit to the secretary to arrange.
Members were also reminded of the joint mecting will ine Guildiond Diocesan Guild at Guildford on Octoher 5tis.
a very hearty vote of thanks was passed to the Rentor for the use of the bells, the Rev. F. (T. Witcomt for kindly conducting the service, and to Mt* C. F. Kippin for naking the necessary arrangements,
The tower was again visited and some good practice was obtained in ravious methods, fucluding Cambridge Surprise Royal and Inodon Surprise Major. The majority of the cornpatiy then petruned to the Harvest Home for a social evening, kinaly armangox br Mr. Kippin, who ghve selections an his frae set of handhells, while sollge were
also rendered by Mrs. Darhy and Messis. D. Wright, C. F. Kipping, F. Jemmings and $H$. B. Wells, which hrought a very enjoyable menting to a close.
The rlistrict secretary watd havg liked to see a few more NorthWesteru District menbers present at the meeting.

## UNSPLICED

At AtI Saints' Church, Maidstone, on Snturday last, afier 2 hours and 55 minutcs' good ringing, an attempt fos' a peal of Kent Treble Bob Royal came to grief through a spliced rope becoming unspliced in the glh combe. Those taking part were: C. H. Some 1 . Nrs, H. Baker 2, T. Sommers 3, J. Basgrit (firct toucis on ten) 4. H. Rakter 5, T. E Sone (conductor) 6, F. G. Brett 7, C. W. Franklin 8, C. W. Player 9, F. White 10 .

## (Continued from previous column.)

to cement the connection between ibellringers amit their Church. That was a thing which all ringers ouglat to be daing to-dap, ind the more iney conld welcome amongst them the flergy who hat charge of the folls and interest them in tho work which he ringers vere donag, the more they would be
The toast was druak in silener and at "Inving cup" was then passed round. This cup is a cherishay possession of the Sheffir]d Cathralral company atid is insoriberl: "Presenterl to the Sheffeld St. $\mathrm{l}^{3}$ eter ${ }^{\text {-s }}$ Amalgamated Society of Ringors by the ringers of Asfon-unter-lyme as a tukn of , eshem ant friendslip, 1886." A course of Steduan Cinctucs was afterwards rung on landbells by Messis. C. Farrison, J. Thorp, A. Walker, G. Lewis. A. Briggs

## and \&. Palmer.

('To be contimued.

## LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

## CENTral council discussed

A mecting of the above association was lield at Caldicot on Saturday taist, wheu there was an excellent muster of ringers from both Monnoutishiro and Glamorganshire. Tlie bells, a good going eight, were raisexi ablout threo oclock and rung in various methods. Advantage was thken by a number of the opporturity to go through Caldicot Castie and grounds, the various oljecte of interest being explained ly tha Vicar's brothor, who acted as guidc. Tea, which hai heen very genetously providel by the Vicar and his co-workers, wn served in the Parish Mall, between 60 and 70 sitting down.
The business meting followed, presided over by the Vicar, who nommenced ly heartily welcoming to caldicot the ringers, for whom, he snit, he wourd always be only too pleased to do his level best.
Tustructors' reports and reports on restorations and augmeatations were dealt with.
The hun. serretary braught to notice the recent letters, arbicles, etc., which have appeared in 'The Ringing World' with regard to the' Central Council. Mr. pike then gave natice that he would, at the antuual muevirig to be held on December 26th, puti forward something in regara to it; in the meantime he wonld consider what form li, is resolution stioukd take.
Owiug to illnuss near the church, thie meetiag fixed for Llantrisant eammat be liclid, and it was decicided to hold it at Caerpliilly if it could bo nurrangecl. After tho usual vats of thanks the meeting closed and a move made for the Parisil Church, where service was held at 6 o'tlock, the Vicar ofliciating and having the assistance of the organist und surpliced chatir. The address was one of encouragement to riugers as chiwechyorkers, and most interesting.
Tho bells were ufterwarts runge until lato in the evening, and the mocting many be deseribed as a hugo success.

## HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

## Splichi r Rivging at district meeting

quarter:ly meeting of the Noxthern District of the Heriford Cotuly Association was liekd at Barley on Saturxay last, when the rollowing towers were represented: Aistey, Barkway, Elmdon, Melbourn, Nazeing, Royston. Ofloy, Great Shelford, Trumpington and the liresi birnd. Thle betis were opereal at 3 p.hn?, when 240 clanges of Stodman Doubles were rung. A short servico was held, at which the associntion's form was used, and the Rector gave a, brief but instructive address. Ho srid llow pleased he was to welcome the association to Barley, for the Clurch owed a debt of gratitude to the ringers for thair voluntary work, which was carried on Sunday by Sunday throughout the year.
Mr. A. E. Anstin, of Great Shelford, presided at the organ. Tea wus providel by Host Meltridge at the Waggon and Horses Inn, then 16 ringers wero prosent.
The usunl business meeting followexl tea, the Rector being voted to the elair. The Rector (hhe Rev. J. R. Gardiner) was elected as not lunorary member of (hio nssociation, and it was decided to hold the noxt mecting at King's Walden, where the bells have rectently been relung, the date being left to the steretary to arrange, if possilhle, during Octoler.
Yoles of thanks were passed to the Rector for the use of the bells and for conductiug the service, also to Mr. A. E. Austin for presidijing at tho organ.

The tower was afterwarls again visited. The methods rung uriug the afternoon and cvening were Stedminn Doubles, Bob Minor, Douliob Court. Oxford nud Keilt Treble Bob, Cambridgo, London, Wells, A Anuablis's Londm Sirrprise, also spliced ' touches of Cambridge, Inswichl, Reyerley anm Surflest, Spliced York and Dirrlam, and Sopliecd Lothon and Wells. Some of the local band had too opportunity of ringing tlicir first enurses of Londion and Wells Surprise. Conssest of Granstsire Donbles and Plain Bob Minor were rung for the hoginners.

## COALBROOKDALE RINGER MARRIED.

On Saturday, Saplember 21st, Mr. W. D. ('Billy ') Wase and Miss D. Roberts were married at St. Luke's Church, Tron Bridge (the Parish Church of tho bride). As Mr. and Mrs. Wase are making their home nt Warringtou, his friends of the tower, nssisted by Mrpssrs. A. Greentield (Dutiley), H. Boswell (Blakehali), C. Watts (Dawley), ${ }^{\text {nnd }} \mathrm{A}$. Pritclanrd (Wellington), attempted $a$ peal of Graudsire Caters at hiis old tover at Coalbrookdaie, but this unfor tumately canne to grief after 1 i hours' good ringing, Other , ringing took place during the evening, and, to finish, the beils were 'fired.' Afterwards the baud adjourned to the Coallboakdale Inn, to partake of refresliments, which were generously provided by the brideErom.
the hery plonsing little geremony took pince on Sunday morning in clurchurardens, mot to present Mr. Wase with a silver bell inkstand suitalily inscribed. The Yicar, in making the presentation, wislıed Mr. Wase ereyy success in his new home.
Mr. W. Waunders (hend ringer) alsa wished Mr. Wase, on belhalf of
the iocai bund, erery lappiness and suceess. Mr. Wase suitably

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES

DERBY. - At St, Andrew's on Septomler 22nd for evening service, 1,248 London Surprise Major in 44 mins. : H. Inckle 1, A. H. Wurci (conductor) 2, C. E. Hart 3, G. Freebrey 4, E. H. Clarke 5, W. Wallace 6, A. Braines 7, P. Tato 8 .
CHARING, EENT- On Sunday, September 15th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Donbles ( 1,260 changes) in 43 mins.: M. Johnson 1, F. Good 2, A. Missing 3, W. Good 4, A. Waddington (conductor) 5, A. Foreman
CARDIFF, GLAM.-On Sunday, September 15th, for the early service at the hareest festival, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes), wills 6.8 covering in 45 mins. Rung aftor meetiug slort for Triples; F. Harrington 1, Miss D. Rielhards 2, J. Davies ${ }^{5}$ J. Phillips (conductor) 4, P. Heatá 5, A. Parnell 6, S. R. Barker 8. For eveuing service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters ( 1,263 changes $)$ in 48 mins.: Miss D. Richards 1 , G. Large 2, J. Davies 3, W. Richardes 4, E. Hunt 5 , 7 . Heall 6 , A. P'arnell 7 , J. Phillips 8 , F. Chamberlain (conductari 9, S. R. Barker 10.
OXFORD.-On Sunday, September 8th, for evening service at the Parish Church of St. Ebbe, 720 Oxford Treble Boly (rung after meeting short for a quarter-peni of Stedman): W. Fineh 1, W. H. B. Wil kins (conductor) 2, W. Collett 3 , G. Horwood 4, F. Beekitt S, F. A H. Wilkins 6, R. Allsworth 8 .

PULBOROUGH, SUSSEX. - On Sunday, September 8ul, for evening service, 1,260 Grandsive ITriples: P. H. Doick 1, A. Holden 2, C. S. Greenfield 3, C. Smart, sen., 4, H. C. Greentield 5, A. R. Pink (Dorking) 6, A. C. Greentield (conduotor) 7, H. J. Doick 8.
SWINDON, WILTS.-On Sunday, September 8th, at flie Parish Clurre, for, morning service, 1,444 Kent Treble Bob Royal : J. S. Roberts 1 , J. Arbury ${ }^{2}$, R. G. Townsend 3, R. W. Hyner , 4, E. Bishop 5, J. Berry 6, S. Palmer 7 , F. A. Hearl B, L. A. Wilson 9, C. J.
Gardiner (conductor) 10 . Fizst touch of Royal by J . Avbury, of Gitting St. Mary.
TOTTENHAM.-At Al Hallows' Ghurch, oll Sunday, September 8th, for movning service in 47 mins., 1,264 Boh Major: H. W. Strickland 1, F. A. Bardett 2, W. R. Manigwick 3, F. E. Ringrose (first quarter-peal of Major) 4, M. Fensom 5, J. G. Nash (conductor) 6, C. A. Button 7, E. A. Hull 8 .

FAlRFORD, GLOS:-At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday, Septemher 8th, for morning service, a quarter peal of Grandsize Tluiple (1,260 chauges): G. Law 1, B. Guy. 2, H. w. Fussell 3, J. Hope (conductory
Rinners of A. Burcombe 5, A. King 6, H. Acock 7, E. Cooper 8. Ringers of Srd and 5th laiil from Dursiey.
PERRY BARR For evening service
PERRY BARR- For evenivg service, on September 18t, 1,260 Grandsıre Triples in 44 mins.: C . Davies 1, H. H. Fearn 2, F. Hor ton 3, R. Ingram 4. M. J. Marris (conductor) 5, G. E. Fearn 6, F W. Rishworth 7, C. H. Cook

EAST BRENT, SOMERSETSHIRE,-On Suuday, August 25th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 clanges in 45 mins.: W. Bradick 1, C. Wearo 2, W. E. Wiseman 3, A. Ham 4, E. Stitch (conductor) 5, C. Daunton 6. Arranged for the con ductor, who wes on a visit home from South Wales.

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

## SOUTH-WESTERN DIVISION.

The meeting at Barking on Saturday last was attended by betwee 70 and 80 members and friends, and there is no doubt this larg number was attracted owing to the meeting taking place on th concluding day of the week's Fiallowing Services, which lave bee beld in connection with the zestoration of St. Margaret's Churel which has now been restored with the exception of some of the oute walls, windows and tower. The bells were raised by $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. and soon going to various methods till 4.45 , when a short service, con ducted by the Vicar, was held, during which those present once agair had the pleasure of hearing Miss Dawson splendidy render one of her solos. A move was afterwards made to the Municipal Restaurant where tea was served to a company of 64
The business meeting followed, presiled over by the Vicar (the Rev. L. S. Hunter), supported by Mr. C. H. Howard (Master), Mr A. Prior (District Master), Messrs. Nevard antl Saunders (Disstric Masterrs respectively of the North-Eastern and Northern Divisions) Messris. G. and T. Fanlkner, otc.
Tro new members were olected and Leytonstono ngreed upon a: place of the district annual meeting on November 23 rd next.
The proceedings were brought to a claso by the passing of a henrt, vote of thanks to the Vicar for allowing the use of tower and bell and conducting the service, to the organist for kindly accompanying the hymns, etco., at the service, to Miss Dawson for her solo, to Messrs. T. and G. Faulkner for making the necessary arrangements and to ali those who had in any way helped to make the afternoor a suceess.
During the day members were present from Leytonstoue, London Romford, Maldion, Greenstead Green, Great Bentley, West Ham Rentiey, Prittlewell, Leigh, Edmonton, Braintree, Hornchurch, Stan ford-le-Hope, Orseett, Tilbury, Dagenliam, Brentwood, Barking Leyton, Thorington, and touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples Double Norwich, Boh Major, Keat and Oxford Treble Bol, Lonzon Bristol, Cambridge and Superlative were rung.

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LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-The annual meeting will be held at Blackburn Cathedral on Saturday, Sept. 28th. Further particulars by circular. - W. H. Shuker and A. Tomlinson, Hon. Secs.

NOTTINGHAM SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS (Established 1672 ).-A meeting of the above will be held at Southwell Minster on Saturday, September 28th. Tower open $4.3^{\circ}$ p.m. All ringers welcome.-F. Blood, Hon. Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - North Berkshire Branch.-Autumn meeting at Milton on Saturday, Sept. 28th. Service 3.30 p.m. Tea +30 . Those requiring tea please notify A. E. Lock, 35, East St. Helen Street, Abingdon, Berks.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Reading Branch.The Autumn meeting of the above branch will be beld at Henley on Saturday. September 28th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 . Ringers service at 6 . All ringers wel-come.-F. W. Hopgood, Hon. Branch Sec., 75, Kensington Road, Reading.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Chertsey Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at East Molesey on Saturday, September 28 th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 5. Tea 5.30. Names of those requiring tea to be sent to Mr. F. Brown, Cul-de-Sac Road, E. Molesey.-H. Hancock, Hon. Dis. Sec.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckley District.-The next meeting will be held at Thurlaston on Saturday, September 28 th. Bells available from $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. A good attendance is hoped for at this meeting, all ringers heing cordially welcome. - W. A. Cope, Smockingıon.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.-Nortbern Dis-trict.-A meeting will be beld on Saturday, September 28 th at St. Dunstan-in-the-East, Eastcheap, London. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. until $830 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Meeting, tea etc., at 5 . Every one welcome.-J. A. Waugh, Dis. Sec., 8, Ftllers Road, EI8.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-East Berks \& South Bucks Branch.-The next practice has been arranged at Cookbam on Saturday, September 28th. Bells available 3.30 p.m. Guild service 5 . 1 ea by kind invitation $5 \cdot 30$.

SUFFOLK GUILD.-Bury St. Edmunds District.-A quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, Sept. 28 th. Bells available : Norman Tower (10) and St. Mary's (8), Bury St. Edmunds, Horringer (8), and Fornham St. Martin (6). All ringers welcome. - J. Chinery, Dis. Sec., 5 I, Garland Street, Bury St. Edmunds.

DEVONSHIRE GUILD.-East Devon Branch. - A meeting will be held at Luppitt, near Honiton, on Saturday, Sept. 28 th. Bells (6), also Honiton (6) and Ottery St. Mary (8) available. Service 4.30. Tea 5. All ringers welcome.-John H. Godfrey, Hon. Sec., Silver Street, Ottery St. Mary.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755).-Quarterly meeting at Egbaston Parish Church on Saturday, Sept. 28th. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Business meeting to follow tea.-Thomas H. Reeves, Hon. Sec., 136, Newton Rond, Sparkhill, Birmingham.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-A meeting of the Ely Archdeaconry will be held at Ickleton, Cambs, cn Saturday, 28 th inst. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Please notify Mr. P. Webb, Iclileton, Grear Chesterford, Essex. All ringers are welcomed, even ex-perts.-F. Warrington, Dis. Sec.

NORFOLK AND SUFFOLK GUILDS.-A joint meeting will be held at Bungay on Saturday, September 28th. Bells (8) available from 2 p.m. Tea will be arranged for those who notify me by the 25 th. A good attendance is requested.-E. R. Goate, Queen's Road, Beccles.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North-Eastern Division.The next quarterly meeting will be held at Harwich on Saturday, September 28th. Service at St. Nicholas' 4.30 . Tea 5.15, 1s. 3d. each.-R. W. Stannard, Hon. Sec., 12, Ireton Road, Colchester.

HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION will hold a quarterly meeting and six-bell contest on Saturday, September 28th, at Friezland Greenfield, near Oldham. Draw to take place at 2.45 p.m.-L. Hargreaves, Hon. Sec., 30. Bankfield View, Halifax.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-A joint meeting of the Bristol and Wotton, under-Edge branches will be held on Saturday, Sept. 28 th . at Alveston and Thornbury. Service and tea at Nlveston, Ringing after tea at Thornbury. All ingers welcome. Bus leaves Centre, under the Clock, 2.15 p.m.-Harry Bennett, Hon. Sec.

DURHAM \& NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-The 52 and annual meeting will be held at Durban on Saturday, September 28th. Festival Sesvice in the Cathedral at 1 o'clock, with address by kev. G. W. Froggatt, Vicar of Stockton. Committee meeting at II 45 and dinner at 2 at the Three Tuns Hotel. The bells of the Cathedral (8), St. Oswald's (6), and St. Nicholas' (6) will be available-George S. Taylor, Sec., 149, St. Leonard Street, Sunderland.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GLILD.-Basingstoke District.-Quarterly meeting at Overton, Saturday, Sept. 28th - D. L, Board, Hon. Sec.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAF-FORD.-Quarterly meeting will be held at Wombourn on Saturday, Sept. 28th, Bells available from 3. Service in church at 4.45.-Tea (1s.) at 5.30 . Reports ate ready.-H. Knight, 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - A joint meeting of the Derby and Burton districts will be held at Alrewas on Saturday, Sept. 28th. Bells (8) ready 3 p.m. Tea at George and Dragon (is. 3d, per head). Will members please thake a special effort to attend and ensure a successful meeting? Bus leaves New Street Park at 2.40 p.m., and train leaves Burton 3 p.m.-John Leach, 4, Vemon Terrace, Burton.

CLAVERLEY, STAFFS.-The peal of 8, tenor 17 cwt., restored and augmented by Messrs. " Gillett \& Jobnston, will be dedicated on Sunday, 29th inst., at 3 [.m. Visitors will be welcomed.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (established 1637).-Meetings for practice will be held att *St. Paul's Cathedral on October 1st and 29th, Southwark Cathedral on the 3rd, St. Magnus on the 10 th and $24 t h$, "The Coffee Pot or St. Giles', Cripplegate, on the 1.5 th , St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 17 th ; all at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Eđgeley Road, Clapham, S.W. 4.

SAlisbury diocesan Guild. - Dorchester Branch.-A meeting will be held at Frampton on Thursday, October 3rd. Bells ( 6 ) (also Bradford-Peverell and Sydling) available at 2.30 p.m. Service at 4.30. Address by the Master of the Guild, followed by tea and short business meeting. Motor leaves St. Peter's, Dorchester, about 2 p.m.-C. H. Jennings, Hon. Sec., Sunnyside Road, Wyike Regis, Weymouth.
PETERBOROUGH - DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northampton Branch.-A meeting will be held at Weston Favell, not Wootton as arranged, on Saturday, October 5th. Bells (5) 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea 5 o'clock. Will all who require tea notify me not later than Tuesday, October 1st?:T. Tebbutt, West Street, Moulton, Northampton.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Tonbridge Dis-trict.-The next meeting of this district will be held at Shipbourne on Saturday, October 5th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea (free) after service, at the Club Hall, followed by business meeting. Members requiring tea must notify the Dis. Sec. not later than Oct. ist. A good attendance of members is desired.-W. Latter, Hon. Dis. Sec., ir, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Fylde Branch. The next meeting will be held at Singleton on Saturday, Oct. 5 th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Meeting 5.30-C. Sharples, Bratich Sec., io, Warbreek Road, Blackpool.

ELT Y DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-A joint quarterly meeting of the Wisbech and Marshland Branches will be held at Leverington, Wisbech, on Saturday, October 5th. Usual arrangements. Tea will be provided. Please let us know early.-W. G. Cross and H. W. Giddings, 101, Elwyn Road, March, Dis. Secs.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Kettering l3ranch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Burton t.athiner (8) on Saturday, October 5th. Usual arrangetuents. Will those requiring tea please notify me by Tucsday, October ist?-H. Baxter, Bredon, Windmill Avenue, Kettering.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Oswaldtwistle on Saturday, Oct. 5 th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. - Fred Hindle, Hon. Branch Sec., 58, Anvil Strepr, Blackburn.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION-St. AIbans District.-A meeting will be held at Hatfield on Saturday, October 5th. Bells (10) available at 3 p.m. Further details in next issue if possible.-W. Nash, Dis. Sec., North Mimms, Hatfield.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Bowden and Stokport Branch..-The next meeting will be held at Knutsford on Saturday, October 5th. Bells reaty 3 p.m. Scrvice 4.30. Tea 5.15. Will those requiring tea please notify Mr. J. Webly, 24, King Street, Knutsford, by Wernesday, Ortober ist?-T. Wilde, Hon. See.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (Guildford District; SURREY ASSOCIATION (Central District).Joint Meeting at Guildford, Saturday, October 5 th. Bells of the Cathedral Church available 2.45 to 4.15 p.rm.; S. Nicolas', afternoon and evening. Service at $S$. Nicolas' at 4.30. Please send numbers for tea to G. L. Grover, Merrow Cottage, East landon, near Guildford, by Monday, September 3oth.-G. L. Grover; D. Cooper, 5, Harrison's Rise, Croydon.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis-trict.-The autumn meeting will be held at Wingham (8) on Saturday, Oct. 5 th, by the kind permission of Rev. Taylor. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea provided for those who notify me on or before Thursday, Oct. 3rd. Half fares up to 25. paid to members attending this meeting. - Percy W. Smith. Hon. Sec., Fair View, Littlebourne, Canterbury.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. -General quarterly meeting at Lutter worth, Saturday, October $\overline{5}$ th. Bells (8), also Bitteswell (6), available during aiternoon. Lutterworth is on L. \& N.E. main line. Trains leave Leicester ${ }^{12}$.55. 3.50. Committee meet 4.15 in Charch Hall. Tea (I/3 per head) at Coach \& Horses Inn 5.15, followed by meeting. Lutterworth is famous for john Wycliffe's relics, the great reformer and bible translator. It is essential that those requiring tea advise Mr. E. W. Tipler, 22, Baker Street, Lutterworth, not later than Thursday, October 3rd.-Ernest Morris, Hon. Gen. Sec., 24, Coventry Street, Leicester.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT AND CHESTERFIELD BRANCH, M.C.A., JOINT MEETING.-A joint meeting will be held at North Wingfield on Saturday, October 5 th. Tea provided to those who advise Mr. J. P. Tarlton, Bright Street, North Wingfield, before October 3rd. It is hoped we shall have a good attendance. Bells (8) open early.-R. Harrison and J. P. Tarlton, Hon. Secs.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.--Devizes Branck. - The quarterly meeting will be held at Warminster on Saturday, October 5 th. Bells (8) ready at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Guild service 4.40. Tea (Magnet Restaurant) at 5. Business meeting follows tea. All ringers welcome-F . Green, Branch Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes.
LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.-Meetings for October: St. Clement Danes, Suaday, the 6th, Monday, the 7th (quarterly meeting) and 11 thi ; St. Mary's, Lambeth, Tuesday, the 1 st and 29 h , at 8 p.m.-S. C. Moye, Gren. Sec.
ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - Northern Division.-A meeting will be held at Gestingthorpe on Saturday, October 12th. Bells (6) at 2.30. Serice 4.30. Tea will be provided for those who notify me not later than October 8th.-W. Arnold, Dis. Sec., Holt Street, Earls Colne.
NORTH STAFFS AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION -A meeting will be held at Biddulph on Saturday October rath. Tea free to all who notify Mr. J. Cottrell, 38, Congleton Road, Biddulph, Stafts, before Octobe gth.-C. S. Ryles, Hon. Sec.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND I ION DON DIOCESAN GLPLD.- South and West District -A meeting will be held at Twickenhan on Saturday Octoiver 121h. Bells available from 3. p.m. Also a joint meeting at St. Mary's, Ealing, November zud. Every body wekome.-Wm. H. Hollier, 29, Duke Road, W. 4

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION．－Notting－ bani District．－The third quarterly meeting of the above district will be held at Basford on Saturday，October 12th．Bells（8）available from $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$ ．to $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$ ．and 6.15 till 8.30 p．m．Business meeting at $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$ ．No ar－ ranzements for tea．－F．W．Bailey，Dis．Sec．－ 42, Rupert Street＇，Nottingham．

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION．－Maidstone Dis－ trict．－The half－yearly meeting will be held at Harriet－ sham on Saturday，October 12th．Tower open at 3 a＇clock．Service at 5 ，followed by tea and business meeting．Half travelling expenses up to as．will be paid to members attending．All ringers welcome．Please notify me not later than Tuesday，October 8th．－C．H． Sone，Dis．Sec．，Bungalow，Linton，Maidstone．

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION．－Central Divi－ sion．－A meeting will be held at Henfield on Wednesday， October 23rd．Tower open 2．30．Tea and meeting 4．30，in Parish Room，by kind invitation．Service 6. Those intending to be present should notify the under－ signed not later than Friday，October 18th．－A．D． Stone，16，Belgrave Street，Brighton．

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS （Establistied 1637 ）．－The annual ainner will be held at the Bridge House Hotel，London Bridge，on Saturday，Nov． gth，ar 6.30 p．m．－William T．Cockerill，Hon．Sec．

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## A HEALTHY SIGN.

It is a healthy sign that the recent criticisms of the constitution of the Central Council and the suggestions for strengtheang the ties between the abliated bodies and the Council are being brought to the notice of some of the associations. Already the Llandaff and Monmouth Association, the Worcestershire Association and the Lancashire Association have moved in the matter and others will doubtless follow suit. Great good could result from a general discussion in all the associations, if the matter be approached with the desire to effect improvement. Constructive and not destructive criticism is what is desired, and if this is offered and reduced to concrete form in the shape of resolutions which can be brought before the Council, that organisation can be placed upon a footing which will establish it much more firmly as the central and guiding authority of the Exercise. But in order that this may be done effectually it is necessary that there should be some general basis of preliminary discussion, and we may be able shortly to publish draft proposals which ringers may be able to discuss in their meetings, either approving or suggesting amendments as they think fir. On the strength of the views thus expressed, motions likely to commend themselves to the representatives of the associations on the Council might be placed on the agenda for the next meeting in the names of one or more members.

In putting forward this suggestion we have no desire whatever to force the hands of the Council, but past experience has shown that, unless there is some attempt at correlation, chaos is the usual result, and notbing is done because there is no general understanding as to what course should be pursued. It is only in the hope that we may be of some assistance in co-ordinating any proposals which are made that we suggest the course indicated above. We are hoping to see the fuilest discussion of the subject and the achieverment of the best results. Reasoned criticism through our columns is also invited, because the more the subject is ventilated the more likelihood is there of obtaining views which will gain the approval of the majority of ringers. Those of our leaders who have ideas for improving the usefuluess of the Council and for bringing it into closer touch with the associations and guilds which elect the members should not hesitate, therefore, to put them forward.

Last week the Rev. F. L.. Edwards offered two objections to the proposal for annual elections. He dismissed the suggestion first as impracticable, but he did not tell us why. Secondly, there was the risk that those appointed to serve on a committee would not be present the next year to report. The risk, we think, is not great that all the (Continued on page 626.)

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members of any committee would be "thrown out' in any one year and the risk is certainly no greater than is now run every third year, when members are elected under the present constitution. There need be no alarm on this score from annual elections.

## TWELVE BELL PEALS.

## LGICESTER.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, September 28, 1929, in Fonr Hours; At the Choreh of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDCE SURPRISE MAXIMUS, E280 CHANGE8
Tenor $32 \mathrm{cwt}$.3 qr. I 4 lb. in C .
Frank W. Prrrens... ...Treble Herberi E. Audsley ... 7
Harold J. Poole ... ... 2 Harry Brovghion ... ... 8
Ernest Morris.....-
Shirley Burton ... ... 4 Erederick H. Dexter ... 10

- Franir E. Pervin ... ... 5 George H. Cross ... ... II

Charles W. Roberts ... 6
Composed by Chas. J. Sedgley. George F. Cross ... ... II
Edward P. Deerierd ...Jenor Conducted by Gforge H. Cross

* First peal of Meximus. 〒 First peal of Cambridge Maximus. Tho ringer of the 7 th was elected a member of the association previous to stinrting.


## OHELTENHAM

THE ANOIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTES.
On Satwriay, Septenber 28, 1929, in Thres Honvs and Twerty-Three Mimutes
At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL DF STEDMAN GINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;
Tenor 22 cwt.
Willlam T. Pates ... ...Treble *Herbbrt WT. Bishop ... 7
"Jack Roberts ... .... ... 2 Joseph T. DYke ... ... 8

Jobin Ausein ... ... ... 4 Ernest Bishop... ... ... Io

- Walier H. Trorman ... 5 Wifliam A. Cave ... ... if
- Ifenry W. L. Weles ... E Lodis A. Wieson ... ....temor

Composed by the late J Carter. Conducted by William A. Cavr

* First peal of Stedman Cinques. W. T. Pates belongs to Cheltenham, J. Austin hails from Gloucester, J. T. Dyke from Chilcompton, W. A. Cave from Bristol, and the rest belong to the Swindon Parish Church Guild.


## TEN BELL PEALS.

LONDON.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Septenber 28, 1929, in Threc Hours and Fourteen Minutes, At the Cebree of St. Clement Danes, Strand,
A PEAL DF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, GO40 CHANGES;
Tenor 24 cwt.
Gilbert R. Goodshif.
...Trable MTowba R. Taylor 6

Grorge M. Kiley
Fredrrick W. Rogers ...

Albert W. Coles ... ... 4 |ames Benneit... ... ... 9 Acfred T. Greenwood ... 5 William Pye ... ... ....Tenct
Composed by William Pye. Couducted by Cearles T. Colbs

* First peal on ten bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to the Rector, the Rev. W. Penaington BickFord.

HASLEMERE, SURREY.
THE ANCIRNT EOCIETY OF OOLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Satwrday, September 28, 1929, in Thres FYours and Twenty-Two Minlids, At thr Chorge or SS. Bartholomew and Christofare,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN GATERS, 5019 GHANGES;
Tenor 13 cwt. 6 tb.
Wieliam FIibbert
... ...Treble ( 2 ... Wileiam G. Whitehead. Henry R. Newton ... .... 3 Alfred B. Peck Herbert Langion ... ... 4 Rev. C. W. O. Jpnkyn .... 9 Ggorge N. Price ... ... 5 Riceard Haybs ... ... ... Tinor Composed by George R. Fardon. Conducted by H. Langdon

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

PATTINGEAM, SIFROPSHIRE.
SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFEORD. in Saturday, Seprember 21, 1929, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At the Churgh of St. Chad,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5OAO CHANGES; Groves' Transposition of Parkrr'e Twrive-part.
Arthor Bennett

| $\ldots$ |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| $\ldots$ | ... |
| . |  | Tychit | Hrabert Knight | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Benjamin Dalton | $\ldots$ | .. | 6 |
| William A. Conper | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 7 |
| Christopabr Wallater | ... | $T$ Temo |  | John Perry ... Alsert Botler Christopier Wallater ...Tenoy

Canducted by W. A. Cooprer BRENOHLEY, KENT THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On saturday, September 2f, 1929, in 7 hre Howrs and Five Minutes. At the Chorch of All Sinnts.
A PEAL DF SUPERLATIYE SURPRISE HAJOR, 5088 CHAHEES; Tenor I $8 \frac{1}{c} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Alac Richardson
William Latter .Treble \| Jack M. Cprpps ... Tory Wheadon … ... 2 Herrart Marswrle.... ... 6 3 FRGDERICK J. LhMBERT, SEN, 7 Composed by Nathan J. Pitsiow. Conducted by Kbith Hart. GUILDFORD, SURREY.
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

1) Whednesday, September 25, 1929, in Three Hours and Teenty Menutas, At the Cathedral Chorgh of the Holy Trinity.
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, EOBE LHANGES;

Mideleton's
John H. B, Hesse ... ...Treble
Harry Hotton

| ...Trebre |
| :---: |
| $\ldots$. |

Alpipp H. Polling... William.j. Robinson .... 4 Ginn S. Goldsmith... Conducted by Alfred H. Polling,
Rung in honour of the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Pulling.

KENG'S LANGLEY, HERTS.
THE HERTFORD GOUNTY ASSOGIATION.
On Thirsday, September 20, 1929 , it Two Fours and Fifty-Five Minutes, At the Church of All Salnis,

## A PERL OF LITTLE BOB MAJOR, 5040 GHAMCES;

Tenor fo cwt. I qr. i lb.


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On Thursiav, September 20, 1929, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minntes, At the Church of St. James.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
W. Marhews' Twelve-part (No. 2).

Tenor 32 cwt
*Frank Yates ... ... ...Treble f Wilfred Stevinson
†Artbor Challinor ... ... 2 Harold Dean ...
tFrane L. Ronan ... ... 3 tohy Worth ....
Wilfret Materws ...
Wilfred Materws ... .... 4 Wieliam Gayes... ... ...Tehof Conducted by W. Matrrws.

* First peal. $t$ First peal on eight bells. The treble and $6 h_{1}$ men Iail from St. Michael's, Macelesfeld, the End, 3rd, 5th, 7th, und 8it from Christ Church, Macclesfield, and the donductor from St, James', Sutton. The band wish to take this apportunity of thanking tios Rector for the use of the bells.

CHESWARDINE, SHRORSHIRE.
THE GHESTER DIOGESAN GUILD.
On Saturday. Septamber 28, 1929, in Three Holus and Six Miuntes,

## At the Chergh of St. Swithin,

 Tenor 9 cwt in G .
Harry Overton... ... ...Trehie |Earold Edwards ... ...
Harry F. Holding ......$c|c| e$ Emward V. Rodenherst 6

Richard T. Holding... ... 4 James H. Riming ... ... renor Composed by F. W. Wirdr. Conducted by J. H. Riding.

* First peal in the method away from the troble. First pual on the bells, which huve recently heen augmented to eight by Messrs. J. Taylor and Co.

DAYBROOF, NOTTINGHAMSHJRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCTATION,
On Saturday. Septomber 28, 1929, in Three Houvs and One Minute,
At the Chopgr bf St. Patl,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREELE BOB MAJOR, 5184 GHANGES;
Tenor $10 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
"John E. Hobbs.



- Samufl Pigder... ... ... 4 Edward C. Gobry ... ... rempr

Composed by Henry Johnson. Conducted by J. Aefred Rerrati

* First peal in the method. + Proposed a member of the association before the peal.

GRAYFSEND, KENTL
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUIHS

1) Salurday, Septenber 28, 1929, in Jivee Hows and Fowy Minules, At tee Churct of St. George,

## n PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Edward Harris.

- Edward H. Spice .... ...trelh

Stdari Sandyord
Pefcy E. Clark...
Chalils F. Winney... ... 3 Edward J. Bebr... ... ... 7 Conducted by C. F. Winney

* Elected a member previous to starting for the peal. This peal was arranged and rung as a compliment to Mr. J. Avis on his 50t.j anniversary as a Sunday service ringer, and also as a coming-of-age peal to the ringer of the 6th. Rung on the eve of St. Mielact and All Angels' Day.


## BROMSGROVE, WORGESTERSHIRE. <br> THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISFRICTS ASSOCIATJON <br> (Norimern Branch.)

Un Saturday, September 28. 1929 in Three Hours and Sixteen Minufes,
At the Chgreh of St, Johv-the-Bapitsr.

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANEES;

Thonstans' Fodr part.
Tenor 18 cwt.

Miss Amy Johnson ... ...TTreble
Robert Matithews
Harpy Pricehews ... ... 2
William Short

[^64]as a token rif rekpect to the late George Havward, for many yors a momber of the lirul hand, fuld well known eomposer and conductor.

## BRIGHTON, SUSSEK

THE SESSEX COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Sathridy, Seplember 28, 1929, in Threa Hours and Eigh Minutes,
Ay the Chorch of St. Nicholas.
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, $5055^{\circ}$ CHANGES,

Middefion's.
Fredeaick Cripps
fack M. Criprs...
fack M. Cripps... ... ...

- Fitedricick N. Smeaton .-

Mrs, F. I. Halre
Co

* First perl in the methon?

PORI: SUNEIGTAT, CEFSHTRT.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sathrajay, Septenber 28. 1929, in Three Hours and Seven Mimutes, At Christ Church,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJDR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor If cwt. 3 qr. in lb. in F.
 G, Ronald Edwards... ... 3 John Cooke ... ... ... ... 7 Whlierf. Battle ... ... 4 Herbery Lodkin .... ...Tenor Composed by C. H. Hattersery. Conducted by H. Lodmin.
The band wanld like to thank lue local ringers for their kind hos pitatily after the peal, which was very much appreciated by all. WRITTJE, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION. (Opficers' Peal).
On Saturday, Septomber 28, 1929, in Three Hours and Twenty-Two Minutes At the Chorch of Ad.c. Saints.

## A PEAL DF gUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJDR. 5088 CHANGE8;

 Tenor $18 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. in $\mathbf{F}$Grorge Grean, District Master, S.E. Div.
..Treble
Grorgr Dent, District Master, N.W. Div.

$\ldots .1$ rebr
Ernesi J. Butler, District See., S.W. Div,
William J. Nevard, District Master, N.E. Diq.
Frederick J. Pitsiow, Gen. Secretary,
Wheliam Lincoln, Gen. Comraittee
+.. 3

William IKebree: Peal Committee
Arthor Sagnders, District Master, N. Div. ... ... ... Tenor Composed by Nathan J. Pitstow. Conducted by Wililam Keeble
Ring to celehrate the jubileo of the asgaciation, founded at Writtle, 1879. Tho above officers average 30 years' membership of the assacintion.

COLWALL, HEREFORDSHIRE.

## THE WOROESTERSHIRE AND DISTRIGTS ASSOOIATION.

 (Western Branch.)On Suturday, Septomber 28, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes, At the Chorgh of St. James-the-Great,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES; Middleton's.

Tenor II cwt.
Dennis R. Morris
..Tyeble Willisam Ranford
2 Willam Lewis
Williab H. Lawrence ...
lirank Lawrence
Conducted by
Charles Camm Stdey T. Holy.

Mr. W. H. Lawrence, who was an a visit from Littie Munden, Herts, was proposed a memher before starting. This was his first peal of Cambridge Major inside.

TFURCASTON, LETGESTER.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOOIATION.
On Sunday, Soptember 29.1929, in Two Hours and Foyty-Three Minutes,
At xhe Chorch of All Saints,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE HAJOR, 5024 CHANCES; Tenor 10t cwt .
FinwardP. Doffigld $\quad .$. Trebla $\mid$ Frederick W. Rogers ... 5 Herbert E. Audseev ... z Cucie W. Pipe ... ... .... 6 Aifred T. Goeemwood ... 3 Wilctam Bottricl. ... ... 7 Grorge H. Cross ... ... d rambes W. Roberts ..Tamor Composed and Concucted by Geo. H. Cross.
The ringers of the 3 rit, 5 th and 6th hells were elected members of Itic Hosociation previons to starting the peal. The risitors desire to lato this opportunity of thunking Messrs. E. Morris and H. J. Poole noml other friends for arranging this and the peal at Leicester, and alan for hoping to muke the wathema such a pleasant one.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

SHATESHILL, STAFFS.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE $\triangle$ RCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Saturday, September 14, 1929, in Two Howrs and Fifty-One Mimates,

At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES; 42 six-scores, 10 diflerent callings.

- Ralpe Littlbr... ... ...Tyeble

Heprert R Pickering ....
Albert Coryins.... 3 Erancis Brotherion... .... 5 Conducted by F. Brotherton.

* First peal and first attempt. Rung as a birthday compliment to treble ringer.

KING'S CAPEL, FEREFORDSHIRE.
TEE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUHD.
On Sunday, September 22, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes..

## As the Chorch of St. John-the-Baptist,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, G040 GHANGESI Being eight spliced 240 's and 34 ordinary 120 's.

Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
-Herbert J. Harris ... ...Tyeble G. James R. Price ... ... 4
Herberi Colcumbe... .... 2 James P. Hyett ... ... 5
FEric G. Evans ... ... ... 3 †John L. Vagghan ... ...Terif Conducted by J. P. Hyetr.

* First peal away from the tenor. * First peal. Rung for the harvest festival services.


## FOLT, wILTS.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sunday, Seplember 22, 1929, in Two Hours and Forfy-Siz Minutes ${ }_{\tau}$ At the Chorgh of St. Katherine,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGE6;

## 42 six-scores, ten callings.

Temor 11 cwt. in $G$.

George Derham... ... ...Treble | William C. West ... .... 4 | George Gunstone | $\ldots$. | ... | 2 | Charles H. Cobr | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Wileiam Wilming | $\ldots$ | ... | 3 | Jambs E. Wilishire | ... | William Wilkins conducted by Wames E. West.

With the exception of the conductor, the above band are local ringers, and if was their first attempt for a peal.

DENNINGTON, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLE GUILD.
On Wednesday, September 25, 1929, in Three Fours and Fiwe Minufes. At the Parise Chorce,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 50ヶ0 CHANEES;

Being three 720's of Plain Bob and two 720's each of Kent and Ux ford Treble Bob.

Tenor 20 ewt
Harry Hall
Alfred Watson ...
John Garrett
$\begin{array}{ll}\text {... } & \text {... } \\ \cdots & \text {.. }\end{array}$

| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots$ | Treble |  |
| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 |
| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 |

Conducted by Jonn Hall. BURSTOW, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION. (Sodterrn Brance.)
On Friday, September 27, 1929, in Two Hows and Forty-Eight Minutes. At the Chorch or St. Bartaolomhw,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGESI

Being seven 720's.
Temor 11
-Jofn A. Bradley ... ...Treble "Lescir W. Penfold ... 4

Conducted by Alfred J. Bull.

* First peal at first attempt. † First peal away from tenor. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 2 ad.

ROWDE, WLLTS.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GULD.
On Satuyday, September 2k, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifiv-Four Minutes.
At the Cherch of St. Matingw,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Seven extents, fiferentiy called. Tenor $11 \frac{3}{4}$ cwt. in A flat

- Mrs. W. C. WeSt .... ...Treble
"Harry Mockridge
Jrser Francis ......
Sidney Hilleq... .............. William C. West ... ...Teme
Conducted by Wm. C. Wrst.

[^65]
## ABBOTS LANGLEY, HERTS.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Twerdty, September 24, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,

## Aithe Ceorch of St, Lawrence

A PEAL DF CAMBRIDRE SURPRISE MINDR, 5090 OHANGES| Tenor 13 cwt .
Adgostin V. Good ... ...Treble IJosn Brown ... ... ... 4

 * First Surprise peal. $\dagger$ First Cambridge Minor ingide. $\ddagger$ First peal of Minor. First Surprise peal on the bells. Quickest peal on the bells. Specially arranged for the ringer of the 4 th (who hails from Liverpool, and was once a member of the local company), and the 5th (who hails from Lincolgshire).

## BRISTOL.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thurstay, Septenber 26, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,
At the Chorce of St. Werburgh,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Forty-two six-scores, ten different callingg. Tenor 17 cwt. (approx.)Tbomas W. Elash ... ... Ireble Wilfred Troe
Henry W. Payne ... ... 2 Sibney G. Riches ... ... 5 Samoel Philljps ... ... 3 Reginald W. Blower ...Tenur Conducted by Sidney G. Riches.
This peal was rung to commenorate the jubilee of the church's removal from the centre of the city. The first recorded peal on the bells. The first peal for all ringers except the 3rd. Rung at the first attempt.

## RASSINGHAM, LINCS.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUTJD
AND TEE NORTH NOTTS ASSOCEATION
On Sathrday. Sepitmber 28, 1929, tn Tqu Hours and Fifly-One Minutes, At the Chbrch of St. Michael and All Angels,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 50EO CHANGES:

Being two extents each of Oxford Treble Bob and Oxford Bob and three extents of Plain Bob.
Cgarles McGuiness
Treble
Moers Billings.

| Mrs, latra L. East | $\cdots$ | 2 | Harry Carter |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Harold Marcon | ... | .- | 3 | Harold Walker | Tenor 104 ewt.

Conducted by Harold Walker.

* First pesl of Minor in three methods. Rung on the eve of the Patronal Festival and on the second anniversary of the marriage of the ringer of the treble.

BURSLEM, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE NORTE SIIAFIS ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, September 28, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,

## AI the Churciz of St. John-the-Bapist,

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 50a0 GHANEE8;

Being 720 each of Chester, London, York, Ipswich, Wells, Gambridge and Durham.

Tenor 11 cwt.
William Hazlehtrist
Treble
Thomas Hurd
Cearles S. Ryles
$\cdots 2$
James Walcey $\qquad$ ... 4 Conducted by John E. Wherlion.

This is the first peal in seren Surprise methods by T. Furd and also on these beils.

## HANDBELL PEAL.

LEVERSTOCK GREEN, HERTS THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Weduesday, September 25, 1929, in Two Houys and Thiry-Three Minutes
At the School House.

## A PEAL DF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor size ${ }^{5}$ in $C$.

Mrs. J. Bray ... ......$\quad$ I-2 | Malter Ayer | ... |
| :--- | :--- |

W. H. L. Buckingham $\ldots$... 3.4
Composed by Geo. Williams. Bray ....
Canducted by W. Ayre.

Composed by Geo. Williams. Canducted by W. Ayre. Witnesses: Mrs. W. Ayre and Mr. A. Ayre.

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## EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTS ASSOCIATION

PEAL BOARD UNVEILED A'l SOUTH NORMANTON.
A special meeting of the East Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire Association was held on Saturday at South Narmanton Farish Clurch, when a short service was held in the tower for' the purpoge of dedicating a peal board. The borird records two peals, the first a peal of Grandsire Doubles, rung on Monday, May 14th, 1928, awl the second a peal of Bob Minor rung on Sunday, July 14th, 1929, as part of the national thanksgiving for the recovery from illness of H.M. the King. A good company was present, and the liells were rung from 3 p.m. to 4.30 , when the Rectior, the Rer: J. H. Lewis, Mrs. Halpin, a local lady who was jnvited by the ringers to unveil the board, and the churchwarden (Mr. A. J. Evnns), arrived for the service. The Rector, as the representative of the church, was invited by ane of the lacal ringers (Mir. J. Wi. Eugland) to accept the peal board as a gift from the ringers. The Rector invited Mrs. Halpin to unveil the board, and, after the dedication, formally charged the churchwardens with the care of the same, to which Mr. Evans suitably replicd. The Rector then gave a short address, in the course of which he described the bells, and also spoke of his appreciation of the services of the church bellringers. Alhough the church has possessed five bells from 1813, and sis from 1902 , these two peals were the first to be rung ou them, and the only method rung by the local company, until recently, was Grandsirc Doubles. The tower now possesses a useful band, who attend rugularly for Sunday serrice ringing in various Minor methods.
The tenor was given to the church by Mr. George Dodd, and is dated 1654. The fill was cast by George Oldfield, and bears no date, The 3 rd bears the inscription w. B. and Co., and is dated 1774. This bell is supposed to bave come to this church from Pinxton, during Ihe incumbency of the Rev. -. Coke, who was Rector of the two parishes. The 4th, tho gift of the Rev. Guy Bryan, and the 2nd, the gift of Sir Fardley Wilmot, are both datea 1813, while the treble was the gift of Miss Wright, a resident of the parish. The old five were retuned and treble added in 1902 , the work being carried out by Messrs. Taylor and Co.
The service concluded, the company adjourned to the Church School, where about 40 sat down to a substantial tea, generously provided by the Rector, who placed the catering in the capable hands of Mrs. A. Foulkes, assisted by the wives of four local ringers. After tea, votes of thanks were passed to the Rector for providing tea, Mrs. Halpin, who performed the nnveiling ceremony, and the ladies who had assisted at the tea.-The Rertor vesponded, giving the association at warm welcome to Soutl Nommaton.

The bells were then ggain set going in tothehes of various methods from Grandsire Doubles to Cambridge Surprise Minot, uatil 8.15, when they were lowered in peal, and brought to a close a sarccessful and enjoyabla meeting. The towers represented were Alfreton, Blackwelt, Crich, St. Peter's, Derby, Horgley, Heanor, Morton Mansfield, Mansfield Woodhouse, Melbourne, Ripley, Sutton-in-Ashfeld, Selston, South Normanton and Tibshelf.

## NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION

## PRESENTATION TO FORMER MASSCER

A most eajoynble day was spent at Jlantudan on Saturday, September 14th, by those members of the North Wales Association who attended the half-yearly mecting. A service was licld at Foly Trinity Church and was conducted ly the Rector (the Rev, Watkyn Davies), who also gave a very interesting address. He extended a heariy welcome to the visitors, and in the course of his address commented upon Elandudno possessing two lady ringers. He said lie wnald bike to see more lady ringers, for they Adlded charm to the helfry.
A short business meeting was held in the schoolroom, the Rer. W. M. Morgan-Jones, president of the association, presiding.

During the meeting Mr. A. J. Hughes, tormerly Master of the association, was presented with a travelling clock in recognition of his past services.
Mr. Hughes vesigned the Mastersinip uthon being transferred to Yorkshire, and resret was expressed at his departure from the district.
An excellent tea had been arranged by Mr. S. Brown, the Llandudno secretary, at Payne's Cafe, and in the ereming good practice was put in on the bells untill seven o'clock.

## WEDDING BELLS.

On Thursday, September 26th, at the Clurel, of St. Mary-theVirgin, Burton Eatimer, Northants, a quarter-peal of Bob Majot (1,280 changes) in 50 mins.: E. York (first quarter) I, O. Hendry (first away from treble) 2, J. W. Lines 3, H. Turner 4, B. Morris (first quarter-peat on eight) 5, J. Saddington 6, J. Mitchell (first quarter-peal on eight) 7, G. Lincs (conductor) 8.
Rung to commemorate the wedding of Mr. Philip Rigbye Battwin Jucques, son of the late Rev. W. B. Jroques and Mrs. Jacques, of Oringbury Hall, to Miss Jaan Mary Williamson, Mrs. Jacques being patron of the living of St. Mary's. Alsn to commemorate the ninth patniversary of the reopesing of the bells after relangiag itud the addition of two trebles to conplete the octave, hrs. Tacques heing the donar of the treble bell.

THE YORESHIRE COMMEMORATION DINNER.
(Cuntinued from page 619.)

## A LINK WITH JASPER SNOWDON.

M1. P. T. Tohmson proposed 'The Visitors,' and said that almost all Lie countries of the United Kingdom were present. They very , heartily welcomed Cuman Dolan, Rector of st. Marie's, Sheffeld, wha was held in bigh redard by bie ringers of Sheffield and distriet. He hought, perlitas he would be correct in describing him as being connected with freland. Then bhey lad with thers Mr. William Thomas, chairmen of the Bristol Linited Gufles, who had brought Mrs. Thomas with him, and with him, of course, they goti very closs to Wales. Fo understood that Scotland would lave been represented, but ha saw by that morning's paper that the genileman was brought up at Buw Sthent in conaection with the mania for window slashing (laughter). In answar to the charge the Scotsman said he was a bellringer (landiter'), and he committed the offence begause bo wanted tet see "glass go' (laugliter). Tlaey had many distinguished visifors with ther, first of all their dear old friend Mr. J. W. Rowbotham, whem they welcomed oncs more on his native heatin of Sheffeld, but who came there to represent the Ancient Society of College Iroutlis. He believed Mr. Rowhotham was the anly person present that night who ralyg in it peat with Jasper Whitlied Snowdon. Mr. Jolitson gave a special weloome to Mr. J. T. Rew and to the representatives that the other asssuciations present including Diocesan Guild ve of representative was, fiowever, better known to most of them, he said, es the editar' of 'Tle Ringitng World', to whom they ower a great dent ot gratitude for the work he had carried on for many years in the interests of the art of ringing, very often monder serious difficulties and haudicaps. One would like to feel that all ringert gave the same encouragement to "The Ringing Worle", iliat the pitper gave to ringing (applause).
canon Dolat, who responded, hat to correct Mr. Johnson's inYerkshireman. Ganon connecled with Jralana. He a hume said, a to the difficulties which lue experitenced from his neighbours in contneetion with the ringing of tho bells at St. Marie's Chureh, and said that bellringers wore very enthusiastic men, but sometimes they required a geod deal of diplomatie handing (laughter). He recalled thic fact that in 1885 a mufled peal was rung at St. Marie's on the death of Mr. Aasper SHowdon, and only one of the vingers of that paal was living laday. Tlat ringer had been stocplekeeper and ringer at St. Malie's for 55 years, and he was Mr. James Dixon, who was presebt, with then that night (applause). His was a great rorove of perbeveramee and ailigence. Canon Dolan reminded his lienrers that the bells had a solenin place in the service of the dutrch, and it dial not, he said, require a great deal of imggination lo hear the vaice of the ringers in linose bells. These were daya of grent experiences. 'Ithe voice of man could be carrjed thousands of miles without wires; was it foolish, was it altogether impossible, therefore, to imagine that some day they might discover that there was sono sort of suiritual ebhinction betweon the hand that pulled
the bolj and the voice that the boll gavo out? He did pot the bofl atm the voice that the boll gavo ours he did not see the bellas anything inpossibla in that, therefore, when they rang gheeplo lihey weve blessed, that thoy wore meant to be a anll to prayer, and that it might be that the ringers communicated to the hells something $a f$ thacir own spirit. If they rang in the spirit in which the bells were blessed, liney would spoat in their own tongue, hout, if the spinit of the ringer was not the spirit in which the bellg werte blessed thu spirit, of the bells might be mallified. Therefore, he liked to see the anen who had rung the bells go into the charchand bily their prayers.

## YOUNG FTNGLRS' OPPORTUNITIES.

Mr. Panmef at this point anmonced latters of apology from the Low Bishop of Sheffiek, lihe Juy W. G. Largie (Sharrow), the Rev. Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association), Mr. E. Guise (secretary of the Gloncester and Bristol Association), Alderman J. S. Pritchet (Presiding Ringing Master of St. Martin's Guild), Mr. T. H. Reeves (sectolary) and M[r. A. Paddon shaillı (Rimingham), Mr. G. Holmes (Workington) and ML. EI. E. Buggs (churchwarden of Dore).
Mr. Albert Walker submitted Continued Prosperity to the Forkshire Associatiou, and referved to tho suceess which had attended the wort of the association and the progress it lad made. When it was founded in 1875 there were about a handred menbers; to day 1,here wore over 1,200. Mr. Walker quoted from it letter he lad jeceiver from the Birminglnm voteran, Mr'. Thomas Russan, in which le spoke of the lathe wry. G. H. Hattersley being always a welcome visitor to Birminghn, of the tun there sometimes used to be on the nceasion of lis wisils, and of the interesting anecdotes that passod batween Mr. Hatiterslay and Honry Johnson. The futuro prosperity of the Forkslife Associntion and of all other associations, their wilker what on, depenced apon their being able to instil into their younger members some of the lenthusinsm of thase men whose memary they nowe honouring that night and whose work was being sn ably contimued by unc present excellent officers, so that these young members, with better opportunities, rould carry ou the good work uf the past. Fomig ringers of today liant the finest oppot-
tunities to excel : they liad, for the most part, good going bells, and splendid ringing chambers; they had excellent libraries and cheap facilities to get to other towers and to meetings for social intercourse, which was the foundation of continued prosperity (applause)
Mr. J. E. L. Cockey gave 'Kindred Ringing Societies.' They were hovoured, he said, by having so many ouber ringing organisations represented among them that night, from as far south as Bristo and Bath, and from the doyten of all societies, the Ancient Sociaty of Colloge Youths. Membership of that society was one of tha greatest ringing honours one could atiain the in these days. Mr . frohnson had relerred to the representation of the diferent countries there that might and had said that ficotland was not represented He wishod to correct him in that, for Scotland was represented in his (the speaker's) wife (applause). She was not a ringer, but sho took a kindly interest in moging (applanse). Mr. Cockey thew out the suggestion that more should bo done to bring about ca-operation between ringers and tho other church societies, so that moite migh be koown of the ungellish worls which the former did. In givint the todst, Mr. Cockey sadd the Yorkshire Association wishod kindred societies every success, and he coupled with the toast the name of Mr. Rowbotham.

PEISSONAL REMINISCENCTES OR SNOWDON
Mr. Rowbotham, in responding, conveyed the fraternal greetings of the Aucient Society of College Youths to the Yorkshire Association, and went on to speak of his early associations with Sheffeld ringing. As a boy, lite said, he was apprenticed to Thomas Hattersiey and learnel to ring. That was in 1876, whell the Yorkshire Aspoctation was in its infancy. Of course, he heard a lot about Mr. Snowdon and wher JT Stowdon came to Sheffick and a peal was airanced for him, be (the speaker) was asked to stand in, and it was performed very successfully. That was on November 4th, 53 years ago at the Cathedral. Mr. Snowdon after the peal complimented him on the way in which he rang, and the record of the peal was to be found in those marvelous volumas which were the praceless possession of the Callege Youtbs. After that he was invital to take part in a peal at Holleck with Mr. Snowdon, and in that, too, they were sutccessful. Then he migrated to the Mctropolis, and was ove of those who made a departure from standard methods and began to practice Double Norwich. He (My. Rowbotham) provided Mr. Snowdon with a lot of matter about peals which had been rung years before, for the treatise on the method which he wrote, and the first book which left Mr. Snowfon's lands was sent to him, and writien upon it was, With the author's compliments to his dear friend Rowbotham.' Could anybody desire a prouder possession than that asked Mr. Rowbotham. He had the melanchaly opporbunity of taking part in $x$ funpual veal for Jasper Snowdon, in which, nuother dear friend of Snowdon's rang, Sir Arthur Heywood, and lid (the speaker) represented the College Youths at the unveling of the memorial window in Ilkley Church-the finest thing that had ever been erected to the memory of a linger.

The Chaiman was proposed by Mr. S. F. Palmer, who referres to Archaleacon Dharbyshire's interest in the ringers at Shoffeld Cathedral and of his constant consideration for them. The relations which existed between the Rector and churchwardens on the one hand, and the ringers on the wher, made Sheffield Catherval one of the best ringing places in tite country (applause). Similar relations existed at St. Marie's, and it was due to a large extent to the kindlinese of the jncumbents in clanrge (applanse).
The Archdeacon bricfly ackmowledged the tosst and said the hoped his successors would always have as fine a band of ringets us they had got at Sheffield Cathedral at present.
This concluded the specthmaking, which was followed by an hour of social hintercourte. An enjoyable musical programme was carried (of the well-known Orplens Male Voicto Choir') and infrs. Milnes, while Mr. W. C. Langley contributed a violin solo. The enjoyable prococdings terminated at 11 p.m., but many of the visitors who staved the night met again next morming at the [atherlu] and St. Marie's for ringing before going their several ways home.

## RINGER'S • JUBILEE

At Hinton, near Evesham, on Thursday, September $26 \mathrm{Al}_{\mathrm{h}}$, a quar-ter-peal of Grandsire and St. Bumstan's Doutjles (1,260 changes) 49. Mins. : F. L. Barwes 1, Miss R. Iohnson 2, Mrs. A. V. Hartiss 3 R. Harriss 4, F. J. Johnson (conductor) 6. Rung as a compliment commemornuctor on the 6sth ammversary of his birthdey, also to ing rang in round lar Sunday servioe zingers.

## FIVE SURPRISE EXTENTS FOR SUNDAY SERVICES

At St. Mary's Glurch, Fryerning, Essex, on Sunday, Septemher 29th, five Surprise extents were rung for harvest fettival serwices: For 7 a.m. choral Eucharist, 720 Norwich Sturpise; for 11 a.m matins, 720 York Surprise and 720 Ipswich Surprise; for evensong 720 Wells Surprise and 720 Cambridge Surprise, the ringers talrine part being F. Wrighi, L. Camp, G. Camp, C. Harrington, E. SitchH. Wright, A. Bradley (conductor)

## WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION

SUGGESTED RESOLITTON OF LOYALTY TO TEE GENTRAL GOUNGD.
Tlie quarterly" meeting of the Northern Branch of the Warcester shiro and Distriets Association was held at Stone on Saturday, Sep tember 21gt. This was the first menting the branch has held at Stone. The service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. F. S . Stork). The organist and cheir were also in atterdance, and renslered the musical portions of the service wery effectively. The Ticas gave an address based on the chief points of the association's form of survice.
Ten was served in the Parish Roors, about 60 being present and being waited upan by the Vical and Mrs. Stork, assisted by several ladies of the parish.
The business mecting took place in the gehoolroom, the Vicar presidiug. Apologies were amonneed from Mr. J. Broad, Mr. W. Fisher, Mr. J. F. Simpson and Mr. H. Mason.
The officers were all re-elceted, and it was unanimously agreed to support Mr. 'F. J. Salter's proposal that at the anmual meeting to be helri at Warecster the branch sloould support a resolution pledging the association to loyalty to the Ceatral Council.
Mr. A. E. Parsons moved that in future a collection should be takern at the end of the serwice for the benetit of the belfy repair fund at whatever church the meeting was held.
Reference was made by Mr. Parsons to the loss the association had sustamed by the death of one of its oldest members in the person of Mr. G. N. Cockin, of Halesowen. He was highly respected in every spliere of life.-It was agreed that the secretary should gend a Ietier of sympathy to Mrs. Conkin and family, and the members stood in silence to mark their respect.
On the motion of Mr. Parsons, a very hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Fiear for presiding at the mecting, the use of the hatls, and arranging the service, which everyone, lte said, had tharoughly enjoyed; also to the organist and choir for their services. Mr. Parsons added that their best thanks were also due to the Vicar for providing ter, and to Mrs. Stork aryl to the ladies who had so
 The Vicnr, 11 reply, saiti he thought it quite an honour to preside bver so important a bods of church workers, and he would be pleased to sec them ngain in the near future.
A touvh on the handbells outside the Parish Room concluder a very successful mecting, and also amused the parishioners and visitors. Ringing in rarious methods was dung on the church bells boib in the afternoon and evening.

## WARWICKSHIRE RESTORATIONS.

ARBY BELLS AUGMENTED.
The balls at the Churels of St. Whlfeed, Arby, Warwickshire, have been reluned and augmenied to six and hung in iroa frames by Messis. Taylor, of Loughborough. The tenor, which is 7 cwt . 0 qr . 12 lb ., was cast by Edward Arnold, of Leicester, 1790, the 5 th by Watts 1625, the 3rd by: Robert Newcombe, of Leicester, about 1590 , the three new bells being the front three.
A special service was held on Sunday, Sept. 29th, at 3.30 p.m., when the Bishop of Coventry dedicated the new bolls. Ringers were present from Filloughley, Covontry and Nuneaton, also Mr. J. P. Fidier and Mr. C. Harrison, of the Loughborough Foundry. After the service, the ringers from Fillowghley opened the bells with rounds and call changes. 360 of Bob Minor was then rung by: J. P. Fider 1, C. Harrison 2, W. Martin 3, E. Martin 4, A. Wirkerson 5, J. H. W. White (conductor) 6. Also 120, in whick' H .0 . Whito and D . Ellonder took part.
The tone and the 'go' of the bells are excellent.

## \& 'BRTANT' RING REHUNG.

On Wednesday, August zath, the rimg of six bells (tenor 12 cwt .) ai the Church of St . Botolph, Newbold-on-Avon, cast in 1792 by John Briant, of Hertford, were radedicated at a specinl service at 7.30 p.m. Ringers were present from Rugby, Nuneaton and CovenWw, and also Messts. J. Oldham, J. 1'. Pidler and D. Collins, of the Loughborough Foundry
The bells lave bean retuned and relnang in a new iron frame, and the work relects great crodit upon Messrs. Taylor and Ca. Touches of Sterman and Grandsive Doubles, Cambridge Surprise nad Kenfi Treble Boh Minor were rung. The ringers were afterwards entertained by the Vicar and Mr. Cotterill Boughton Lee.

## PORTISHEAD LADY RINGER MARRIED.

On Monday, September 23rd, the marriage took place at Portishead Parish Church of Miss Adelaide Stokes and Mr. Percy Charles Simper, Preb. H. W. Jukes, Rector, und the Rev. H. S. Rriggs oflicinting. Tlie bride bas been a member of the Portishend bend since 1913, when she commenced ringing, and during the war bolped with ather ladies to rigg the bells regularly for Sundry services.
She took part in the first peal which was rung for the Ladies Guild at Portishead on January 30th, 1915, and has always assisted to ring for any special services of the church.
Among the numerous presents was fi cluck from the ringers, who fired, their good wishes from the belfry as the happy couple left the church.

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The photographs should be accompanied by brief particulars of the bells, with their inscriptions and dates if possible, and any other interesting information about them.

Pictures should, for preference, be photographic postcards, and, where there is any choice, the tower should be a feature.

Obviously, of course, ail the pictures cannot be pubIished at once, the object of getting a collection being that the photographs may be ready at hand for use when fitting opportunity occurs.

Will each tower secretary be grood enough to send a photograpin of his own tower? It should be forwarded in an envelope for protection, and addressed to The Editor, 'The. Ringing World,' Woking, Surrey, and the sender should enclose his name and address.

## BELFRY GOSSEP.

We bear that the Painswick Youths, who held the record far the longest lengllu rang an twelve bells until the recent performance of 15,312 Cambridge Surprise Maximus at Ashton-muder-Lyne, contemplate making nu effort to regain the honomr: Nr. Atber't Wright, the composer and conductor of, the 13,001 Grandsire Cinques rung in 1920 al Painswick, thas a 16,000 odd which he hopes may he altempted in the near furture.
The first peal of Stedmau Cinques on record was rung by the College Youths at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields on October 6th, 1788 . It was a 6,204 , and not only was it the first, but also the longest in the method until 1806, when its length was supplanted by a 6,334 gung by the Cumberland Youths at Spitallicitis.
William Booth, a famous old Shefficki winger, born in 1783, and grandfather of Charles H. Hattersley, died on October 6th, 1849.
The amiversary of the death of another outstanding figure in the Exercise occurs pext week. Henry Hubbard, born in 1807, died on Oclober 96h, 1881.
Mr. F. G. Newmau wishes to thank all ringing friends whio sulbseribed to his fund (which amounted to $£ 21 \mathrm{3s}$. , and also Mrr. W. T. Cockerill for his kindzess.

AN OLD OXFORD UNIVERSITY RINGER.
THE UNIVERSITY SOCIETY'S FIRST 720 RECALLED.
The will lias just heen proved of Mr. William Christopher H. Burne, of Upper Link, St. Mary Bourun, Hans, who diel recently at the age of 74 years, and whose estate has been sworn at 253,079 . Mr. Burne, who, before lie removed to Sl. Mary Bourne, where lie took great interest in the restoration of the bells, resided at Woking, where he ecrved for many years on the Urban District Council, and was one of its most able chairmen.
While ut Oxford, Mr. Burne leamed to ring-althouglo the did not follow up the art in later years-and rang the tenor to a peal of Grandsire I'riples at Appleton by members of the combined Universities, on March 10th, 1877. IThis peal was referved to in 'Climpses of the Past,' in our issue of September 13th.) Mr. F. A. Mine (uresident of the Middtesex County Association) and the Rev. C. D. P. Davies are the only survivors of that band of over fifty years ago.

The late Mr. Luruc also knew something of method ringing, for he rang the treble to a 720 of Bobsinor at St . Thomas", Oxford, jusis before the peal above mentioned. It was the first 720 by the oxford University Socicty. The following was the paragrapla which appeared in 'Chutel Bells' at the time:-
'On Thurstiny, February 22nd, the following members of the Oxfort University Society of Change Ringers rang at St. Thomas', OxFord, 720 Boh Minor in 25 mins.: W. C. H. Burne (Kehle) trehle, C. Davies (Pembroke) 2, J. R. Kehle (K"hle) 3, F. A. Milae (Kelble) 4, H. W. Elficoti (Rrasenose) 5, "- tenor. Conducted by F. W. Ellieott. The above is the first 720 Bob Ninor ever ruag by this society. * The gentleman who rung tenor objects to his name appearing in such an iusignificant performance as a 720 .'

## MR. TOM BEADLE APPEAL FUND.

Previously acknowledged $£ 5$ Ds. 6d., Mr. F. A. Minne £1, Mr. W. Pickworth '105., Mr. R. Lathhury (Camhridge) 5s.. Miss V'. Shorter (Cambritge) $5 s$. Doartions will be gratefuly received on behalf of Mr. Beadle by Mr. Wm. H. Hollier, 29, Duke Road, Cliswick, W.4.

## BUCKLEBURY BELLS.

Bucklebury Church, Berks, where a band of eight ladies rang a peal on Saturday week, has an octave of bells of varying date, with tenor about 14 cwt . in G .

The oldest bell, which was dated 158 r , unfortunately cracked and had to be recast about three years ago. This


BHCELEBURY CHURCH AND IOWER.
was done in memory of George Davis, the late foreman of the tower, whose name appears on the recast bell. The inscriptions and dates are as follow :-

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l.-Mercy and Truth. To the Glory of God, in memory of G. W.
    Palmer, from his wife. Bowell, 1915.
2.-Righteousness and Peace. Bowell, 1915.
3.-Prayes the Lord. 1632. RecasL by Bewell, }1915
4.-T, Mears, of London. Feoit. }1824
5.-0 Lorde, in Thee ys all my trust. 1581. Joseph Carter. Re-
    cast by Bowell, 1926.
6.-N. Mears, of London. Fecit. 1624.
7.-Henry Kuight made this bell in ano 1610.
8.-Feare God. 1634.
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## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

## PLEASANT THAMES-SIDE MEETING.

One of the best practice moetingts held in the East Berks and Fouth Bucks Braneh was that at Cookham on Seturday last. Perfect weather for ringing and a aice btece from the river combined to make it a success.

A bright serwice and no sermon, but an excellent talk on coucord by Dr. Bachelor, the vice-president of the branch, was appreciated. Then tea in the Ficarage garden, where the Vicar warmiy welcomed over 40 ringers, and showed other talents besides that of preacher.

A few tunce on handbells by the Barlow party and one other were followed by some Stedman liriples, whilst the choir boys had their tea, after which the tower was revisited and the hells were kept soing in various methods to a late hour.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL. <br> ANNUAL ELECTIONS. <br> Y'o the Edilor.

Sir,.-It is not often that I disagree with Mr. Edwards, but I must point out that on this subject facts are against him. In the Suffolk Guild we have always elected our representatives on the Central Council each year, and none of the results he anticipates bave occurred.

He groups together three things which are connected, but not inseparable: (a) Triennial sessions of the Council. (b) Triennial elections of committees. (c) Triennial election of representatives. I have not seen any sug. gestion of an alteration of (a) or (b), and if they were altered there is no reason to expect the consequences be fears: as there are no such had results in other bodies. A committee can be, and usually is, continuous, wbether elected annually or triennially.

All, however, that is proposed is that each Society should elect its representatives every year. What we have found is that the annual re-election of our representatives, along with our other officers, keeps our representatives alive, and the interest in the Council keen. It so often happens at an annual meeting, where the old routine is carried out, that a representative says, or sends word, that it is time they elected someone else, but the matter is shelved because it is not the right year for the election. Then when the election comes the old four are re-elested without comment; or some new member is elected, because it happened to be convenient, rather than because he is the most suitable member.

HERBERT DRAKE.

## TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.

## TRURO BRANOH MEETING.

A well attended meeting of the Truro Branch was held at St. Gluvias', on Saturday last, the eve of the Fcast of St. Michacl and All Angels, wheu epproximately 50 ringers were present frous Truco Cathedral, Mabe, Illogan, Perranzabuloa, Perranwell, Gwenap, Keawyn, St. Newlyn East and Redruth. the six bells were set going at $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. by the local band, as a bride and bridegroom tutt the clurch after a wedding ceremony, and were kept going by the various bands until service time at 4.30 , and from 6 p.m., when tea was over, until, about $8.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}_{\text {, }}$ train and bus elaimed everyone's atteution.
The service, conducted thy the Vicar, the Rev. E. H. Shore, consisted of a hymm, the Magnificst, an address of welcome and suitable proyers. Tea, at the invilation of the Vicar, was served on the Vicarage lawn, and was enjoyed in brijht sumshine. A vote of thanks was proposed to the Vicar and Mrs. Shore for their kindness by the Rev. W. H. R. 'Trewitella, and was seconded by the district secreLary, Mr. A. S. Roherts.
After tea, the district consmiltee, consisting of memane from each tower in the district, met to do lie theedful busimess. The Rev. W. II. R. Trewliola, of Tru*o, was elected chairman, Bud Mrs. A. S. Roberts seevetary for the ensuing sear. It was decided to hold the extra mecting, which shoud have taken place in July, at St. Mabe, to encourage the schernc for the velanging and augmentation of the five bells, on October $26 \mathrm{tl}_{1}$.
rewo invitations were received for the half-yearly meeting one Erom Redruth and one from St. Newlyn Easti, and it was decided to trake the selection at the St. Mabe meeting.
In the evening severai ringers visited Perramwell, about three miles distant, for further riugitg.

## WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

A meeting of the Alton District was held at Privett on Salurday, September 2hst, the numbers preseat being disappointing, as only 14 lurned up from the following towers: Blackmoor, Biusted, North Stonelam, Portsmouth Cathedral and Winchester. However, sereral of the six-bell lingers present were very weil satisied, as it enabled them to gel plenty of eight-bell practice in Grindsire, one old gentleman of 71 ringing the tenor hehind to ewery touch durivg the aftermoon und evening, to his great delight.

The next meeting will be hedr it Silborme and Newton Falarace on November 23ta, due notion of wJich will appenr in "The Ringing World.'

## NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION

RTNGING GOMEPTITION AT EAST MARKFAM
'Ilie North Natts Associalion's Ennual ringing contest for the Crawforl silver capl took place at East Markbam on Saturday, Septemher 21st, when five companies competed. The cup was given to the associstion, to enconcage good ringirg, by Mr. Apthur Grawford, of Rafrptan, in memory al his father, Mr. Chatles Grawford, who dif yourd work holh for the rasociation and the Churel of East Markhatr The contest rirew togetieve ange gathering of ringers and fineir frimeds, some 70 in all, and creafed great interest among the juhabitunts of the village. Mr. A. Crawiond was unfortunately unable to be present.

The ballot far the oudre in which the companies were to ring took place al. 2.45 p.m., and the contest commenced at 3 p.m. Mr. J. R. Srearley, of Renlsteratone, near Sheflield, kindly undertook to judge the conrest, which he did in a most able manner.

A short service whs luthe at 5.15 p.m., The Visar, the Rev. R. E. Rotersin, officiating. Miss E. Rose kindy played the otgan, after which tho ringers sat down to tea, which was berved in an excellent manner by Miss A. R. Stockolale and helpers.

The Rev. R. E. Rogerson presided over the meeting, supported by the ler. R. F. Wilkimsun, Mr. G. Booth (warden), Mrs. C. Grawford, Mis. A. Crawford, Mrs. Rowsoll, Mr. J. R. Brearley, Mr. H. Haigh, hom. Leasurer, and Mr. H. Revill and Mr. R. W. Stockale, hon. secretaries, together with members from Anston, Shiveoaks, Misterton, Fedwinstowe, Suiton-on-Trent, Worksop, Collingham, Gamston, Eagt Rotford, West Retford, Fotkingham, Ordsall, and the loeal company.
I. was resalved to land the mext meeling at Gamstion on November $911_{1}$.
Mr. Arthur Crawford was elected an homorary life member on the mation of Mr, IJ. Faigh, seconded by Mr. H. Steuton. Mr. J. W. Graig, of Orduall, wis elected a vice-president, and Mr. J. R. 13 rearley a non-resident life momber.

I'lie result of tho contest was next apuounced. The faults lost by tho competitats, given in the order in which they rang, were as follow :-

> Ordsall
> Shirooaks
> Suthon-an-Trent
> Suuth Anston
> Warksop

The first four rang a test pice consisbing of 360 changes on gir bells, but Worksop had the grat courage to compele on oight bells.

The wimers of the contes wre doclared to be South Anston. In making his award, the judge remarked that the striking of to-day was not: tes he compared with that previous to the war, and appealed La all to try and improve the striking.

Mrs, Rowsell, Lamelara, daughter of the Iate Mr. C. Crawford, prosented tho cup to the victors, and in doing so expressed a wish that all companies would try and enter for the cup contest next year. She hoped that East Martharn would be the winners some day.
Mi. H. Siention, in receiving the cup for the Anston company, suitably replied.
A vote of thanks was proposed to Mrs. Rowsell for prosenting the eup by Mr. F. Haigh, und seconded by the Rev. R. E. Rogerson.
Mr. H. Stenton proposeri, und Mr. H. Revili seconded, a vote of thanks tio the judge.
"Tlue Rev. It. T? Wilkinson said he wished to thank the Rev. R. E. Rogerson for officiating at the service and presiding at the meeting; alto he thanked the organist, the caterers, the Vicar and wardens fro the use of the bells, and the merohers for making the meeting such a great succes, and hoped that he would see even larget guherings in the near fudure.
'The tower was fanin wisited in the ovenimg, when good ringint wat ndniged in until 9 p.m., when the bells were lowered in peal.
'Mae bells ut East Markhan included fonis cast in 1637 hy George Oldfich, of Nothingham. The present 3rd and 4th were added in 1895, and the ponl incrented to eight ly flae addition of two trehles !wo or Hlthe yoars ago, eiven by Mr. W. Y'. Hopps, of Jeamington, in memory of lis tucle and anat. The four smaller bells were cast Y Messis. Thylor and Co. The tenor is 10 cml .

## BELL DEDICATION AT MINSTER.

On Sailuday, Scptomber 2lst, the hreble, which has been added to Hhe existing ring of five at Minster Church, Thanet, was dedicated at no spucial servica in the aftemoon. A representative company of the Thelester Jistriet of the Kent County Association attended, and the lelds were ring in various methods duming the afternoon. Unforduntely Hrumgements had bean made to tume the organ during the afternoon, and both ringers and organ tuner were greatly handiuapped, the argat tumer deciding eventually to capitulate. A wellstruck 720 of Kent Troble Bob was brought round, and the assembed company wore agreed ilant the 'go' of the bells was excellent. The Irehlo wis originaliy in Wavden Church, und more recently reposed quiotly in a local blacksmith's slop. The work of recasting and hanging was cruried out by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank.

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

## THE ANNUAL MEET'TNG.

Favouved with a fine day and griven a genoine Lancashire welcome, the ammal meting of the Lancashire Associatimn passed off successfully at Blackburn Cathedral on Saturclay. The atitendance, well above 100, represtated all the ten branches, and was slightly above the average. Scrvice at 4 p.m. was attended in robes by Camen Elsee (president), Canon Sinker (Rector of Blackburn Cathedrah) and his assistaut, with the Bishop of Bleckburn as preather. The Bishop in his address gave a discourse on church nrehitecture, particularly as it had been altered and modified to the requirements of bells and ringers.
Tea followed in the schools, and in an upper roam the business of the tay was transacted. Canon Elsee presided. The committee's report was read, and mention was made of the clection of 102 new members. The balance sheet was satisfactory. There had been belt restorations at Leyland, Eceles, Halewood and Milnrow. The peai recort, although not ns big as last ycar, whs satisfnctory, 104 peals having beea recorded. Fifty-four ringers rang their first peal, and 128 their first in a new method, while eight conducted their fins peal.
The election of officts for two yearg included the re-election of the ringing seovetary and nuditors. Other offices, which were lilied by baliot, resulted in Mr. G. R. Newton, Liverpool, being elected vicepresident, Mr. W. Horan, Todmorden, as treasurel', and Canon Elsce, Messis. G. R. Newton, W. H. Shuker and A. Tominisun as Central Council representatives. For the voting, 1,075 papers had been seat out and 740 relurned-6B per cent., which was a vary fair proportion. An invilation from Liverpool to hold the next amual meeting there was acoepted unamimously, the Secretary remarking that the members could lave the use of ten towers.
One of the members brought up the question of a mational society of ringers, as outlined in "The Ringing World, and asked the brancil secretariea to discuss it in their branches. He also brought up the question of the Central Council, and referred to the articles and comments recevily published as a foundation for discussion. Fis chief iniea was that the associations shonld pay into a general fund to allow all their members to hecome life members of other nssociations, they on their part to pry expenses of necredited members to the G.C. meetings.

Another suggestion was made that a 'Ringing World' year book should be published to contain peal reports, compositions, and interesting and useful correspondence and articles as pulalished the prowions year.
The menting closed witli a vote of thanks to the Bishop, the clevgy of the various towers who had given the use of their bells, the organist and choin boys, the ringers for making arrangements, and to the ladies who served the tea. If anyone suggested to the ladies fhat a cuterer should be employed for these gatherings, it would not be safe for him to be seen in Blackbum again, as they hold second place to none in putting on a tea fit for ringers to sit down to.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

ASHFORD DISTRICT'S RINGING MASTER PROBLEM.
The annual district meeting of the Ashford District was held at Hythe on Saturday, September 21st, when between 20 and 30 members attended, including visibars from Dover. The beds were fully made use of during the afternoon, and service was conducted by the Viear (Rev. Chester de Roinville), who gave a ghort and interesting address. Tea was partaken of at the Paddock Tea Rooms, presided over by the Vicar. At the business mecting which followed, the two representatives on the committee and the district secretary were alt duly re-elected.

The Secretary thanked the members for the confdence mot trust placed in him, and with their loyal support be would, he said, corltinte to serve in the position.
Some long discussion arose when Mr. C. Tuibe proposerl that $x$ Ringing Master should be appointed. This was camied on a vote, bat was eveutually lost when it came to the eloction. Thw quarlerly meetings fixed for 1930 were: February, Hendorn; May, New Rominey; July, Cheriton: annual, September, Wyo.
Thanks were accorded to the Vicar for his kindness and for the usc of the bells, the "go' of which was much appreciated by all present.
Further ringing closed a most successful meating, the methods rung during the day being Grandsire Triples, Stedman Tripios, Keni Treble Koh and Double Norwich Major.
Lydd was chosen for the next meeting, the date to be arranged by the secretary.

## MUFFED BELES

On Tucsday evening, Septemher $24 t_{1}$, after the interment of tho late Mr. Edwatd Luign, sen., for many years a member of the local band, a quarter-peal of Stedran Triples was rung at Edenhridge, Kent, with the beils lialfomuffect: E. Collison 1, G. Matwan 2, Len Ticiy (Limpsfield Oha't) 3, R, Jemmer 4, F. Seal (Hever) 5, J. Heasman 6, W. W. Stedly (conductor) 7, J. Webb' 8 . Tirst quarter of Stedman hy Messrs. Tidy anal Wehb.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

WELOOME BY REV. MAITLAND KELLY'S SON.
Tliere was a large attendance of members of the Yorkshire Association ati the general reeting held ai Huntington, near Yovk, on September 14th. Visitors to the number of about 70 came from such a wide area as Sheffeld, Bradford, Leeds, Halifax, Selby, Pontefraet, Searborough, Market Weighton, Aysgarth, Tadeaster, Pickering and Tharnaby; and with members of the York Minster hanki, and the local tower, were altogether a company of close upoa a thundred. One explanation of the large abiondance in addition to the nevelty of the meeting place was to be foumd in the facti that members of the association desired to pay a special compliment ta the Viear of the parish, the Rev. R. M. Kelly, whose father, the Inte Rev. Maitland Kelly (who died in June last) was founder and for many years president of the Devon Guild.
Complete teams of ringers were present from several of the parishes mentioned-in one case, that from Pickerifg, the team included ong or two ladies-and these took turns in ringing the peal of six bells in the delightful rural tower of All Saints'. Later in the evening, by courtesp of the Very Rev. the Dean of York, the superb ring of twelve at York Minster was also made available to the visitors.
In the course of the aftermon a short service was conducted by the Vjcar is the Parish Church. In a bries address, Mr. Kelly traced the listory of the clurch, pointing out that it had been a centre of Ohristian worship since the 11th century. Founding bis address on the text, "Ye have mot chosen me, but I have chosen you," he emphasised that for this part of Christinn worship in which the visitors were specially engaged, they were doing God's work and therefore shonld give of tiseir very best. If this ideal were kept in view, the more they gave of their best the better it would become. He mentioned that in recently looking over anme of his father's papers he had found an addeess in which the latter, on an oceasion when bellringing was for the first time recognised by the Church anthorities, had set up this same ideal. It was an ideal which comprahended not only that the ringing should be the best possible, but that the bells should be kept in the best condition. But, above all, bellriagers, he urged, shonld ever remerabey that they were performing a Christian service in calling people to the worship of God.
Thes general meeting was held in the Memorial Hall, after tea, which mas served by an efficient band of ladies under the direction of Mrs. Porteus. The Rev. C. C. Marshall, president of the Assomiation, occupiod the chair. Amongst tlsose present were Mr. Kightly, Towthorpe. and the retertan sexton, Mr. John Rank, who are hou. members. Apologies for absence were intimated from Mr. Percy J. Jolnson, hon, general secretary; Mr. R. J. Wolstenholme, another lonorary nember: and others. Three new members of the Jacal hand, Messrs. G. Rank, Walker and Young, who hati qualifed, were admitted to memberslip of the Association.
The proeecodings were for the most part of a routine character, and cordial votes of thanks were passed to the Huntington committee for their iavitation aud entertainment, which were acknowledged $\bar{y}$ Mr. Kelly nud Nr. George Rank, the latter of whom had been most indefatigahle in making adequate arrangements for this highly successful and memorable gathering.

## WELL-KNOWN RINGER'S SILVER WEDDING.

On Tluursday of last week Mr. and Mrs, A. H. Eulling, of Gualdard, celebrated their silwer wedding, aod thes event was fitingly uarked by a peal (rung on the previons evoning) on the bells at the cathedral of the Holy Trinity, with which, for something like 35 cats, Mr. Pulling has been actively identified.
Mr. and Mrs. Pulling were married at Warboys, Huntingdonshire, nd their connection with ringing is well known. For many years Fr. Pulling has been one of the leading conduotors in the Fxereise, and it is a great joy to his many friends that he has mare such a Hecessful recovery from his serious motor accilent of two years ago lint he is able to take his place in the helfry with undiminished hili. Mrs. Pulling is a past-president of the Ladies' Guild.
After the peal at Foly Tunity Gathedral, the hand were enterained by Mr. and Mrs. "Palling, lo whom congratalations and good ishas were cardially extended.
It is juteresting to note that Mr. Harry Hatton, who rang in tho alver weddiug peal, also toak part in a peal at the same tower in honour of Mr. and Mrs. Pulling's wedding in 1904. That peal was onducted by Mr. Charles Wilshire, who is now resident in Montreal. A pleasing little ceremony took place an Sunday in the Cathedra
Ifry at Guidford, when the Provost (Ganon Kirwan) presented in
21. Pulling a silver cream jug and sugar basin in commemoration of silver wedding. The sugar basin was inseribed, 'Presented qud Mrs. A. H. Pulling on the occasion of their silver wedding the Provost and ringers of the Cathedral Society, Guildford, scptember 26th, 1929. ${ }^{\circ}$ In a happy speech the Provost referred in ras of high appreciation to the services Mr. Pulling had rentlered the tower over a very loug period, and wished nim and Mrs. 'ulling many more fears of happy marvied life. Mr. Pulling who
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SUCCESSFUL MEETING OF CLEVELAND ASSOCIATION. INTEREST AND ENTHUSIASM AT ORMESBY.
It's been a champion meeting.
' It's wortl coming a long wy to get ringing like this. ${ }^{3}$
wheres some satisfaction in arranging moctings when they are such good ones as this.'

What a fine penl of bells!
These were remarks passed hy ringers who atfonded the antomn meeting of the Cleveland and Nortly Yorkshire Association at Ormesby-in-Cleveland, on Saturday, Septemher 21st. Merabers from far aud near travelled to meet old friends and make new ones, and the popularity of these meetings is proved by the fact that representatives of 30 less than 14 towers attended, as follows: Middlesbrough, Hartiepool, Darlington (St. Jolun's, St. C'uthhert's and Holy Trinity Glumehes), Stocktan, Saltbun, Marske, Guisborough, Swainby, Skelton, Sharrow, Whitby and the lotal tower.
The fine peal of eight (tenor 18 cwi.) were ringing from 2.30 int the aftermoon till 8.30 at might, with only a spell for the service and tea, and many were the words of commendation spoken as to the go' and tone of this excellent ring.
The service, conducted by the Vicar of Ormeshy (tilie Rev. E. Flintoff Woodl, was beratifisl in its simplicity and directness, and thase who have bean priwileged to hear addresses an many oovasions such as this were unanimons that the one they then beard ranked amnugst the finest ever delivered.
The tea, which was presided over by Mrs. J. C. Pollard, wife of Lhe president, was a happy aftair, lolid in the Ormesby Bungalow, and in spite of the good appetites with which lingers of the hardy North are endowed, they liad to admit defeat ly tho plentifing prowision made for them.

A short, almost informal, meeting was loct at the couclusion of the tea, and the President welcomed all fhe ringers to the meetingHe dwelt on the pleasure it gave the officers of the association to see such in good attendgnce, and expressed the hope that this was merely the forerunner of many other happy aud well attended gatheringi. He welcomed, as an old frieud of the association, the the first seoretary, and, later, president of the association. He also welcomed the president and secretary of the Southern District of the Durlam and Newcastle Diocesan Association, and remarked that visits by the officers of neighbouring associalions to each other's meetivga would do much to forward the cause of bellringing. 'Pr' Nowtion, of Stockton, the veteran of some 70 orifl Years, and an olitimal memher of the association, was also welcomed.
The thanks of the meeting were accorded fo the Vicar of Ormesby or his ready and willing sanctions to use the bells, and for his beruliful service and address. Several members were elected, and tho Vicar of Ormesby was made an bon, member of the association.
Mr. Wright, in a happy little speech, expressed his delight with such an excellent meeting. Ho referred to the anxious times the associntion had passed througln in its entrier years, but felt that if the presen' meetigg was an example of the good work the association was doing, the labours of the first members and offecers had not been in vain.
Mr'. Woorl thanked the meeting for their appreciation of whit he termed 'the little he laed done, and said that lis services and help in any way were always at tho disposal of the association, of which he was so proud to be a momber.
The hells were soon going again under the leadership of the seoretary of the association (Mr. T. Metcalfe), and the cnthusiasm was so great that on more than one occasion, whilst the tow hells were penling, handhells were in ust jn the churelyard. It was strange for the singers of the tower hells to bear tho hamibells when a tanch an the tower had been completed.
As lins already been said, the ringing went an antil 8.30 , and good ringing it was, too. Dobible Norwioh, Stedmias, Kent Trehle Bobs Major, Bob Major, and Grandsire Triples were rung, all in perfect time and striking. The learners were helped on to do something hetter than they were used to; ringers who were mot too certain of
a method lag a more expeyienced manto to stand behind and help thent and everyborly got a pull. Rat all good things heve ta come to an end, and at last the meetrig broke up, rud the mombers went their several ways. They ail felt that of the many good meetings the Cleveland Association has beld, the Ormeshy meeting had beea one of the most successful and happy.
The president and Becretary wore the last to leave the old-time mange. 'hey were tired-dead tived-but liappy with the thought 1hat thair hard work had been well rewatded by the respanse they fad received to their endoavours. Their hopes are that many more happy meetings such as the Ormeshy one may be held. J. С. Р.

## A HARVEST FESTIVAL RECORD

Something of a record musk have been get up at Kelvedon oa Sunday, when Mu. W. Elliote rang for the fiftieth year for the harvest festival at his Parish Church. For monning service, 720 Kent Trehle Bob: W. Keeble (conductor) 1, a. Fiaywawl 2, J. C. Newran 3, C. Hutiton 4, E. W. Beckwith 5, W. Ellioth 6. For evening Eervice, 720 Plain Bons: E. Dale 1, d. Muson 2. W. Kecble (conductory 3, J. Elliott 4, L. Clark 5, W. Elliott 6.

## HALIFAX ASSOCIATION'S RINGING CONTEST

## A SPLENDID MEETING AT FRTEZLAND.

The Halifix and Distriot Association held a quarterly meeting and six-bell contest at Christ Church, Friesland, near Oldham, on Saturday. The bells were in good condition, for, mainly through tho generosity of Captain Schotield, a local resideat, lhey bave been telnug by Messts. Taylor and Co.
A comtritiee meeting was held previous to the contest, and it was decided to adhere to the committee's previous decision to ring 504 ohanges any mothod. Scven sels harl entered, the draw being as follows: No. 1, Batley; No. 2, New Mill; No. 3, Shelley ; No. 4, Liversedge; No. 5, Holmirth; No. 6, Huddersfield; No. 7, Melthan, All tha sets rans Oxford Treble Bob Minor. Ringing commenced abont three o'clock anf continued until 7.30. An excellent tea had been provided, to which over one hundred sat down.
The meeting followed soon after ringing land ceased, Mir. E. Earnshaw (Melthum) occupying the chair. Nr. Carter moved a vote of thazks to file Viear (Rev. J. R. Smith), the clurchwardens and ringers of Firiezland a very good turn in coming there. He thought it would good tea they had provided. The motion heving been heartily carried, the Vicar, in reply, said that the association had done them at Friczland, a wery good turn in coming there. He thought it would havo been a very pood idea if they conld have made a gramophone record of tho alories some of the older ringers had told that afternoon. The lingers of Friozland and churchpeople owed Capt. Schofeld a great debt of gratitude for taking such an interest in the hells and ringers. He was sorry that he could not be with them that day. The Vicar added that he was reminded of a story he had been told of a certain gentleman who, rather backward at speechmaking, had to reply on behalf of the ladies. His only remark was that if il liad not been for the ladies there would be no ringers. He thanked the association for their kind vote of thanks.

The judges, Mr. J. Broadley (Bradford), who is close on seventy peurs of age, and Mr. J. Wood (Triezland), gave their decision as follows:-


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| $\cdots$ | 182 | 20 | 202 |
| .. | 228 | - | 228 |

Tatlley were declared winners of the cup, which was presented by the Vicar to Mr. S. Gibson. Ho congratulated them on their good ringing.-Mr. Gibson replied. Mr. Idle proposed, and Mr. J. Tinker seconded, a vote of thanks to the judges. Mr. Idle said no one could deny that judging in a long contest was a trying job, and all agreed upoil how woll the judges had done thenir work.
Mr. Burgess, it moving a vote of thanks to the chairman, saje it gave him very great pleasure lo thank the officials of the association for bringing the contest to Friezland. They at Friezland would not rest until they had won the cup.

## GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

## MeTRING OT THE CHERTSEY DISTRICT.

Tho Cherdsey District of the Guildford Diocesan Guild held a meeting on Saturday at East Molesey. a Thames-side parish on the northwestern fringo of tha dincese. In one respent the meeting was dis-appointing-the atfendance of members belonging to the districtbut in other's it was quite a success, Numberg were small, hut the practice was goonl, thanks to the help given by visitors, who included Messrs. H. R. Pasmore (College Youths), C. F. Kippin (hon. secretary, Surrey Association), J. Sparrow (hon. sccretary, Royal Cumberland Youlhs), D. Cooper (Groydon), E, G. Turner (Ealing), etc. Quild members wero present from Ottershaw, Esher, Thames Diton, Wraton, Lealherliend, and Woking, aurd Mr. F. Brown, of the Molesey company, was indefatignble in luelping the visitors to spend fu pleasant time.
A short servicn was held, which was combneted by the Vicar, Rev. A. G. Le Maburier, who extended a welcome to the Guild, and referred to the facl that the parish, which had always been on the extreme edge of the diocese, first of Winchester and now of Guildforx, had for that reason taken very little share in diocesan life. He hoped that their part in diocesan affairs in the future would be morg pronomeed, mal for that reason he welcomed a visit of a diocesan organisation to that eliurch.

A brief business meeting wis held after tea, presided over by Admiral T. P. Waliser (hon. tressturer of the Guild), who moved a vote of thanks to the Vicar and to Mr. Brawn,

Mr. Browr was elected a momber of the Guild, and a tribute was paid by Mr. Sparrow to the patient spate work which Mr. Brown had dona for many years to keep a band at Molesey.
It is hoped that other memhers of tho tower will follow Mr. Brown's example and join the Guild, and that the tower, throwgh the Barochial Church Cotucil, will become formally amilated.
(Centinued is next column.)

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES

PUTNFY, On Sunday, September 29 th, for latrest thanksgive a. quarter-penl of Stedman Triples in 47 mins. T. Bolton 1, G. E Collí 2, W. T. Elson 3, W, H. Ball 4, C. E. Moody 5, J. Herbert 6, F. Malins (conductor) 7, A. E. Williams 8.

MELESHAM, WILTS.-On Sunday, September 29th, on the occa sion of the Patuonat Festival and in honour of the wisit of Bishop Randiolph, Dean of Salisbury, the following, local ringers rang two Guarter-peals of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes). The one for matins was composed by the late A. Wakeley, and the one for evensong taken from Parker's 12-part: Mrs. W. C. West 1, G. H. Archard 2, Stanley Cockell 3, A. J. West 4, W. S. Burbidge 5, H. Mockridge 6, W. O. West (conductor) 7, Herhert Cockell 8.

FRIITHEDDEN, KENT, Dn September 29th, for eveaing service 1,260 Stedman Triples: Mrs. H. Baker 1, C. W. Player 2, H. Baker 3, R. Edwarla 4, K. Pattenden 5, T. E. Sone E, W. Wenban (con ductor) 7, W. Rope 8.

TOTTENHAM.--At All Hallaws' Church, an Sunday, September 29til, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1,344 clanngesi ir 50 ming.: W. Dickinson 1, H. A. Bargett 2, W. J. Eliis 3, F. Ellis 4, T. Nash (conductor) 5, M. Fenson 8 , C. A. Button 7, E. A. Full 8. Also rung as a compliment to Mr. H. A. Barnett, who celebrated lis 73 rd birthday on September 28 th.

LUTON, BEDS.-At the larish Church, an September \&9th, for morning service, the occasion of the larvest festival, 1,260 changes of Stedman Triples in $45 \frac{1}{2}$ mins.: H. Walker 1, A. King 2, A. Smith 3, T. Kendall 4, B. Wilson 5, F. Wood 6, L. A. Goodenough (conductor) $7, E$. Shane 8 .
DICKLEBURGF, NORFOLK,-On Studny, Septomber 29th, for evening sarvice, 720 Grandsire Doubles (being six 120 's called dif ferentiy) in 25 mins. : W. Steggall (conductor) 1, Gea. Barrett 2, 0 R. Catclpole 3 , W. Musk 4, W. Gook 6. WT. Gook hails from Besthorpe, Norfolk, the yesl are local Sunday serviee ringers.
GODALMING, STTRREX.-On September 29th, for the larvest festival hefore evening serpice, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1,260 changes) in 45 mims: R. Pamment 1 , Mrs. C. Hazelden 2 C. J. Pugsley 3, T. Tlinobald 4, C. Childs 5, C. E. Smith (conductor) 6, G. Hazelden $7_{3}$ W. Ballchin 8. First quarter-peal by 3 rd and tenor ringers and first in the method by 4 th winger.

COMPTON, BERKS.-Oı Sunday, September 2ené, before even song, 720 Bob Minor : $F$. J. Balcombe 1, A. Gregory 2, E. Pontin 3 R. G. Rice (conductor) 4, A. Hall 5, C. W, Partit 6 .

ZEALS, WTLTS.-At St. Martin's Church, on September 22nd, 220 Kent Treble Bob Minor in 27 mins. : J. Creen 1, H. S. Parsons 2, E G. Coward 3, E. J. Rowe 4, L. Perrett 5, F. A. Coward (conductor) 6. Arramged for Mr. H. S. Parsons, of Cirencester.

COLLINGHAM, NOTTS.-At the Parish Church, on Sunday, Sep tember 22ad, for the harvest festival, a 720 of Flain Bob in 23 mins. E. 13. Priestley 1, Mrs. I. L. East 2, C. MeGuiness 3 , Miss V. Birket 4, H. Marion 5, F. Walker (conductor) 6.

UCKFTELD, SUSSEX.-At the Church of the Holy Cross, for cvening serwice, on September Ist, $n$ quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 46 mins. : F. S. Hart 1, A. Fichardson 2, A. J. Pierpoint 3 B. Saunders 4, P. Marchant 5, F. Weller B, J. A. Hart (conductor Rurg J. Hart 8 . First quarter by ringers of 2nd, 4h and 6th ringer
NTITTALI, NOTTINGHAMSFIRT-On Sunday, September 1st for morning service, 720 Bob Minor in 23 mins. G. Clark (Arksey) 1, *R. Harrison 2, E. Wilcox (conductor) 3, ${ }^{*}$ R. Jonkinson 4, J. W Kirton (Bottesford) 5, *G. Burton 6. First 720 on the bells sinco the adding of the new treble to make a ring of six. Also, for ever song, 720 Bob Minor: \#G. King 1, R. Harrison 2, P. Bearismore R. Jenkinson 4, J. W. Kirton (conduator) 5, G. Burton 6. Ramg muffled for Mr. P. Longdon, the organist at the above chureh, whi was buried on Friday, August 30th. * First 720.
OXFORD.-On Sunday, September 1st, at St. Elibe's Charoly 1.344 Boh Maior before evensong: S. Hartis 1, W. H. Wilkins 2, W F. Judge (condnctor) $3, W$. G. Gollett 4, W. Finch 5, F. Beckett 6 G. Horwood 7, F. F. Wilkins 8 .

HOREMONOEN, KENT.-On Sunday, September 1st, for service at St. Margaret's Church, 720 London Surprise Minor: Pa. Brome 1, F. J. Lambert, sen., 2, A. Bramley 3, R. E. Lambert 4, G. Buit 5, R T. Lambert (conductor) 5. First 720 of Lomion on the helli, and by all the band. It is 41 years age that the first 720 of Mino was rung on these bells, which wns conducted by the present ringer of the 2 nd .

## (Continued frow previous column.)

The next mecting of the district is to tnike place at Esher November 30 th, when norinations of district officers have to th made.

After transacting the business, the ringers wisited the Vicarage, and, on the lawn, entertamed the Vicar, his wife and dauglater some handbelt ringing, Sterlman Iriples and Grandsire Caters being rumg. They then revisited the Lower, where during the aficmem and mening touches of Boh Minor and Major, Giandsile and Sted man Triples, Treble Bob, Superlative, Cambridge and London Sut prise Major were brought round.

## NOTICES.

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (established 1637).-Meetings for practice will be held at *St. Paul's Cathedral on October 29th, St. Magnus on the 10th and 24th, "The Coffee Pot on the 15th, St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 17th; all at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Froding han, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Tonbridge Dis-trict.-The next meeting of this district will be held at Shipbourne on Saturday, October 5th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea (free) after service, at the Club Hall, followed by business meeting. A good attendance of members is desired.-W. Latter, Hon. Dis. Sec., ir, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-A joint quarterly meeting of the Wisbech and Marshland Branches will be held at Leverington, Wisbech, on Saturday, October 5th. Usual arrangements. Tea will be provided. Please let us know early.-W. G. Cross and H. W. Giddings, 101, Elwyn Road, March, Dis. Secs.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION - Blackburn Branch. -The next meeting wilt be held at Oswaldtwistle on Saturday, Oct. 5 th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting at 6.30 p.m.- Fred Hindle, Hon. Branch Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-St. Albans District.-A meeting will be held at Hatfield on Saturday, October 5th. Beils (10) available at 3 p.m. Further details in next issue if possible.-W. Nash, Dis. Sec., North Mimms, Hatfield.
CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Bowden and Stockport Branch.-The next meeting will be held at Knutsford on Saturday, October 5th. Beils ready 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15.-T. Wilde, Hon. Sec.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (Guildford District ; SURREY ASSOCIATION (Central District). Joint Meeting at Guildford, Saturday, October 5th. Bells of the Cathedral Church available 2.45 to $4.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m} . ; \mathrm{S}$. Nicolas', afternoon and evening. Service at $\$$. Nicolas' at 4.30.-G. L. Grover; D. Cooper, 5, Harrison's Rise, Croydon.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury District. The autumn meeting will be held at Wingham (8) on Saturday, Oct. $5^{\text {th }}$, by the kind permission of Rev. Taylor. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30. Half fares up to 25 . paid to members attending this meeting. -Percy W. Smith, Hon. Sec., Fair View, Littlebourne, Canterbury.
SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT AND CHESTERFIELD BRANCH, M.C.A., JOINT MEETING.-A joint meeting will be held at North Wingfield on Saturday, October 5th. It is hoped we shall have a good attendance. Bells (8) open early.-R. Harrison and J. P. Tarlton, Hon. Secs.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Fylde Branch. The next meetng will be held at Singleton on Saturday. Oct. 5th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Meeting 5.30.-C. Sharples, Branch Sec., io, Warbreek Road, Blackpool.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. -General quarterly meeting at Lutterworth, Saturday, October $j^{\text {th }}$. Bells (8), also Bitteswell (6), available during alternoon. Lutterworth is on L. \& N.E. main line. Trains leave Leicester ${ }^{12.55}$, 3.50. Committee meet 4.15 in Church Hall. Tea ( $1 / 3$ per head) at Coach \& Horses Inn 5.15, followed by meeting. Lutterworth is famous for Jolin Wycliffe's relics, the great reformer and bible translator. -Ernest Morris, Hon. Gen. Sec., 24, Coventry Stree, Leicester.

ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD.-The above Guild are holding a bye meeting at Appledore, on October 5 th, for Cambridge practice. Bells available 2.30 p.m. All advanced ringers welcome.-A. J. Battin, Hon. Sec., Heronden Hall Gardens, Tenterden.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Quarterly meeting of the Andover District, Saturday, October 5th, at Andover. Bells available from 2.jo. Service 4.30. Tea 5.-Rev. F. C. Sear, Hon. Sec., St. Mary Bourne, Andover.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.-Metings for October: St. Clement Danes, Sunday, the 6th, Monday, the 7 th (quarterly meeting) and 11 th ; St. Mary's, Lambeth, Tuesday, the 1 st and 29 th , at 8 p.m.-S. C. Moye, Gen. Sec.

ESSEX ASSOCLATION. - Northern Division.-A meeting will be held at Gestingthorpe on Saturday, October 12 th . Bells (6) at 2.30. Serice 4.30 . Tea will be provided for those who notify me not later than October 8th.-W. Arnold, Dis. Sec., Holt Street, Earls Colne.

NORTH STAFFS AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. -A meeting will be held at Biddulph on Saturday, October reth. Tea free to all who notify Mr. J. Cottreil, 38, Congleton Road, Biddulph, Staffs, before October gth. -C. S. Ryles, Hon. Sec.
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Southampton District.-A quarteriy meeting will be held at Upham, on Saturday, October 12th. Bells from 2.30. Tea and meeting at the Brushmakers' Arms at $50^{\circ}$ clock. Those requiring tea please notify me by October 8th.-W. T. 'Tucker, District Secretary, 71, High Street, Eastleigb.
BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Bedford Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Turvey, on Saturday, October i2th. Bells (8) available at 2.30 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. All ringers welcome.-P. C. Bonnett, Hon. Dis. Sec., Stagsden, Beds.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Chippenbam Branch.-The quarterly meeting of the above will be held at St. Paul's, Chippenham, on Saturday, October 12 th, at 3 o'clock. St. Andrew's ( 8 bells) will also be available. All visitors welcome.F. W. Merrett, Branch Secretary, The Woodlands, Chippenham.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND IONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West District. -A meeting will be held at 'Fwickenham on Saturday, October 12th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Also a joint meering at St. Mary's, Ealing, November 2nd. Everybody welcome. -Wm. H. Hollier, 29, Duke Road, W.4.

LADIES' GUILD.-Southern District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at All Saints', Wokingham, on Satur day, October 12th. Bells 3.30. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting in Church House. All welcome. Will those rerpuring tea please notify me by Wednesday, Oct. 9th ? Filda F. Milis, Cairneyhili, Bridgefield, Farnham.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Rochdale Branch. - A lleeting will be held at Heywood, on Sat., October milh. Bells available from $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Meeting at $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. -William Horan, Branch Secretary, 2, Greenhirst Hey, Todmarden.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch. -A meeting will be held at Christ Church, Bootle, on Saturday, October 12th. Lells (6) available 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Service $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Those intending to be present please notify me by Wednesday, October 9 th.-Claude 1. Davies, Branch Sec., Caerleon, Dunbabin 1 Rd., Wavertree.
i\&ENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Maidstone Dis-trict.-lhe half-yearly meeting will be held at Harrietsham on Saturday, October 12th. Tower open at 3 o'clock. Service at 5 , followed by tea and business meeting. Hall travelling expenses up to 2 s . will be paid to members attending. All ringers welcome. Please notify me not later than Tuesday, October 8th.-C. H. Sone, Dis. Sec., Bungalow, Linton, Maidstone.

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. - A meeting will be held at Crofton, near Wakefield, on Saturday, October I2th, to decide the tie between Wath and Sandal and Shelley for Shield Competition. Draw $2.45 \mathrm{p} \mathrm{m}. \mathrm{prompt} .\mathrm{Tea} \mathrm{and} \mathrm{Judges'} \mathrm{award} 5.30$ p.m. Tickets for tea $1 / 6$, limited to those who apply by postcard to Mr. Geo. Cooke, Nortb's Yard, Crofton, Wakefield. All ringers cordially invited.-C. D. Potter, Hon. Sec.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. -Northern District.-A meeting will be held at King's Walden on Saturday, October rath. The bells (6), which have recently been rehung on ball-bearings, will be ready at 3 p.m. Short service at 4.30 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. Bus services from Hitchin and Luton. Numbers for tea by October gth at the latest. - Donald C. Mears, Dis. Sec., Offley, Hitchin.

GUILDFORD GUILD.-Leatherhead District. -Next meeting will be held at Leatherhead (not St. Martin's, Epsom, as previously arranged), on Saturday, Oct. I2th. Bells (Io) available 3 p.n. Service 4.30. Tea at the Institute al 5.15. Those requiring tea please advise Mr. A. Dean, 24, Church Walk, Leatherhead, by Wednesday, gth inst. Roll up in your numbers and belp to make this meeting a success.-A. R. Pink, Hon. Sec. 32, Nower Road, Dorking.

YORIKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.- Eastern District. The autumn meeting will be held at Sutton-on-Hull, on Saturday, October I2th. Bells (6) available from 2 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. in Hill Farm, and those requiring same please notify Mr. L. Rodmell, Hill Farm, Sutton-on-Hull, not later than Thursday, October Ioth. See circular for full details.-A. B. Cook, Hon. Dis. Sec., $5^{8}$, Wyndham Street, Hull.

NIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Nottingham District. - Fhe third quarterly meeting of the above listrict will be held at Basford on Saturday, October 12th. Bells (8) available from $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. to $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. and fi. 15 till 8.30 p.n. Business meeting at 6 p.m. No arrangements for tea.-F. W. Bailey, Dis. Sec., 42, Rupert Street, Nottingham,

BATH \& WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.A quarterly meeting will be beld at Weston-super-Mare, on Saturday, October I2th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Evensong 4 p.m. Tea at George's, Ltd., Higb Street, 5 p.m J. T. Dyke, Chilcompron, Bath.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Daventry Branch - A special meeting will be held at Dodford (6), on Saturday, October i2th. Usual arrangements.-W.C. Moore, Braunston Road, Daventry, Nortbants.

NOTTINGHAM SOCIETY OF SHERWOO! YOUTHS (established 1672).-A whist drive and dance will be beld in St. Mary's Institute, Barker Gate, Nottingham, on Saturday, October i2th. Whist 6.45 p.m. Tickets is. each. Good prizes. All ringers welcome. F. Blood, Hon. Sec.

DEVONSHIRE GUILD.-Mid-Devon Branch.-The next meeting will be held at Kingsteignton on Saturday, October 12 th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.I5 p.m. Tea and business meeting to follow. Those who intend to be present please advise me by Wednesday next. All ringers welcome.-H. J. Hole, Hon. Sec., Tauntonia, Church Street, Paignton.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.-Southern Dis-trict.-Next meeting, St. Leonard's, Stieatham, Saturday, October 1gth. Ringing from 3 o'clock. Service, tea and meeting, 5 o'clock to 6.30 . A postcard? thanks. -J. Herbert, Hon. Dis. Sec., I7, Grimston Rd., S.W.6.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION AND ELY DIOCESAN GUILD.-A joint meeting will be heid at Saffron Walden on Saturday, October rgth. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea at 5.15 p.m. Those requiring tea kindly advise us.-C. Beeston, 5, King Street, Bishop's Stortfond; F. Warrington, Long Stanton, Cambs.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester Branch.-The next meeting will be held at Stretford on Saturday, October 19th. Bells ready 3.30. Meeting 7 o'clock, important business. A good attendance is requested.-J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting, Manchester.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-A joint meeting of the Southern Division of the Yorkshire Association and the Doncaster and District Society will be held at Arksey, near Doncaster, on Saturday, October igth. Bells (8) available early. Short service at 5 p.m. Tea at 5.30 in Church Hall at $1 / 6$ each. Please notify Mr. G. Clark, Dawood Villas, Bentley, Doncaster, by the 16 th. Will members please try and pay outstanding subscriptions previous to or at this meeting, so that books can be made up?-F. Clark, Hon. Sec., Southern Div., Yorkshire Association; P. Gledstone, Hon. Sec., Doncaster and District Society.

BATH \& WELLSASSOCIATION-Cary DeaneryA quarterly meeting will be held at North Cadbury on October Igth. Bells $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m} . \quad$ Service $430 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at the Catash Inn 5 p.m., meeting to follow. Please notify me for tea by October ifth.-E. F. Creed, 6, West Park, Castle Cary.

KISLINGBURY, NORTHANTS.-The peal of five, rehung with new fittings in new frame by Messrs. Gillett \& Jobnston, will be re-dedicated by the Bishop of Peterborough on Saturday, October 1gth, at 3 p.m. Bells available during the evening. Tea (rs. per head), after the service, for those who notify the Rector (the Rev. W' T. Fowke) by October 16th.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Central Divi-sion.-A meeting will be held at Henfield on Wednesday, October 23rd. Tower open 2.30. Tea and meeting 4.30, in Parish Room, by kind invitation. Service 6. Those intending to be present should notify the undersigned not later than Friday, October 18th.-A. D. Stone, 16, Belgrave Street, Brighton.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Rochester Dis-trict.-The Thnual meeting of this district will be held at Rochester on Saturday, October 26 th. Tower opesed at 3 p.m. followed by service at Cathedral at 4 p.m. After service a tea, supplied by the Association, will be served in the Temperance Cafe, Rochester Bridge. The business meeting will take place after tea, at which the officers for the ensuing year will be elected. Members intending to be present must please notify the Dis. Sec. not later than Tuesday, October 22nd.-Stanley J. T. Shellock, I62, Barnsole Rd., Gillingham.

MAISEY HAMPTON, GLOS.-Dedication of the peal of 6 (treble recast and all rehung in new frame with naw fittings oy Messrs. Gillett \& Johnston) will take place on Saturday, Oct. 26 th, at 2.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (established 1637).-The 292nd anniversary dinner will be beld at the Bridge House Hotel, London Bridge, where there is ample accommodation, on Saturday, Nov. gth, at $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tickets, 7 s , each, may be obtained until Nov. $5^{\text {th }}$ from Messrs. C. J. F. Bayley, J. Bullock, C. S. Burden, C. J. Chooet, P. E. Clark, T. Faulkner, E. G. Fenn, T. Groombridge, J. S. Hawkins, R. T. Hibbert, C. H. Horton, A. A. Hughes, H. Langdon, A. R. Macdonald, H. R. Newton, A. B. Peck, E. F. Pike, G. N. Price, W. Prime, W. Roughton, J. W. Rowbotham, W. Rushton, E. F. Sampson, A. Walker, C. F. Winney, E. A. Young or W. T. Cockerill, Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

## SII.VER WEDDING.

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## ANOTHER STAGE IN METHOD 'SPLICING.'

The splicing of Minor methods has been carried a stage further by the researches of Mr. A. G. Driver, and as a result of his labours there have been rung extents in which methods, not hitherto thought to be 'spliceable,' bave been joined together in true seven-twenties. The practical ringing of them has been done by the talented and enterprising Leytonstone band, and the results are briefly set out in another column. This is only one more instance of the unceasing progress which goes on in the art of ringing, and, while the splicing of methods in peals is still looked tpon by many as a kind of freak, there can be no doubt the time is not far distant when the practice will be very generally followed. Both in six-bell and eight-bell ringing rapid advances have been made in the last decade, and while in practice it has been somewhat limited, as far as peals are concerned, there is a growing desire among enterprising ringers to get a closer acguaintance with this interesting departure.

The publication by 'The Ringing World' in 1925 of a book on the subject has enlightened many six-bell ringers upon the intricacies of splicing, and when a new edition of the "Collection of Minor Methods" is available, doubtless, many more will study and apply the principles in their ordinary ringing. At present they are handicapped for want of many of the methods themselves, but this drawback will, we hope, be remedied in the near future. Mr. Driver's plan of uniting in true extents methods which hitherto had appeared to be impossible of splicing opens a further gateway to this attractive side of ringing for the six-bell man, but in the eight-bell towers there is also scope for the enterprising ringer.

It is not necessary to be a Surprise ringer to enjoy this phase of the art, for it has been shown by Mr. Pitman that Triples methods can be joined together, and Mr. Stephen Wood and Mr. E. G. Turner have each published compositions splicing a number of plain Major methods. There is no end to the variety to be obtained and doubtless our ingenious composers will continue to open up new fieids for ringers to conquer. The first stage, at any rate, ought to be simple enough, for where a band can go from one method to another in a peal or touches with only one row of rounds to mark the division, it should not be a difficult step to take, to change the method at some other lead end. A little patience and perseverance would quickly enable a band to grasp the principles, and this, once done, the rest would follow stage by stage. Apart from the extra interest which this form of ringing gives to those who practise it, it is an excellent mental exercise, Rapid change from method to method sharpens one's wits and (Contiaued on paga 642.)

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brightens one's mental capacity, for it develops the power of quick thinking. From this point of view alone, method splicing should be made part of the regular practice of every competent six and eight-bell band.

## TWELVE BELL PEALS.

BIRMINGHAM.
THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BLRMINGHAM.
On Tuesday, October 1, 1929, in Three Howys and Thinty-Five Mintes, At the Parish Cedree of Si. Martin,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN GINQUES, 5007 CHANGES; Tenor 37 cwt .

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Muffiers, Ringiog Mats, Matting, Flag Lines, etc., etc.
..Troble | Frank Eric Haynes ... ... 7
forn Neal
A. Paddon Smiti ... ... 2 Albert Walker... ... ... James Grorge ... ... ... 3 Erenti Mansell ... ... 9
 Frank Pervin ... ... ... 5 Aldbert E. Norman ... ... if Frank W. Perrins ... ... 6 William T. Eroggatt ...Temon Composed by John Carter. Conducted by Albert E. Norman,
Rung as a birthday compliment to the son of the conductor.
WORCTSTER.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRIOIS ASSOCIATION. Un Saturday, Octobes 5, 1929. ia Four Howrs and Fiften Mintites, At the Cathedral Ceoreh of St. Mary,
A PEAL DF CAHBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS, 5280 CHANRES; Tenor $49 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.


Composed by Frederick Dench. Conducted by Williah Pye.
First peal of Maximus on the belle; also by the association on tower bells.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

RIPON, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORESHIRE ASEOCIATLON. (Doncaster \& District Society.)
On Satwrday, Octobey 5, 1929, in Three Hours and Seventeon Mirntes, At the Cathedrae Church of SS. Peter and Wilfrid, A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 19 cwt 3 qr .8 lb . in E.

- E. Edward Cawser ... ...Treble "James McCloskey' ... ... 6 - Milton E. Fowler ... ... 2 .Gibson Jackson ... ... 7 -George Clark... ... ... 3 Harky Morgan... ... ... 8
 Aegert Nask ... ... ... 5 |Percy Gehdstong ... ... Temor Composed by Artarr Knights. Conducted by J. Edward Cawser
* First peal on ten bells. + Tirst peal of Royal. $\ddagger$ First pral. Bob Royal. First peal of Bob Royal on the bells, and first peal of Royal in any method ang by the Doncaster and District Society.


## LTANDAFF.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOGESAN ASSOCEATION On Saturita', October 5, 1929, in Thret Hours and Twenty-These Ninutcs: At ifr Cathrdral.

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, EO21 CHANEES:

Tenor 23 cwt.

- Erank j. Bajley ... ...Treble |oan Phileips ... .... ... 6

Harry Pagr ... ... ... 2 Alfred Parnill ... ... 7
-George Large ... ... ... 3 †Tom Page ... ... 3 ...
Ernegt Stitch... ... ... 4 Fred Cammberiain .... ... 9 tFrrd Lasbdry ... ... ... 5 Seymodr R. Barker .... Teto Composed by Hrnay Joanson. Conducted by Fred Chamberlain

* First peal in the method. T Tirst peal of Stedman Caters not First attempt. Rung on the ove of the harvest festival at the Cathodral, also as a birthiday compliment to the inger of the thim. First peal of Stetman Caters on the bells.


## WJDNESBURY

THE SOCLETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFEORD． On Saturday，October 5，1929，in Three Fours and Thirty Minutes， At the Churcy of St．Bartholomew，

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS， 6021 THANEES；

Thomas Borkitt Samurl Bakrr．．． Hurbert Knight －Arthur Baker．．． Herbert Piper．．．
．．．Treble
Benjamin Gogge ．．．．．． 6 $\dagger$ Thomas Rodent．．．．．．．．． 7 Edward Mitchell ．．．．．． 8 William A．Coorer．．．．．．． 9 Sidney Elion ．．．．．．．．．Tenor
Composed by G．Hayward．Conducted by William A．Cooper， ＊First peal of Caters with a working bell．† First peal of Caters． First peal of Grandsire Gaterg as conductor．

## EIGHT BELL PEALS．

## HENयEY置 SUFMOLK

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION．
On Saturday，Septonber 28，7929，in Thyee Howrs and Five Minutes， Ai the Cherch op St．Peithr，

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES，E0．40 CHANGES；

## Carter＇s Twelve－part．

Charles W．Parker

## ．．Treble

Rev．Willeam C．Pearson 2 Jona Croors
Herbert W Surmuina 3
hrmmings Conducted by Georee A．Fleming
${ }^{*}$ First peal in the method．

## HBLMINGEAM，SUFFOLK

THE SUFFOLE GUILD．
On Sattrtay，Septenbey 28，1929，in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes，
At tee Cedrce of St．Mary，
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR，5056 OHANGES； Tenor 19事 cwt．
＊Albert E．Whiting．．．．．．Tyeble James Bennett，jon．．．． 5 William Weedon ．．．．．． 2 Ernest E．Lantam ．．．．．． 6 Grorgr Pryke ．．．... Grorge Whiting ．．．．．． 4 T．William Last ．．．．．．Temor Composed by J．E．Burion． Conducted by G．Whiring．
＊First peal of Major．Rung as a farewell to the Mov：J．R Garrett，who is retiring after 34 years as Rector of Helmingham． Fie preached his farewell sempon the mext day for the barvest festival service．

> LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX GOUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD．
On Monday，September 30，7929，in Three Hours，
At the Church of St．Botolph，Bishopsgate，
A PEAL GF SUPERLATIYE SURPRISE MAJOR， 5066 CMANEES Tenor 20 cwt ．

| Cearles W．Roberis | $\ldots$ Treble | Edwin F．Piki | ... | .. | .. | 5 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Ronald Bullen ．．． | ．．． | ．．． | 2 | Cecil Pipe | ... | ... | .. | .. |
| 6 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

 Tower R．Taylor $\quad \cdots x_{1} . .$. Composed by George Cross．Condncted by James E．Davis．

BRIDSTOW，HEREFORDSHIRE．

## THE HEREFORD DIOOESAN GUILD．

O4 Tuesday，Octobey 1， 1929 ，in Three Hours and Ten Minutes，
At the Church of St．Brisget．
－PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICM GOURT BOB MAJOR， 5184 CNANEEE Tenor 9 cwt

| EIt ．．．Trephle | Arthur W．Davis |
| :---: | :---: |
| ＊William T．Poston．．．．．． 2 | －Willím Poston |
| Mrs．Ropert Riceardson | ＊Robera E．Summers |
| Cogarles Edwards | Rupert Richar | Charles Edwards ．．．．．．

Composed by Henry Dains．Conducted by Reprrt Richardson ＊First peal in the method．First peal in the method on the bells．

[^67]WHITWICK，LEICESTERSHIRE．
TEEE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION． On Wednesday，October 2，1929，in Three Hours， At the Cebrch of St．John－ter－Baptist，
4 PEAL OF DOUBLE MORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR， 5184 GMANEEI Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cw}$ ．
Richard C．Belton ．．．．．．Tyeble Charles Draper ．．．．．． 5
John H．Swinfield ．．．．．． 2 Ephralm W．Rands ．．．．．． 6
Josepe Bhiley ．．．．．．．．． 3 James George ．．．．．．．．． 7
Madrice Spinfirid ．．．．．． 4 E．Harry Stoneley ．．．．．．Tenof Composed by J．R．Pritcgard．Conducted by E．Harry Stoneley ERITH，KENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCLATION．
On Thersday，Ortob̄y 3，1929，in Two Hours and Fifty－Seven Mindes， Ai the Chorch of St．Jorn－ter－Baptist．
A PEAL OF 8UPERLATIYE 8URPRISE MAJOR， 5184 CHAMEEB， Tenor y 5 cwt ．
James E．Davic．．．．．．．．．Treble Ronald H．Boleen ．．．
－Wilfred Williams ．．．．．． 2 Frederick J．Cullom $\quad$ ．．． 6
Charles W．Roberts ．．． 3 Ernest Brett ．．．
Herbert A．Holden ．．． 4 Cectl W．Pipe ．．．．．．．．．Tenot
Composed and Conducted by C．W．Roberrs．
＊First peal of Superlative．

## CHESTER

THE CEESTER DIOCESAN GUILD．
Un Saturday，October 5，1929，its Threa Hown and Eight Mimutes，
Af the Chorca of St．Mary－within－the－Walls，
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR， 5184 CHANGES； Tenor 14 cwt ．
Robert Sperfing


George R．Jonbs $\ldots$ ．．．． 3 ．．．Jambs H．Riding ．．．
Henry W．Wicde
．．． 4
Composed by F．Dench．
Conducted by Robert Sperring．
＊First peal of Surprise．
WTSTANSTOW，SHROPSHIRE． THE FEREFORD DIOCDSAN GUILD．
On Saturday，Oetober 5，1929，in Two Hours and Forb－Two Minutes， Ai mhe Chorch of the Holy Trinify，
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES， 5040 GHANGES；
Holt＇s Ten－part．
Tenor I4 cwt．
Hobert Jones
$\begin{array}{cc}\ldots & \ldots \text { Treble } \\ \ldots & \ldots \\ 2\end{array}$
Roeert h．Jones $\quad 2$ John J．Price ．．．...

Conducted by Francis Evans．
Ruug to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the restoration of the bells（recast by Rudhall）．

「EWKEsemury．
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCPSAN ASSOCIATION．
OH Saturday ，Detober 5，1929，in Thve Hours and Eight Minutes，
At tee Abbry．

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES，5040 CHANGES；

 Tenor 22 cwt．Grorge Hastings ．．．．．．Troble flev．E．G．Benson ．．．
Thomas Bhldwys

| Treble | Rev．G．Benson | ... |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | Thomas Dgveredx | ... |

Johin Atstin．．．．．．．．．．．． 3 Charles W．Dyson ．．．．．． 7
Frederice S．Hawhes
3 Charles W．Dyson ．．． Тенон
Composed by Rev．E．G．Benson．Conducted by John Ausin．
The composition is a one－part peal of Geandsino Triples on the same lines hs the Rer，C．D．P．Davies＇with only three hella callod before，aud is huw rimg for the first time．Tixe peal was rung to commemorate the julailee of the restoration of the Abber．

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LEISTON, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GULLD.
On Saturday, October 5, 1929, in Three Hours,
Ait the Chorch of St. Margaret.
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor $20 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

Alfred Kerble ... ... ...Tyede James M. Bailey .... ... 5 Raginald C. Kersey... \begin{tabular}{ll|llll}
$\ldots .$. \& 2 \& Ernest S. Balley \& $\ldots$ \& $\ldots$. \& 6 <br>
$\ldots$ \& 3 \& Charles E. Fisher \& $\ldots$ \& $\ldots$ \& 7

 

Frank L. Fisher \& $\ldots$. \&... \& 3 \& Charles E. Fisher \&... <br>
Jambs G. Romsey \& $\ldots$. \& $\ldots$ \& 4 \& Caarles F. Bajley \& $\ldots$ <br>
\hline
\end{tabular} Composed by Gabriel Lindorf. Conducted by Chas. F. Baingy. Rung on the eve of the larvest festival. The conductor's 400th peal.

COLFMAN"今 HATCE, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCLATION
On Saturday, Oclober 5, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty. Five Minutes,
At inz Ceqreg of the Holy Trinity,
解 PEAL OF ETEDNAN TRIPLES, 50a0 GHANGE :

Thorstans' Four-part.
Tenor if cwt. II lb

Ernest G. Ladd... ... ...Treble | Richard D. Divall | ... | ... | 2 | Wilfred Booth ... | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Frank Benmeti... | .. | 6 |  |  |  |
| Keith Hart... | ... | ... | .. | 7 |  | Gborge Lambert...... .4 4 Jog Wren ... Conducted by KEirg Hart. GREAT HARDTIELD, ESSEX THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 5, 1929, in Thsee Hours and Three Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary.
PEAL EF mOULE MORwICN GOURT DOE MAJOR, 5088 GNANEEE Tenor 16 cwt, in $F$
Lhuis W. Wiffen ... ...Tyeble Waltra Smith ... .... ... 5

 Wileiam J. Nevard....... 4 Joseph Jennings ... ...Tenor
Composed by James Hent. Conducted by Wiliiam Kerble.

* First peal in the method, also on the bells. Rung oa the first anniversary of the opening of the two trebles, also on the eve of tho hirvest festival.

WFSTONSUPER-MARE.
THE BATH AND WELES DIOCESAN ASIOCLATION.
On Saturday, October 5. 1929, in Two Horry and Forty-Eight Minutes, At the Parish Chorce of St.Joun,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5050 CHANEES:

Rev. C. D. P. Davies' Variation og Thorstans'
W. H. Thomas ... ... ...Treble W. Knighi ... ... ... ... 5
J. R. Jones ... ... ... ... 2 E. Parker ... ... ... ... 6
L. G. Tanner

Conducted by J. Borford
Rung as a birthday compliment to an old lady friend of the ringers. TETTFNHALL, STAEFORDSEIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE AROHDEAOONRY OF STAFFORD.
On Saturday, Oetober 5, 1929, in Thee Hours and Sejen Minules,
Ai the Collegiate Cegree of St. Michagl and All Angels,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;
Groyes' Transposition op Parrer's Twzlve-part.
Tenor 15 cwt.
Robert Pickering
Treble Kenemth C. Taylor
Jack W. Taylor...
... 2
Thomas E. Taylor
... 3
… ... 4 Tbomas W, Bate
$\qquad$
. 4 Tromas W Bate $\cdots \cdots{ }^{7}$
Conducted by R Pickering.
*First peal. Rnang for the larvest festival and as a birthday compliment to B. Dalton and Miss Phyllis Kathleen Butler, daugbter of the ringer of the 4 th, also in lonour of the $19 t h$ andiversary of Mr. Butier's wodding day. All are Sunday serwico ringers at the above church.

OLATNES, WORGESTERSHIRE.
THE WOROESTERSEIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Sunday, Ottober 6, 1929, in Two Hoars and Fifly-Fout Minules, Ay the Ceurch of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 6056 CHANEES: Tenor 14 ewt.

## James Bensert

Sidney T. Holt.
Charles T. Coles
....
...Treble
... ... 3 Charles W. Roberts ... 7
.. 4 Albers W. Coles ... ...Tator
Composed by Gabriel Lindoff. Condacted by Charles T. Coles

* First pea: in the method. First peal in the method on the belle. ORAWLEY, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Sunday, October 6, 1929, in Three Hours,
At the Chorch of St. Jobn-thz-Bapist,
A PEAL AF BOUBLE MORWICN GOURT DOD MAJOR, 5152 CNAMEEI Tenor i3 ${ }^{\text {P }}$ Ewt.
-Miss N, E. Shorter ...Treble Nelson Ellioti... ... ... 5
-Robert Swift ... ... ... 2 Bernard Wells... ... ... 6
Georgr Oeliver... $\operatorname{lin}^{2} \quad 3 \quad$ Cecil Nice ......
Kennete Shelling ... ... 4 Otiver Sippetts... ... ...Tenor
Composed by H. Dains.
* First peal in the method.


## SIX BELL PEALS.

BROMEAM, BEDS.
THE BEDFORDSHIEE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, September 27, 1929, in Thyee Howy and Seventem Mirutes,
Ax the Chorch of St. Owen

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 6040 CHAHCES;

Being 720 each of London and Cambridge Surprise, College Exercise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and Double Gourt. Tenor 20 cmt .
Herbert L. Harlow... ...Trmble Charles W. Clarke ... ... 4 Edmond J. Hobbs ... ... 2 William Stock ... ... Henry W. Gayton +at .... 3 Henry Stapleton ... ...Teno.

Condacted by Charles W, Clarke. COLD HIGHAM, NORTHANTS.
THE TOWCESTER AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. On Tuasday, September 24, 1929, th Two Hours and Thity-Seven Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Lore,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being geven different 720 s.
Tenor $8 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$

- Jack Robgrts
...Treble Arthor Mansfield... ... 3 John M. Gray

Tenor
Conducted by J. M. Gray.
First peal of Minor. "this is the first peal on the bells since the new treble was added by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croyrion, in November last year. The ringers of the treble and fourth are members of the local baud.

SPRINGFIELD, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday. Septenber 28, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Ons Minutes.
At the Chorgh of All Sainis,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 504: CHANGES;

Consisting of two 720's Plain Bob, one of Doubla Court, two of Kent Treble Bob and two of Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 10 cwt . 15 Ib .
John Mybill ... ... ...Tteble $\mid$ Herbert Devenish ... ... 4
Ernest Rqnter... ... ... 2 William Praill ......
 Conducted by E. Bocxingeam.
Rang as a farewell to Canon N. S. add Mrs. Paynter and the conductor, who are leaving the parish.

WEEK ST. MARY, CORNWALL.
THE GULD OF DEVONSEIRE RINGERS.
On Saturday, September 28, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Chorce of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Forty-two six-bcores, ten callings. Tenor $10 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
*Roberi W. Pogsley ...Tyeble William B. Richards ... 4
Ernest W. Marsh ... ... 2 *Joszph Woodley .. ... 5
-Wicliam J. Symons ... ... 3 |'Sidney P. Symons ... ...Temor Conducted by E. W. Marsh.

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

FAXLEY, SUFFOLE
THE SUFFOLK GULD.
On Saturday, Seplembey 2x, 1929, in Ttu Houys and Fifty Minutes, At the Churge or St. Mary.
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 of Double Court and two 720's each of Plain Bob, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob.
William Mosk ... ... ...Tyeble William Steggali.. .4 Condncted by William C. Romsey.
Rung on the evo of the harvest festival.
CHICHELEY, BOCKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GULLD.
(North Bocrs Brance)
On Sathyday, Schtender 28, 1929, in Two Hours andFifty-Two Minutes,
At ter Ceurch of St, Lawrence,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Seven 720's.
Thomas C. Walters ... ...Tyeble $\mid$ Alexander Coley ... ... 4 Edward Whitlock ... ... 2 Teumas E. Roberts ... ... 3 Cearles G. Aldemman ... 3 Alberi J. Gregn ... ...Tenor Conducted by Edward Weitlock.
wirst peal of Minor as conductor.
BARKING, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD
On Sunday, Septembar 29, 1929, in Two Howrs and Fifty-Threa Minutes, At the Cedreh of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being two 720's of Kent Treble Bob, two of Oxford Treble Bob and three of Plain Boh, each 720 called diferently. Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb .
-Thomas Sparrow ... ...Tyeble Alpgazus J. Berry ... ... 4 William J. Groom .. ... 2 Harry D. Lister ... ... 5 Keitg W. Whittle... ... 3 Garneam A. Blaxcell ...T Tenap Conducted by G. A. Blaxcell.

* First peal. First peal of Minor as conductor. RENDHAM, SUFFOLK. THE SUFFOLK GUFLD
On Sainday, Obober 5.7929, in Two Hours and Forty-Fowr Minutes,
At the Chorce of St. MighaEl,
A PEAL OF MINOR, E040 CHANGES;
Being two 720 's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Boh, nud three of Plaim Hob.

Tenor 12 cwt.
*William Nichols ... ...Treble
Joan Garritt ... ... ... 2 Harry Hall ... ... ... 5
Alfred H. Whtson... ... 3 John Hall ... ... ... ... Ienor
Conducted by Joen Hall

* Pirat peal.

WORTE, SUSSEX.
THE SUSGEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Oqtober 5, 1929, in Two Hows and Forty-Two Minutes,
At the Chorch oz St. Nicholas,
A PEAL DF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 DHANGES; Feing seven 720's.

- Miss N. E. Shorter ...Tyetle Bernard Wells
*Grorge Olliver ... ... 2 *Robrri Swlfi...

Grorge Olliver .... ... 2 -Robrri SWlpt... ... ... 5
*IEnneth Snelling... ... 3 Oliyrr Sippetis... Conducted by O. Sippeits.
* First peal of Surprise Minor.


## PRESTON, LANCASHIRE

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOGIATION.
(Preston Brance.)
On Saturday, October 5, 1929, in Three Hours and Ttwenty-Eight Minutes,
At the Cebree of St. Joes,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5050 CHANEES;
Being two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and three of Plain Bobr.

Tenor 25 cwt .1 gr .14 lb.
Fred Righy
...Tyeble
William Sharple
... ..
John Richard Taylor ... 2 Benfamin A. Knigets ... 5
William Taylor ... ... 3 Joan H. Garside ... ...Tenoy
Conducted by William Taylor.
First peal of Minor on the bells. This is the heaviest peal of bells rugg to peal of Minor by the association.

## handbell peal.

STOCEPORT
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, October 3, 1929, in Two Hours aud Forty-Three Minules,

## Ai 8r, Beece Road,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 6017 CHANGES!
Tenor size 17 in A.

Frederici Page ... .... ... 1 - $2 |$| Allan F. Bailey | ... |
| :--- | :--- |
| ... | $5-6$ |



Peter Laflin
... ... 9-10
Composed by J. Carier.
Conducted by A. F. Baicgy.

## NORTH WALES TOUR.

The following eight performances were successful in eleven peal attempts. Members of the party lesire, through "The Ringing World,' to thank the clergymen and tower foremen for the hearty welcome they received at each parish visifed.

GHESTJR, OHESHIRE.
THE GHESTER DIOCESAN GULD.
On Saturday, Seplember 21, 1929, in Thres Hours and Think-Eigh Minties
At the Categdral Chorgh of SS. Werborgh and Osward,
A PEAL ©F GOURLE MORWIOH COURT DOD MAJOR, 6024 CHAMPR: Tenor 33 cwt . in D
James H. Shepherd ... ...Tyebie Edward V. Rodeneurst ... 5 George Williams ... ... 2 Gabriey Lindorf ... ... 6 Gegrge Martin ... ... ... 3 James C. E. Simpson... ... 7 Wileiam H. Fossele ... 4 Enward Jenkins ... ... ... Tenor Composed by Gabrizc Lindoff. Conducted by Georgr Williams

The ringers of Nos. $1,2,3$ and 6 were provisionally elected members of the Diocesan Guild befors sterting the peal.

ECCLESTON, CHESHTRE.
THE CHESTER DIOGESAN GULID.
On Monday, September 23, 1929. in Three Hours and Twenty-Two Minntes
At the Parise Cerrca of St. Mary-tee-Virgin,

## A PEAL OF GAMERIDEE SURPRISE MAJOR, EBEB CHANEES|

Middeleton's.
Edward V. Rodenedrst Treble
Harry W. Wilde ... ... 5 Gabriel Lindoff $\ldots . . . . . \quad 3 \quad$ James C. E. Simpson ...... .7


Conducted by Georfe Williams.
By the courtesy of Mr. E. K. Willett, the band ware kindly permitied to look over Eaton Hall, the residence of His Grace the Duke of Wentminster.

CHESTER, CFESHIRE
THE CHES'IER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Mothay, Septenber 23, 1929, in Three Hours and Nine-and-a-Half Minutes,
Ai tae Parist Cedreg of Si. Mary, Handrridge,

Tenor 20 cwt .

| Gabriel Geo. Lindoff | $\ldots$. Treble | James H. Shipeerd | ... | ... | 5 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Robert Sperring | $\ldots .$. | $\ldots$ | 2 | Gabriel Lindoff | $\ldots$ | $\ldots .$. | 6 |

William H. Fussell... ... 3 James C. E. Simpson... ... 7
George Martin... ... ... 4
Composed by Harry W. Wilde.
Tenor $26 \mathrm{cwt} 3 \mathrm{gr}, 3 \mathrm{lb}$. in D. Grorge Martin ... ... ... 6 race

James C. E. Simpson... ... 7
Edward V. Rodenhorst ...Tenoy Conducted by Roberi Spbrring

## RHYI $I_{T}$ FTINTSHIRE.

THE NORTH WALTS ASSOCIATION.
On Tueday, Septender 24, 1929, in Three Houpsand Fouy Minutes, At tee Parish Chorch of St. Thomas,

## A PEAL OF 8TEDHAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANEES;

Thurstans' Fodr-part.
Gabrelel Gro. Lindoff Geprge Martin
William IZ. Eussell
George Williams
Tenor 7 7 $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

Conducted by George Williams.
The ringers of Nos. $1,2,5,6,7$ and 8 werb provisionally elected life memhers of the agsocintion lyefore starting for the peal. BODELWYDDAN, FJINTSETRE.
THE NORTE WALES ASSOCHATION
On Wednosaday, Soptember 25,1929 , in Three Hours and Ten Mintes, At tee 隹ish Cherch of St. Margaret,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIYE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

## Tenor 14 cwt .

-Lewis Jozn Evans
Trable Gabriel Lindore
William Bibey...
William HE. Fossell
George F. Tye
George Martin
Composed by N. J. Pitsiow. Conducted by George Williams.

* First peal of Surprise Major. Aa abtempt for the same peal the provious morning lasted 21 hous.

BANGOR, OARNARVONSHIEE.
THE NORTH WALES ASSOCTATION.
On Thursday, Septenber 26,1929, in Three How's and Ten Minutos,
At tae Memorial Cherch of St. David.
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDEE SURPRISE MAJOR, GO5G CHANEES;
Middleton's.
Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 21 lb . in F sharp.
Grorge Wililams
...Tyeble
Georgr Martin 5
Gedrge R. Pye ..- ... ... 2 Jambs H. Shepherd
Willam H. Fossele
William Bibby


Gabriel Lindoff
James C. E. Simpson ... .... Teno Conducted by George R. Pye.
First peal in the method on the bells. An attempt for a peal of Stedman Triples at Llandudno on the previous afternoon lasted an hour.

## NORTHOP, FLINTSHIRE.

TIEE NORTH WALES ASSOCLATION.
On Friday, Septomber 27. 1929, in Three Hours and Twelue Minutes,
At ige Parish Chorch of SS. Eurgain and Peier,

## A PEAL OF 8UPERLATIVE SURPRISE CAJOR, 5056 EMAMEES.

$$
\text { Tenor } 14 \text { cwt, in } \mathrm{F} \text {. }
$$

Wieliam Bieby
William H. Fussele
..Treble George Wileiams Grohge Martin

## George R. Pye

 James C. E. Simpson... Gabrizc Lindoff $\qquad$$\ldots$.... 4 James H. Shepherd ... ...Temor
First peal of Supprise on the hells. A peal of London Surprise wus lost ut Buckley ia the ovening after 23 hours' ringing.

GRESFORD, DFNBIGESHIRE.
THE NORI'H WALJES ASSOCLATION.
On Friday, September 27. 1929, in Three Hours and Tetenty-Four Minutes.
At the Parise Church of All Salnts,

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES

Midneeron's.
Tenor 24 cwt 3 lb . in D

Wilelam H. Fussell

## William Biaby

Gabriel Lindoff
Harry W. Wilde
Treble| George R. Pye .
James H, Shepherd ... 5

Conducted by Grorge R. Pyb.
The company dishanded from the Clurch Kouse at 2.30 p pm. after an enjoyablo lutich as tho guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gcorge Williams, of Grusfor?.

## MR. TOM BEADLE APPEAL FUND

Previously acknowledged, £2 0n. 6r1.: Mr. E. J. Cole, Brook Green, £1 1s.: An Old Priond, Surrey, 10 s. ; Mr. C. T. Coles, 55 ; ; Mr. Gr. R. Pye, 5 s. ; 'Wessex,' Weymouth, 2s 6d. Donations will be gratefully receival on hobalf of Mr. Behde by William H. Hollier, 29, Duke Road, Chiswick, W. 4.

## DEATH OF AN OLD BROMSGROVE RINGER.

ONE OF FIRST MEMBERAS OF WORCESTERSEIIRE ASSOClATION.
After a ratler prolonged ilhess, Mr. Geoxge Haywari, of Broms grove, passed away at his home in Worcester Street on Mhurgday, September 26th, et the ago of 73 years. He had not taken pert in netive ringing for some lew years past, but his mind was active in other directions, viz, composing peals and tauches, the whole o which he lianded to the Viear of Bromsgrove (the Rev. IV. C. De La Hey, M.A., M.C.) some twa montits ago for the use of the local ringers and the association in general, and it is hoped in due time to get them classified and copied, so that a copy may be added to the Association Liturary.
He was one of the first members of the Worcestershire and Districts Associntion when it was formed in the 'eightitst, and lad rung and conducted many peals, some of them being recorded on the peal boards in the belfry of Bromsgrave Clurch. Some few of the presentday ringors in the neighouriood owo much to his tuition and help.
Titie internent took place at Buomsgrove Cemetery on Monday, September 30 th, and the following ringers thong various touches at the Parish Ghurch of St. John the Baptist with laff-mufled elappers as a last token of respedt, viz. Messre. A. E. Parsons and F. G. Bird, of Old Hill, Wh. Short, of Clent, Miss Amy Jolinson, Messrs, I. Albutb, H. Mertin, A. Martin, F. Whitwortis add H. Friee, of tine local band. A peal of Steslman Triples was also rung on September 28th with halt-mufled clappers in memory of deceaserl, and has already been recorded in the peal columen of a previous issue of "The Ringing Warld.'

## DONCASTER AND DISTHICT SOCIETY.

The monthly meeting of the Doncaster and District Society was held at Conisborough on Salurday, September 28th, when there was a good attendance, the towers represoluted being Arksey, Doncaster Tickhils, Darfield, Campsall, Sprothorough and Iocal company. bells, of fine peal ofl eight, were raised soon after 3 p.m. and rung to various methods, some good practice being obfained. Tea was provided by the local ringers and partaken of in the Church Lecture Room. The business meeting followed tea and was presided over hy Mr. G. Clark. It was decided to hold the next meeting jointly wilh the Yorkshire Assaciation at Arksey on October 19th.

Tracks were made again for the tower, and the hells were rumg until 8 p.m., at which time they were lowered in peal. During the afternoon and evening the following methods were rulg: Grandsite and Stedman Triples, Bah Major, Kat and Oxford Treble Bob, Litwle Bob Major, Forward Major, Donkle Norwich ancl Cambridge Micut

## LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.

The September meating was held at Hunslet Parish Church. Tha attendance in the afternoon was rather poor, but improved after tea. When somo 30 members were present from Leeds Parish Glurchi, Armley, Rothwell, Lindley, Holbeck, IFolbeck St. Francis (R.C. Headingley St. Michael's and Headingley St. Chnis, Drighlingtor and the local company.

The business meetiny was held in the tower, Mv. J. Hey (wichpresident) being in tho chair. "Pluroe new memhises were elected, ent a vote of thanles to the Vicar of Hanslet for kindly grantiag the use of tha bells and to the local company for the necossary arrante' ments was proposed hy Mr. T. Waorliead (Holloek) and seconded it Mr. E. Grimwood (Amey). Mr, F. Smitit, of Hunslet, replied, The mecting being closed, the vaternas began to exclange reminiscenco of visits to this tower over 20 years ago, and further ringing ton place.

## A FAREWELL PEAL.

A peal of Minor rung at Springfield, Fsex, on September 28th, wh a farewell to Canon aned Mr's. Pnynter. Canon Paynter has been Rector for 32 yenrs, but before leaving he has had the bells retuned and rehuag on ball bearimys, the work having been catried ont by Messrs. Gillett and Jolinston.

Tha peai was also a vory rbluctant farewel] to the conductor (MF. Buckingham) who is also lonving, mad taking nap his duties wil the Canor.

Mr. Buckingham has heen conductor of tho band for ten year during which time tho bame lias progressed from call cianges Surprise mathods. The go and tone uf the bells are all that on be desired and grently approciated by all the band.

## FRAYED ROPE STOPS PEAL

At Badgworth, Somerset, on Saturday, September. 28th, a guarkar peal of Grandsire Doubles ( $1,2 E 0$ changes) in 45 mins : G. E. Shallish 1, W. Balsh 2, E. Avery 3, R. Roberts 4, H. E. Blacker (conductor) 5. Longest length on the Leells. Also three six-scores of Plain Bob. An attempt was made for a peal, hut the bells were called round mh the first quarter, wwing to the 4 th rope fraying out badly. The ringers were afterwards kindly enlertained to supper by the Rector the Rev. Pueb. M. F. Fall.

## RINCING IN AUSTRALIA.

## CHESEIRE MAN'S VISIT TO MELBOURNTE

At St. Panl's Cathcdral, Melbourne, Australia, on Sunday, August 11th, for twening survice, 630 (Grandire Triples: G. Wheeler (Cheshire) 1, W. L'reston (Kent) 2, J. Murray (Victorja) 3, J. Spencer (Ecicestershise) 4, H. Blakeley (Lancashirel S, J. M. Gucat (BLafordshire) 6, F. H. Criwloy (Cheshire), concluctor, 7, T. Trotter (Victoria) 8.

Mr. F. H. Crawley, a member of the Chester Diocesan Guild, who belongs to the E.S. .Enripides, was calling at Mebborme with his ship. Ic was originaly arranted to attempt a quarter-peal, but time did not permit of the longer length.
Affer the ringing the visitor was entertained to some tune playing on handbells hy the st. Paul's band.

## LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

MEETJNG IN THE CITY.
A mecting of the Northern District of the Lonclon County $A$ ssociation and Narth Southwark Diocesan Guild was held at St. Dunstan-in-the-Fast on Satutday, September 28th, when the ring of eight bells were availahle from $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. onwarkis. Something of a setback wes at first experiuned owing to the 'go' of the two tewors, which left a gook deal to bo desired, but affer a little attention they werta reduced to a ringable state. Grandsire and stedman Triples ware essayod and achierad, and some of tire bolder spirits suggested Double Norwich, which was tried, and only came to grief through the hreaking of the 7th rope for the secoind time during the afternoan. This terminatad the rimging for the time being, and the mombers adjourned to $H$ near-by Lyons; to partake of tea. This latter having heen Alisposed of, H move whs made to St. Magnus-theMartyrs Ghureh, London Bridge, where the ring of ten bells was wery kindly placed at the members' disposal.

The business meoting was held in the tower of this church, and, there being nothing important to discuss, it was soon brought to a close. After this a good tonch of Stedman Caters formed a capital opening touch. Then Kent Treble Bob and Cambridge Sutprise Royal were rung, intermingled with touches of Grandsire, etc. for the heginners. Dauble Norwich. Treble Bob, Cambridge and London Surprise were also ruvg on the back eight before the arajority of the memberc departed, and the meeting was finished by touches of Grandsire Triples and a touch of Plain Boh Minor on the front six, which were then lowered in peal. At this meeting, which was one of the most sucecssful of the year, over thirty members and friends put in an appenrance, all of whom it is hoped to seb again at the hext mesting.

## NORFOLK AND SUFFOLK GUILDS JOINT MEETING.

MAINTAINING TRIENDLY RELATIONS.
A joint meeting of the Suffolk and Norlolk Guilds was held at Fungajo un Saturday, Soptember 28un. The athendauce numbered about 20, including the gemeral secrebaries of the Suffolk and Norfolk Guilds and mumbers from towers on boh sides of the bovder.

At the business menting after tea it was suggested that the opxt Suffolk Guild meeking should bo at Woodirridge, ami it was hopud to arrange the first mecting of the newly-formed eastern disirict of the Norfolk Guild before the end of the year.
Roference was also made for the need of maintaining frjeudly relations between the two Guilds for the nutual bencfit of the ringers living on the border line.
The bells of the Parish Church wore kept going from 3 p.m. Hill late in the evening, and everyone setemed satisfied that at successful meeting had taken piace.

## SILENT' PEAL RECORDED.

A very pleasant and instructive evening was spend at the Holy Triaity tower, Dartford, Kent, on September 26th, when a board to recond the non-conducted peal of Doubla Nerwich rugg there on March 23rd last was ustreiled by the Viear (tho Rey. L. Hammand who gave the impressions of a non-ringer on the performanee. He expressed plemsize that Dandord was selected for the attempt, and repeated his oft spolken welcanie to visiting ringers. He then formally unceiled the board and cancluded with the bedfry prayer. The band then stood as in the peal and rang 192 Double Norwich (gilent).
A vote of thanks was aecorderl to tho Vicar, and, after his reply, the tower was given over to practice. Grandirre and Stedman Triples, Kent Treble Bob, Double Norwich, Superlative, Cambridge and London Surprise Major gave all a chance. Surprise puetice is not on often obtainable locally, on this scale at any rate.
In addition to the peal band and the unpires, the local band assembled in full force, and there were also present Messis, F. Regers and A. Greemwood (Portamouth), R. Smith (Narthfleet), F. J. Cullum, jun. (Eritli), T. Emsden (Chislehurs) and T. Barnett (ETed III., of Crayfond).
The band who ragg the real consisted of Messrs. E. Baruett, T: Barnett, sen., T. Gtoombrikige, jun., (;. F. Crose, J. H. Cheesmau, C. W. Roberts, F. E. Audsley ank T. Groonspidge, tilic umpires heing Messrs. E. J. Beer and H. Eoverd

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The Editor of 'The Ringing World' will be glad to receive photographs of churches, with a view to their future publication when suitable occasion arises.

The photographs should be accompanied by brief particulars of the bells, with their inscriptions and dates if possible, and any other interesting information about them.

Pictures should, for preference, be photographic postcards, and, where there is any choice, the tower should be a feature.

Obviously, of course, all the pictures cannot be published at once, the object of getting a collection being that the photographs may be ready at hand for use when fitting opportunity occurs.

Will each tower secretary be good enough to send a photograph of his own tower? It should be forwarded in an envelope for protection, and addressed to The Editor, 'The Ringing World,' Woking, Surrey, and the sender should enclose his name and address.

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

The dedication of the bells at Kielingbury, Northants, is to take place at 3 p.m. on Sundry, October 20th (not Saturday, the 19th, as ermoneously printed in previous notices). Will intending visitors pleano nate?
Mr. William Pye has done many great things in his ringing career. but we doubt if he has evor lackled anything greater than his per formance on Saturday, when ho rant the 50 cwt . tenor at Worcester Cathedral to a peal. Oaly those who have rung at Worcester can appreciate the greatness of the porformance.
Holt's Ten Part was ring for tho first time on October 12th, 1752, at Shoreditel Church.
Thomas Tolladay, who was arominent leader in the old St. James' Society a hundred jears ago, died on October 18th, 1843.
The annual general meeting of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths will be held on Jamuary 11th at St. Martin-in-tbe-Fields, and nrrangements have been made for a peal tablet to be opened on the same day.
We have the unusual experience this week of recording in one issue peals rung at no less than four cathedrals aud one abbey-Worcester, Laudaff, Ripon, Chester and T'ewkesbury.

## THE 29 COURSES OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE.

## To the Editar.

Dear Sir:-1 herewilh wish to enter a strong protest ngainst the Rev. H. L. James in any way atfacling his name to the 29 courses of Cambridge Royal and Maximus, both of which have been rung.
If there is any credit for extending Middleton's 25 courses to 29, it is due to myself, who firstl used them to obtain the 14,112 of Londou Surprise published in 1903.
Seeing that Middleton's peal is the basis of this block, I think it would only be an act of courtesy and justice ta leave the credit of tho 29 courses with that old worthy of the Cambridge method. Fourg faithfully,

90, Elford Terrace, Dublin. $\qquad$ -

## PEAL PACE AT HASLEMERE.

## To the Editor.

Sir--In May last, nine simple conntry ringers and one Boltant Wanderer rang a peal of Stedman Caters at Haslemere, which brough forth a letter from "Tintimabulator,' a Londoner, with tho suggestion that, 'even if it was amusing,' we hed rung extra courses.
If he will laok in last week's jssue of 'The Ringing World' be will find another peal, 24 changes shorter, was rung at the same tower, in two minutes less than oul's, which proves to the Exetcise that the kells can be rung at that pace. The College Youthg' band. from their names, do not rppear to be so simple as to ring the hast quarter over again. I hope "Tintinuabulators will withdraw his letter, as it has already caused friction, and, in future, leave tho pace of peals alone, as most ringers lave fads about the speed at which bells should be rueg. Yours ete.,
A. F. PULIING.

## MAXIMUS AT WORCESTER CATHEDRAL. ANOTHER GREAT PERFORMANCE.

The first peal of Maximus evoy rung at Woreester Cathedral was zccomplished ous Saturday last, the method chosen being Gambridge Surprisc. Considered by many who had had experience of the bells to be a ' real big job,' it was brought ta a successful issue by a mixed band, the majority of whom rang in the twelve-bell record at Ashton-under-Lyne on August Bank Holiday.

Mr. William Pyo "turned in ${ }^{2}$ the tenor in his own inimitable style, and was the recipitht of the congratulations of a largo audience on Whe completion of the peal. In reply to a facctions remark by a joker from Birmingham as to why he alid mot attempt the record ant Worcester, he said he was not likely to-a five thousand there was quite enotgh.


## WORCESTER CATHEDRAL AND CENTHAL BELL TOWER.

The band who falg the peal are greatly iudebted to the Dean and Chapter for the use of the bells, and to the former for las lospitality prior to the peal. The attention and kindnesses received from Warcester rimging frtencts were also appreciated. A peal of Bristol Surprise Major was rung on Sunday afternoon at Claines, at the invitation of ML'. E. P. Mhomas. Here the visitors were welcomed by the son of the Vicar, in the latter's unavoidable absence.
Worcester Cathedral bells were recast last year by Messrs. Taylor and Co., and are a marnificent ring, but, perfectly as the bells are lung, the structural defects of the tower make the ringing of the hells nu easy task. The pinnacted central tower, althongh puassive in appearance, is too thin towards the top to carry the strain of a ringing peal, and, in consequence, the bell frame is supported on woorlen Ftanchions, eross-braced and tied, which are carried up from the main walls at about the bevel of the Catlodral roof. This is an extremoly interesting fenture of the structure, but it did not simplify the belfoumders' jobs. Everything that enginetring science could suggest was done by Messus. Taylor in strengthening and bracing the old frame, and the inevitable movement tuder the strain of a swinging peal was reduced to a minimum. But, while the bells are so perfectly lang, the timber structure is bound to give, with the result: that, as one ringer in Saturday's peal said, they all 'cateh you bonding.' and when a two and a half ton bell plays tricks, well-he is more dhan an average ringer who can pat it though a peal of maximus.

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## MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

## QUARTERLY MEEPING AT LUTTERWOR'PH

The quarterly meeting of the Midland Counties Association was held at Lutterworth on faturday, October 5th, and, in spite of a very unsatisfactory train service, it was well attended. The first arrivals, however, lud a loug dreary wait until parties arrived from the conntry dishicts, when some fiob Minor and Graudsice Triples were move or less sticcessfully wung. Further members from Whit wick and elsowhere atrengthened matters, and latev on the highor methorls were rung. On the arrival of the second train from Leicester reinforcements and conmittee turned up in good mumbers, and the latter immediately had a formal meeting in the Clureh Hall. They carried out the usual routive, and also passed several resolutions or recommendations for the general mecting. Tea was held at the Coach and Horses lmn mear the chureh, and it was pleasing to see such a large number prosent, between 50 and 60 sitfing dowin.

Immediately after tea the general meeling took place, with the wice-president (Mr. J. Girflin) in the chair, supported lyy the hous. treasurer (Mr. W. Wallice) ankl the hon. secretary (Mr. Ernest, Mortis!. The clection of memthers (seven life, seven orlinury) was duly confirmed.

The hon. treasures gave a britef summary of the finance of the association, and urged all members to do their best to assist in keeping up this very mevessary side of the work, mot only by prying their own subseriptions promptly, bat also by interesting their clergy and others ta become hon. members. The vice-president also asked the local hon. secrecaries to alo their very best to the same end, for, since the lamented death of the president, Mr. R. B. Chambers, many of his personat lijemts had ceased their honorary subseriptions.

PRESENTATION TO MR. WILLIAM WILLSON.
The vice-president then informed the meeting of a very pleasant duty lo had to perform, ankl that was to presont Mr. Williann Willson with a slight token of the members' appreciation of his good work for the association mud vinging generally. This tauk the farm of a solid silver tea set, which he trusted Mr. Willson would value as murli as le (the vice-president) did the watch presented to him lyy the members in 1893. Mr. Grifin spoke in eulogistic terms of the good work Mr. Willson did as hon toteasurer for nine fears, and in othear divections for the association.
Mr. Willson, in nccepting the gift, spoke 'very f'eclingly. Stating that whaterer lie had done in the past pilher for the association or for ringers and ringing, he was stinll willing to do ngam, and any service renderax was given with a free, good will. He laml been a member aome 40 vears and had seen many changes. Orte parbichlar trait eould not help being noticed, and that was the fact that all the hon. treasurers had home the imilials ${ }^{\text {w }} \mathrm{W}$. W.,' vir. William Wakley, geni, William Wakley, jun., William Wilson, uud now they last Wales Wallace! He also remarked on ble fact that it had been facetionsly remarkedl lie hat lwo ' y's' in both his mames, nmal it, was stid one would not be anough for him! (laughter). He thanked the members for their goed wishes, and would appreciate and value their gift mosi lighly.

SUGGFSTED MEMORIAL TO THE LATF PRFSIDTNT.
Mr. C. F. Webb ambed if it was possible to promote a sclame for a memorial to the late president, and, as one suggestion, mentioned the fact that at, Peatling Magna, Leicestershire, where Mr'. Chambers had great interests and reverin property, there was a ring of form bells. On theis restoration in lenc they were gieatly indehted to the late president for his gencrosity, and, in addition to other gifts, he had the tenol bell recust at his own expense. This bell is 13 cwt. amd inscribed :-

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RECAST 1906 AT THE COST OF R. H. CHAMDERS, DRRBY Mr. Webb surgester that it might be posajble to inerease this ring to sin, if the association could give a bell, and, maybe, Mrs. Clambers migte be approached to place another there to the late Mr. Chambers' memory.
It was decided that this mater should be considered by the varions local centres, and a definite mowosal hrought forward at the mexl gemeral meeting in Jmurny, 1930,
Votes of thanks 10 the local ringers and others for arringing the mesting were dulv passerl, and further ringing was done both nt Lutterworth and Bitteswelf by those who were fortalloste enangll to la able to stay. Many laal to go back by train early to renel their destimations in a danp atmospliere, but not dampen in sprit!

## TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD To the Editor.

Dear Sir,-With reference to that report af the meeting of the Whire Branch of the above Gnide, which appoared in your issue ar Friday last, the himeh secretary elected for the ensuing year was ifr. A. S. Rolonts, and mot Mrs. A. S. Roberts as reported. I slall in various places may be lad to think that $]$ lave become aplieed even the word "go for this las yet to be called. - Yours faithfully,

## AN ADVANCE IN MINOR SPLICING. <br> SOME NEW HRINCIPLES

By Gearge I. Joyce, Leytonstone.
'1'Iose uf 115 who poseess a copy of than useful libtlea book: "Methoti Splscirg,' will have tead that spliced Minor ringing was introduccd hy the lref. H. Litw James, when, in 1909 or thereabout, he dismaveraf that methods conld the spliced + by leads " and 'by courses, a peal in 14 meblods (in seven true exients) being rung in 1911.
The next step was the splicing of methods in three complementary lends, ino first peal on this '3-lead plan being ar'anged and conciscied by Mr. J. W. Parker in 1813.
The publication of 'Methad Splicing' in 1925 introduced the '6-tead' splice, and the splicing hy 'mixed places ' at tho lead Byds. Fxtent - on Lhese principles were rung by the Leytonstone company in 1926, and embodiod in a 22 -nothod Sulprise peal in 1928.
[t lus bena suggested move tuan nuce in these columns that a complete and concise table of Minor methods which will splice would be of great assistatee to those interesten in arranging such extents. With the ohject in view of compiling such a table, ir r. A. G. Driver, of Tielucdere, Kont, has undertaken an exhantipe investigation, which fist resulted in a number of splices hitherto nuknown.
Not all that is now can be exampled in the Surprise metuods, with which the Leytonstone company are more famfiar, but the following instinnes buve been selectod by way of introducing Mr. Driver's worls to the Exercise. The extents were ring af St. John tho Baptist, Jeytonstome, and are the firsts of whese particular types.
CARLISLE AKL GUNECASTRH SURIRRSE (Nos. 9 and 17)-On Sunday, duly 14th, 1929, in 26 minutes, for morning earvice. These mothods are spliegt in three-lend blocks. $A s$ described in *Method Spliang, tine 3 -lead splice is confined to the middle rows, whereas Mr . Driver has extended it throughont the lead. This makes neces. wiry a combetion to the statementi, on pago 5 of the book, that wotuorls canal be splictal wher they start in diferent ways.
NETHENSEALE and BOURNE SURPRISE (Nos. 28 and 41) -On shuday, August 25th, 1929, in 26 minutes, for morming service. A ondie on a G-lead principle, whin is remarkable in that, unlike $k$ : l'nrkers, it is not confined to the '5is section' of the methods; and, moreover, it does not product the extent of the rows within the six complementary leads. Agath two methools which start in diferent whys nre truly spliced.

NORTIUMBERLAND, CARLISLE and SANDIACRE SURPRISE (Nos, 8, 9 und 11).-On Suwday morning, September 29th, 1929, in 27 minutes, tor liarvest festival. Thess methods are spliced on a lowel frat interesting priuciple evolved by wr. Driver, which he terms "rompesite courses. [t has heen thought, in the past, that the 'odd]' methods of Mr. Fidler's 'groups' can be intruluced only in complete vourses; but, in the 'composite courses;' these methods ane spliced in such a way that no complete course of any metherd is rung.
NO1RMOLNE IPSWICH, 1PIMROSL, CAMBRIDGE, HULL and BOURNE SIIJPRISE (Nos. 36, 37, 38, 39, 40 and 41). -On Munday; April 8 th, 1929 , in 27 mins., for praclice. An example of an extent from a set of 'composite courses,' further waried by the use of Mr. Parker's ' mixed places ' at the lead ends. 'the figures re appended, whereby it will be seen that Hull and Bowno Surprise are hoth included in a 720 Which ruis round. These methods liavo 165432 at the lead ead (handstroke pow), with ethis and 2ndts places hetween the leads, re speetively, and it has hitherio been thonglit that such methods could not lo etrbodical in sur extent hotween 'rousds.' It is tho second eombinition of more than five legitimate Surprise methods to be splicerd into a 720 between rounds, und, unlike the other (to be found an 引mgo Il of "Methot Splicing"), 110 method here will eplice with molher' 'by the leads.' It may he mentioned that both of these combinutions of six methods keep the tenors the 'right way.'

The ingenutity displayerl in tho 'composite

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('Iwice repeatied) courso, splice is remarkable to a clegrec. Tho writer is of opinion that Mr. Driver's work forms a valuablo addition to that which has been published, and it is to be hoper that le wey be induced to place tle results of his resererches before tho Exercise.

The writer has seen some of tho tables compiled by Mr. Driver, and can say. tiant, rovglily, the mumber of 3 -lean und 6-lead splices is double that which would be obtained by tabulating those from existing principles; is given to understand that extents in olloven, and ceven twalve methods, are possiblo; and also, in the splicing of plain methols, that the relationships which have becin stated to exist can wow be rerised and very much amplified.
*urely an advancement, nind yet by no means the "last word, in the spiticing of Minor methorls
Tho following nanes should be assaciated with the above 'first proformances: P. H. Avey, E. J. Butler, G. Dawsotr, G. L. Joyee W. Miller, R. Molton, J. Moulo, A. Prior, A. Reeve, E. D. Swith and

## BENJAMIN ANNABLE AND THE COLLEGE YOUTHS.

Sir,-Abont the end of last year you kindly published a letter fyom mo in which I guestioned the accuracy of one of the records in the interesting landbook which gives us the history of the College Youthis. In the "list of zotahle performances by members of the Ancient Society of Cullege Youths, compiled from the Peal Record Books, the firit entry is: "Jamary 7h, 1689, St. slopulchre, Snow Hill, Plain Bob Triples, 5,040 changes, 3 hours 45 minutes, tenor 31 cwl., Composed and Conducled by Benjamin Anmable.' J. pointeal out that if, as Osbome stated, Amable died on February 1st, 1756 , and, as the "Clawis" records, he was between 60 and 70 years of age, he could not possibly lieve composed and conducted a peal of Bob Triples in 1689. If he aide cull tho peal in la89, then lie must bave beers nearer 90 yeat's of age when he died, but it was unlikely that so swon after his death the writerg of the "Clavis' mould linve made a mistake of twenty years in his age. Moreover, I drew attention la the fact that Amable was Master of tave College Youths in 1746 and suggentral it who douhtis] if he would have been appointed to office tot the age of 80 or thereabouts.
In commenting on my letter, Mr. E. Aler Young admitued the difficalty with regard to reconciling the date of this early performance and Annable"s age, and suggested, as a possible solution, that Annable wns a much oller man than his contcmporaries hlought. Mr. Young Added that reference to Snowen and Osborne did not help us.

Here Mr. Youm appears to be in error. Iooking casually through old volume of 'Church Bells ' recently, I carae across an article (December 9th, 1876; by Jasper Snowan on 'Anuable's M.S.' (now in the Britisb Museum). In thas anticle Snowdoll says, Annabn was a nember of the Ancient Society of College Youths, and in the earlier pages of their peal books lis mame is to be found connected with nearly all their great performances. He joined the society in 1721; infact, he was the only member admitted in that year. He was eleoterl a steward in 1737, aut made master in 1746. The lnst mention of his name in the books of the society occurs in the pen rung by the College Youths at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, in 1754. The dates quated here, by Snowion, are, I presume, not guess work, and can be werified hy reference to the hooks of the society. If, in fart, Anmable jomed in 1721, that would finally settle the questien whether he composed and conducted the 1689 peal.
As Anmable composed and conducted tie peal of Grandsire Cinanes at St. Bride's in 1724, which is the next performance on the list, I have my own theory as to how a mistake may lave occurced, but Mr. Young mag be right whan he says that 'in the several transeriptions, Anrable's name was akded as conductor and composer, where the ariginal had omitted to state these, nowi " hearsay," like a rolling sumw ball, had eventually arkicd what was deemed the only possible namo and incirlentally overlonked the age diffeulty.' Fowewtr, the Ancient Society can, $T$ imagine, now settle the anestion, if, as would seem fo be the case, Anambe's mame appears in the Name Book as laviut been elected in 1721. Will Mr. Young be good enough to cxamini it and let us know?

Anything which adds to our knowledge of these ancient pioneors is weleome. Few of your readers probably are aware that Annald was, by trade, a haker, for on the first page of his famous note book, MLT. Sinowdon tells us, is written:

London College Youtlis.<br>Amstevinm Coffee House.<br>Benjamin Amabble, Baker<br>Yours faithfully,

OOLLEGTAN.

## KEGWORTH RINGERS VISIT THE FENS.

The ringers of the Parish Charch, Kegworth, Leicestershire, with friends had their anmual outing on Saturday, September 21st, when they visited the Fen district. Travelling via Melton Mownay, Oalkham, Stamford with its cluster of churches, and Peterborough, then stopper at Market Deeping, where rilgimg took place, and severn touches were brought round. Fere they met Mr. Horace W. Das. Who kindly conducted them to St. Jumes', Deeping, and arranged for them to rimg on these belfa (a very fine six by J. Taylor alal Co.), but time would not allow of a long stay. A few touches ware, however, rung, and the lndies handled these heavp six very well, the go being good. Proceading to Crowland, where Mr. A. Holland provider a substantial ter for the visitors, which all enjoyed, the party visibed the famous Abhey nud its surroundings, and brought round a fow toncles on the bells. The return journey was commencri shortly after seven o"clock, via Cowbit, of skating fame, and herc the party were met by the Vicar (the Rer. E. Clark), who is a son of a former Rector of Kegworth, Rlso his sister (Mrs. Gleeri), who were delighted to meet the visitors. A ghort wisit to the church and an inspection of the old documents and Elizabethan commuaion plate was of great interest. The jnumey was continued via Spalding, and Kegworth was reached about 11.15 p.m. after a memorable nad happy day. Thanks are accorded to all who belped to make a successful outing.

## SALISBURY DIOCYSAN GUILD.

## DEVIZES BRANGH AT WARMINSTER.

The quarterly meeting of the Devizes Branch was held at the Minster Church of St. Deny, Warminster, on Saturday. Ringing commenced about 3 p.m. and service was later conducted by the liev. A. T. Bellars (Vicar), the lesson being read by the chairman of the branch (Mr. C. B. Heginbothom). Tea followed at the Magnet lea Ruoms, the Rev. A. R. and Mrs. Bellars and Mr. Curtis (ehurehwarden) being present.
A short business meeting followed, at which the Chairman expressed to the Vicar the congratulatians of the branch on his marriage, and wished him and Mrs. Bellars long life and happiness.
The Vicar, in replying, thanked those present for their good wishes, and also thanked the local ringers for ringing for his wedding and on bis return, and also for the present which the ringers had given him and his wife. The Vicar said he would like those present to see this gift, which took the form of two silver inkstands in the form uf bells. He added that he was very pleased to welcome the brauch gaia to Warminster. Mr, ared Mrs. Bellars, tlden left.
The Chairman extended a welcome to the visitors and the following were elected members of the Gruid: Messrs. IT. Button, W. Chatfiedd and H . ircoody .
On the notion of the Chairman, z vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar for the use of the hells and conducting the service, to the organist, and to those who prepared the tea.-Mr. Curtis, in reply, said he was pleased to bo present as churchwarden, and be fell that sometimes the work of the ringers was not apprecimed as much as it should be, as it was done ont of sight. It was, however, none the less a work for the chureli.
Seend wns proposed for the November meeting, and Bradford-onAvon (Chirist Clurch) for juecember.
Visitors included Miss I. Hastis (Leatherhead, late of Warminster), Miss N. G. Witljams (Path), M+. W. Prescoft (Bath), Mr. E. Coward (Mere) aud Mr. W. Evans (Burglatron-Sea). Ringers in addition o the above were present from Warminster, Devizes (St. John's and St. Mary's), Bratiton, Mere, West Cranmore, Corsley and Rowde, Touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob and Kent Treble Bob were jung cluring the afternoon and evening.
Warminster has a peal of eight bells (tenor 28 cott, approximately), and a brass plate affixad to the pillar aear the belfry door bears the iollowing: " l'he bells in this tower were rearranged December, 1881, and converted from a peal of six bells into a peal of eight liels. I'le treble aud Fecond bells were added by George Thomas Vjcary: Nos. 3 to 7 were jecast ank the tenor jotained. James Frasmus Phillips, Bart, Ticar; Edward Eawards, Thomas Ponting, elutchvardens.
A peal board in the belfy records a peal of Grandsire Triples by the Cumberland Youtls for the opening of the bells, and tile visit of the I'rince and Princess of waies to Longleat, December 18th, 1881.

## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM.

A well-attonded quarlerly mecting of sto. hartin's Guld for the Diocese of Birmingham took place at Edglaston Parish Church, Birmingham, on Saturday, September 28th. The church, which is knowa lacally as 'the Old Chureh,' is dedicated to St. Bartholomew, and, although within a couple of miles of the ceatre of the cily, is pleasantly situated in a quiet residential districh. The date of the ariginal church is unknown, but from authentie records a small chapel stood on the spot in 1340. Since then it has passed through many vicissitudes. During the Civil War it was laid derelict by Farliamentary Forces under rinker Fox, and the materials of the roof wele used to baricade Edgbaston Hall and make bullets. Betwcen 1658 and 1684 the parishioners began to rebuild the church, and about 1725 the Lovd of the Manor put it into very good repais. Considerable alterations were madc in 1810 , and again in 1885 it was restored and eularged.
The tover contains a modern peal of eight bells by Taylor. Until qeently there were only gix belle, and four of these bore the date
b85. Ris.
Ringing in various methods took place from 3 to 5 p.m., in which
W. Burgar, of Slieffiek, took part. Tea was then partaken of in the seluolroom and was followed by the business meeting, at which hair. Several Hew members were electod, including Mr'. Cliford IH. liall, the carillonneur at Bournville.
It was decidea to hoid tha Fienry Johnsen Commemoration Dimer a. usual on Satumay, Mareh 1st, 1930.

A rote of thanks to the Vicar, Ganon Blofeld, fior the use of the liells, for providing such an excellent tea and for his presence amongsta them that afternoon was propesed hy the Chairman. In acknow|rviging this, the Vicar stated how pleased he was to he with the Guild and how mueh ho appreciated, the serviges rendered in the melfry.
After the meeting a course of Sterman Cinques was rung on a hew peal of handleelts, in which Mr. Vice-Fresident Tom Russam took part, the band being T. Kussam, P. Laflin, H. Withers. A. Walker, E. Norman and J. Neal. A retura was then made to the belfry, here further ringing took place until ghout 8 p.m.

## A JOINT MEETING AT GUILDFORD.

SURREY ASSOGIATION VISIT GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GDILD.
Guildtord Diocesan Guild and surrey County Assuciation members fraternised at Guildfond on Saturday, when ringers from a wide area spent a pleasant half-day. Joint mectings of this description are a welcome feature of present-day gatherings, aud in tha case of organisations which overlap in their territory as these two do, hrey arte all the marc commendable, as they cacourage that friendy spirib which Ieads to completely amicable working between the two socicties. Guildford is favoured by having two excellent peals of bells, one of eight at the Cathedral and the other af ten at $\$$. Nicolas Church. The Former were open on Saturday during the afternoon, and tho latter both aftermon and ovening. The result was fhat S. Nicolas' was, more or less, neglected luefore tea, lut a band was got together to ring a good service tounh. In the meantime, Holy Trinity Cathedral bells had ben kept going, under the direcifon of Mr. A. H Pulling, in a pariety of methods up to London Smprise Mrajor. The service in S. Nicotas' Church was conducted by the Rector (the Rep. G. M. Wheeler), and an address was given by the Rer: G. Wellercott, who has come to reside in the diocose on retiving [roms the charge of a parislı in the West of England, where he took a practical part in dinging at his own church. It wats an inspining sermon, coming from a ringer. Thasimg his addess on the words, 'In that day there shall be on the bells of tho horses, "Folimess unto the Iord," " be referred to the appeal of the bells to the people and the fascination of the art to ringers. There was an old saying, ' Once a ringer, always a ringer.' That, said the preacher, was true if they started in the right spinit and if they had a love of ringing. He referved to the changed tone which had come jato the belfries and hoped that it would ever be maintained.
A company of nearly fifty sat down to tea at a near-by cafe, and afterwards Mr. Walter Harrison (vico-president of the Guidford Diocesan Guild) welcomed the Surrey Assoeiation, remarking that such gatherings must tend to improve the good fecling between the two bodies. He also thanted the preacher for his address, and the Vicar for conducting the service.-Admiral T. P. Walker (vice-president) secoaded, and took the opportanity of extending, on behalf of all prosent, cardia! congratulations lo Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Pulling upon celebrating their silver wedding.-MI. D. Cooper (district secretary) acknowledgen the welcome on behalf of the Surrey Association and hoped to see the Guildford Diocesan Guik members at a similar gathering in the Surrey area. He also thanked Mr. G. Grover (Guildford District searetary) for laving made all the arrangements. The Rev. G. Wellercott replied to the vote of thanlis in a homely peech, in which he again evincted his interest in ringing.
Mr. U. H. Eippin (hon. Eecretary of the surrey Associntion) nade an appeal for thip for the widow of the late Mr'. C. Gordon, who was ill and itu sfaitencd cireumstances, and, in response, several of those present made contributions to fibe fund.
Afterwards S. Nicolas' belfry was visited, and for more then two hours the ten hells were kepls going to Grandsire und Stedman Caters, Treble Ten aud Gambridge Surprise Royal, under the direction of Mr. C. Fazelden (District Ringlog Master).

## NEWCASTLE CATHEDRAL GUILD.

Blessed witi exeellent weather, the above society hed one of wheir nost delightful week-ends this summer, starting from Newcastle by bus on Saturday, Seplember 2lst, at $9.30 \mathrm{a}, \mathrm{m}$. The venue was Whitby and Scarborougl, and to the number of elemen they reached the former in time for lunch at the Station Fotel. From thence to the tower, where the handy peal of ten was turned in to short touches of Stedman and Erin Caters and Forward Royal. Niter a tour of the ancieat Abbey of St. Hilda, and other parts of the town, Scarborouglh was reached in timo for dinner at 7.30 at the Lord Nelson Hotel, an ideally comfortable place for a holdiny on the foreshore. The night was filled in in a ' go-as-you-please, fashion, and after a touch on handbells, followed by a more or less friendy game of cards, bed was sought as the last resort.
T'wo touches were rung for service rit St. Mary's on the fine peal (tenor ef cwi.), Double Norwith Major and Stedment Triples. After service, Mr. Harry Ferguson conducted his fyiends from his native
town on a charabanc tour round Elye Marine Drive, past the Lard Nelson Hotel, and round by Scawhy ant Forge Valley. The afternoon was spent somewhat lasily, four preferring touches on handbells and others the charms of the south clif and shore, whene the beauties of the Italian gardens and precinets were a source of delight.

The party boarded their bus at 5.30 , and Ianded in Newastle well pleased with all they saw and did. The members wish to thank the Vicars of the two churehes at which lhey rangs and also Mr. Ferguson for his kindly arrangements at Scarborouglı, together with his calleague, Mr. Barton. The members are also most grateful to Mr. Arthur Payne, their secretary, who made sucla adminable plans for their comfort and amusement,

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## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

CANJIIRBURY DISTRICT APPOINTS A RINGING MASTER. By the kind permission of the Rev. D. A. Taylor (Vicar), the autumn mooting of the Canterbury District was held at Winglam un Saturday, October Eth. The meeting was well attended, there being 31 members present, representing the following towers: 1hrebourge, Canterbury Cathedral, St, Alphege, Dover, Littlebourne, st. Peter's, Thanet, Scurry, St. Nicholas-at-Wade, Swindon, Tunstall, Walrner, Wickhambreaus and Wingham.
Tho bells where ringing soon after 3 o'clock, and from then until 4.30 pm. some very enjoyable touches in Grandsire, Bob Major and SLedman were accomplished. 'tho Rev. Taylor officiated at the service for which tho association's form was used, and gave a particularly interesting address. Mr. F. Lovell, of Wingham, very kindly presided ut the organ.

Subsequently, adjourning to the Dog Int, the ringers found an excellent dea awaiting then. The Vicar presided and was later voted to the clair for the business meeting.
Tho election of two nonresident life members, W. R. Drage, Long Eaton, Notes, aud T. IR. Dennis, Cambridge, was confirmed.

Adj discussion arose as to the advisability of tho Canterbury District appointing a Ringing Master. The suggestion met with general approval, il being thought that it was yecesary for the cultivation and conkinunnee of successful meetings to get someone to take the lead mad make the more or less shy fingers take off their coats and joint in.'
Subsecucuthy Mr. Whitehead male a proposition that Mr. Tr. Brett, Oniterhury, be elected es Ringing Master for tho Canterbury District, and, failing his attendance at any meeting, the ringers in the tower Ghnuld elect their own "master" for the afternoon, preferably the comriuetor on secretary of tic local tower, flee Ringing Master to be elected anally at the annual district meeting. The proposition, upon being seconded by Mr. Slingsloy, was put to the meeting and carrion wi th one dissentient.
Ospringe was decider upon for the next by-meeting, the probable date being 23rd November.
Before tho meoting closed Mr. Brett proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Rues. D, A. Taylor for his kind words of welcome and for the service, and also to Mr . Lovell for the musical arrangements.

Adjourning to the tower after the meeting, the ringers enjoyed further good ringing, adding Kent and Oxford Treble Bob ta the methods achieved.

## NORTH STONEHAM RINGERS IN BERKS.

Tho North Stoweham ringers, together with the choirmen, had their annual outing on September 14 lh. A start was made at 8 p.m. in two motor charabancs. Nowbury, with its fine ring af eight bells, manuly rehung by Messes. Wears and Stainbank, was the first stop, the party being met at the church by Mr. H. Curtis. Leaving Newhussy, a trip over the lovely Berkshire Downs brought the party to Parringlan, where there is a grand ring of eight by Mess rs. Taylor and Co. Ringing here was not of the best, as the bell ropes are apt to strike the clock wires, and this put several of the company "off. However, a good lunch restored confidence.

A move was then made to Drayton, where everything was of great inlolest to the ringing members of the party on account of its asso cintion with the late Roy. W. E. Robinson. The beautiful carving which ho executed, the ringing records, and the memorial screen were of much interest, and it was with regret that the visitors learned thin there is not now a ringing land at this church.

East Inaloy was the last place on the programme, where Mr. W. Hikhort had everything in readiness, including a splendid tea, which was first disposed of. Afterwards, a move was made to the church, aud the party enjoyed ringing on the light ring of eight. A special feature was a good touch of Grandsire Triples, in which four of the East lesley ringers took part. Homie was reached at $9.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m} .$, every. one "growing that a most enjoyable day had been spent. During the trip, tourlues of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob, Double Norwich, Cambridge find Superlative Major were rung. The best links of all no due to tho various joumbents and steeplekeepers of the fou towers risiterl, una particularly to Mr. G. Williams for altaryomonts made in such interesting comity.

## a Ten-part peal of stedman triples. BY J. J. PARKER, FARNHAM ROYAL

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## HARVEST FESTIVAL RINGING.

ILMINSTEA, SOMERSET. -On Sunday, October 6th, for evensong (harvest festival), a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples in 48 mils. G. Sibley I, A. Wyatt 2, V. Crabs 3, Wm. Coles 4, D. G. Taylor G. Coles 6, P. Mersin (conductor) 7, G. Navel 8. First quarter of Stedman on the bells

KENDAL, WESTMMORLAND.-At Holy Trinity Church on October 6th, for the harvest festival evening service, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: L. Townley 1, W. Atkinson 2, TR, Emerson 3, T. Faslam 4, E. Jennings (conductor) 5 , R. Martindale 6 , I. J. Heap 7, R. Dennisan 8.

NORTH OCKENDON, ISSEX.On Sunday, October Eth, at the Church of St. Mary Magdalene, for evensong, 720 Grandsire Doubles E. J. Butler 1, J. Sited 2, A. Prior (conductor) 3, W. Watson 4 W. H. Theobald 5: also 360 in the same method, with F. Perry 1, E. J. Butler 4. After evensong 240 Grandsire Doubles by the same band. Rung on the occasion of the harvest festival.

LONDON, -At St. Mark's, Dalston, on Sunday, October Eth, for harvest festival evensong, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes : Wilfred Williams 1, E. F. Pike 2, G. Cole 3, P. C. Davis 4, W. FL. Hewett (conductor) 5, R. F. Deal 6, J. E. Disvis 7, Charles Randall 8.

HOLBORN, -At St. Andrew's Church on Sunday, October Eth, for harvest festival evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) in 46 ming.: J. S. Hawkins 1, R. G. Bell 2, W. J Norton 3 , Harry Alfourd 4, Tons Langton (conductor) 5, Ernest Brett 6, C. W. Pipe 7, C. Vitler 8.
I'AUNTON. - At the Church of St. James on Sunday, October Eth for harvest thanksging service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples T. Hancock 1, J. Hunt 2, A. H. Reed 3, F. Pocock 4, A. R. Thorne 5 E. Priddle B, W. G. Gig g (conductor) 7, S. Piddle 8. Longest length for 1 st and 8 th .
SUTTON COLDFIELD, WARWICKSFIRE-At Holy Trinity Church on Sunday evening, October fth, for harvest festival, a quarter -pea of Stedman Triples ( 1,260 changes) in 44 mains.: E. Pickering 1, W. H Hall 2, W. H. Tinge 3, J. W. Reynolds 4, C. Waithman S, W. G Anker 6, B. G. bedlam (conductor) 7, F. R. Tinder 8 .
BUNGAY.-At St. Mary's Church on Friday evening, October 4til, for harvest festival services, before advice 480 changes and after service 1,024 Kent Treble Bob Major: S. Rumsey 1, G. Howlet 2, S. Cowling 3, Miss V. Beckett 4, E. W. Goats (conductor) 5, G. Gower 6, R. Riches 7, O. F. Sayer 8.
WR.INGTON, SOMERSET. On Sunday, September 29 Oh, $^{2}$ for the harvest festival, en quarter -peal of Grandsire Caters was attempted, but was not successful. Afterwards 701 Grandsire Caters: T. Gunnine 1, H. Beats 2, T. Ferris 3, J. Gait 4, C. R. Lilly (conductor) 5, A. Ferris 6, C. E. Levitt 7, T. Brice 8, H. Fowles 9, 4. Bond 10.

## NOTICE

BATH \& WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. Frame and Midsomer Norton Deanery Branch - A quarterly meeting will be held at Timsbury on October 19th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4. Tea and business meeting, 5, in Church Room. Please notify me by rich inst. for tea.-R. T. Clark, Hon. Sec., Timsbury, Bath.

## 'ODDS \& ENDS OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES'

Being mainly an explanation of the nature and working of the $Q$ bets in ordinary ringing phraseology, with one or two other matters.

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ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - Northern Division.-A meeting will be held at Gestingthorpe on Saturday, October 12th. Bells (6) at 2.30. Service 4.30.-W. Arnold. Dis. Sec., Holt Street, Earls Colne.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Southampton District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Upham, on Saturday, October r2th. Bells from 2.30. Tea and meeting at the Brashmakers' Arms at 5 oclock.-W. T. Iucker, District Secretary, 71, High Street, Eastleigh.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Bedford Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Turvey, on Saturday, October 12th. Bells (8) available at 2.30 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. All ringers welcome.-P. C. Bonnett, Hon. Dis. Sec., Stagsden, Beds.

LADIES' GUILD.-Southern District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at All Saints', Wokingham, on Saturday, October 12th. Bells 3.30. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting in Church House. All welcome.-Hilda F. Mills, Cairneybill, Bridgefield, Farnham.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Rochdale Branch. - A meeting will be held at Heywood, on Sat., October r2th. Bells quailable from 3 p.m. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. -William Horan, Branch Secretary, z, Greenbirst Hey, Todmorden.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch. -A meeting will be held at Cbrist Church, Bootle, on Saturday, October 12th. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Service 6 p.m.-Claude I. Davies, Branch Sec., Caerleon, Dunbabin Rd., Wavertree.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Maidstone Dis-trict.-The half-yearly meeting will be held at Harrietsham on Saturday, October 12th. Tower open at 3 o'clock. Service at 5 , followed by tea and business meeting. Half travelling expenses up to 2 s . will be paid to members attending. All ringers welcome. -C. H. Sone, Dis. Sec., Bungalow, Linton, Mäidstone.
GUILDFORD GUILD.-Leatherhead District.-Next meeting will be held at Leatherhead (not St. Martin's, Epsom, as previously arranged), on Saturèay, Oct. 12th. Bells (ro) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea at the Institute at 5.15.-A. R. Pink, Hon. Sec. 32, Nower Road, Dorking.
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. -Northern District.-A meeting will be held at King's Walden on Saturday, October 12 th. The bells (6), which have recently been rehung on ball-bearings, will be ready at 3 p.m. Short service at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at 5 p.m. Bus services from Hitchin and Luton.-Donald C. Mears, Dis. Sec., Offley, Hitchin.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West District. -A meeting will be held at Twickenham on Saturday, October 12th. Bells available from $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Also a joint meeting at St. Mary's, Ealing, November 2nd. Everybody welcome.-Wm. H. Hollier, 29, Duke Road, W.4.

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. - A meeting will be held at Crofton, near Wakefield, on Saturday, October rath, to decide the tie between Wath, Sandal and Shelley for the Shield Competition. Draw 2.45 p.m. prompt. Tea and Judges' award 5.30 p.m. Tickets for tea $I / 6$, limited to those who apply by postcard to Mr. Geo. Cooke, North's Yard, Crofton, Wakefield. All ringers cordially invited.-C. D. Potter, Hon. Sec.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.- Eastera District.The autumn meeting will be held at Sutton-on-Hull, on Saturday, October 12 th. Bells (6) available from a p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. in Hill Farm. See circular for full details. -A. B. Cook, Hon. Dis. Sec., 58, Wyndham Street, Hull.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Nottingham District. -The third quarterly meeting of the above district will be held at Basford on Saturday, October 12th. Bells ( 8 ) available from $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. to $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. and 6.15 till $8.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Business meeting at $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. No arrangements for tea.-F. W. Bailey, Dis. Sec., 42, Rupert Street, Nottingham.

BATH \& WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.A quarterly meeting will be held at Weston-super-Mare, on Saturday, October 12th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Evensong 4 p.m. Tea at George's, Ltd., High Street, 5 p.m.J. T. Dyke, Chilcompton, Bath.

DEVONSHIRE GUILD.-Mid-Devon Branch.-The next meeting will be held at Kingsteignton on Saturday, October 12 th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea and business meeting to follow. All ringers welcome. -H. J. Hole, Hon. Sec., Tauntonia, Church Street, Paignton.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-North and East District.-Practice meeting at St. Paul's, Glyn Road, Homerton, on Wednesday, October 16th. Bells 7 to 9 p.m. All ringers welcomed-C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.-Southern Dis-trict.-Next meeting, St. Leonard's, Streatham, Saturday, October 19th. Ringing from 3 o'clock. Service, tea and meeting, 5 o'clock to 6.30 . A postcard ? thaiks. -J. Herbert, Hon. Dis. Sec., 17, Grimston Rd., S.W.6.
ESSEX ASSOCIATION AND ELY DIOCESAN GUILD.-A joint meeting will be held at Saffron Walden on Saturday, October igth. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.rm. Tea at 5.15 p.m. Those requiring tea kindly advise us.-C. Beeston, 5 , King Street, Bishop's Stortford; F. Warrington, Long Stanton, Cambs.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester Branch.-The next meeting will be held at btretford on Saturday, October 19th. Bells ready 3.30. Meeting 7 o'clock, important business. A good attendance is requested.-J. Hall, Branch Sec, 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting, Manchester.

ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD.-The next monthly meeting of the above guild will be held at Rolvenden on Saturday, October Igth Bells available 2.30. Service 4.30 . All ringers welcome.-A. J. Battin, Hon. Sec., Heronden Hall Gardens, Tenterden.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District. - A meeting will be held at Eaton Socon on Saturday, October 1gth. Bells (6) ava:lable at 3 p.m. Tea at 5. All ringers welcome-C. J. Ball, Dis. bec., 2, Tempsford Road, Sandy, Beds.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.- A joint meeting of the Southern Division of the Yorkshire Association and the Doncaster and District Society will be held at Arksey, near Doncaster, on Saturday, October 1gth. Bells (8) available early. Short service at 5 p.m. Tea at 5.30 in Church Hall at $\% / 6$ each. Please notify Mr. G. Clark, Dawood Villas, Bentley, Doncaster, by the 16th. Will members please try and pay outstanding subscriptions previous to or at this meeting, so that books can be made up?- F. Clark, Hon. Sec., Southern Div., Yorkshire Association; P. Gledstone, Hon. Sec., Doncaster and District Society.

BATH \& WELLSASSOCIATION-Cary Deanery. A quarterly meeting will be held at North Cadbury on October rgth. Bells $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service $430 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at the Catash Inn 5 p.m., meeting to follow. Please notify me for tea by October 17th.-E. F. Creed, 6, West Park, Castle Cary.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Fylde and Preston Branches.-A joint meeting of the two branches will be held at St. Annes-on-Sea on Saturday, October Igth. Belis ready 3 p.m. Will all intending to be present for tea (I/6) kindly notify F. Youles, 73, Clifton Street, St. Annes-on-Sea not later than Wednesday, Oct. I6th?-C. Sharples, Fylde Branch Sec., F. Rigby, Preston Branch Sec.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Weilingborough Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Eazls Barton on Saturday, October 1gth., Bells available at 2.30. Service at 4.30 . Tea and business meeting to follow. Will those who hope to be present kindly notify me not later than Tuesday, October 15th ? -F. Barber, Branch Sec., School House, Gordon Rd, Wellingborough.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Sonning Deanery Branch. - Combined practice at Sandhurst, Saturday, October igth, from 6 to 9 p.m. All welcome.-W. J. Paice, Branch Sec.

HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Western Dis-trict.-Next meeting will be held at Flamstead on Saturday, October 19 th. Bells (6) recently overhauled, available from 3 p.m. Short service $4 \cdot 30$. Buses from Dunstable and St. Albans. Will those intending being present please notify me by the previous Wednesday so that I can make arangements for tea?-W. Ayre, Leverstock Green.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.-There will be a quarterly meeting at Coleshill, near Birmingham, on Saturday, October igth. Tea will be provided at a moderatecharge. -D. E. Lewis, Gen. Hon. Sec., Firholm, King Edward Rioad, Nuneaton.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. - Elloe Deaneries Branch, - The quarterly meeting of the above will be held at Bicker on Saturday, October igth. Bells available from I2.30 p.n3. Service 3.30 . Tea 4.15 . Business meeting afterwards. Will those intending to be present kindly let me know by October I4th.-George Ladd, Hon. Sec., Pinchbeck, Spalding.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Luton District. -A meeting will be held at Toddington on Saturday, Oct. 19th. The bells (8) will be available from 3 p.m.-A, E. Sbarman, Hon. Sec., igg, High Street N., Dunstable.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch. The next meeting will be held at St. George's, Bolton, on Saturday, October rgth. Bells available 3 p.m. Meeting 7 -Business : Yearly list of meetings. - Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., 203, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Peak Dis-trict.- The next meeting will be held at Darley Dale on Saturday, October 1gth. Church of St. Helen ( 8 bells) available afternoon and evening Tea and meeting will be arranged. Please notify Mr. G. H. Paulson, Churchtown, Darley Dale, not later than October 17th. - J. E. Lewis Cockey, Fion. Dis. Sec., Leamwood, Dore.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Winchester District.-A district meeting will be held at Hursley on Saturday, October igtt. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 5. All ringers welcome,-C. A. Smith, Hon. Sec., King's Somborne, Winchester, Hants.

SALISBURY.-St. Martin's Church,-The pea! of 8 bells which are being overhauled and rehung on ball bearings by Messrs. Gillett \& Johnston will be reopened on Saturday, October Igth. Service at 6 p.m. The bells will be available for ringing during the rest of the evening. All ringers welcome. - F. W. Komaine, 45, Green Croft Street, Salisbury.

HeREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Ross District. -The autumn meeting of the above branch will take place at Weston-under-Penyard on Saturday, Oct. 19th. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea kindly given by the Rector. Buses, frequent, pass the church. Ringers of every grade welcomed, only notify me not later then Wednesday, Oct. I6th.-John Clark, Fern Lea, Chase Road, Ross.

KISLINGBURY, NORTHANTS.-The peal of five, rehung with new fittings in new frame by Messrs. Gillett $\&$ Johnston, will be re-dedicated by the Bishop of Peterborough on Sunday, October 2 oth, at 3 p.m. Bells available during the evening. Tea (is. per head), after the service, for those who notify the Rector (the Rev. W. T. Fowke) by October I6th.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Central Division. - A meeting will be held at Henfeld on Wednesday, October 23rd. Tower open 2.30. Tea and meeting 4.30, in Parish Room, by kind invitation. Service 6. Those intending to be present should notify the undersigned not later than Friday, October 18th. - A. D. Stone, 16, Belgrave Street, Brighton.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Rochester Dis-trict.-The annual meeting of this district will be held a: Rochester on Saturday, October 26tb. Tower opened at 3 p.m. followed by service at Cathedral at 4 p.m. After service a tea, supplied by the Association, wili be served in the Temperance Cafe, Rochester Bridge. The business meeting will take place after tea, at which the officers for the ensuing year will be elected. Members intending to be present must please motify the Dis. Sec. not later than Tuesday. October 22ad.-Stanley J. T. Shellock, 162, Barnsole Rd., Gillingham.
EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.-A ringing meeting will be held at Cowden on Saturday, October 26 th. Tower open 3 p.m. Tea will be providec for those who notify me not later than Wednesday, Oct 23 rd. All ringers welcome.-G. Lambert, Drummond Hay, East Grinstead.

LADIES' GUILD.-Lincoln Branch.-A meeting will be held at Stow on Saturday, October 26 th. Bells ( 6 ) available from 2 p.m. Service at 4.1 g . Tea 5 . Those requiring tea please notify me not later than Wednesday, October 23 rd. Gentlemen cordially invited.-Mrs. R Richardson, Hon. Sec, Glyn Garth, Surfleet, Spalding.

MAISEY HAMPTON, GLOS.-Dedication of the peal of 6 (treble recast and all rehung in new frame with new fittings by Messrs, Gillett \& Johnston) will take place on Saturday, Oct. 26th, at 2,30 p.m. All ringers welcome.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-Southern District. - A meeting will be held at Kingswood on saturday, October 26 th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 5 . Tea and business to follow. Those requiring tea please notify me not later than Tuesday, October 22nd. All ringers wel-come.-A. J. Bull, Hon. Sec., Jesmond, Queen's Road, Horley.

LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - The next meeting will be held at Llantrisant (Glam.) on Saturday, October 26th. Bells (8) available. Service at $4 \cdot 30$. Tea and business meeting to follow.-John W. Jones, Hon. Sec., Cartref, Barrack Rd., Newport, Mon.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Lewisham Dis trict.-The anoual district meeting will be held at $S t$. George's, Beckenham, on Saturday, October 26th. Bells available at 3 p.m, Service at 5 . Tea and business meeting to follow. Tea, at the kind invitation of the Vicar, will be reserved only for those who notify me by Monday, October 2 rst, not later.-A. G. Hill, Hon. Dis. Sec., 53 , Hengist Road, Erith, Kent.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLIEGE YOUTHS (established 5637 ). -The 292nd anniversary dinner will be held at the Bridge House Hotel, London Bridge, where there is ample accommodation, on Saturday, Nov. gth, at 6.30 p.m. Tickets, 7 s . each, may be obtained until Nov. 5 th from Messrs. C. J. F. Bayley, J. Builock, C. S. Burden, C. J. Chooet, P. E. Clark, T. Faulkaer, E. G. Fenn, T. Groombridge, J, S. Hawkins, R. T. Hibbert, C. H. Horton, A. A. Hughes, H. Langdon, A. R. Macdonald, H. R. Newton, A. B. Peck, E. F. Pike, G. N. Price, W. Prime, W. Roughton, J. W. Rowbotham, W. Rushton, E. F. Sampson, A. Walker, C. F., Winney, E. A. Young or W. T. Cockerill, Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W. 4

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## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL'S RULES.

A fortnight ago we said we hoped to be able shortly to put before our readers draft proposals for amending the rules of the Central Council, in order that those members of the Exercise, who are interested in the endeavour to place the Council on a firmer footing among ringers, may have something definite to consider. In this issue our contributor, who a few weeks since put forward some reasoned suggestions, submits his ideas in concrete form, side by side with the existing rules, so that complete comparison can be made.

It has to be remembered that at present the associations throughout the country are very loosely knit to the central body. There is the Council, to which any ringing society of over a certain membership may elect a limited number of members, and, in so doing, shall pay eertain contributions. There the connection ends. The societies owe nothing in the shape of support or loyalty to the Council, the Council owes nothing whatever to the societies. That state of affairs may have been adequate when the Council was formed in 189 and when, as the first President (Sir Arthur Heywood) put it, they had yet to make a position for themselves; and it depended upon the judgment with which their decisions were drawn up, whether the Council would come to be regarded as the final authority upon all Ringing matters.'

In the course of neariy forty years the position has changed. The Council, in the opinion of the majority of ringers, has justified itself as the central organisation of the Exercise, but it is generally recognised that its position, under its present constitution, is not as secure or as well defined as it ought to be. The Council, as the mouthpiece of the Exercise, should have all the weight of the associations and guilds behind it and it should be answerable to them for any actions it may take. At present, in theory, at any rate, associations, as such, have no voice in the delfberations of the Council; and, as such, they cannot bring recommendations to the Council. In this sense the Council is undemocratic, for the sccieties who 'pay the piper' cannot 'call the tune.'

Briefly, the suggestions made elsewhere by our contributor are that the basis of the Council shall consist of affiliated societies (instead of merely of the slected and honoraty members), that these societies shall undertake to recognise the decisions of the Council, that the representative nembers shall be elected annually, instead of triennially, and that the Council shall officially report its decisions to the affiliated bodies. These proposals are put forward in definite terms, not that they shall necessarily be submitted in this or any other form to the Council for adoption, but (Coutiuued on page 658.)

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## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

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## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 EHANGES;

Tenor 13 ent
Jakes Croft ... ... ...Tyabla Richard D. Divall ... ... 5 Erbderick J. Lambertijun, z Joseph W\%hnn ... .... ... 6 Ernest J. Ladd ... .. ... 3 A. Abrt E. Edwards ... .... 7 Grorge E. Dann ... ... 4 Grorge Pont ... ... ...Tenay Conducted by W. Matienws, Condacted by Albert E. Edvards Rung for evening eservice on the occasion of the darvest festival MINEHEAD, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLA DIOOESAN ASSOCIATION. On Monday, October 7, 7929, in Thyee Hours,
At tae Parise Chorce of St. Micgatl

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Parker's Twelve.part.
Tenor 22 cwt .

- Wilfred G. Folley ...Tyable William W. Thorne... ... 5

Cearles Strawbridge ... 2 Jobn Pugsery ... .... ...
 Conducted by Grorgratrins.

* First peal. First peal on the bells since restoration by Messre. Taylor and Co., in 1927. W. W. Thome hails from Ockhan, Surrey. EALING, MDDLESEX.
THE MTDDLESEX GOUNTIT ASEOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GULLD.
On Mouday, October 7, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifly-Five Minutes, At Cerist Cherch,
A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, JGUQ EHANGES; Parker's Twzeve-part.
Jorn A. D. Werb Abmugre Troifope Harry Foifard ... 2 Cyril D Nillll $\quad \cdots \quad \cdots \quad 3 \quad$ Wilfrrd G. Wilson $\quad . . .7$ Cyril D. Nicgols ... .... 4 - Fidward A.J. Coombs ...Temor Conducted by E, C. S. Turner.
* First peal. Rung as a faremell to Preb. W. Templeton King, Ficar of the above elurch since 1895.

> EASTBOURNE, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Taesday, October 8, 7929, in Threc Howrs,

## At Cerist Chorce,

## A PEAL OF STEDHAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Heywodd's Transposition of Te日rstans' Fodr-part. Tenor 83 cwt

Conducted by Thomas H. Tapfender.

* Firet attempt for a peal in any metliod.

HADLOW, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Tucsday, October 8, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifiy Minufes, At tee Cburch of St. Mary
A PEAL, OF KENT TREELE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor I 5 cwt, in Aflat,
Tom Sadnders ... ... ...Treble Thomas E. Sone ... ... ... 5
Mrs, H. Baker ... ... ... 2 Fredehick J. Lambert, sin. 6

Gmprgr Fuller ... ... ... 4 Albert Relpe .... .... .................... Composed by A. Knighis (317). Conducted by Tgomss E. Sone. Thug as a farewell to Mr. Wheadon, who is leaving the district for Dartford ; also in honour of thb birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. A. Relfe. Mr. T. Saunders has now rung each bell in this towor in a peal.

[^71]BRENTWOOD, ESSEX. THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Tresday, October \&, 1929 , in Thece Howrs and Saven Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Thomas-t日e-Martyr,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5089 THANGES; Tenor 20 cwt .


> Composed by H. W. Wilde. Conducted by G. R. Pye.

* First peal of Major.


## HEANOR, DERBYEHJRE.

THE MDDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
Un Wednesday, Oclober 9, 1929, in T tw Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes, At the Churce of St. Laurence,
A PEAL OF STEDMAH TRIPLES, FO4O EHANGESI
I. J. Parebr's Ten-part, No. If (Variation No. 2).

Tenor I $5 \frac{1}{2}$ cwit.
 Joseph Balley ... ... ... 4 Samagl Pinder ... ... ... Temay Condueted by M. Swingield.

* 150tb pesil.


## SOUTEAMPTON.

TFE WINGHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOGESAN GUILD. On Wednesday, October 9, 1929, in Three Hours and Twenty-Etgh Minthes, At the Parish Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANEES Middleton's.

Tenor 22 cwt. I qr. 7 lb . ip Eflat,
 Conducted by Charles F. Andrews.

* First peal of Cambridge. This was rung as a triple jubileg peal, being the jubilee year of st. Mary's Churcli, the jubilee Fear of the Guild, and the jubilee birtluday of Mr. R. Broma, riager of the 5th. NEWCASTLEON-TYNE.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLT DIOCESAN ASEOGLATION.
On Wednesday, Oetober 9, 1929, in Three Howrs and Ona Minute.
At the Chorch of St. John,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES; Tenor ricwt. in A flat


John Anderson... ... ... 4 A. 4 Adam Deas ... ... ... ....Tenor
Composed by H. Dains. Conducted by William H. Barber.
* First peal in the method. Rung on tho occasion of the marriage of Mr. Clifford Ball, carillonueur at Bournville. LECKHAMPTON, OHELTENHAM
GLOUGESTER AND BRISTOL DIOGESAN ASSOGIATION On Wednesdxy, Octobey 9.1929 , in Two Howrs and Thirty-Seven Minules.


## At the Church of St. Pritr,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLE8, 5040 CHANEES:

Tborsians' Fogr-part.
Tenor gewt. in A
*Mrs. F. Clemznts
Harold Halford
Gegrge Walters

| Tbobas Baldwyn | $\cdots$ | ... | 3 | John F. Ballineer | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| .... | 7 |  |  |  |  |
| 7 | William Townsend | ... | ...$T e n o r$ |  |  | Conducted by Jofn F. Ballinger.

* First peal of Stecman. Rung as a bithday compliment to W. Townseud, Ringing Macter at the above tower, and $T$. Baldwyn. T. Baldwyn and J Ausin hail from Glaucesjer, and Mrs. Clemonts from Bourton-on-the-Water.

LEIGHTON BUZZARD.-At All Saints' Church for harvest festival evensong, on September 26th, a quarter-peat of Stedman Triples ( 1,260 chnoges) in $47 \frac{1}{2}$ mins.: FF. Plummer 1, *F. Jeffs 2, F. Fickers 3, WW. Botsford, W. Jeffs 5, J. E. Armold (conductor) 6, J. Nichoilg 7, W. Insley 8. First quarter in tho methad. Ringers of 2nd, 3rd, 5th and tenor belong to Linslede belfry.

BRAINTREE, ESSEX
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, Oclober 10, 1929, in Two Howrs and Fifty-Nine Minules, At the Ceqrce of St. Miceael-the-Archangel,
A PEAL OF 8UPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANRES; Tenor rxil cwt. in $G$.
Samorl Warne... ... ...Troble William J. Nevard... ... 5
George Wiffen ... ... 2 -Albert Wiffen ... ... 6

- Miss Elsie E. Petitr ... 3 Eewis W. Wiffes ... ... 7

William Kerble ... ... 4 -Herbert Reason ... ...Tenor
Composad by Natean ]. Pitsrow. Conducted by Wileiam Kezble

* First peal in the method. First peal in the method in the connty in which it lady ringer has taken part. Rung on the 15 th anuiversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. H. Reason.

CEEW MAGNA, NEAR BRISTOL.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday. October 70, 1929, in Two Howys and Fifty-Seven Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAH TRIPLES, 50ष0 EHANGES;

J. J. Parker's Five-part (No. 12). Temor 29 cwt 2 qr . 2 I 1 b Major J. H. B. Hesse ...Treble |Sambrl. J. Hhctor ... ... 5 Albert E. Stowell... ... 2 Charles F. Andrews ... 6 Alpred E. Retves ... .... 3 William A. Cave ... ... 7 Ronald G. Beck... ... ... 4 Joseph T. Dyke ... ... ...Tenor Couducted by William A. Cave.
The first peal on the bells. This compesition was published in 'The Ringing Warld on September 20th, 1929.

CR AYFORD, KENT.
the kent county association.
On Friday, Octobey 17, 1929, is Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes, At the Choreh of St. Paulinos,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Mineleton's.

Tenor I2 $\frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$

Edwin Barnatt, sen. Thomas Groombridge Cbatles W. Robhrts John H. Cuersman
 Grorge H. Cross ${ }^{5}$ JUN. 2 … 3 Non-Conducted.

Umpires: Edward J. Beqr and Harry Hoverd.
First non-conducted Surprise peal by all the band and by tho ussociation. A birthday peal for T. Groombridge, sen.

FARINGDON, BERKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GULLD
On Satrorday, Oetober 12, 1929, in Three Heurs and Nine Minutes,
At the Ceburge of All Sainis,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, GOHO CHANEES;
Holt's Ten-part.
Tenor 17 cwt,
Harry Bennett
...Trebla *Joshda Pearce ..
-Joshoa Pearce ... ... ... 5

- Grorger A. Webley.... ...T red
- Edward Hugaes 5
 6
7 Conducted by G. Holibeld, jun.
* First poal of Triples. First peal on the bells since they were recost and rehung in new frame and bearings by Messrs. J. Waylor and Co., Loughborough. Tho band wish to take this opportunity of hanking the Vicar aud his wife for thejr kind hospitality after the pent.

DTSS, NORTOLK
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday. OetoLer 12, 1929, in Threc Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,
At the Cedrch of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL DF DOUBLE NORWICH GOURT B0B MAJOR, 5120 EHAMEES
Tenor 24 cwt. in D.

Wicliam Treland
Alpheds J. Brary
fos J. Barry ... ... 2 Ernest F Pofpy John Soeter ... ...... Nolan Goldrn ... ... ... 4 Grorge Archer ... ... .....Tenoy Composed by Nolan Golden. Coflducted by ClementJ. More. Rung in honaur of the wedding of Mr. Albert G. Hartison and Miss Daisy ligg. This composition, reduced from 6,016, containing the 4-5-6 only in sixth's, is now rung for the firstitime

EAST ILSLEY, BERES.
THE OKFORD DIOCRSAN GULLD.
Ou Saturday, October 12, 1929, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes. At the Chiteh of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAIOR, 5120 OHANGES; Tenor $8 \mathrm{cwt}, 2 \mathrm{qr} .23 \mathrm{lb}$.
 Composed by J. Freming. Candacted by G. Catowril.

* First peal in the method. First peal of Major on the belis. LONDON.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOGIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Oclobey 72, 1929, in Three Horys and One Minure,
At thz Chbrch of St. Botolpe, Bishopsgate,
n PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 6056 CHANGES Tenor 20 cwt .
Ernest Brett ... ... ...Tyeble Williah R, Madgwick
Miss Freda Orr... ... ... 2
Gborge B. Cole $\quad . .$.
Composed by C. Midileton. Conducted by James $\mathfrak{E}$. Davis. LYMM, OHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GULLD.
On Saturday, October 12, 1929, in Three Howy ath Ten Minuths. At the Chorch of St. Mary,


## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, ED24 EHANGES:

Parkrr's Rbverse.
Jozn Bagley
Robert Sprofing
SRRRING ... ... 2
Lester L. Gray... ... ... 3
Henry W. Wilde

Tenor zo cwt. in D flat. G. Ronald Edwards... ... 5 Ceorge R. Jones Thomas Rogers ... ... ... 7 James E. E. Simpson... ...Tenor Conducted by J. C. E. Simpson. GALLEYWOOD, ESSEX. THE EGSEX ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday, October 12, 1929. in Thye Howrs and Seven Mitules,
At the Church of St. Micharl and Ali Angels,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 508 CHANGES;
Tenor $14 \frac{d}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$, in $G$.
Wileiam Keeble ...Tyeble
George Green ...
-Percy Gr

| -Percy Green | $\ldots .$. | $\ldots$ | ... | 3 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - Leslie J. Clark | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 4 |  |

Composed by Albert J Pit Anther Head ... ... ...Temor

* First
* First peal in the mothot. The conductor las mow comploted the
'circle' jn the tower. First peal in the methed on tho bells.
HORSEAM, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOOLATION.
On Sathrday, October 12, 1929, in Three Hours and Teventy Minutes
At the Cgurca of Si. Mary,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Teaor 2I $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$ wt. in Eflat.
George Wilson
...Tyeble William J. Robinson
- Jace M. Cripps...
... 2 C. Ernast Smith...

| $\cdots$ | 2 | C. Ernast Smite... ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\cdots$ | 3 | Alfrzd II. Pulling ... |


| Keite Hart | $\ldots$. | $\ldots$ | ... | 3 | Alfrzd If. Polling ... |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- |
| Alfred W. Grovis... | .. | 4 | Oliver Sippetts... |  |  |

Alfred W. Groves... ... 4 Oliver Sippetts... ... ... Teqn
Composed by J. Bennbit. Conducted by Alfred H. Polifing.

* Firct peal in the method.

BOLSOVER, DIRRBYHIRE.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION AND SEEFFIELD DTSTITOT SOCRETY.
On Saturday, Ortober 12, 1929, in Two Hours and Fi/ty-Five Mimules

## Ai the Parisf Chorch,


Tenor 14 急 cwt.
Edward Robbing ... ...Treble Harold Kent
Charles Mason $\quad . .$.
Jesse J. Moss ...

- Hergert Roong

Composed by George Wir
Joen Flimi... ... ... ...Teltor
\# First peal in tho method

Conducted by John Flini.

## EDMONTON

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCLATION
On Saturday, October 72, 7929, ith Thee Hours and Six Minutes,
At the Cegrce of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF RUTLAND SUAPRISE MANOR, SO8S CHAHEE8;

## Tenor-17星 cwt

Wilay J. Hazeli .......Treble | Edward H. King ... ... 5 Mrs. Edith K. Fletceer 2 John Thomas ... ... ... E
 Whlter J. Bowden ... ... 4 George W. Fletcher ...Temay
Composed by J. W. Parkzr, Conducted by Mrs, E.K. Fletcher.
Firgt plal in the method by all the band. Rung in honoun of the wedding of Miss Saxby, daughter of Mr. J. Saxby, a member of the local Linã.

BLACKBURN, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
(Biackedrn \& Wigan Branches.)
On Suturday, Ottober 12, 1929, in Three Hours, At the Churce of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANEES;

Carter's Odd-Boh.
Thomas Wilson ... ... ...Treble Wieliam E. Wilson ... ... 5
Gred Handle ... $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2$ Joseph Ridyard ...
Jogn Brown...
Arthor Tomlinson ... ... 4 James Harrison ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by James Marsh.
Rung as a birthday oompliment to J. Marsh.
BRIERLEY HLLL, STAFFORIAGIRE
THE WOROESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Northern Branch)

1) Sankday, Octobey i2, 1929, in Three Hows and One Minute, $^{2}$ At ter Chorch of St. Michahl,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Temor 14t cut.
Tbomas J. Salter ... ...Treble |fHzcror G. Bird ... ... 5
John Bass ... ... ... ... 2 "Thomas Hemming ... ... 6
William Shori .... .... 3 John Smith ... ... .... 7
Cljfford Skidmore... ... 4 | Robert Matthews ... ...Tenoy
Composed by H. Dans:
First peal in the method. +50 hh peal. Rung as a birtheday compliment to My. A. E. Parsons, of Old Hill, also to J. Smith and the onductor.

ELVEDEN, SUFFORK
THE SUFFOLK GOLED.
On Sunday, October 73, 7929, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,
At ter Memorial Tower of SS. Andrew and. Patrick,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR 5085 GHANGES;
Tenor 174 Cwt .
James G. C. Brown... ...Treble Eric G. Benneti .... ... 5
Raymond Grant ... ... 2 Nolan Golden ... ... ... 5
Bert W. Roper $\quad . .$. William Patl ... ... .... 4 Jamas W. Pagl ... ... ... Tehor Composed and Conducted by Nolan Golden.

* First peal of Major. Ringers of 2nd, 5th, 6th and 7tin from North Lopham, Garboldisham, Disg and Banham respectively. This composition containts the fith the extent 'wrong" and 'bome' without Znd in 6th's and is now rung for the first time.


## ESSEX ASSOGIATION.

A meeting of the Northern Division of tlue Essex Association wat lield at Gestingthorpe on Satirday, when 29 members were present, repressenting the parishes of Earls Colne, Colne Engaine, Halstead, Greenstead Green, Great Bentley, Molford, Braintree, Hedingham, Wiekham St. Paul, Little Waldingfield, Sudbury, Fulbouvn and restingthorpe. Service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. H. M. reenway), Mr. C. H. Howard (Master of the Association) reading lite lesson. Tea was provided in the sohoolroom, a collection being maxle by the Vicar, who very generously hauded tho money to the associalion.
At the business meeting which followed the District Master (Mr. A. Saunders) presided, aud one member was re-elected, viz., Mr. E. Turner, of Gestingthorpe.

It was resolved to hold the anmual district meeting at Braintree on November $9 t h$, and it was unanimously agreed, on the proposition of Mr. Howard, seconded by Mr. L. Wifen, to give the 10 s . collected at the tea to the Bell Restoration Fund,
After the meeting courses of Grandsire Caters and Triples and a nourse of Bob Major were rung on the handballs, and daring the afternooh and evening methods ranging from Plain Roh to London surprise Minor were rung on tho tower bells.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

TIRLET, GLOUGESTERSHIRE
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASEOCLATION (Whstern Branch.)
On Thursday, Octoler 3, 1929, in Three Hours. At tre Church of St. Mechael,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven diferent 720's
Tenor 12 cwt .
Charles Young ... ... ...Tyebl | Frank Lawrence ... ... 4 Acbert Hartland $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2 \quad$ Frederick Hawhes ... John Rowlatt ... .... ... 3 Cgarebs Camm ... ... ...Ting Conducted by Cgarles Camm.
Rung with the bells half-nuffled as a token of respect to the late Frederick Smith, for many years a ringer at Forthampton. it being impossible to attempt the peal thers owing to the bad "go' of the bells.

HOLT, WHTS.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GULLD.
On Thursday, Otoder 10, 1929, in Two [Jours and Forty-Two Mirntes, At ter Cgorece of St. Katarine,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIAE DOUBLES, EO40 CHANGESI Forty-two six-scores, fwelve callings.

Tenor 11 cwt.
Grorge Drbiack... ... ...Tyeble | Horace J. Blake ... ... 4 Wielian Wilkins... $\operatorname{lic}^{2}$ William C. West ... Grorgr Gunstone ... ... 3 "Ernest Wilkins ... ...Tenor Conducted by Wireiam C. West.
*First peal. Rumg as a welcome to the Ficar on his return to the parish from a health trip; also to enable the recraining members of the local band to score a peal. The rigger of the tenor was proposed a member previous to starting the peal.

> HEMINGFORD ABBOTTIS, HUNTS.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOGIATION.
On Thurstay, October 10. 1929, in Two Hows and Fijty-Two Minutes, At the Church of St. Margaret,

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

Seven clifferent extents (93 Bobs). Tenor 14 cwt.
Frank Warringion ... ...Tyeble |George Ransome ... ... 4
 Charles Robinson .... .... 3 Joze Perkins ...

Conducted by Frang Warrington.

* First altempt for a peal.

MADRESFIELD, WORCESTERSHIRE
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Western Branch.)
On Saturday, Ottober 12, 1929، in Two Heurs and Forty-Three Minates,
At the Czurce of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of London and Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Doable Oxford, College Single and Plain Bob. Tenor 14 cwt .
Robert G. Knowles... ...Treble| Sidney T'. Holt...
Frank Lawrence $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2 \quad$ Cyril Tansell
William Ranford ... ... 3 Charles Camb .... .... ................... Conducted by Sibney T. Holt.
First peal on the bells since they were rehung by Messrs. Mears and Stajnbank.

TRYSUEL, SPATFORDSHTRF.
TFE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFTORD. On Saturday, October 12.7929, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes, At the Chorch of All Sainis,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES:

 Forty-two six-scores, ten callingeTenor 11 owt.

- Harold L. Flavell ...Treble $\begin{array}{llllll}\text { Harry Boswell } & \text {... } & . . & 4\end{array}$ Alebri D. Collins... ... 2 Sidney Elton Herbert R. Pickering ... 3 Thomas W. Bate ... ...Tmor Conducted by Simney Elion
* First peal
'ODDS \& ENDS OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES'
Being meinly an explamation of the natare and working of the $Q$ eets in ordinary ringing phraseology, with one or two other matters.

Post free, 1/3, from
Rev. C. D. P. DAvies, KEMERTON, TEWKESBURY

## FIRE DESTROYS FAMOUS YORKSHIRE TOWER.

 HOWDEN BECLS CRASH DURING BLAZEDisaster has overkaken the fine old Parish Church at Eowden, East Yorkshire, fire having practically destroyed the magnificent tower, wilh its riag of eight leells, and the chancel beneath. The church is one of rreat heaty of architecture-an excellent exanople of Early English. Accorcling to historians, it was made collegiate in 1266 , and it ranks among the five or six most important churches in Yorkshire. Its noble tower, rising to a height of 135 ft ., dominated the town and countryside.
'lho fire occurred in the carly hours of Wednesday last week, being discoverad shorthy before two o'clock, as the result, it is said, of the cries af a sea lion in a menagerie in the market place, which is close to the clurch. Soon the streets were filled with people, who saw the whole of the tower enveloped in flames. Howden Fire Brigade was quickly on the scene, and help was summoned from Goole and Solby, whose brigndes arrived scon afterwands. Volumes of smoke and clouds of sparks were emitted from the top of the tower and througln the windows, and as the fire increased its hold lirid fames ahoti up and the whole district around was lighted as by a lugo torch. It was an awe-inspiring spectacle.
'rios tower is sibuated inmediately over the chancel, and onlookers could hear the beams crashing to the ground and bringing destruction into the ohurch itself.

BELIS GRASH INTO THE CHANCEL.
It was early realised by the fire brigedes that to savo tho tower from tha flames was hopeless. All that could be done was to gllow the dre to burn itelf out in the tower, and to save the remainder of


## HOWDEN GHUREH

the church. The Fowden brigade began operations on the morth side by broaking in one of the nave windows, througl which water was poured on the burning timbers as they fell from the tower to tho ground. Tho Sellyy and Goolo brigades worked from the sauth side, two stained glass windows being broken to enable tho firemen to bring their hose into play. The parish registers, duting from 1541, the communion plate, lectern aud Book of Remembrance (containing the aames of the local men who foll in the war) in the south transept wero saved, hal tho altar, with jits caudlesticks, and other ornaments torgatior with the communion rails and other furvishings in tho chancel, were demolished by tro falling beans.
Aler an honr's work the Selby and Goole brigates got into the thutel by the south entrance. The buiking was filled with smoke athd the floor was flooded with water to a alepth of seweral inches, The roof of the tower had bacome molten lead, which poured into the rhmed. Just after 4 t.m. thore was a deafening crash as the first of the bells fell inte the chancel from the steeple. One after another four more bells, including the tenor, of over 26 cwt , came erashing dows, with tho noise of exploding bonbs, and part of the east withow cll out.
The effect of the fire is that the tower is burned out to a shel] and much datinge has been dono to the masonry. There aro liuge cracks in the battlements down to the broken and burned-aut windows on the sides of the tower. Three belle liave been saved, but one in wedged precariously betwoen the steel girders forming tho cariously betwoen the steel gi
(Continued in next columa.)

## POLICE RINGERS VISIT BIRMINGHAM.

## A DAY OFF DUTY.

On Saturday a mectiug of police ringers was beld at Birminghana Arrivilg shortly after 11 a.m1, the visitors were met by Sgt. Dowding, Birminglam City Police, who piloted them to the Police Social Club, where lunch was selved. The party afterwards proceeded to King's Norton, where they were welcomed by the local ripgers.
The splendid bells were soon sef going in an atbempt for a pcal of Stedman Caters, which, unfortumately, came to grief after 2 hours 50 minutes, owing to a change course. The ringers taking part were Sgth Lawrence (Hatficld) 1, S号. Dowding (Bimmingham) 2, Deteotive Poole (Leicester) 3, P.C. Glayden (Reigave 4, P.C. Beesan (Surey) 5, P.G. Tuffery (Birminghan) 6, P.C. Digby (London) 7, Sgt. Jenny (Leicester) 8, Inspector Bottrill (London) 9, Sgt. Schleuter (London) 10. After 'stand' had been, called the culprits wente imraetiately reprimanded and cautioned.'
Narthfiek bells were open for ringing during the afternoon, wisitore and locals making use of them during the peal atthempt. Afterwards all adjourned to the Bull Hotel for toa. Sgt. Jenuy proposed a vote of thanks to the local ringers for their hearty welcome and for the arrangements made for the visitors' comfort. Mr. Webber replied, saying how sorry he was the peal liad failed, but hoped the band would come again. 'Idling and gossiping' was then carried on without interruption from "Euperior officers," till a general rush was mude for train and bus, all getting safely aboard, ab the last minute.

## A CORNISH GATHERING.

## A FEW FRIENDS MEET AT ZENNOR

The Church of St. Sewara, Zeumor, Cornwall-part of which was built during tho 12th century sud which was eularged and the tower added in the 151 h century-until about thres years ago contained three bells, one of which was lying broken in the first stage of the tower. However, in December, 1926, a restoration took place, and a new ring of six, tenor 12 ewt. in $G$, was dedicated. This was entirtly owing to the great efforts of tha then incumbent, the Rev. W. F. R. Trewhella, who raised the whole of the money for the restoration. Mr. Trewhella is now Vicar of St. Paul's, Truro, where therc is one bell weighing 12 cw t. (five mare are wanted).

On Saturday last Mr. Towhella was again able to enjay several hours' ringing ou the bells which he augmented, as were also four of the Truro Cathedral band, one from St. Agnes' and six from Gulval (including Dr. J. Symons and Miss E. Symons). From 3.1 .5 until 5 o'clock the bells wers kept going to Grandsire and Stedman Doubles and Boly Miwor. Fhose present then crassed the road to the Tinner's Aums, where they were tho guests of Mr. Trewhella for tha. A sumptueus repast was partaken of, the Cornish clotted cream from a well-known local herd of Guernsey cows soon receiving the attentiont of the ringers. Afterwards the Gulval contingent had just time for one more touch of Grandsire Doubles before departing. Those who were hincy byough to have come from Truwo by car were able to stay to bring round a quarter-peal ( 1,260 changes), the first on the bells, of Grandsire Doubles in 40 minutes, viz. : $R$. Woods 1 , R. Dibbs 2 , Rer. W. H. R. Trewhella, 3, W. H. Southeavi 4, A. S. Rolserts (conductor) 5, H. Stephens 6.

Everyons leartily thanked Mr. Trewhella for providing such f splendid tea, and the Truro ringers wero especially grateful to him For the forty mile car ride.

## CARDINAL'S VISIT TO SHEFFIELD

On the occasion of the visit to Sheffield of His Eminence Cardinal Bourne on Oetober 1st, the bells of St. Marie's R.C. Churoh werc rung. A quarter-peal of $\beta$ ob Major ( 1,280 changes) was brought round in 52 minutes: J. Tuke 1, G. Lew is (conduetory 2, W. Burgar 3, J. A. Dixon 4, W. Biggin 5, R. Harrison, sen. 6, T. E. Lee 7, R. Harrison, jun., 8. The bells were aiso rung at intervals on Wednesday, October 2nd, on the occasion of the opening of a now R.C. School on the Manof Estate.

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bell frame. The chancel floor was covered with charred woonwork, iu which were parts of the broken bells and pieces of fallen masonry. The fire is believed to have broken out in the belfry, but the canse is unknown. The amount of the damage has not yet been ascertained, but it will run into many thousands of pounds.

VIGAR'S APPEAL FOR RESTORATION
The bells were originally cast by Pack and Glapman at tho White chapel Founclry in 1775. At various times come of these hape beer recast by Messrs. Taylor and Co, of Loughbonough. The tenor was anc of them. About 20 years ago the Sth was recast by Messre Warner and Son, of London, so that very few of the original belle remained.

Writing to 'The Ringing World,' the Vicar of Howden (the Rev Arthur Waring) says: 'You will have heard of the sed disaster to our inahehless tower, which was burnt out during the night of Tues day last, October 8th, and the bells partly destroyed, only tifre remainiug. I wouder if your readers would kindly consider an apper. for help from them (if only a small sum) to assist us in restoring the damage? We should fecl deeply grateful for any soall clonation 中, help us in making good the loss we have suffered, througli tho destruction of the tower and the bella.'

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD

AN INSTRTCTIVE MID-WEEK MEETING.
In line autumal weather a meeting of the Dorchester Branch was held at Frampton on Thursday, October 3rd, a day arranged to give an opportunity to aftend a meeting to those members who cannot attend on Saturdays. It proved a happy gathering. A charabane left Dorchester at 2.15 and made for Gydling, a beautiful country village right off the beaten track and miles from the main road. Here the party wers met ly the Vicar. 孟 band of willing helpers were putting the final touches to the decorations for the harvest festival, which was to take place the same evening, and tho ringing of the fine old peal of tive was greatly appreciated, This church dates from the 14 th dentury, and has a Nornan foat and come fine gargoyles. The tower and north porch are notewartliy. The bells are a beantiful mellow peal, with tenor 191 owt. (approximately). The 3rd and 4th bear the dates 1611 and 1613 respectively, and the opinion was expressed that they would make a fine octave. Bidding tho Vicar and his lalpers adier, a move was made for Frampton. At Frampton the Vicar (the Rev. G. Wymne), the Master of the Guild (the Rev. R. H. Gundry) and the local band gave the visitors a hearty welcome. The bells were soon set going to Stedman aud Grandsire Doubles and Bob Minor until the service, whict was of a bright and cheery character, and was led by a fuli mixed choir. It was corducted by the Ficar, and the Rev. R. H. Gundry read the lesson Subsequently tea was partaken of in the Vicarage gardens.
A stort business meeting followed. In the absencte of the chairman (on holiday), the Master presided, and was attended by niembers from Bradford Peverell, Cherminster, Dorchester, Frampton, Shrotor and Wyke Regis. A welcome visitor from outside the branch was Miss N. G. Wiliams (Bath), who ligs been spending at holday in the district, and who has given valuable help to some of the towers. Regret was expressed that she was not staying longer. Another old friend present was Mr. W. Shute, who had motored from North Dorset. Several apologies for absence were received.
It was antinged to hold the annual meeting at Dorchester either in December or January.
Regret was expressed that the clairman wished to resign, and the eccetary was asked to invite him to reconsider his decision. The Master also promised to write.
Mr. Gray, on behale of the Frampton hand, asked for the services of an instructor. The Clarirman congratulated them on the step, and he sectetary promised to do his best to make arrangements for such. A short discussion took placo on the best means to be expopted,
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## AN OLD UNIVERSITY RINGER.

Wo the Editor.
Dear Sir, -I have read witls intercst the noto in your issub of Octobel 4th on "An Old Univergity Ringer." Christopher Burne, my brother-fn-law, was nuito keen on change ringing when at Oxford and could rigg any bell througb a 720 of Plain Bob Minor. But ho was oftener on the river than iu the bolfry, being captain of his college boet club and spare man for the Unjwersity Eight in 1876, and again in 187, the year' of the 'dead heat.' Somb threc ol' four years ago he presented a treble to the chureh at St. Mary Bourne Hants, to complete the ring of sis. The gentleman who was unwilling to be identified with such an insignificant performance as a 720 of Bob Minor is today a prominent member of the Central Conncil. Yours faithfully,
F. A. MILNE.

Summerhill, Barnet.

## HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A very representative galhering of ringers met at Hatfield on Saturday for the first district meeting held there sines the addition of the two new bells. The geaera] opinion of those present was that a ptery good 'splice' had been made by the boll founders. The bells were set going to Stedman Caters, and during the afternoon and evening Grandsire Caters, Bob Royal, Trehle Ten and a course of Cambridge Surprise Royal were rugg. The party adjourned at 5 p.m. for ter, which was followed by a brief business meeting and handbel ringing. It was decided to hold the next meeting at Ct. Albans, tize date to be arranged so as not to elash with other meetings.

The tower was then again visited, and the bells kept going until 8 p.bu., bringing a very enjoyable meeting to a close

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where towers liad left the Guild, with e view to getting them to rejoin. The Master and secretary promised to assist in this matter A hearty vote of thanks was proposed by the Chairman to the Vicur, nat only for taking the service, but for providing such an cxcellent ten; also to the organist nad choir, and the lndies for maiting at the tables, and to the organ blower. The Vicar replied and hoped tio Guild would come again.

Another visit was paid to the tower, and help was giren to some of the menbers to ring their first 120 . A move was next made to Bradford Peverell, and bere the fine going peal of five were rung to Stedman, Grandsire and Plein Bob, and assistance was giver to the local band. A very useful and instructive time was spent.
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The photographs should be accompanied by brief particulars of the bells, with their inscriptions and dates if possible, and any other interesting information about them.

Pictures should, for preference, be photographic postcards, and, where there is any choice, the tower should be a feature.

Obviously, of course, all the pictures cannot be published at once, the object of getting a colfection being that the photographs may be ready at hand for use when fitting opportunity occurs.

Will each tower secretary be good enough to send a photograph of his own tower? It should be forwatded in an envelope for protection, and addressed to The Editor, 'The Ringing World,' Woking, Surrey, and the sender should enclose his name and address.

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

The ancient custom of ringing the curfew hell at $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. was revived at tho old Parish Churel of St. James, Poole, Dowset, last week, and will be cantinued henceforward. The revival took place at a special service, when the bell was rung by Alderman F. S. Garter, president of the Society of Poole Men. The lesson was read by the Dayor and a sermon was preached by the Rector.
St. Martin's bells, Birmingham, will be heard on the wireless on Sunday evening, 7.50 to 8 p.m., and the Cadiedral bells (St. Philip's) on the following Sunday, also at 7.50 .
The bells of St. Marys, Birkenhead, will be rang for the first time on Mayor's Sunday, November 10th, 'after' a silence of 12 years.
The 'headquarterg' of tho Manchester handbell band have been moved from Lime Grove to Greck Street, Stockport, but it is hopent that the peal ringing will be maintained.
John Folt rang his ouly peal of Grandsire Cinques with the Union Scholars on October 20th, 1751, at St. Bride's, London. This was thee months after he had conducted, from manuscript, his famous one-part of Grandsire Triples, when it was rung for the first time In the following year Holt left the Union Scholars and joined the College Youths, with wham he rang twe peals. With the record of the last of these in tilio College Youths' peal book, Holt's name as a ringer disappears from the scene.
A peal of Bob Major, 15,120 changes, was rung at Oldiam on October 24th, 1807. The ringers could hardly have known that ir 1793 a peal of 15,360 bad been rung at $A$ ston, otherwise thoy would surely have beaten this record, which sfauts to this day as the longest length in the method.
The first peal by the Gloucestar and Bristol Diocesan Association (Grandsire Triples) was rung 50 years ago next Wednesday. It waconducted by George Wanklyn.
The first peal on the bells of St. John's, Waterloo Road, Loudon, now silent and unused, was rung on October 24th, 2825 . It was a peal of Oxford Treble Bob Major, rung by the College Youths.

The 'dead heat" befween the three teams who recently tied in the Barnsley Society's Shield ecntest was 'rung oft ${ }^{\text {s }}$ on Saturdas'. when Shelley won. Sandal were scond and Wath-on-Dearne third.

The Herts Association meeting at Flamstead has been postponeci owing to illmess.

## SALISBURY GUILD'S LOSS.

A great loss has been sustajued by the North Dorset Branch of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild in the death of Mr. Edwin Ridout, of Okeford Fitapaine, a keen ringer and noe who for very many years bardly missed attendance in flae belfry and at church.

The funeral was conducted by the Rector of Okeford Fitapaine (the Rev. F. Etheridge), assisted by the Rev. C. A. Phillips (secretary of the Wimborne Branch) aud the Rev. F. H. Phillips, sons of is former Rector. A large number of brotber ringers were among the many mourners, jucluding the Master of the Salisbury Guild (the Rev. R. F. Gundry) and the secretary of the branch. Muffled touchrs wore rung before and after service.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCII. <br> SUGGESTED ALTERATIONS TO RULES. <br> [Contributed.]

Having been responsible in some measure for raising anew the question of revising the rules governing the constitution and procedure of the Central Council, the writer accedes to the request of the editor of this journal to put forward, in concrete form, some suggested alterations of the rules which would, it is thought, incorporate the proposals made in 'The Ringing World ' of Aug. 3oth. Doubtless there will be many who will not agree with them even in principle, and many more who will disagree with them in getail, but they will, it is hoped, form a basis for discussion and thus lead eventually to a definite expression of opinion in many of the associations, first as to whether some change in the constitution of the Council is desirable; secondly, as to whether, if it is changed, it should be in the direction of strengthening the ties between the Council and the constituent bodies; and thirdly, as to the actual terms upon which future relations between them should be maintained.

Very few ringers outside the Council, in all probability, have any knowledge of the rules as they at present exist, and it is perhaps advisable, where changes are suggested, to give the rule as it now stands, side by side with the proposed atterations. By this means readers will be enabled to compare the two with a full knowledge of changes involved.

It is quite possible that those who agree in principle with the suggestions may desire to put them into different terms; if they do the opportunity now occurs to offer alternatives, so that before the next Council meeting some definite amendments to the existing rules may be put forward, if-and this is the point which should be emphasised - the associations themselves deem alterations advisable. It rests with them. The one desire on the part of the writer is to bring the associations and the Council closer togerher ; if possible, to remove what has recently been a source of friction, and to make the Council leader as well as adviser of the Exercise.

Here, then, are the suggested alkerations to the rules, for discussion. The existing rule is given first and the proposed change alongside.

Various minor alterations to other rules might have to be made if all or some of the proposed revisions were made, but that is a matter of detail.

1. That the Council be knowlu as the Centrial Council of Church Bell Ringers.
2. That the Council consist: (1) Of Representative Members. from all recognised Societios, Associations and Guilds of Church Bell Ringers (hereinafter referred to under the general term "Soaieties '), numbering not less than seventy-five members. The represcutation to be in the followong myoportion:
For a Society the number of whose menibers exceeds 75 , but does not exceed 150, one Representative; 150, but does not exceed 300, two Representatives; 300 , but does not exceed 450, three Representatives; 450, four Representatives.
Fout Representatives to be the limit of representation allowed to any one Society.

That any recognised Society, Association or Guild of Clurch Bell Ringers thereinafter referrod to under the geweral term - Socicty '), numberivg not less thau seventy-five members, shall be eligible to apply for affiliation to the Council, and, upon admission, shall subseribe to an undertaking to recognise and observe the rulings of the Council.

That the Council shall consist : (1) Of Replesentative Members, electerl annually by affiliated societies; (2) of Honorary Members, not exceeding fiteen in number, elected by the Council. No representative Member to be cligible as an Honorary Member. The voting powers of Honorary Members to be equal with those of Representative Members.
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Note.-Here and elsewhere in Ehase Rules the word "Member' slaall be triken as meaning 'Menber of Courcil.' A "Representative Member' is not necessarily a Member of tho Society whicly he repisesents.
3. That, except in the event of a vacancy, in which case the new Member shall be elected only for the unbepired period of the thtee years, the election of Representative Members shall take place triennially, before the end of the year.
4. That the Honorary Members shall, as fir as convenient, lue chosen by the Council at their frst Annual Meeting after the Triennial Election; bat that, in the event of vacancies, others may be chosen at either of the following Annual Meetings. Also that each Hozorary Member shall retire after tho third Annual Meeting from, and exchusive of, the Meeting at which he was sleoted, but be eligible for reelection; but that any Honorary Member who, during his term of office, may be elected a Representative Member, shall, ipso facto, vacate his Honorary Membership.
5. That all Societies returning Representative Members to the Council be required to contributa annually, in January, 5s., on behalf of each Representative Mensber returned, to meet the fax penses of conducting the business of the Council, and that 110 Representative Member shall bo entitled to vote at an Anrual Meeting of the Council urtil the subscription of thes Society he represents be paid.
6. That the Council meet once annually, about Whitsuntide, in some convenient centre, as agreed upon ab the previous meeting, but that the meeting following the Triennial Election be always in Lrondon
7. That at the Anutal Meeting next after each Triennjal Election $\pi$ President and Hon. Secretary be chosen to serve for threo years.
8. That the Council have power to appoint Committees for any purpose for which it may appear desirable; and also, jf the state of the funds permit, to allow the necessary oxpenses of holding (Continued
(Note-Fere and elsewhere in these fules the word "Member" shall be taken as meaning 'Member of the Cauncil.')
That affiliated Societies shall he entitled to elect representatives in the fallowing proportion:-

For a Society the number oif whose members exceeds 'i5, but does not excerd 150 , one Represcutative; 150, but does not exceed 300 , two Representatives; 300, hut does not exceed 450, three Representatives; 450, four Fuepresentatives.
Four Representatives to be the limit of representation allowed to any one Society.
For tho purposes of this Rale the basis of the calculation of menkership for territorial socicties slanild be the number of ennual subseribirg honorary and ringing members aud resident life members, the figures to be those preserted to the Society at its bast anmar meeting.
(This rule wonld be unnecessary.)

That each Honorary Member slatl be clected for tliree years, and, on retiring, shall bo eligible for re-election, provided that any Honorary Member who, during his term of office, may be elected ar Representative Member, shall, ipso facto, vacate his Fonorary Membersinp.

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## DEVON GUILD.

## BRANOH MEETING AT KINGSTEIGNTON.

A successful quarterly meeting of the Mid-Devon Braneh of the Devonshire Guild was held at Kingsteignton an Saturlay last, ringers being present from Paignton, Torquay, Cockington, Brixham, Buckfastleigh, Christow, Exeter, Sowton, Clyst St, George, Littleham, Tharverton, etc. The bells, which had been rchung and augmented to eight by Messrs. Gillett and Johustan, of Groydon, earlier in the year, were weli utilised during the afternoon. In the unavoilable absence of the Vicar of Kilysteignton, the Rev. E. S. Powell (Presi(lent of tho Guild) oflicialed at the service, und based his address on the words, 'What mean yo by this gervice?'
After tea in the Schoolroom, Mr. T. J. Laxton (chairman) presided over the business meeting which followed. He referred to the fact that since the last meeting they had lost by death two old members, Mr. C. Jrew, of Paignton, who had been connected with ringing for ahoub 70 years, and that grand old man, the Rev, Maitland Kelly, ex-president of the Guid. The meeting steod in silence as a token of respect.
For the annual branch meeting, to take place on Saturdiy, January $30 t h, 1930$, St. Miclagel's, Teignmouth, was chosen
Votes of thanks to the Yicar of Kinersteigntan for the use of the Thells, tog the Rev. F. S. Powell for taking the service, to the organist and steeplekesper were passed. A hearty vote of thanks was also accorted to the chairman, who suitably replied.

Arising ont of a discussion, it was resolved to try and arrange a combined meeting of branches in Torquay at the fatter end of November,

This concluded the business, and the visitors returned to the tower, where tonches of Grandsire Doubles and Triples, Stodman Triples and Kent 'lreble Bob Major were rung. Seweral members visited Bickington earlier in the afternoon and rang touches of Gramdsire and Stedman Doubles.

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Cummittee meetinge. Each Commitico also slall appoint a Convener and shall report annually ati or before the Meeting of the Council.
9. That any subject proposed for discussion shall be notified to the Hon. Secretary in wribing, signed by two Members of the Council, not less than two monthes previous to the Meeting, for insertion pinong the agenda.
And that the Fonorary Secretary shall also nded the names of the Proposer and Seconder of the Motion, when the same is printed in the agenda.
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## ORJECTIONS TO ANNUAL JLECTIONS.

## To the Editor.

Sir, My initial point about annual elections to the Gentral Conncil is that thele wonk lo no certathty of continuity from year to year, and for a body daing such a large proportion of its work through committecs, that fact alone would render tho proposition impracticable. Ib is true, as you, sir, rery properly point out, that a similar tisk is tokou every third Jear, but it certainly seems to med that the aleliberate introduction of this clement of chance every yrear would to rather going out of our way to ereate difficulties, and that such a chango would inevitably tend to geduco the proportion of cleotipe members an the committees. While there might not necessarily be any objection to that in itself, it. would have just the opposite effect to that of increasing the dircet interest of members of ascociations in the wark of the Couneil--Yours faithfully, F. LL. EDWARDS.

Kington Magna Rectory.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.

The annual festival of this association was held in the city of Durham on Saturday, September 28th, and, although tly attendance was not up to expectations, there was a very beppy spirit athout the gathering, which promises well for the future.

The Dean of Durham read tho lesson at the festival service in the Oathodral, and a very interesting and inspiring address was given by the Vicar of Stockton, the Rev. G. W. Frogeatt.
An cxcellent lunch followed, at the old Three Tuns Hotel, Mr. E. E. Ferry, the president, in the chair, supported by the Assistant Bishop of Newcastle (Dr. Wood), Mr. William Stary, Mr. C. L Routledge, Mr. Arthur Paine, Mr. J. W. Parker, Mr. J. F. Birc, Mr' G. S. Taylor (hon, secretary) and others.

After the loyal toast, Mr. William Story, in a happy speech, prat posed the health of the Bishops and clergy of the two droceses, Bishop Wood replying.

The secretary read Ietters of apology from the Rev. Preb, Wyine Willson, Canor Folmes, the Rev. A. Dunn and Mr. William Newton (Stockton).
Irs his anoual report, the secretary referred to the bell restoration at St. Cuthbert's, Blaydon, and said that Mr. James Oliff was training a band of young ringers there, and they were making good progress. The pro-Lent meeting had been held at Blaydon, to encourage Mr Cliff in his work, and the pre-Whitsum meeting at Whitley Bay had boen very successful, but the summer meeting at Darlington, where there were three towers available, only brought together about 15 members. Dtring the year they had sustained some severe losses amongst their members and friends, viz, the Rev. H. H. Barff, Vicar of Wylam, who died with tragic Euddenness while on the way to a. preaching engagement at Stochsfield; Mr. R. B. Wilson, one of the original members of Holy Trinity, Darjington; and their okd fricad Mr. Joseph E. Sykes, whose tragic death at Copenhagen was still fuesh in their minds. 'Joe Sykes was always a welcome vizitor in that district, and when he was last thers, fom January to Mareh, 1928, he scored ten peals, three of which he conducted. The association had also lost good supporters in the Rev. Cunon Bothamley; of St. Nicholas'. Durham, who bad resigned owing to ill-health, and the Rev. T. H. A. Morris, of St. Oswald's, Durlam, now Vicar of Hintlesham, noar Ipswich. The chief event of tho year had beer the great gathering of ringers at the North-East Coast Exhibition on July 13 th when the proprietors of the "Neweastle Ewang Chronicle" and Messre. Gillett and Johnston, the bell founders, invited the member to a demonstration on the Wellington (New Zealand) War Memorial Carillon. About 500 members and lady friends attenderl, and were deliphted with selections on the bells by Miss Nora. Johnston and change ringing by Mr. T, Groombridge, jun. An excellent tea war provided by the hosts and tho day plosed with a social gatherian and concert, arranged by Mr. C. L. Routledge, in the "Ohronicle "Hnll Nowcastle. SUNDAY SERVICE RINGING.
Eighteen recoud sheets for Sundsy service ringing had heen sent in this rear, and St. Ignatins', Suaderland, headed the list for: eight twelve hell thwers with 1,279 points, St. Peul's, Whitley Bay, beine second with 997 points. Of the six-hell towers, All Saints'. Hurwortli, gained the first certilicate with 734 points, St. Oswali's, Durhan being second with 65 pojnte. Holy Thindty, Darlington, had scorer 1,440 points, but did not wish to compete this year. Mr. Adarn Deas headed the list of peal rinpers for the year, having scored 14, Mr W. H. Barber mid Mr. John Anderson belng second with 12 eacfu and 11 members have run㘯 their first peal. The total number o peals rung during the year was 21, which was a considerable decrease on lase year
The framed certificates gained by the four towers under the Sundn ringing scheme were prcsented to the belfry representatives by Bishop Wood.
Tho officers for the wear were elected as follows: President. Mr E. E. Ferry. Neweastle: secretary, Mr. G. S. Taylor, Sunderland treagurer, Mr J. W. Parker, Sunderland; elitorial secretary, Mr C. L. Routledge. Newcastle; anditor, Mr. J. F. Bird. Neweastle vice-presidents-Northern Distrint, Mr. E. A. Kerth, North Shields Southerm District, Mr. Alfred Ccates, Darlington: Eastern District Mr. E. Burnett, West Fartlepool; Western District, Mr. W. F Pattison, Chester-le-Street; West Tyne District (secretary), Mr. K. F Taylor, Walhottle; Werinesday Guild (secretary), Mr. G. Siddle Cliester-le-Strect.

The association meptings for the vear were arranger as follows Pre-Lent, Wram-on-Tyne; pre-Whitsun, Bishop Anekland: Sumnc meeting, Hexham; qunual festival, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

After the meeting short touches were rung on the bells of 5 Nicholas' and St. Oswald's Clurches, and ati 6 o'clock about 20 mem berrs negotiafed the elmost endless steps of the Cathedral tower an. kept the bells going in Stedman Triples, Kent Treble Bot Majo and Double Oxford antil about 8 p.m.

LOUGFROROUGH.-At the Perish Church on Sunday morning October 13th, with bells half-muffled for a memorial seryice to tio Sth Leicestershire Regiment, 1,259 Stedman Caters in 52 mins : F. Stubbs 1, C. Bollard 2, D. S. Collins 3, J. Towell 4. J. Saddington T. Holman (Sheffirld) 6. J. Hutchby 7, Colin Jarrison (couductor

## ANCIENT BELLS AT WASHINGTON, SUSSEX

## A COMPROMISE ON PRESERVATION

A member of the Towers and Belfries Committee of the Central Council (Hajor J. F. B. Hosse) has done a further useful piect of work in edvising the Washington, Sussex, Ghurch anthorities with regard to the restoration of the bells, and by appearing at the Cozsistory Gourt to support the application for the faculty. The Court was held in the churcla by the Chancellor of the Diocese (Mr. Kenneth MacMorran), the application being for permission to recasi ono bell (the tenor, by Richard Eldridge, 1E08), and to add a new one to make sıx, or three to make a ring of eight.

The Chancellor lad intimated to the Vicar that he was prepared to allow the petilion, and, except so far as the recasting of the bell, he did not want to raise diffeulties over other matters. He asked if they had considered repairing the wood frame, instead of using iron.

Major J. H. B. Fosse, giving evidence, said be recommended whe use of an iron frame for the longing of the bells. The timber was in a very bad state, and, if itpaired, would only last for a few years before it would liave to come out. The iron frame would be a support for the tower and would bind all the walls together and be much better for the going of the bells.

The Chancellor said he thought it would be better if oak or teak were used, but Major Hesse poiaterl out that wood was liable to shrink. The Chancellor said he never iusisted on wood if the parishioners desired metal, but wood was, in his wiew, more seemly.
Replying to Mr. Philip Johnson (architect), upon whose advice and experience the Cliancellor saic he was able to count, Major Hesso explained the technical details of the iron frame, and said the present wood one was pretty rotten. The existing frame might go for a few years with five bells.
The Chancellor then asked about the bell it was proposed to recast and inquired why they should not have a new bell
Major Hespe said it was a question of funds, and the Viear (the Rev. A. H. S. Pattrick, remarked that the difference would be between E40 and e50. Major Hesse said the bell was extremely poor, and he thought it was cracked.
The Ohancellor said the problom was whether they thought he ought to allow this 1608 bell to disappear in order that the parish might save f50. That was a difficult question to answer.
After coesulting with Mr. Johoson, the Chanechor suggested that the founders might out out the inseription on the bell and that could be preserved it the church and the test of the metal could then be ecast.
This compronise was agreed lo by Majon Hesse, the Vicar and Sir Eustace Beecher (ohntchwarded).
The Chancellor remarked that there were certain bells he sliould not allow to be touched, but there would be an order for the faculty to be granted in terms proposed, except that the insoription on the bell specified must be cut out and rehurned to the church for preservation. He hoped the Parochial Council would accept thet.
the bells which the Chancellor said he would not allow to the touchod ato prestumably two pre-Reformation bells, probably by a Sussex founder, of the early fourteenth century, and, as such, are priceless antiquarian possessions.

## DISS RINGER MARRIED

An interesting wedding took place at St. Mary's Church, Diss, on Saturday last, when Mr. Albert G. Farricon was married to Miss Daisy Pigg. The Rector of Diss officiated at the ceremouy, which was Iully choral. The bride was given away by her father, and Mr. William Farrison actod as best man.
After the service the bells were 'fired' aud three leads of Oxford Treble Bob Major Tung. During the afternoon, while the happy couple were leaving for London, the grand-toned ring, referved to by certain of the fraternity as "the peal with feur tenous,' was seb going to Double Norwich, the local company being assisted by Messrs. Poppy (Stoke Asil) and Berry (Thorghaur Magna). Mr. Arthur Leeder, who participatod in the ringing immediately following the wedding, was uyable to take part in the peal.
The bridegroom is a much respecterl member of the local company and is well known for his ringing activities in Norfolk and Suftelk, being a'go anywhere" enthusiast, whose genial manner' and reliability has won him the esteem of all. As a member of the Norwich Diocesan Association and the Suffolk Guild, he has rung during the ast three years upwards of 50 peals ou from five to teu bells pariety of methods, including Superative Surprise.
Members of both Guilds join in wishing Mr. and Mrs. Harrison long and liappy life together

## SUFFOLK GUILD.

A quarterly meeting of the Bury St. Edmunds Districh was held on salurday, September 28th, when the following towers were repreented: Jpswich, Cambridge, Lavenham, Sudbury, Stownarket, Newnarket, Mildonhall, Elvedon, Long Melford, Sible Hedingham, Chevington and Hessett. Ringing commenced at the Norman Tower with kent Treble Bob Royal, Graedsire and Stedman Caters, followed by Cambridge, Double Norwich, Bob Major, Stedman and Grandegire friples at St. Mary's Chureh.

## LADIES' GUILD.

## SUCCESSRUL MEETLNG AT WOKINGHAM

A quarterly meeting of the Southerw District of the Ladies' Guild was held at Wokingham on Saturday. There were about 30 present, including the president of the Central Courcil (Canon G. F. Coleridge) and the Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guidd (the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn). All Saints bells weyc kept going in viarious methods till 5 o'clock, when all adjourned to the Chureh Hall and enjoyed a good tea, provided by Miss Robinson and Miss Walker. The ladies were successful, after Juuch persuasion, in getting Canon Goleridge to address the meeting. After a few words of welcome to the visitorz, he expressed pleasure at sceing sa many youthful memblers of both seyes, who, he satd, 'could teach the older hauds a good deal.' He also referred to the women filling the gaps during the wan and was thankful to notice that they were sufficiently interested to contiaue this duty to the Mother Church (applause).
Afer passing a vote of thanks to the ladies who so kindly provided tea, members were reminded of the stall in the corner where one could wako purchases, the procceds to go to the St. Laurtences Bell Find.
Mr. Charles Denyer rendered valuable help to the Wokinghan ladies in 'acting' as auctioneer (without a license!), and there te reason to believe the reanlt was very satisfactory
The men were then given permission to return to the tower whilst the ladire' business meeting was in progress. Jit was decided to hold the next meeting at Old Woking in February, 1930. Just before the service the Rev. B. Long eatered the belfry to extend a welcome to the Ladies' Guild.
St. Paul's bells were available from 7.30 and wera put to very gook use. Ringers were present from Aldershot, Binfied, Caverslian, Crowhorre, Farnlam, Guildford (Cathedral and S. Nicolias', Hawley, Hillingdon, Maidenlread, Worplesdon and looal towers.

The secretary would like, through the medium of "The.Ringing World, to thenk all who assisted to make this mecting such a suecess.

## GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GULLD

AN ADMIRAL RINGS BOB ROYAL.
A very pleasant metting of the Leablerheak District of the Guildford Diocesan Guild was heki on Saturday at Leatherhead. Origimaly the meeting had been plammed for Epsom, but the bells there were nat available on the date selected, and, by the kindness of the Rev, G. H. B. Caleridge and the band, Leatherhead was offered as an alternative. A company of just over 20 assembled nad got in some excelleni practice. Some six-bell men got touches on eight and eightbell riugers crot practice on ten, so that the afterwoon and evening were productive of good work. The usual serviee was dispensed with on aceount of the Vicar's other engagements, but Mr. Coteridge was able to join the ringers at their meeting, which followed toa in line Institute, and over which the District Ringirg haster (Mr. A. Harman) presided.
Admiral T. P. Walker proposed a vote of thanks to the Ficar for the use of the bells, and oypressed appreciation of the help given int connection with tho meting by the Leatherhead band, and particularly by Mr. Arthur Dean.-Mr. Alan Pink (distivet secretary) seconded, and the Vicar, in :eplying, said tho Guild were always welcome at Leatherhead
The littlo business that there was to be done was quidely tramsaeted, and the ringers returned to the tower, where there was uninterrupted practice for nearly thrce hours. Among the methods rumg wero Boh Major and Royal, Grandsiro and Stedman Cators, Treble Bob and Cambridgo Surprise Royal, Double Norwich Major, Superlative, Caulbridge, London and Bristol Surprise Major, not the least interestiog performanee being that Admiral Walker rang his first courses of Bob Royal on an inside bell.
The visitors pitesent during the day included the Surrey veteran, Mr. Derid Wright, of St. Peter's, Croydon, Messrs. J. lBennett and A. W. Coles (London), and ringers from Cobhra, Epsoni, Fwelh: Leatherhead, Dorking, Newdigate, Chertsey, Guildford (S. Nisolas') and Woking. Only five had notified thair intention of lefing presenf, but 22 sat down to the substantial meat tea. Fither the caterel has been let into the secret of producing the proverbial 'rabbit' from the appartently empty hat, or else he has had previous cxperience of the ringers' customary failing. Anyhow, there was no lack of fare at the tea table.

## RINGERS' HELP FOR READING BELLS.

On Saturdap, October 5th, the Bradfeld Deanery Hranch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild annual meeting was held at Pangbourne.
After the rontine busimess had been setiled, the Chairman (the Rev. H. C. Wilder, R.D.) called the alteation of those present to the big scheme at St. Laurence's, Reacling, and suggested that ms the branch was a Berks Connty hranch, a generons grant should he made from the braneh funds. The sum of $£ 55 \mathrm{~s}$. was thereupors voted, the towers in the branch also promising to contribut
Good use was mado of tho fine Iittle peal of six (by Rudially. Grandsire, Stedmay, Plain Bols and Cambridge Surprise being successfully brought round.

## HARVEST FESTIVAL RINGING.

SALuFURST, SUSSEX.-At St. Mary's on Sunday, October $13 \mathrm{H}_{13}$, for liarwest festival evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) in 46 mins.: J. Goodseli 1, T. Booth 2, W. Hond (tomlutor) 3, F. Margan 4, (1. King 5, G. Mills 6, D, Hoad 7, A. Hoid 8. After evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 45 mins.: F. Morgan 1, T. Hoad 2, G. King 3, W. Hoad 4, E. Mills 5, G. Mills (combuctor) G, 「!. Booth 7, A. Hoad 8.
HULKINGTON.-At St. Tames Church, on Ocfober 13th, in 25 mins. 720 Bob Minor, on the occasion of the harvest festival: J. Wavden 1, I.. F. Ashley 2, A. J. Hinde (conductor) 3, A. Meek 4, H. F. Perking 5, C. Neale 6.

CFATLAAM-At St. Mary's Churel [or harwest festival on Sunday, Octaber 13th, for cenening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1,260 ohanges) is 48 mins. : F. Springate 1 , J. Kidd 2, H. Hogarth 3, F. Belsey 4, s. Shelloch (conductor) 5, W. Beaumont 6, C. Norris 7, G. Lnwience 8 .

CHILVERS COTON, WARWICKSHIRI.-At the Church of All Suints on Sunday, October 13th, for harvest festival evening servioe, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: W. Carter 1, A. Haswell 2, A. H Benmish (eonductor) 3, J. Draycott 4, Miss D. E. Lewis 5, H. Harris $6_{1}$ J. E. Moreton 7, J. Giblons B. Longest length for 1 st and 2nd. pirst quarter in method 'inside' for 6th.
STOCKPOR'I'-On Sunday, October 13th, at the Church of Sit. Georgo (Heaviley), for the hatwest festival eveniug service, 1,239 Stedman Caters: O. E. Tompkinson 1, E. Goddavd 2, W. Jackson 3, H. Meakin 4, 12. Twigg 5, H. Ashton 6, H. Jackson 7, A. F. Bailey (conductor') 8, 3 Laflia 9, T. Beavor 10.
NEWPGRT', ISLE OF WTGHT.-At tho Parish Churoh on Octoher 13 hh (harvest festival), for Matins, a quartor-peal of Grandsire Triples in 50 mins.: W. Scott 1, W. Chambers 2, C. Taylor (Carisbrooke) 3, W. Scott, juth, A, A. D. Callaway 5, S. Moody 6, W. Upton (conductory 7, W. H. G. Scott 8. For eveusong, a quarter-poal of Stedman Triples in 51 nins. H. Barton (conductor') 1, W. Scott 2, W. Scott, jun., 3, 1[. A. Phillips 4, A. D. Callaway 5, s. Moody 6, W. Upton 7, W. H. G. scott 8 .

WHEN DERBY, LIVERPOOL-On Sunday morning Octaber 13th, at St. Janes Chureli, a quartor peal of Bob Minor (1,260 changes) in 44 mins. : B. Holmes 1, W. Hargreaves 2, J. Brown 3, R. Harvey 4, A. Hancock 5, H. Haucock (conductor) 6. Rung for harvest festival. first yuarterepeal by all except ringers of 2ad and 3rcl, nud first quarter-peal by a local band at this charch. An attenpt for th secumd guarter-pcal of three methods in the evening unfortuoately eame to gricf at the end of 720 Kent Preble Bob after 25 minutes.
SOUl'HLLL, BEDS. At All Saints' Church, on October Bth, for evening service on the occssion of the harvest festival, \& quarter-peal of Doubles in 45 mins. ( 780 Grandsire, 480 Plain Bob): Canon W. C. Haker I, A. Jratt (conductor) 2, W. Mayes $\bar{J}$, H. Sherman 4, H. Slater 5, A. Funt (Cist quarter-pleal) 6.
NJWH'URY, BERKS.-At St. Nicholas' Church on Sulday, Ochober Sth for the harvest festival after the evening service, a quarter-peal of Guadsiro Triples ( 1,260 changes) in 50 mins: H. T. E. Curtis (first guarter-pat) 1, S. Quintin 2, C. Pearce 3, L, Bating 4, E. W. Smitls 5, E. Crocker 6, H. W. Gurtis (conductor) 7, C. Osgoorl B. Also rung as an birthday compliment to E. W. Svith and C. Poole.

ALIDRRMASTON, JERESS.-On Ootober 6th, for harvest thanksgiving, before the evening service, 504 Grandsire Triples: W. Clark 1, L. Holleway ?, W. Ballard 3, W. Ford 4, R. Frankum 5, H. Punter G, G. Patwons (onductor) 7, J. lrankum 8. Also after the servide a quarter-peal of Granclire Triples in 45 mins.: J. Frankum 1, H. Punter 2, W. Ballard 3, W. Ford 4, R. Frankum 5, E. Holloway 6, (6. P'arsang (conductor) 7, \$. 11lman 8.

KENSINGTON.-At St. Mary Abbot's Ghurch, on Thursday, October 3 3d, for harvest thanksgiving, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters ( 1,460 changes) : A. Cutmore $1, \mathrm{H}$. G. Miles (eonductor) $2, \mathrm{~F}$. V. Sinkins 3 , H. Dyas 4, C. F. Winney 5, E. E. Welham 6, E. R. Mackrill 7, E. G. Garmad 8, W. E. Judd 9, Gapt. C. Warmer 10.

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## NOTICES.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (established 1637).-Meetings for practice will be held at *St. Paul's Cathedral on Oct. 29th and St Magnus' on the $24^{\text {th }}$; both at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting after wards.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W. 4.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIDCESAN GUILD.-Southern Dis-trict.-Next meeting, St. Leonard's, Streatham, Saturday, October 19th. Ringing from 3 o'clock. Service, tea and meeting, 5 o'clock to 6.30 . A postcard? thanks. - J. Herbert, Hon. Dis. Sec., I7, Grimston Rd., S.W. 6.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION AND ELY DIOCESAN GUILD.-A joint meeting will be held at Saffron Walden on Saturday, October igth. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m:. Tea at 5.15 p.m. Those requiring tea kindly advise us.-C. Beeston, 5, King Street, Bishop's Stortford; F. Warrington, Long Stanton, Cambs.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester Branch. The next meeting will be heid at Stretford on Saturday, October igth. Bells ready 3.30. Meeting 7 o'clock, important business. A good attendance is requested.- J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting, Manchester.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District. - A meeting will be held at Eaton Socon on Saturday, October igth. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m Tea at 5. All ringers welcome-C. J. Ball, Dis. Sec., 2, Tempsford Road, Sandy, Beds.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-A joint meeting of the Southern Division of the Yorkshire Association and the Doncaster and District Society will be held at Arksey, near Doncaster, on Saturday, October igth. Bells (8) available early. Short service at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at 5.30 in Church Hall at $1 / 6$ each. Will members please try and pay outstanding subscriptions previous to or at this meeting, so that books can be made up?-F. Clark, Hon. Sec., Southern Div., Yorkshire Association; P. Gledtone, Hon. Sec., Doncaster and District Society.

BATH \& WELLS ASSOCIATION-Cary Deanery. A quarterly meeting will be held at North Cadbury on October 19th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea at the Catash Inn 5 p.m., meeting to follow.-E. F. Creed, 6, West Park, Castle Cary.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Fylde and Preston Branches.-A joint meeting of the two branches will be held at St. Annes-on-Sea on Saturday, October 1 gth Bells ready 3 p.m.-C. Sharples, Fylde Branch Sec., F Rigby, Preston Branch Sec.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Wellingborough Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Earls Barton on Saturday, October 19th. Bells available at 2.30. Service at 4.30 . Tea and business meeting to follow.-F. Barber, Branch Sec., School House, Gordon Road, Wellingborough

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.--There will be a quar terly meeting at Coleshill, near Birmingham, on Saturday October igth. Tea will be provided at a moderatecharge -D. E. Lewis, Gen. Hon. Sec., Firholm, King Edward Road, Nuneaton

OXFORD DIOCESAN GULLD.-Sonning Deanery Branch. - Combined practice at' Sandhurst, Saturday October 19th, from 6 to 9 p.m. All welcome.-W. Paice, Branch Sec.

BATH \& WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Frome and Midsomer Norton Deanery Branch. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Timsbury on October Igth. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4. Tea and business meeting, 5, in Church Room.-R. T. Clark, Hon. Sec., Timsbury, Bath.

HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Western Dis-trict.-Meeting at Flamstead on Saturday, October igth, postponed.-W. Ayre, Leverstock Green.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. - Elloe Deaneries Branch.-The quarterly meeting of the above will be held at Bicker on Saturday, October $19 t h$. Bells available from 12.30 p.m. Service 3.30 . Tea 4. 5 . Business meeting afterwards.-George Ladd, Hon. Sec., Pinchbeck, Spalding.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Luton District. - A meeting will be held at Toddington on Saturday, Oct. 19th. The bells (8) will be available from 3 p.m.-A. E. Sharman, Hon. Sec., 199, High Street N., Duustable.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bolton Branch. The next meeting will be beld at St. George's, Bolton, on Saturday, October igth. Bells available 3 p.m. Meeting 7-Business : Yearly list of meetings. - Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., 203, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Peak Dis-trict.- The next meeting will be held at Darley Dale on Saturday, October 19th. Church of St. Helen (8 bells) available afternoon and evening. Tea and meeting will be arranged. - J. E. Lewis Cockey, Hon. Dis. Sec., Leamwood, Dore.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Winchester District.-A district meeting will be held at Hursley on Saturday, October igth. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 5. All ringers welcome.-C. A. Smith, Hon. Sec., King's Somborne, Winchester, Hants.

SALISBURY. - St. Martin's Church. - The peal of 8 bells which are being overhauled and rehung on ball bearings by Messrs. Gillett \& Johnston will be reopened on Saturday, October 19th. Service at 6 p.m. The bells will be available for ringing during the rest of the evening. All ringers welcome, - F, W. Romaine, 4I, Green Croft Street, Salisbury.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Ross District. -The autumn meeting of the above branch will take place at Weston-under-Penyard on Saturday, Oct. igth. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea kindly given by the Rector. Buses, frequent, pass the church. -John Clark, Fern Lea, Chase Road, Ross.

KISLINGBURY, NORTHANTS.-The peal of five, rehung with new fittings in new frame by Messrs. Gillett \& Jobnston, will be re-dedicated by the Bishop of Peterborough on Sunday, October 20th, at 3 p.m. Bells available during the evening. Tea (IS, per head), after the service.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Central Division. - A meeting will be held at Henfield on Wednesday, October 23rd. Tower open 2.30. Tea and meeting 4.30, in Parish Room, by kind invitation. Service 6. Those intending to be present should notify the undersigned not later than Friday, October 18th.-A. D. Stone, 16, Belgrave Street, Brighton.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Rochester Dis-trict.-The annual meeting of this district will be held at Rochester on Saturday, October 26th. Tower opened at

3 p.m. followed by service at Cathedral at 4 p.m. After service a tea, supplied by the Association, will be served in the Temperance Cafe, Rochester Bridge. The business meeting will take place after tea, at which the officers for the ensuing year will be elected. Members intendiag to be present must please notify the Dis. Sec. not later than Tuesday, October 22nd.-Stanley J. T. Shellock, I62, Barnsole Rd., Gillingham.

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.-A ringing meeting will be beld at Cowden on Saturday, October 26th. Tower open 3 p.m. Tea will be provided for those who notify me not later than Wednesday, Oct. 23rd. All zingers welcome-G. Lambert, Drummond Hay, East Grinstead.

LADIES' GUILD.-Lincoln Branch. -A meeting will be held at Stow on Saturday, October 26th. Bells (6) available from $2 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service at 4.15. Tea 5. Those requiring tea please notify me not later than Wednesday, October 23rd. Gentlemen cordially invited.-Mrs. R. Richardson, Hon. Sec, Glyn Garth, Surfleet, Spalding.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-Southern District. - A meeting will be held at Kingswood on Saturday, October 26th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 5. Tea and business to follow. Those requiring tea please notify me not later than Tuesday, October 22nd. All ringers wel-come.-A. J. Bull, Hon. Sec., Jesmond, Queen's Road, Horley.

LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - The next meeting will be held at Llantrisant (Glam.) on Saturday, October z6th. Bells (8) available. Service at $4 \cdot 30$. Tea and business meeting to follow.-John W. Jones, Hon. Sec., Cartref, Barrack Ra., Newport, Mon.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Lewisham Dis-trict.-The annual district meeting will be held at St. George's, Beckenham, on Saturday, October 26th. Bells available at 3 p.m, Service at 5. Tea and business meeting to follow. Tea, at the kind invitation of the Vicar, will be reserved only for those who notify me by Monday, October 2 Ist, not later.-A. G. Hill, Hon. Dis. Sec., 53, Hengist Road. Erith, Kent.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-The rext meeting of the Southern District will be held at Darlington on Saturday, October 26 th. The bells of St. Cuthbert's (8) and St. John's (8) available during afternoon and evening. Tea at 5 p.m, Hunter's Cafe. Ringers requiring tea please notify me by 2fth inst. The proposed joint meeting at West Hartlepool with Eastern District cannot be arranged.-I. Titt, Hon. Dis. Sec., 7r, Surtees Street. Darlington.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Cirencester Branch.-A meeting will held at Maiseyhampton on Saturday, October 26th (dedication of the bells). Service 2.30. Tea 5 o'clock. Will those requiring tea please let me know by Tuerday, 2and? Ail ringers welcome.-F. J. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., 67, Chester Street, Cirencester.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-A joint meeting of the Eastern and Western Districts will be held at Sunderland, Saturday, October 26th. Meet at Bishopwearmouth Church, 2.30. Bells of the three churches available. Tea at St. Ignatius' Institute 5 p.m. Please inform Mr. G. S. Taylor, ${ }^{\text {I }} 49$, St. Leonard Street,.Sunderland, by October 24th.-F. Robson, H. Tyson, Joint Dis. Secs.

MAISEY HAMPTON, GLOS.-Dedication of the peal of 6 (treble recast and all rehung in new frame with new fittings dy Messrs. Gillett \& Johnston) will take place on Saturday, Oct. 26th, at $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All ringers welcome.

BATH \& WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Taunton Deanery Branch.-A meeting will be held at Bradford-on-Tone, on Saturday, October 26th. Bells at 3 p.m. Service at 5 . Tea and meeting after. Anyone requiring tea must please notify me by the previous Tuesday.-P. Merson, Local Sec., Bishop's Hull,
BATH \& WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. Axbridge Deanery. -The quarterly meeting will be held at Uphill, on Saturday, Oct. 26th. Bells (6) open at 2.30. Service 4.30 , followed by tea, and business meeting at 5 p.m. All ringers welcome. R.S.V.P. to L. G. Tanner, Branch Sec., 5I, Locking Road, Weston-super-Mare,

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.--Portsmouth District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Gosport, on Saturday, October 26th. Bells (8) available $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea in Parish Hall at 5.15 , followed by meeting. Will those requiring tea kindly inform me by Wed., 23 rd? All ringers weicome. F. W. Rogers, Hon. Sec., 52 , Samuel Rd., Porstmouth.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. - Thrapston Branch. - A quarterly meeting will be held at Brigstock, on Saturday, October 26th. Service 4.30. Tea at the Vicarage, 5 o'clock. Business meeting to follow. Those requiring tea sbould advise me by Tuesday, Oct. 22nd.-J. Nickerson, Branch Sec., Halford St., Thrapsion.

BATH \& WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Chew Deanery Branch.-The next quarterly meeting will be beld at Yatton, on Saturday, October 26th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Divine Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea at 5 o'clock with business meeting to follow.-Percy G. Yeo, Hon. Local Sec., Long Ashton.

SUFFOLK GUILD.-Debenbam district.-A meeting will be held on Saturday, Oct. 26th, embracing the three "Stonhams," viz : Earl Stonharn (5), Stonbam Parva (5), Stonham Aspal (ro). Bells available $30^{\prime}$ clock. Tea at Brewers' Arms, Stonham Parva, $50^{\prime}$ clock, to be followed by business meeting. It is proposed to ring at Stonham Parva first; reason for this will become apparent when business comes on. Please help by attending. Names for tea (il- each) by Thursday, Oct. 24 th, to W. C. Rumsey, Debenham, Stowmarket.

NOTTINGHAM SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS (Est. 1672).-A meeting of the above will be held at Nuthall, on Saturday, Oct. 26th. Tower open 5 p.m. All ringers welcome -F. Blood, Hon. Sec.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
Guilsborough Branch.-A meeting will be held at Husbands Bosworth, on Oct. 26th. Usual arrangements.R. Adams, East Haddon, Northampton.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION. Bristol Branch. - The next meeting will be held at St. Matthew's, on Saturday, Oct. 26th. Bells available from 3 p .m. Service +3 . Tea $50^{\prime}$ clock. Kindly notify me hy 2 and those intending to be present. - Harry Bennett, Hon. Sec., Highfield, Runswick Road. Brislington.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch.-The next monthly practice has been arranged at Warfield, on'Saturday, October 26th, at $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{ma}$. Guild service 5 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m. for those who notify me not later than Oct. 23rd.-A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Southern Branch. The next quarterly meeting will be held at Stamford, on Saturday, Oct. 26th. Beils (6) of All Saints' and St. Martin's Churches will be available during the afternoon and evening. Service at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. at All Saints', followed by tea and business meeting at Barton's Cafe, St. Mary's Street. It is hoped we may have a good attendance. All ringers welcome. Those requiring tea please notify me not later than Wednesday, Oct. 23rd.-C. T. H. Bradley, Hon, Sec., Folkingaam, Lincs.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. - Northampton Branch. - A quarterly meeting wilk be held at Milton, on Saturday, October 26th. Bells (5) 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea 5 o'clock. Will all who require tea please notify me not later than Tuesday, October zand?T. Tebbutt, West Street, Moulton, Northampton.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Eastern Branch. The quarterley meeting of the above will be held at Frampton, on Saturday, October 26th. Bells (6) available from 2 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea 4.45 p.m. Business meeting afterwards. Will those intending to be present kindly advise me by Tuesday, October and?-John Phillips, The School House, Butterwick, Nr. Boston.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-A special meeting will be held at Ows'ebury, by invitation of the Vicar, on Saturday, October 26th. Bells (6) from 2.30, service at 4. Tea at 4.30. Names for tea by October 24th. All welcome.-G. Pullinger, $\mathrm{I}_{7}$, Stoke Park Roaa, Bishopstoke, Eastley.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at Idie, Bradford, on Saturday, Oct. 26!h. Bells available from 3 p.m. Usual arrangements. -H. Lofthouse, Hon. Sec., 8, Wortley Road, Armley.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GULLD. - Marlborough Branch.- The next monthly meeting of the branch will be held at Collingbourne Kingston, on Saturday, Oct. 26th. Tea at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Any ringers who require tea provided, kindly notify the Secretary before October 23 rd.-Cyril Hussey, Hon, Sec, East Leaze, Baydon. Marlborough.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCiATION.-Ashford District. -A meeting will be held at Lydd on Saturday, Nov. 2nd, by kind permission of the Rev. Canon P. H. Collins. Bells available from 2.30 . All ringe1s welcome.-A. C. Kay, Dis. Sec., 6, Sturges Road, Askford.

A JOINT MEETING of the Middiesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild (South and West District) and London County Association and Nortb Southwark Diocesan Guild (South District) will be held at St. Mary's, Ealing, on Saturday, November 2nd, Ringing from 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m. Those requiring tea, please notify, by October $29 t h$, Mr. J. H. Hunnisett, 56 , Altenburg Avenue, West Ealing. W. H. Hollier and J. Herbert, Hon. Secs.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Lougin. borough District.-The next meeting will be held at Diseworth on Saturday, November 2nd. Bells (6) ready at $3.30-$ D. S. Collins, Hon. Dis. Sec.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Farnham Dis trict.-The next meeting will be held at Seale on Saturday, November 2nd. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 followed by tea and business meeting in Jubilee Room. Nominations for district officers for ensuing year must be handed in at this meeting. Those requiring tea please notify by Tuesday, October 29th.-C. W. Denyer, Hon. Sec., 20, Ash Road, Aldershot.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-Nortb and East District.Next meeting at St. Olave's, Hart Street, City, on Saturday, November 2nd. Belis from 3 p.m. Service at 5 (Preacher, Rev. T. Wellard, B.D.). Tea at Lyons', 5.30 p.m. All members and friends weicomed.-C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 2I, Viacent Road, E. 4.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (established $\mathbf{I 6} 37$ ). -The 292nd anniversary dinner will be held at the Bridge House Hotel, London Bridge, where there is ample accommodation, on Saturday, Nov. gth, at 6.30 p.m. Tickets, 7 s . each, may be obtained until Nov. 5ti from Messrs. C. J. F. Bayley, J. Bullock, C. S. Burden, C. J. Chooet, P. E. Clark, T. Faulkner, E. G. Fenn, T. Groombridge, J. S. Hawkins, R. T. Hibbert, C. H. Horton, A. A. Hughes, H. Langdon, A. R. Macdonald, H. R. Newton, A. B. Peck, E. F. Pike, G. N. Price, W. Prime, W. Roughton, J. W. Rowbotham, W. Rusbton, E. F. Sampson, A. Walker, C. F. Winney, E. A. Young or W. T. Cockerill, Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4. Towers open: Southwark Cathedral, 1.30 to 2.50 , followed by a musical service; St. Magnus', I. 30 to 2.50 , followed by a lecture on the history of the church, by the Rector; St. Andrew's, Holborn, and St. Olave's, Hart Street, 2.30 to 4.30. Service at St. Michael's, College Hill, at 5 o'clock. Sermon by the Rev. Cyril W.O. Jenkyn.

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Conditions, however, have vastly changed since the days when such rules were first thought desirable. The belfries are now recognised as a part of the Church and are treated as such; the ringers are co-workers io the Church and men of high repute. Ringing competitions in these days are of a different character and, where they are promoted among change ringers, it is entirely with a view to improving the ability of the ringers themselves, and so raising the standard of the service which they nender to the Church. Several competitions take place each year in different paris of the country on these lines and wherever they are held the clergy are to be found supporting them. The Barnsiey and District Society have recently completed one of the closest contests in the history of ringing, for on the first occasion three teams tied on points, and comparatively few faults separated the first and second teams when they tried for the second time to settle the destination of the shield. At the Church where the tie was 'rung off,' the incumbent not only welcomed the contestants, but eulogised the good which such competitions did by improving the skill of the ringers in their craft. And, looked at from this point of view, with all the old evils associated with prize ringing eradicated, who shall say that these contests do any harm (Continued on prge 674.)

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or degrade the belfry or the calling of the ringer? Everything depends upon the spizit in which the ringing is undertaken and, given the right spirit, we can see notning more objectionable in this than in a choir contest.

## TWELVE Bell PEAL.

WOLVERHAMPTON.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Saturday. October 19, 1929, in Three Howrs and Forty-Eight Minktes, At the Collegiate Cherch of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CINQUES, 5081 CHANGES;
Gzorge A. Bakpr Tenor 33 cwt
Hergin A. Batra ... ...Treble John C. Adams ... ... ... 7
Herbert Knight ... ... 2 *Francis Brotirrton ... 8
Wileiam A. Cooper... ... 3 Edward F. ivitcheic. ... 9 John Perry .... ... ... 4 William H. Laweey ... 10 Christopher Wallater... 5 Walter Farley ... ... it Robert Pickering ... ... 6 .Harby Boswell ... ...Tenor Composed hy Ariagr Knighis. Conducted by R. Pickering. * First peaj of Girandsive Cinques. Rung with the bells half muffled as a tribute of respect to the late chief constable of Wolverhampton (Mr. David Welsster), who was interred at Wolverbamptor Cemetery on this date. First peal as conductor on twelve.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

STROUD, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOGESAN ASSOCIATLON. On Saturday, October 12. 1929. in Thyee Hours and Seven Mınutes, At the Church of St. Lawrenge,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 6039 CHANGES;
Frank Simmonds... ... ...Treble Frank Poniling ... ... ... 6 Frank Cole ... ... ... ... 2 Lescie Barry ... ... ... 7
Hobert Scrivens ... ... 3 Thohas Witts ... ... .... 8
Albert Wright ......
Travers Pritchard ... ... 5 Tom Price ... ... ... ...T Thor
Composed by Jobn Carter. Conducted by Albert Wrishu.
Rung as a birthday peal for the ringers of the 3rd and 7uh.
WALSALL, STAFEORDSHIRE.
THE SOCDTY FOR THE ARGHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.
On Monday, Oclobey 14, 1929, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minuies,
Ay the Churgh of St. Matthew,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, EOGS CHANGES; Tenor 26 cwt . 8 lb . in D .
Christopher Hick ... ...Tveble "Arthor T. Dutton .. ... E
Jobn C. Adams ... ... ... 2 Whiter R. Heghes... ... 7
Sidney Elton ......
Alfred Adams ... $. . . \quad . . .4 \left\lvert\, \begin{array}{ll}4 & \text { Thomas J. Elton ... ... } 9\end{array}\right.$
Edgar T. Smith.......... 5 "William Walker .... ...Tenor
Composed by Frank $\mathbf{W}$. Perens. Conducted by Thomas J. Elton

* First peal. First peal on tho bells since they were recast by Taylar and Co. All the above are regular service ringors at this chutel.

BEDDINGTON, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCLATION
On Wednesday, October 16, 1929, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes. At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL DF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, $\operatorname{GODODHANEES;}$ Tenor $18 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$ in E flat.
 Charles H. Kippin... ... 2 Frederick W. Housden ... 7 Nordan Elliott ... ... 3 | Walter Claydon ... ... 8 †Kenneta Snglifng..... .4 Alfred J. Bull... $4 . .$.

Composed by Henry Halry. Conducted by Ceas. H, Kippi*.

* First ten-bell peal. $\dagger$ First peal of Treble Ten.


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## LONDON:

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS
On Saturduy, Uctober 19, 1929, in Three Hours and Tuenty Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Magnus, Takmes Sireet,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor 20 cwt .
Horace Beicher ... ...Ireble William R. Madgwick ... 6 - Georgr B. Cole ... ... 2 Sharees W. Roberts ... 7 Charles H. Ifippen... ... 3 Dakiel Cooper ... ... ... 8 Edwin F. Pike ... $\quad$.. Wilelam H. Hewett ... 5 Richard F. Deal ... ... 「emoy Composed by C. W. Roberis. Corducted by W. H. Heweit.

* First ypal on ten bells. A birthday peal for the tenor man, and a farewell peal to Mr. Madgwick, who is leaving for Huddersfield.

BROMSEROVE, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE wORCESTERSHIRE AND DIEITRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Northbra Branch.)
On Salurday. Octaber 19, 1929, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minates, At ihe Cherch of St. John-thb-Baptist,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES; Tenor 18 cwt.
Tbomas Hemming ... ...Treble ; Gordon W. Checkizis ... 6
Harry Price ... ... ... 2 Harold F. Marin ......
James Hzmming ......
Clifford Seidmore ... ... 4 Robert Maztbews ......
Willam Short ... ... ... 5 tGeorfrey J. Hemming ...Temor
Composed by Yori Greem. Conducted by R. Matthews.

* First peal of Treble Bob. + First of Treble Bob Royal on tower bells. This was the 450th peal by the conductor, who has now rung each bell in this tower to a peal.


## EENSTMGTON

THE ANGIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Saturday, October 19, 1929, in Thye Howrs and Twenty-Four Minutes, At the Chdrce of St. Mary Abbots,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5019 CHANGES;

## Tenor 32 cwt .

Arther Cotmore ... ...Treble Alexander Waddington ... 6
Henry G. Miles... ... ... 2 E. Ralph Mackrill ... ... 7
Albert V. Selby ... ... 3 William E. Jddd ... ... 8
Challis F. Winagy ... ... 4 John T. Kentish ... ... 9
Robzri A. fardon ... ... 5 Harry Folkard ... ... .... ${ }^{\text {... }}$ Tengy
Composed by Grorgr R. Fardon. Conducted by Henry G. Miles
Rung to welcome the Viear, the Rev. Canon Edwin Brook-Jackson, to the Vicarage of St. Mary Abbots, Kensingion. The collation and induction took place on Monday, October 14th.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Ottober 12. 1929, in Two Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,

## At xhe Bell Founday Campanile,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, $\operatorname{bo40}$ CHANGES;

Heywood's Transposition of Thurstans' Four-parts.

Jobn Holman...$\quad$... ...Tybbif $\mid$ L. William Jacgoes... ... 5 Ernest Morris ... hlerid Ballard $\quad .$. James S. Hotchby.... Conducted by Redyers F. Eikingion.

TIPTON, STAFFS
THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.
On Sutarday, October 12. 1929, in Thee Hours and Six Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Martin,

- PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANEES;

Benjamin Goggh ... ...Trebie Abraham Greenfield ... 5
Alfred Rowley $\quad . .$.
Samorl J. Hoghes ... ... 3 William A. Cooper ...
 Composed by Fredertek Dench. Conducted by Alfreg Rowley

NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GULD. On Tuesday, October 15, 1929, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

At tye Chdrch of St. Nicolas.
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAdOR, 5088 CHANGESI Tenor $9 \mathrm{cwt}, 26 \mathrm{lb}$.
John W. Faithfole ...
...T Tebic Charlas J. Fray ... ... 5
Frederick G. Cole ......$z^{2}$-john R. Rodwhll ......
William G. Edwards ... 3 George Willians ... ... 7 Canon G. H. Ridolit... ... 4 Owen H. Giles... ... ...Tenor Composed by H. Dains. Conducied by Ggorge Williams.

* First peal of Major. This peal was arranged for Canon G. H. Ridout, of Johannesburg. It was his first peal of Major on lower bells. Rung on the ammiversary of the couductor's wedding, which took place on October 15th, 1881.

BISHOP'S STORTFORD, HERTS.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday. October 16, 1929, in 7 hree Honss and One Minute,
At the Chureh of St. Michage,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 50AO CHANGES; Holt's Ten-part.
-Rbginald Hayden ... ...Tyeble $\mid$ †Harry M. White ... ... 5

$\dagger$ Fredericx Springham
IRev. Frant W. Lane ... 4 "Henry A. Wacey ... ....Temar Conducted by Fremerich Bird

* First peal. $\dagger$ First peal of Grandsire Triples. $\ddagger$ First peai away from the treble. First peal on the bells gince thicy were rehung and retuned in August, 1928. This is the first peal on the hells by a local band since 1884. Also rung as a compliment to Wr. Philip Springham, this being lis 24th year as stceplckeeper

MANGOTSFIELD, GLOUCESTERSHIRTE.
GLOUCESTER AND BRIBTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, October 16, 1929, in Tato Houps and Fifiy Mintes,
At the Cherch of St. James.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, beat Changes;
Groves' Transposition df Parker's Twelve-part. Tenar 10 cmt .
Ernest Parlmer ... ...Trable Thomas James -1
Artiut Prince ... ... ... $\quad$ z William Hewitt
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { 'Tbomas Marsh ... } & \text {... } & \text {... } & 3\end{array}$
John W. Jgfferies ... ... 4 -Henry Marse Conducted by John G. Jefferies.

* First peal. The tenor ringer (a Guardsman) was home on leave. Rung an a welcome to the Rev. St. Albans Wells, who was inducted at this church on October 1st.

EGKINGTON, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATTON.
(Suefrield District Society.)
On Saturday, October 19, 1929, in Thyee Fokys and Thirteen Minutes.
Ay the Ceurch of SS. Peter and Padl,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor $15 \frac{1}{3} \mathrm{cw}$.

Artaur Knights $\quad .$. ...Treble Pergey J. Jervis

- Miss K. Berchnall... ... 2 William T. Palmer ... ... 5
- Miss Grace Borchnall ...

Herbert Haiga
Composed by Arthur Knighis.
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { William Biggin.... ... } & \ldots \\ \text { A. Percival Knights } \\ 7\end{array}$
Conducted by A. P. Knights.

* First peal of Oxford, and first atempt.

GRESFORD, DFARIGHSHIEE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, October 19. 1920, in Thee Hours atd Fotatcen Minates,

## At the Parish Church.

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Parker's Twelve.fart.
Tenor 25 cwt .

John E. Randles …...
Iames Aldman ... ... ... 4 Arthor Tiliton... ... ...Tenop
Conducted by George R. Jowes.
All. he ithove atc local ringers, except the ringer of treble and anlucter, who hatil from Chester.

PINNEK，MIDLLESEX．
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUHLD．
On Saturday，October 19．1929，in Three Hours，
At the Chorch of St，john－teq－Bapilst．
A PEAL OF LONDDN SURPRISE MAJOR， 5056 GHANGES； Tenor 22 cwt．
Mrs，Rupert Richardson Geohge R．Pye．．．． $\begin{array}{cccc}\text { James Bennett：．．．} & . . & . . & 5 \\ \text { Algert W．Coles } & \ldots & \ldots & 6 \\ \text { 中Ropert Richardson } & \ldots & 7\end{array}$
 Charles T．Coles ．．．．．．． 4
Composed by Gabriel Lindoff．Williab Pye ．．．．．．．．．．．Teno
Conducted by Willay Pye．

Composed by Gabriel Lind
＊First pal in the method．
BLETCHLEY，BUCK\＆．
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GULD．
（North Bucks Braneh．）
On Saturday，Otobey 19，1929，in Three Howfs and Two Minutes，
At the Churce of St．Mary．
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES， 6040 CHANGES；
Holis Ten－Part．
Tenor Ifit cwt．

Conducted by Harry Sear．
＊First peal．Ruug as a birbiday complimeat to the ringer of the 3rd on attaining his majority．Ringers of 4th and 7th hail from Newport Pagnall．

## RISHTON，LANCASHIRE．

TEE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION．
On Saturday，Octobar 19，1929，in Threc Hours and Sewon Minures， At the Parase Chorch，

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR； 5484 CHANGES；

Tenor 12 cwt． 1 çr． 22 lb ．
「homas Howarth ．．．．．．． 3 Richard Bolderstone ．．． 7 Arther Lord ．．．．．．．．． 4 Laurence J．Willians ．．．Tenor Composed by A．Knighis．Conducted by L．I．Williams．
＊First poal of Troble Bob．Ringers of 3 did and 5 thi from Oswald－ twiste， 4 th and 7 Rh Rishton，remander from Church．

## TUNSTALL，KENT

THE KENT GUUNTY ASSOCLATION．
Ch Saturday．Oclober 19，7929，in Two Hours and Fitty．Eight Minutes，
At the Choreb of Si．John－the－Baptist，
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR，5056 GHANGES； Tenor 9it cwt．
－William A．Wood Ernest J Doebir $\dagger$ Wreliam J．Wood $\begin{array}{cc}\text { ．．．Trebie } \\ \ldots . & 2 \\ . . & 3\end{array}$ ．．．． 4 Edward H．Spice ．．．．．．．Teno Composed by Frank Benwatt．Conducted by Edward H．Spice． ＊Fitst peal on eight bells．t．First peal of Major＇inside．＇First pral fin the metheri as coaductor．Rung for the harvest festival．

SUTWION COLDFLELD，WARWICKSHRRE．
THE ST．MARTIN＇S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BTRMLNGHAM．
On Satweday．October 19．1929，in Thru Hours，
At the Chorch of the Holy Thintyy， A PEAL OF ETEDMAN TRIPLES，5040 CHANGES Hbywood＇s Tramsposition of Thurstans＇liour－part． Tenor 24 cwt．

 Frederick W．Rishworth 4 Bertram G．Lerdham ．．．Temoy Conducted by Grorge F．Swann．
Rung aflire tho service of thanksgiving for the restoration of the thurdil mul wedication of the memorial sereen the the late Canon Rumant nam his wife，and was a birthatay compliment to the ringer ni kles：Entl．

## WYMONDEABE，NORFOLK．

THE NORWIGH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION．
On Saluruay，Ociober 19，1929，in Thea Honrs and Seventen Minutes，
At the Abbry Cherch of St．Mary，
h PEAL EF DOUBLE NORWICH GOURT BGB MAJOR， 5008 CNANGES： Temor 25 cwt．in $D$ ．
Walter R．Farrow ．．．．．．Treble William B．Dencan．．．．．． 5
William ］Wasey

．．．
．．．． 0
Nolan Golden ．．．．．．．．． 4 William Glover ．．．．．．Tenof
Composed and Comducted by Nolan Golden．
PTLHAM，NORFOLK．
THE NORWIGH DIUGESAN ASSOOIATION．
On Saturday，Oetober 79，1929，in Three Hows and Fiow Minules，
At the Church of St．Mary－the－Virgin，
A PEAL BF BOUBLE NERWIGN COURT BDE MJOR， 6040 GNANCEAT Tenor 14 cwt．
Herbert Folcher ．．．．．．Trbble $\mid$ Geonge Gower ．．．．．．．．． 5 Frederjck R．Borrety
 Georgr Howlett ．．．．．． 4 ．Waltrr Barrett ．．．．．．Temor Composed by Henry W．Wilde．Conducted by Ernest Whiting

FRODSHAME，CHESETRE．

## THE LANGASHIRE ASSOCTATION AND THE GHESTER

 DIOCESAN GUILD．On Sattriay，October 19，1029．in Three Hours and Seven Minutes，
At the Chbrch of St．Eawrence，
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR， 6056 CHANGES：

Middleton＇s．
G．Rowald Edwards．．．
 ．．Treble William Bibby ．．．．． Ireble
2 Lester L．Gray．．．

Tenor ：2 owt．
．．．．．． 3 Geozge R．Newtom ．．．．． 7
Conducted by G．R．Newton．
RUARDEAN，GLOUCESTERSEIRE．
THE BEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD．
On Saturday，October 19，1929，in Three Hours and Tan Minutes．
As the Chorch of Si．Jote，
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES， 8040 CHANGES；
Rev．E．G．Benson s Dne－fart．
Tenor $\mathrm{I}_{4} \frac{1}{3}$ cwt．
Leonard Nelmes ．．．．．．Treble Bruge P．Cerw．．

Treble Ernest T．Allaway

Gyorge Wilks $\quad . .$. Conducted by John Aostin．
＊First peal．First peal on the bells siace rehanging． SPELDHURST，KENT．
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOOLATION．
On Saturday，October 19，1929，in Thrat Hours and Thece Minutes
At the Chorch of Si．Mary－the－Virgin，
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR， 5088 CHANGES； Tenor 12 cwt ，in G ．


## NORBURY（HAZEL GROVE），CHESEIRE． THE CHESTER DIOGESAN GULLD．

On Saturday，October 19，1929，効Two Honrs and Fifty－Eight Minutes， At the Churgh of St．Thomas，
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR， 5040 CHANGES $f$ Tenor If cwt．I qr． 22 lb ．in $F$ ．

| rrichard E．Jonrs | Treble | Winciam Fernezy |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ernest Brnnett | ． 2 | James Eernley，sen， |  |
| James Fernley．jon， |  | Tob Wilde ．．．．．． |  |
| Pritzr Laflim |  | John W．Hartley | Tenc |
| Composed by |  | y To |  |
| Ruug to celebrnt | nive | of the dedicetio |  |

## DRAFTON, BEEES

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GULLD.
On Saturday, Octobey 19, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifiy-Five Minutes,
At the Cherch of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, GOSB CHANGES

Brooks' Variation.
Temor $9 \frac{1}{2}$ owt.
Jack Honey
Mrs. A. E. Lock..
...Treble
Frederick Messenge
.. 2
$\begin{array}{lllll}\text { John Nobes } & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & 5 \\ \text { Alberi E. Lock } & \ldots & . . . & 6\end{array}$
Canon G. H. Ridori $\quad . . .3$ Gordon Caddwril ... 3 ... 7
Conducted by Albert E. Lock
; First peal on eight bells. Speciaily arranged for Canon G. H. Ridout, who is on a visit from South Africa.

## EXETER, DEVON

THE DEFONSHTRE GUILD.
'St. Sidwell's Brance.)
On Sutweday, Octaber 19.1929, in Two Hoursand Fifty-One Minutes, At the Parish Chorea of St. Thomas,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

## Tepor 15 cwt .

Edwin Shepherd ... ...Treble |Alfred Monkley ... ... 5 Wileiam Howe ... ... .... 2 George Betts ... ... Wilciam Riceardson ... 3 Arthor Troman...... Tom G. Bartleit ... ... 4 Arthor Goad ... ... ...Tem Composed by John Carirr. Conducted by Edwin Shepherd. ELVEDEN, SUFFOLK. THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Sunday, October 20. 1929, in Throc Hours and Seven Minutes.
At ter Memorial Tower of SS. Andrew and Patrick,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MASOR; 505B GHAMGES; Tenor $17{ }^{3}$ cwt.
Charles W. Roberts Tyede "Edwin F. Pike
Ronald Hullign ... ...
*Willidm R. Madewieg.

- ERNESt Brett ....

Frederick Digry
Composed by C. Middleton
CZCIL PIPR... ... ... ... 7
Condacted by J. E. Davis

* Elected members previous to starting. First peal in the method on the bolls, und rung on the oceasion of the havest festival.


## SIX BELL PEALS.

GAMLINGAY゙, CAMBRIDGESHIRE. THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Sattrday, September 28, 1929, in Three Hours and Twalee Minutes, At the Parish Chdrch,
A PEAE OF BOB NINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Boing geven 720's, each calied differently. Tenor 19 ewt. (appros.)
Thomas Bartram ... ...Tyeble Herbert Sherman ... ... 4
Stanley Watcis ..... .12 Sidney Foskety ...
Percy Bonneti ... ... ... 3 Pearl Ingip ... ... ... ... Tenoy
Conducted by Pearl Inskip.
Believed to be the first peal on the bells.
CHILCOMPTON, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Mondar, October 14, 1929, wh Three Howrs and Seven Minutes,
At the Cedrch of St. John-thr-Bhpist,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5O4D CHANGES;
Eaing seven different $720^{2}$ s.
Tenor 20 ewt.

Conducted by R. G. Brek.
n 100th peal.

## 'ODDS \& ENDS OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES'

Baing mainly an explanation of the nature and working of the $Q$ set.g in ordinary ringing phraseology, with one or two other matters

Post free, 1/3; from
REV. C. D. F. DAVIES, KEMERTON, TEWKESBURY

RRANSTON, LINOS.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GULID
(Northern Branch.)
On Sathrday, Octobey 12, 1929, in Two Houys and Fifty-Six Minutes.
At the Chorch of All Salits
A PEAL OF HINOR, 5040 CHANEES;
Bcing one extent each of Oxford Bob, S1. Clement's and Oxiord Treble Bob, fud two each of Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor $9 \mathrm{cwt} 3 qr .23 lb.$.
Harry Carteen... ... ...Tteble Moses Billings
=Frank Lord ... ... ... 3 -Jack Bray ... ... ... Temor Conducted by Jack Bray.

* First peat in five methods. Rung as a birthiay compliment to Miss M. Walling, of Scunthorpe.

FRANT, STUSEEX.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, October 15, 1929, in Two Hours and Foyty-Fivo Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Alban,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES:

Being 720 erch of College Single, Double Oxford, und Oxford Bob, and two 720's each of Canterbury Plensure and Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt .
Richard B. Lambert ...Tyeble Fredrrick J. Lambert, Sen. 4 Frederick J. Lambert, jos. 2 Reginald E. Lhmeri ... 5 Alan Bromley ... ... ... 3 Robrrt T. Lanbert ... ... Tenor Conducted by Robert T. Lambert
Rung as a birthday compliment to Messrs. R. E. and R. T. Lam bert.

## PETERBOROUGH

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, October?9, 1929, in Two Haws and Thirty-Eight Minules.
At tebe Cherch of St. Mary
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANEES:
Being 720 each of Plain Bob, Oxford Pob, Donble Court, Kent and Oxford Treble Bobs, Primrose Surprise and Cambricge Surpuist Tenor $8 \mathrm{cwt} 24 lb.$.
Wililam Rose … ... ...Treble John J. Jotson .... ... .... 4 Kathiken A.Jutson ... 2 William H. Wazdron ... 5 Horace M. Day ... ... ... 3 Joseph O. Landan ... ...Temor Conducted by H. M. Day.
Rung as a farewell to Miss Jutson, who is entering a Glurch Army Training College on November 1st. The ringer of the tenol: was made a life member of the Guild before starting.

BRAMLEY, LFEDS.
THE YORKSEDRE ASSOCLATION
On Saburday, October 19, 1929, in Thyee Hours andThree Minutes,
At ine Chorch of St. Peier
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB HINOR, G040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Tanner's Pleasure, College Plensure, Arnold's Vietory, Killamarsh, Violet, Kent, and Oxford. Tenor 12 ewt. 15 lb . -W. Waterhodse … ...Tyeble *F. Jacrson ... | T. Latimer | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | J. Goy... .... |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| J. W. T. Holgate | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | S. Heceiwhle |  | J. W. T. Holgate ... ... 3 S. Heceiwele ... .... .... Temor

Conducted by J. W. T. Holgate.

* First peal of Minor. This peal was arranged for Mr. Latiracr (a former ringer at this tower), who wat on aisit from Aysgerlb, and rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. J. Guy, who is 75 years of age.


## FINCHLEY, MIDDLESEX

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOGIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GULDD.
On Saturday, October 19, 1929, in Two Hours and Fordy-Fiwe Minutes,

> At the Parish Cenorch of St. Mary.

A PEAL OF MINOR, EOCO CHANGES;
Being two 720 's of Kent Treble Bob and live $720^{3}$ s Plain Bob, each called differently.
Arthor F. Warhen... ...Tvehte Erederick S. Tubb ... .... 4

| Bertram Tubs ... ... | ... | 2 | Herbert J. Eldird ... | ... | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Frederick Cherrity | $\ldots$ | 3 | Frgderick A. Barker | .... Tcmpr |  | Frederick Cherrity ... 3 Frgderick A. Barker ...famor

Conducted by Frbdertck A. Barker.

* First peal and first atiempt, Rung as a birtbday complimont to F. A. Barker. All are members of the local band except H. T. Eldred, who háis from Barnet.


## COOKHAM, BERKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GULID.
(Enst Berks \& South Bucks Branch.)
On Suturday, Octobey 19, 1929, in Two Howrs and Fifty-Six Minntes,
At the Parisia Chorch,

## A PEAL OF MINDR, 5040 CHANGES;

Heing 720 Oxford Treble Bob, Four 720 's of Kent Treble Bob and two of Mian Bob, each called differently. Tenor 14 cwt . 1. qr. 23 lb . Thomas J. Fowler ... ...I ieble |Grorge Martin... Wileiam J. Norton ... ... 2 William L. Gutibridge.... 5 Harry Wingrove ... ... 3 Joseph S. Hawkins ... ...Tomoy Conducted by George Martin.
Rung on the occasion of the wodding of Mr. William Welsford and 领iss May Flatt, nicee of Mr. Alfred Hill, for many years the popuiar keeper of Cookham Lock.

## WISTASTON, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sunday, October 20, 1929, in Two Hours and Twenty-Seven Minutes,
At the Chirch of St. Marv.
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven different 720 's.
Tenor 6 ewt 6 lb .
Grorge Slace
..Treble Grorge II. Crawley. George II. Cra
Jesse Bay Frzderick H. Crawley $\ldots$...temoy 3 by F. H. Crawley.
Conducted by F. H. Crawley.
This peal was arranged for Eng. G. Sluck, SS. 'Runic, and Eng. F. II. Crawley, SS. 'Euripides,' of the White Star Line, who were on leave after a trip to Australia.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

BUR'ON-ON-STATHER, LINCS.
THE LINCOLN DIOGESAN GULLD.
(Northern Branch.)
On Thursday, October 17, 1929, in Two Hoursand Thivty-Senen Minutes,
Ait tee Restdence ge Mr. J. Bray.
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor size 11多 in $F$ sharp.
Mrs. J. Bray
Frank Lord..
Composed by f. E. Borzon.

| $1-2$ | Jace Bray |
| :--- | :--- | Witnessed by Jacr Walling and

SIC,VER END, ESSBX
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday. October 20, 1929. in Two Hours and Twenty-Six Hinutes,
at 33, Valentine Way
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;
Temor size 17.
C.ewis W. Witfren William Klebsle...
Composed by Edgar $\cdots$...

| I-2 | Ghorge Wiffri ... |
| :---: | :---: |
| 34 | Albert Wiffrer... |

$\begin{array}{lll}\cdots & \cdots & 5-6\end{array}$
Conducted by William Keeble Firsh peal rung in the parish of Silver End.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

## EASTERN DIFTRICT.

A must guccessful meeting of the Eastern District was held at Sulton-on-Hull on Saturday, October 12th, and was attended by upwards of 40 members and Irienus, representing towers at Beverley, Govle, Homingbrough, FuIt, Kirkella, Market Weighton, Pontefract, Selby, Withernsea, and the local company. The bells, a landy ring of aix, were kept going in various methods during the aftemoon and oveniner. A sumptuous tea was provided at Hilli Farm by Mr. and Mrs. L. Rodwell, and was followed by tho business maceting, the Viear, the Rov, B. M. Challoner, presiding.

Font rew members were elected: Messrs. J. Maurice Diron, IT, Shompard and Geeil W. H. Tomliuson, of Withernsea, and Mr. A. Sothann, of Boverley Minster.
The next quarterly mooting will be held af Beverley in December. A rote of condolence was passed with the Vicar of Howden, the pers. A. Wring, on the sad calanity that has overtaken his noble church, nud the symputliy of ringets go ont to him and the people af Flowiten on the painful misforitune that lins befallen them.
On the motion of the Hon. Scoretery, a herrty vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar for the use of the bellis, and to Mr. and Mrs. l. Fordwell for their excellent cathring: alsn to the local company for their eftiont arrangements for the comforl of the visitors.

DEDICATION OF BELLS AT HEDON, YORKS.
EAST RIDING GETS A NEW PEAL OF EIGHT.
An impressive service, was held at St. Augustine's Parish Church, Hedon, Yorksline, on Thurday, October 17th. It was a thanksgiving for the inaugaration of the peal of eight bells, and the selvice included the dedication of two new trebles and the rededication of the origina: six bells after recasting. The service was largoly attended. The Magnifieat and Nume Ditriltis were sung to West, in E fiat, and the anthem, 'Send out Thy light' (Gounod,', was renderod, immediately after which the dedication of the bells by the Vea. J. Malet Lambert (Archdeacon of the East Riding) took place. The bells were rugg for two minutes, during which time the vast congregation remained standing, with who knows what thatghts of thankfulness and joy at the splendid result of their labours for their beautiful parish church. The hymn before the sermon was takers from Lord Teanyson's "In Memoriam," sung to the tune "Warrington, by the Rev. It. Farrisan, and in which the belles as well as the congregation took their part very appropriately. The 'whole pull and stand ' was rung afier verses I and 8 for the two new bells, three 'whole palls and stand' after verses 3 and 4 for the six old bells, and four 'whole pulls and stand' after the last verae for the full peal. The introduction of the bells was most effective.
The sermon was preached by the Archdeacon, who chose for his text 1 Cor. xip. 8, "For' if the trumpet give an uncertain sound, who shall prepare himself to the battlep' He spoke of the way in whiob church bells were woven into the life history of the churches and the countryside. They were, he said, part of their very being. They gave touguc for joy after weddings, they tolled for death, were sounded after Trafalgar, after Waterloo, and after the Armistice. The people of Hedion had done well in conpleting the noble work of restoring the bells. They could be proud and thankful. It was not only a matter of parochial achievement, but something of greater importance, a matter of promise to a wider circle. He spoke of the glorious treasure of the clurch of Hedon, and of the ancient borough, almost unique in England. It had stood for eight or nine hundred years, and must continue lbe history of its strange, compelling memorable past. The achievement of the restoration of the church and the giorious bells was an object lesson. Around the countryside they could see the ruins of many medimeal castles, mere heaps of stones, crumbling away. Still the churches stood to mark the remaining need for men to seek the presence of God. Never was theres a time when there was a greater need for this. Man was suffering from intoxication of his own mechanical achievement. He bent the forces of trature to lis will, and it wrs impossible to say what would be the oulcame. There must be a spiritual power to guard mankind aright. Education could go fror, but it could not tow the hearts and wills of men. The perennial answer was from these hoases of Giond.
Archdeacon Lambert conclucied with the wish and the prayer that the sound of the bells of Fedon Church would go aut to "Ring out the false, ring in the true, and be instrumental in doing a grent work for the brothorhood of man and the Fatherlsood of God.
The hyom after the semon had been specially written by Col. $R$. Hall for this service, and lie was also the compiler of a delightful sonvenir of the service, which was presented to the Wicar, the Rev. E. H. M. Ainslie, M.A., Rural Dean of South Eoldemess, Ele organist, choristers and ringers, to mark a great occasion in the history of the church.
The bells are a line ring by Messrs. Taylor and Co., the teaor weighing 17 ewt. 1 qr. 19 Ib . The two trebles were given by the late Col. W. Lambert White, C.B., and Mus, Lambert White. Gol. White saw the full peal of eight bells before they were raised to their position in the tower, but to the regret of the people of Hedon lee did not live to hear them ring. He was a most generous benefinetor to the church in which he and his family had worshipped for so mang years.
The bells bear the following inscriptions:-
Treble.-Elizabeth White, 1929.
2.-Wiliam Lambert White, I929.
3.-Tustace Roper, Riehare Gibson, Churchwardens, 1776.
4.-Wind Them and Bringe Them, andi I will Ring for Then, 1687.

5, 6 and 7.-Williayn sud [hilip Wightman made mee, 1686 . The gift of Claries Dumcomb to the Corporation of Hadon in
Tenor. - The gift of Charles Dumeomb to the Carporation of Hedon in Yorkshire, 1687, S.S. Ebor
The initials S.S. are those of Sumuel Smilh, a bell founder of Yoxk. William and Philip Wightman were bell founders in London (16821702). Sir Charles Duncomin was one of the two members of Parlia ment representing the barongh of Hedon. He was elected in 1685 The six old bells have now the added fnscription: ' Recast, 1929.
The following ringers took part in the ceremony; Messis. G. F. Hillinms, J. H. Fawell, G. TT. Miller, G. Dowliwg, J. H. Chamberlain, W, Hobssm, A. B. Cook, J. P. Fidler, E. Woad, A. E. West and L. Rodwell, and were afterwaris hindly entertained to supper by Mr G. W. Drescher, rhurchwarden.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

SHIPBOURNE'S NOISY BELTRY.
The autumn mecting of the Tonbridge District was held at Elipbourne on Saturday, October 5th, and was attended by about 50 members, this being a record number for a meeting at a six-hell tower. Members were present from Horsmonden, Lamberinurst, Leigh, East J'ecklam, Penshurst, Sevenoaks, Tonbridge, Tunbridge Wells, Jghtian, Chislehurst, Plaxtol, East Grinstead, Godstione, Hart field, Mayfiek and the local band. Ringing commenced at 3 o'clock. The usual servide was conducted by the Vicar the Rev. F. L. Schricber), who is an honorary member of the association, and who gave an excelient address, in which he traced the history of the bells from the earilest date. The lacal organist presided at the organ and the service was rery liearty throngbaut. Mr. T. E. Marriott, one of the churchwardens, was present. After the service the members were kindly entertained to tea by the Vicar in the Church Raom, and, sithough more members turned up than had been anticipated, the caterers were equal to the occasion
The business meeting followed, the Vienr presiding, supported by Mr. T. E. Marriott. One new non-resident life member was elected The Chairman said that no doubt the members had noticed that the bells were very woisy fn the ringing chamber and askea for suggestions to reraedy this.
These were forthcoming, and it is hoped something will be done in the near future. The reverend gentleman also mentioned that they, as churchmen, had heard that the Bishop of Rochester had jssued an appeal for $£ 50,000$ to build churches in those parts of the diocede that had sprung up in recent years, and be duggested that as these charches would require at least one bell each, the association might consider the question of providing some belle for these new chirreles.

Voter of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, conducting the service, and entertaining the memberg to tea, to the organist far his scrvies, and to Mr. Marriott for his attendance, were pnssed, unt the members adjourned to the tower.

## LOST CLAPPER STOPS PEAL.

At Longstanton on Saturday, October 12th, an attempt for a spliced peal of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob Major unfortunately came to grief, the sixth clapper dropping out after ringing ten courses will excellent striking, the band being Miss $\mathcal{Y}$. Shorter 1, F.J. Cook 2, G. E. Crisp 3, F. G. Gleaves 4, T. R. Dennis 5, F. Warrington 6, O. W. Cook 7, A. G. Rivers 8. If successful, this would have heren the first peal of Spliced Major for Ely Diocesan Association.

## DEATH OF MR. SAMUEL SOUTHBY

A ININE OLD ENGLISH GENTLEMAN.
Mr. Samuel Southby, known to many of the older London ringers, passed away recently in his slemp.

Mr. Southby; writes Mr. Challis Winney, "was a Sunday service ringer some ten years ago at St. Margaret's, Westminster, and also at SL. Mary Abhots and St. Andrew's, Wells Strcet. He belonged to the refined "fine old English genleman' type. Mr. Tafender, I Lhink, called his last peal, Stedman Caters at St. Mary's, Pritilewell, somo years since. Mr. Southby was at one time butler to Lord Ormonde, at Kilkenny Castie, Treland, and was practised in his profession. I remember on one occasion is person diligently attempting to pour out whisky witis the cork remaining in battle, when Solithby gracefully called bis attention to the oversight. Mr. Southby was a clever bover and ance stood up in two rounds against Peter Jackson If he had lasted another he would luge won a prize, but Peter foored him next round. Mr. Sauthby's doctor bad told him his ond might come at any moment, but he preferved to die in harness. He was taked down to Tenterden and buried there where his sou resides. May be rest in peace.

## SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF'STAFFORD

The autumn meeting of the Soclety for the Arcbdeaconry of Siafford was held at Wombourn on Saturday, Septomber $28 t h$, the weather being delightiful. After ringing in the afternoon in various methods, a short service was hold, at which the Rev. H. L. Langley (Vicmr) afficiated, and gave a very interesting address. A capital tea was laid in the Church Institute, kindly provided by ilie local ringers, when about 80 members and friends were present. The Vicar, who presided, gave the assembly a wara wolcome, amd asked why they had not been coming more often, it being ten years since the last visit! He, however, honed they would visit Wombourn again in the near future.
An appeal on behalf af the charch vepairs fund was made by the Rev. C. H. Barker, and the lesult was that a useful amount was handed over to the Vicar, the latter expressing his surprise and delight.
A vote of thanks to the Viear for his address, use of bells, etc., to Mr. Englaud for presiding at the organ; to the local ringers for the spiendid tea; and to the ladies for preparing and serving the amme, was moved by the Rev. G. F. Barker and carried with acclamation.
Handbells were brought into ase, and a touch of Stedman Triples was rung by the 'Oid Boys,' while the 'Sedgley Juniorg delighter the audience with tunes and the 'rising' and 'Falling' of a riug of eight.
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Pictures should, for preference, be photographic postcards, and, where there is any choice, the tower should be a feature.

Obviously, of course, all the pictures cannot be published at once, the object of getting a collection being that the photographs may be ready at hand for use when fitting opportunity occurs.

Will each tower secretary be good enough to send a photograph of his own tower? It should be forwarded in an envelope for protection, and addressed to The Editor, 'The Ringing World,' Woking, Surrey, and the sender should enclose his name and address.

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

The meeting of the Marlborough Branch of the Salisbury Guild, arranged for Collingbourne, is now to be held at Burbage on the same date at the firse advertised.
'On the 25th October, 1731, here was Rung that Misterious l'eal called Sted cian Tripples, the discovery thereof has been ihe Study of several Ingenious Ringers in England, though to no effect, intil this intricabe l'eal, which differs from all other Methods of Tripples, ts being every bell a like course, was perfectly discovered by Thio. Motheor, who first compleated the Peal of Perfect Stedman Triples with only two Doubles, and no alteration, the extent heing 5,040 clanges.
This is the preamble to the record of the first- peal of Stednan Triples, which was rung at St. Peter Mancroft, Norwich. An opposition company at St. Michacl-at-Coslany, Norwieh, disputed the truth of the peal, and claimed as the first, the 5,040 which they rang on December 6th in the same yent. Indeed, so high did feeling run that according to the "Norwich Daily Press "attempts were made to stop the peal at St. Michael's, but the internpters were prevented by the people who had assemhled to hear the peal, fald were sent to their home to their shame with bloody noses.
The inrst peal of Stedman Caters out of London was rung fit Birmingham on October 25th, 1790.
A peal of Gambridge Surprise Roynl was rung for the first'time sul October 26th, 1822, at Wakefictil, by nine local ringers, with Josept Tebbs, of Leeds, which peal, says the old record, "will be a Etanding laurel to the Society for ages to come.'
The first double-handed handhell poal that was ever rung was arcomplished at Sheffield on October 30th, 1811. It was a peal of Oxford Treble Bob Major.
November Ist is the fortieth anniversary of the first peal by the Middlesex Association, which was rung at Tottenham. Tho method wns Bob Major, and the ringers wero Messrs. H. A. Barnett, J. Wnghorn, jun., T. C. Grovo, A. Fox, G. B. Lucas (wha was composer antl conductor), J. Barker, J. Waghoria, sen., and W. Pye English. though this peai wras turg so long ago, seven at least of the bend are still liviug. Whether the other ringer, Mr. A. Fox, is still alive, is not known to ofr correspondent.

## NORTON, STAFFS, BELL RESTORATION. GFNEROSITY OF NEIGHBOURING PARISH. To the Elitor.

Denr Sir, -At a meeting of the North Stafts Association hula at Biddulph on Saturday, October 12th, an envelope containing the sum of 85 12s. $6 d$. was placed in my hands by the Vicar towards the reansting of the six hells at our charch at Norton, this being the result of (wo 'retimag' collections (morning and evening; at Bieldulph Church, and the Vicars nssures me that the ordinary collections did not suffer ono iota in consequence. Now, for the congregrtion of a church five miles away, upan whom Norton has no direvt ecclesiastical claims whatever, we think this generasity on the pall of the Biddulph pople is anique, for we have never heard of antything similar ocaurring before. The Norton people are deeply grathful for this timely help.-Yours sincerely,

JOAN E. WHEELDON.

## BROMSGROVE BELLS.

THEIR HISTORY AND SOME EARLY 1'EALS.
The bells at the Parish Church of St. Joluthethe-Baptist, Bromsgrove, Worcestershire, where a peal was rung last Saturday, have a long liso tory. When bells were first placed in the tower is tuknown, but mention is made of them in 1651 . In 1695 the five bells ware recast into six, but they could have been only a poor lot, for in 1701 the whole ring was recast by A. Tudhall, of Gloucester. Three bells were again recast (the present 6th, 8th mind tenor) in 1773 , and two more added to make eight, by Thomas Ruilaall. In 1790 the seventh was recasi, and in 1815 at subeription list was opener for adding two more bells, which were provided in the following year, when the existing eight were rohung. There was a general restoration of the bells in 1871, when the reopeniag was attended by ringers from Worcester, Brmingham, and other towns. As a ring, the bells went on for over fifty years without serious aktention, except the recasting of the eighth in 1887, aud thoy were rehung in 1927 by Messis. Mears and Stainbank. The fenor is abont 18 cwt. in E flat.

Made eight in 1773, the first recorded peal on the bells was on Deecmber 31st, 1787, when a compleat peal of Rob Major, 10,192 changes, was fung in 6 hiss. 33 mins. In December, 1788 , a peal of 12,000 Bob Major (of which the composition is preserved) was


## ST. JOHN.THE-BAPTIST CHUFCH, BROMSGFOVE.

ring. The first peal on the ten bells was ruvg iu the year of the auginentation, this being a peal of 5,160 Grandsire Royal in December, 1816. In August, 1817, a peal of 5,000 Oxford Treble Bob Royal was rung.
It was at Bromsgrove that the Worecstershire Association's first peal was rung, and many other 'firsts in the method' by the association have been lung there.
The inscriptions on the bells are as follows:-
Treble.-Purchased by subscription, 1816. J. Lawrence, of Whist ford, tirst subscriber.
2.-T. Mears, of Loudon. Fecit 1816.
3.-Thomas Rudhall, Glocester, Founder, 1773.
(Continued in next column.)

## THE CENTRAL COUNCII.

## THE SUGGESTED RULES.

## To the Editor.

Đear Sir,-The proposals which you lave printed forms so mild a revolution that one would hopo that they will be toceptable to most of us. There is, however, one detail which, if not remedied, will make them inctiective.
The two months' motice required for proposals will not allow these to he published in time for discussion at the meethys whinh mearly every socioty bolas on Easter Monday. On the other land, it will be ton lang la allow of any proposals then made to be put on the agenda for the forthcoming council meeting.
WTould it not be best to fix, say, tea weeks' notice for individual proposals, amd, say, six wecks Sor proposals, amb especially for amentiments, made by the societies? Tlue eflect of this would bu chat private proposals would, tes now, form ha normal agenda, which could be published some tea days beforo Easter. Then on Eastar Monday the societies wotld he expected to review these proposals, and would have opportunity of adding to them, or anemoing then, for the final agenda to be publislided some tev days later. Such a time table would, I think, mest all reguirements, and shomld satisfy everyone.
Mr. Edwards semea io lave set himself a big proposition. the has first of all to prove that certainty of continuty ${ }^{3}$ is possithe in this changing worth, even anong change vingers. Then, that it is desirable. Most people would say that it means whe worst hind of stagnation. He then has to prove that ambal elections woula affech the continuity at all. The has not donte this yeti, and I for one think it would have the opposite effect. The only people whe would be lost would be the 'duds, and they are no good on committees, even if they get there. Last and biggest, would he the effort to prove that the present constitution affords even the lfast "cerfainty of continuity." The way the Nomenclature Committee was treaterl was hardly an example of "contiauity."
H. DRAKE

Ufford Rectory.

## PRINCE'S GIFT FOR BELES.

POOR NORFOLK PARISH'S APYEAL.
The Prince of Wales lias headed the subseription list for the authlition of two bells to the preseat four at Groat Massinghan Clurch, near King's Lym. Canoli C. M. MeAmally, the Rector, is anxious to get these two trebles into the towci, and tho parishioners, as far as they are able, are giving lim their support, fut the parish is it purely agricultural one; there is mo squire, and the farmers have no money. The Rector is, therefore, obliged fo go outaide the parish with his appeal.
Gome years ago the belfry was in a terrible state of repair. The woodwork was crumbling, and the three bells then in the stecplo were batly oracked. Camon MeAnally raised sullicient money to teecat these old bells atod add another, which were pht into an iron frame made for a ding of six, so that only the bells thentiselves are now required. The sum of about El45 is wanted, and whint this is raised the work will be put into the hands of Messis. Taylol' and Co. who carried out the previous restotation. There arc it thanher of young men in the parish to whom bellinging would be likely to appeal, aud it would provide then with some occrpation on Sunday.
Here is an opportunity for ringers, particularly those in tiast Anglia, to lend a helpiag haud, and contributions should be sent to Cason MeAnally, Great Massinglam Rectory, King's Lyna, The subscriptions at present received are as follow: H.R.H. the Prince of Wales $£ 5$, the Eark of Leicester $£ 55 s$. L Lord Fermoy $£ 10$, Manchioness
 J. H. B. Hesse £1.

## (Contiatued from previous column.)

4.-T. (a bell) R., 1773. W1ı! you us Jing,

We'll sweetly sing.
5.-Gor Prosper This Parish. A. (a bell) R. 1701
6.-Jolna Weugh, Vicar. 'T', (a bell) R. 1773.
7.-Rev. Dr. Wingfield, Vicar Wm. Ward, Thomas Greming, Thos. Wright, Joseph Gahb, Chureliwardens, 1816. .". T Mears, of Loodon, Fecit.
8.-(Old inseription before recasting.) John Cromwelt, Richard Wilks, Danl. Harris, Thomas Taylor, Churchwardens, 1773. Present inscription. 1 Barwell, Founder, Birmiaglam, This hell was recast and the whole peal relsung a.d. 1897 at the sole cosh of Fidnuma Hanlland, Scmior Churchwatden, Latus Deo.
9.-Whe Rev. Thos. Fountain, Vicar, ano. Aishmore, C. Wright, I. Batger and R. Wilken, Wardeas, 1790.
Tenor--I to the Chureh Ihe Living Call,
And to the Grave do Sumuron All: 1773.
There is also is "ting-tang' diated 1816.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

SOUTHFAN DIVISLON'S JOINT MEETING WIFH DONCASTER SOCIETY.
A joint, meting of the Sonthern Division of Whe Yorkslime Associafion and ithe Doncaster and District Society was leeld at Arkscy, near Donchster, on Saturday, when merrbers were present "rom Doncostar, Conishorough, Sprotborough, the Cathedral and St. Marie's, Sleftield, Wath, Drarfela, Pontefract and Fishlake. A short service was hedd, at which the Vicar, the Rev. Pierce Prico, officiated, and gave a very hearty welcome to the visitors. The service was also brightened by the atlendance of the organist and chair and whose servines were highly appreciated. Tea was served in the New Church Fali, a huilding erected mostly by volumtary labour, and which will long siand as an cxample of what can be done by an energetic Vicar and a fiew loyal chuteliworkers.

At the husiness meeting the Vicar was voted to the chair, and oae new memher (Mr. R. Thompson, of Doncaster) was elected.
It was deciden to join with the Sheffeld and District Society and the Doncaster and District Society and hold the mext meeting at All Ssints', Stieffield, on December 14th, and to invito the Batmgley and District Society.

It was decided to place on record the least thatus of the associafion to Mr. S. F. Palmer and his co-workers an the committee for the: very ahle manner in which the association dimer Hatd this year bean arranged, and for the work which had been done to make everyont comfortable and happy at this gatloring.-M1. Palmer replied on hehalf of the committee, and said il was very gratifying to know that the efforls they had made were appreciated. All tliey desired was to sent every visitor home satisfled, and then they would come agrin and bring others along.

Vates of thanks to the Vicar, churchwardens, bryanist and chois, and to the ladies for the excellent toa were laeathly earried athd acknowledged by the Vical and Mr. G. Clark (churohwarden).

A collection on behalf of tho fturds for the clurich Hall realised 12s. Id., and for which the Vicar sincerely thanked all present.

## WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

'fhe quarlorly meeting held at Coleshill on Saturday last was woll altemind hy members from Allesley, Chilvers Coton, Croft, Fillong. ley, Txhall, Leamington, Numeaton, Smethwick and Stoke, together wilh the local bamd and friends from Erdington and King's Non'ton. The bells of the Parish Chturch (which is an inmosing edifice contmanding anl extensive viow of the surrounding country were raised during the aftornoon anki kept going to various methods until five
aclock, when a halt was called for tea, This was gerved in a cosy aclock, when a halt was called for tea. This was gerved in a cosy ronm nt the Town Hall by ladies of the parish. Whem the excellent inve provided had been disposed of, the business meeting began.

Mr. F. W. Perrens was voted to the chajr, The place for the Jinuary guarterly meling had to be decided. Botli Leamington unil Numeaton were proposed and seconded, and upon a wote being fakm the majority were in favour of Numenton. Arley was decided "prin for the November meeting, and Newhald-on-Awon for the Deamber une.
Mr. J. White proposed and Nr. J. Funt sceouded that the Decemher meeting be held on the second Saturday instead of the thirx owing to its proximity to Ohristmas. - This was carried unanimously
Six new ringing members were elected, two from Leamingtom and fotir lron Brinklow
Mr. A. Wilkerson proposed th vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use rif the hells, to the local band for having everything in readiness in the towne, and to the ladies for the tea they had prowided.-This WH* syconded and catried unammously, Mr. Clarles Dale suitably responding.
'The memhers then returned to the tower', where ringing was resumbict until 7 p.in, when a service in the church caused the bells to he silent.
Wost of the standard metheds up to London Surprise Major were ring diring the fiftermoon nind benting.

## BELLRINGING TALK TO ROTARIANS.

'The members of the Bimingham Rotary Club, at their weekly luncheou tin, the Qucen's Hotel, on October l4th, were entertained by rt 'talk' on 'Clarch Bells and Change Ringing' by Rotafinn
Willimm A. Clark, F.R.P.S., and f demonstration on handheljs given by members of St. Martin's Guild, wadet the conductorship of Mr. A Wilker (Deputy Ringing Master), the illustrations being on six, cighi, len find twelve bells.
MI. Clark, in his talk, briefly traced the history of bells and ring ing, and referred to some of tho curlous inscriptions to be found on holls in the clurches ius the Midands. His tribute to the hellingers Fingland, who devoted the whole of their physical nad mental strength to the coraft.
Tha lalk and the ringing wwe followed with intense inlerest by the Ralarians.

## THE DESTRUCTION OF HOWDEN BELLS.

We have to acknowledge a donation of 2 s . 6d. from Mr. D. C. Mears, Offley, in response to the appeal for the restoration of Howrlen Churh tower and bells, made by the Vicar of Howden in our lash issue. This donation lias been forwarded to the Rev. A. Waring. A large sum will be needed to cray out the restoration, and any hulp that can he given by ringers will be gratefully received. ConLributions should be sent direct to the Vicar of Howden.
When the restoration is taken in hand, one of the first difficulties will be the remaval of the three remaining bells which hang precariously in the hlackened rutn of the tower.

## BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY'S CONTEST. <br> \section*{THREE TEAMS DECIDE A TIE}

The contest for the Barnsley and District Society's challenge shield and prizes, which took place on August 31st and resulled in three bands tying for first place-an unprecedented occurrence-was rung again on Saturday, October 12th, when the three teams met at Crofton to decide the destination of the shield and the prize-winners. The draw for order of ringing was: 1, Wath-on-Dearme; 2, Shalley; 3, Sandal. A '720 of Oxford Treble Bob Minor was rung by each band, and at the conclusion of the ringing about forty ringers and friends sat down to an excellent toa.
Subseguently the judge (Ma. W. Idle) 品ave his decision as follows: Wath-on-Dearine, 124 faults, 10 penalties, total 134; Shelley, foul fs, 5 penalties, tolal 85 ; Sandal, 125 faults, 110 penalties, total 125. Shelley, therefore, were the winners, and will hold the shiseld for the next year. They also loak the first prizes, a pair of hair brashes in leather casc for eacla of the team. Sandal gained the second prizes, a cruet stand each, and Wath-on-Dearne the third, a double-bladed penknife cacl. These thitd prizes were not originally provided, but the judge had decided to give them hingself, as the teams had rung so closely together so maty times, and, he thougla, whoever was third ouglit to get a prize.
Needless to say, Mr. Idle was warmly thanked by all for his generous gift, which was very mucli appreciated.
The Rector"s wife, Mrs. Brownrigg, very kindly presented the slifeld and prizes with appropriate words.
A short business meeting was lield, and among other things it was decided to hold the next monthiy meeting at Saudal ou Saturday, November 9th. A hearty vote of thanks to the Rector and Mrs. Brownrigg, the chuthwatdens and local band, and all who had helped to make the meeting a success, was replied to by the Rector in very kindly ternis, in the coutse of whid he stated that, in his opinion, such contests, conducted in the way in which that one ladr been, were bound to improve the quality of the winging for services, and in consequence should have the support of the elergy wherever there are bells.

Thus terminatert a very pleasant day.

## DEATH OF A PAIGNTON RINGER.

It is with deep regret we have to annotume the death of Mr. J. S. Collings, of Paiguton, Devon, which took place suddenly on Saturday, October 12th. Deceased had been in ill-health for nearly two years. He was verger at the Parish Church for some time, but his health compelled hinn to resign.
He had been associated with thr Paigntan pingers for many years. When the Paignton band joined the Devon Guild, he was vary keen, and quickly accuim the art of change lingins. Not only was he it great help to his band, but rendered invaluable service as instructor to the Brixham conipany.
The functral took nlace on Wednesday of last week, the Rev. R. D. Mills officiating. There were considerably over a hundred sympathisers in the church; six of deceased brother ringers acted as bearers: F. Allwood, C. Bovee, A. L. Pope, F. E. Earmell, C. E. Austen rud H. J. Hole. Mr. F. J. Laxton (brancli clairman and Messrs. A. C. Taylor and F. Hayden (Bristam) represented the Devon Guild. The coffin was draped with the flag of the British Lerion, of which teceased had been an atoive member. Amongst the many beantiful wraths were tributes from the gardeners of the Pajgnton Ti.D.C.; the British Legion; his brother ringers, Paiguton; and the Brixham band.
In the evening, with the bells muffled, the 'whale pull and stand * was perfectly stiuck 56 times, represeating the fifty-six years of deceased's age, followed hy 504 Grandsire Triples. Those who took part were Messrs. Laxton, Gover', Huxley, Lewis, Austen, Pope, Parnell Boyee and Hole.

## A UNIQUE 720.

On Sunday, October 20tli, at St. Peter's Church, Rock Ferry, Cheshire, 720 of Plain Bobs Minor was rung for evening service by a band which consisted of the unusual combination of a father and two daughters aud a father and two sons. The composition of the hand was as follows: Geo. Battle 1, Miss Marjorie Gooke 2, Miss Elsie Conke 3. W. Battle 4, W. J. Battle 5, Joln CooLe 6.
The 720 was conducted lyv J. Cooke, and this is the first oecasion in which such a fanily combination has taken part in a 720 in the distriet.

## MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

PEAK DISRRICT'S ENCOURAGING HEEPING
An enjoyrble meeting of the Peak District of the Midland Counties Association was held at Darley Dale on Sathrday. About 20 ringers were present from Bakewell, Chesterheld, Darley Dale, Derby, Dore, Eyam, Hope, Matlock and Ripley. The bells ${ }_{1}$ a nice going peal of eiglt ( Lanor 16 cwt ), were raised about 3 pin., and were kept going antil welf into the evening, some well-struck toucies of Double Norwich, Oxford and Kent Trebhe Boh Major and Stedman and Grandsire Triples being brought round. A substantial tea at a nearby inn was provided about 5.30 , at which the Rector of Derley (the Rev. R. Griffths) presided.

A strori business meeting followed, the Rector being in the elneir, supported by the Rev. W. P. Wright (Eyam), Mr. W. Wallace (Derby), hog. treasurer, and Mr. J. F. Lewis Cockey (Dore), hon. districy secretary.
It was arrauged to hole the next meeting, if passible, at Raslow (six bellg) on November 16th, and it was decided to make Cambridge hrinor the method for special attention at that meeting and Double Norwich the mettod for the next eight-bell meeting. Some good atvice tegardint methods of practice and assistance of learmers was wiven hy Mr. W. Wallace, who also made an appeal for a more generots support of "The Ringing World.
A hearty vote of thanks to the Rector and the local company was rusponded to by the former in an cloquent lititle address, in which he referred lo ine message of the bells, their part in rejoicing and sorvow in the life of the Church, the definite mission of the ringers as a part of the Church, entailing labour and sacrifice, and of his appreciation of the work being done by the Midland Counties and like societies.
Mr. G. H. Paulson also responded on behalf of the Daviey ringers, axtending a welcome to those present. A few plain courses of Grandsire Triples and Gaters on the liandbells followed; and Messrs. A. G. and W. Wallace, and F. H. Beanett afterwards entertained those present with a little tune playing.

## MEDDLESEX COUNTY ASgOCIATION.

THE MEMORIAK TO "IHE LATE" DISTRICT MASTER.
A most successful meeting of the Suuth and West District of the Mindiesex County Assoniation was hele at Twickentiam on Saturday, Ocloher 12 th. The bells pealed forth shortly after 3 p.m., with Mu. F. W. Geodfellow (Riugimg Master) iu charge. Standard methods whe practised during the meeting. A service from the 'Ringers' Manual' was conducted by the Rev. W. P. Cole Skeane (Vicar'), assisted by the Rev. G. Bradley. Dr. Nicholi presided at the organ and led the singing.
Aflerwards the company, which ummered 50, adjourned to the Church Hall, where they were entertained lo lea by the Vical and lis warders, The Ficar presided, supported by Mr. W. Etheringion and Mr. A. Forman (churchwardens), Mr. F. Goodfeilow, Mr. J. . Trollope and Mr. I. Herbert.
The Vicar gave the association a most hearty welcome, and said what a great plensure it was to med the members at his church, ud, above all, to listen to the herity way they sang at the service.
Ah the business meeting which followed, attention was called to the joint mercing with the London County Associatiou and North Southwark Diocesan Guild (South District), to take place nt St. Mary's, Ealing, on November 2nd, details of which appear in "The Ringing World' ' notices.
The hon. secretary made an appal on behalf of the Eund for the erection of a memorial tablet to the late District Ringing Master, and the sum of 515 s . was collected.
Mr. Tam Beadle, who was assisted to the meeting by his two sons, eceived a hearty welcome.
At the requesi of the Vicar, Grandsire Caters were rung on handells by Messes. F. Goodfellow, J. A. Trollope, R. A. Fardon, J. Hertuert and E. S. Turner.
A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Ficar and his wardens or their kind hospitality, which was greatly appreciated by the company. Thanks were also sccorded to the Ficar for conducting the service, to the curate who assisted, to the organist (Dr. Nicholf), to the host and fostess (Mr. and Mr's. J. Lovill), and Miss K. Bradford and her assistants for ittending to the company's needs, and, last lmu not least, to the emorgetic hon. secretary and hon. treasurer of he local band, viz., Messis. E. A. Morris and R. Iisicy respectivelyThe tower was again visited and ringing intulged in till 9 p.m.

## A BIRTHDAY COMPLIMENT.

At St. Clement Dames, Strand, Lonton, on Fridgy, October 18th St. Luke's Day), 1.259 Gratulsire Caters composed by Cornclius Chame, of Auckland, New Zealatad: T. Langdon 1, T. Bemmey 2, A. It. Machonald 3, W. Rushton $4_{1}$ G. F. Winney 5, F. G. Newman 6 , Sorgison 10. This quartor-peal was rumg as a biuthday compliment Mrs. Penaington Bickford, wife of the Rector of St. Clement Danes. Both the Rector and Mrs. Pemington Bickford are good friends to the Exercise and to London riagors in partimular.

## SUDDEN DEATH OF EDENBRIDGE RINGER

It is with deep regret we record the death, which took place suddenly, on Saturday, October 12th, of Edwir Colbron.
The deceased was born at Siaplehurst, Kent, nearly 45 years ago, but moved to Edenbridge. As a lad he joined the Royal Artillery and served 12 years with the colours. A the outbreak of war he al once voluntecred, and was sent to France in September, 1914. After the Armistice, he settled down in Edenbridge, learnt to handle a beli, and took up change ringing. Fis first peal was rung in 1921. He was quite safe in all standard methods.

He was also a member of the local town bancl.
The funcral took place on Thursday, October 17 th , amidst general tokens of sympatly and respect. Most of tive ringers and members of the band were present, and a large number of his fellow-worknen from the tnnyard also attended.

In the evening, with the bells half-muffled, a quarter-peal of stedman Triples was rung in 45 mins. by: W. Jeigli, sen., 1, E. Leigh 2, G. Malyan 3, R. Jenner 4, H. Leigh 5, J. Heasman 6, J. W. Steddy (conductor) 7, W. Eeigh, јuи., 8.
The deceased is the thind member of the Edenbrikge Parish Clutuch fingers to pass away within three months.

## THE BERKSHIRE 12-BELL FUND.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir, -Subscriptions to the above fund up to Saturday, October 19th, have been as follows: Rev. Canon ©. F. Coleridge, f3 35 . ; Rer. C. W. O. Jenkyr, fito; Rev. H. C. Wilder, 33 3s. ; Rev. R. W. H. Acworth, £1 1s.; Rev. H. Law James, £l ls.; Rev. E. Bankes James, 10n.: Rev. E. C. Freman, 10s.; Rev. A. H. F. Boughey, 10s. Mra. C. W. O. Jenkyn, $£ 20$; Miss Charles, el ; Miss I. D. Humfrey, 10s.; Miss M. M. Wcbly, 2a. 6d. : Miss M. C. West, £5; Ladies' Guild Meeting, £1 Is. 9d.; American tea, Miss A. H. Walker and Miss V. Rohiason, £6 7 s . 6u. ; Messrs. A. N. Robinson, £1; J. A. Dart, £1: E. Bishop, £3 3s. ; Admiral T. P. Walker, £1 1s. : Messrs. B. J. Dunhar, Kilburn, £1 Is. ; R. T. Hibbert, 10s. 6d.; F. Dentry, 10s. 6d.; G. N. Price, 10s. : W. T. Cockerill, 5s. W. Bradley, 5s. ; W. Story, 5s. ; E. Morris, 5s. ; J. Monk, 5s. ; A. W. Davis, 5 s.: G. Faulkner, 2s. 6d. O.D.G., Bradford Deanery Brancli, 玉s 5s.; O.D.G., Vale of the White Horse Branch, £2; E. Ferrebee, 5 s ; Caverslam ringers, $£ 22 \mathrm{~s}$. Shaw ringers, $10 s$; East Ilsley riugers, $£ 1$; Sandhurst ringerg, 10 s. ; Hughenden ringers, El ; Buckinglan ringers, Bs. ; Maids Moteton ringers, 5 s . ; Churchill ringets, 5 s.; Wokingham, St. Paul's ringers, 10s. Gropredy riugers, 6s. ; Latughton ringers, 5s. Mr. D. Hancox; total, e89 0s. 30.
With sincere thanks to all who lave subscribed, and with optiraistie dreams of the ather half coming soons-Yours, ete. 69, York Rond, Reading.
R. 'T'. HIBBELE'

## WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

A quarterly weeting of the Soulimampton Districe was hela ad Uphan on Saturday, October 12th. Tho belfs (six) were available during the afternoon and evening. Tea and business meeting took place at ihe Brushmaker's Arms, the Rector of Upham presiding, supported by Mr. G. Williams (vice-president), Mr. Geo. Pulhinger (general secretary), and Canon Ridout, of Johannesburg, and memhers from Titchfich, Bishop's Waltham, Shedfield, North Stomeham, King's Somborne, Hursley, Portmouth, Winchester, and the locat
The Rector of Uplian was elected an hon. member, and Canon Ridout a compounding member
The methods rung on the tower belis were Grandsire and Stedmara Doubles, Grandsive, Bob, Double Court, Oxford, Kent and CambudgeSurprise Minor

Thanks were accorded to the Rector for the ure of the bells, and for presiding. The anmual meeting is fixed for January $18 t /$ at Sontinmplau, notice of which will be given in "The Ringing Wothl."

## FIRST QUARTER-PEAL OF CINQUES AT LINCOLN

At the Lincoln Cathedral on Thursday, October 17th, at, the usual weekly practice by the service ringers, a quarter-peal of Stedmaz Cinques ( 1,306 changes) in 1 hr .1 min., bearg the firgt quarler-peal upon the bells and by the band: Jahn Walden 1, Harold Marcon 2, Charles McGuiness 3, George Flintham 4, George Ghester 5, H. Leshe Pask 6, Tom Pyle 7, Charles H. Chester 8, John A. Freeman (conductor') 9 , Stanford J. Wolfe 10, Harold Walker 11, Arthur Marcon 12.

## POPULAR SOUTH LONDON RECTOR.

## FAREWELL QUARTER-PEAL

At. St. Leonard's Parish Chutch, Streatham, on Monday, Ocfober 14 th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples ( 1,260 ehanges) in 42 mins. : John Lec 1, Miss E. E. Hardeastle 2, W. Essery 3, E. E. Bish 4, '1.' W. Welhourne 5, J. H. Rumley 6, J. W. Chapman (conductor) 7 , W. G. Gray 8. Rung as a farewell to Rev. Gilnon Es. Brook-dackson, Rector of Streatham, whose induction as Vicar of St. Mary Abbot's Church, Kcnsington, look place the same evening.
A peal of welcome to his new parish was rung al St. Mnry dbbot's on Saturday.

## A TOUR IN YORKSHIRE.

AND A P1PAL AI RIPON CATHFDRAL.
On Sinturday, Oetaber Sth, a party of ten members of the Doncaster and Distriet Society had a diy's outing among some Yorkshive lowers. Tho programme meluded visits to Kinuesborough, Tadeaster, Sellyy Abbey and a peal of Ruyal al Ripon Cabliedral as the main objoctive.
tsart was made from Donoasier at: 9.30 a.m., the weather heing jden!. Pic lirsb stop was made ut Ferrybridge, owing to a defiated tyrc, which eveat was dertainly nat on the programme. Alter a delay of 15 minutes the jaurney was resumed and Kinareshorongli was reached at 11.20 a.m. Mr. Lee preeted the parby and pilolod them to the belfry, where the heautifis foal of eighte were soon tased. I'ouchns of Stedrani, IJonble Norwicla ated Jiftile Bob were rung. Thero was no time allowot to wisit tha various places of interest, mach as 'Mother Shiploa's Cave' and 'The Dropping Well' in this joteresting old-world town, and after a too short stay of 50 minutes the partiy proceeded to Ripons
l'lo dirsi interesting event on arrival at Ripon was "Knife and Fark surprise at the Granville Hotel. After an excellent lunch the bells of the Cathedral were raisex after everything had been prepared by Mr. F. Thimete, of the Catlacslonl Society. The bells eame in for it gomi defl of riverse witicism. "hic tone is poor and one camot hear" the trebles in the ringing clamber. A process of "Traplorising" would ertainly imptovo thom. Bob Rayal was the methor chosen for the peal, and the band wete instucterd to finish the peal by 4.40 so that the beils could he chimed for 5 atock ovensothg. Tho peal went sfeadily on until ati $4.40 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. 'Tad calleal a "whang' hob in the riglat place, which bronght the thells into the plain course. A minute afterwards b knock came aid. the belfry door as a fignal that thas hills must stop. Whe ringing ham heen so good throughout the peal that "Ted recided ta finish it, came what may. At $4.44 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. tho bolle ran ramal, and. Tlaat's all', and 'Stand" wero called. The don was opencd to admit the verger, who bad como up to chime for swrice. An offer by the band to ring the full peal for service was declined an the ground that it was usual for the two trehles to he elimed Srom 4.45 mutil 4.50 p.mn, and then far the thire to be chimed frorn 4.50 ta 4.55 pam . The first part of this ceremony was penformed by two of the band, who rang as many changes as is pasible on twe hells in the short time avalable. At 4.55 the remaining seven bells were lowered in peal im double guick" time, so that the clook conled chime the hour. The hatwd deatre to extend their apologies to the Dann of Ripon for overslaying thefr weloome by fonr minutes, ant hope he was pat to no inconvenieuce by reason of their belatiod completion of a splendid peal.
Rain commenced to fall as the bus left Ripon, and it whs soon pouring down. Tadeaster was the next ploce of call, and at 6 o'clock the bus druw up outside the church. Mis. Hicks and several of the local hand greetcd the visitore and texplained that there could be no ringing, as it was not permittexl after 5 p.m. This was to be expecterl, us, according to progranme, the party should have arrived ri. Thdcaster at 5.15 p.in. Before zecommencing the journey the visitors sampled the product for which Tadcaster is noted.
Selly Abbey was reached in pouring rain at 7.30 , and Mesirs. Fe. Cryer fund W. A. Hall welcomed the visitars. The magnificent ring of ten were soon geing to Sterlman Caters. In the first cause n quilel bell went in slow and stayed there, effectively putting 'paid' to the first athompt. At Line second attempt three well-ttinck courses wew rung. These were 「ollowed by a tonch of treble Bob Royal and m course of Cambricke Surprise Major Selby Abley and its beautiful bells were regretfully left behind at 8.45 p.m., and Doneaster reached as linet faler.
Drming tho list shage of the lomewasd journcy a hearty vate of thanks to the organiser of the tour, Mr'. J. E. Cawser; was carried will acelimation.
The party desire to thank the Dean of Ripon, the "Abbot n of Selby Abbey (an old friend of rineters) and the incumbents at Knaresborough and Tadeaster for Granting the use of their bells, and also Messhs. Lee, pringle, Hicke, Cryer and Fall for kimily making local ricampenents. 'l'he towers represented at the outing were Arksey, Conisborongh, Joncrster, Tickhill, Rotherham, Ravenfield, Gainきhorough anki Lincoln Cathedral
H. W.

## MR. TOM BEADLE APPEAL FUND.

 trotal s 10 14s. 6ct. Donations grutefully recejved on buchalf of this furd by Willinu II. Follier, 29, Duke Roud, Clisprick w

## HARVEST FESTIVAL RINGING.

DEMPFORD. On Sunday, October 20th, after harwest thanksgiving at St. Nicholas' Church, a quartor-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes) in 43 mins. : Harry Warnett, sell., 1, W. James 2, J. J. Lamb 3, J. Benmett 4, F. W. Thornton 5, P.C. Q. Davies 6, G. H. Daynes 7, W. H. Daynes 8. Conducted by Churehwarden G. H. Dayaes.
TVNSTALL, KENT, -At St. John-tie-Baptist Church, on Sunday, October 20th, for liervest festival evening service, a quarter-peal of (irandsire Triples ( 1,260 changes) in 38 mins.: R. Aylett 1, E. H. Spice 2, J. W. Unwin (conductor) 3, w. E. Spice 4, G. Kenward 5, W. Spice 6, G. H. Spice 7, W. H. Spice 8

EDENBRIDGE, KENT.-On Sunday, October 13th, on the occusion of harvest festival for morving service, a quarter-peal of Sted man 'riples in 43 mins.: W. Leigh, sen., 1, E. Leigh 2, H. Leigh 3, R. Jenner 4, G. Malyan 5, J. Heasman 6, J. W. Stededy (conductor) 7, W. Leigh, jun., 8. For evening service, 1,200 Kent Treble 3ob Major J. Heasman (conductor) 1, W. Leigh 2, E. Leigh 3, R. Jemer 4, H Leigh 5, E. Seal (Hever) 6, J. W. Steddy 7, G. Malyan 8.

FATELEY, HANTS.-For harvest festival, October 13th, a quarterpeal of Granksire ITriples: W. G. Buncli 1, S. J. Riddell 2, A. T' Hearmon 3, H, T'ice 4, G. Ives 5, A. Goodall' $6, G$. Butler (conductor) 7, A. E. Fearmon 8.
${ }^{2}$ TUNBRIDGE WELLS.-- At St. Peter's Church, on Sunday, Octe ber 13th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Guandsire Triples ( 1,260 changes) in 43 mins.: A. Worsfold (first quarter-peat) 1, Miss (r. Norris (first quarter-peal on an inside bell) 2 , H. Markwell 3 , 13. Colligon 4, W. Collison 5, S. H. Green 6, A. Richardson (conductor) 7, A. Mayes 8.
FAIREORD, GLOS-On Sumiay, October 6th, at St. Mary's Chutch
or larvest festival, a quarter-peal of Grandsine Triples ( 1,260 changes) in 48 mins. : G. Law 1, B. Guy 2, H. W. Tond 3, I. Hope (conductor) 4, A. King 5, W. H. Haywarl 6, J. Smith 7, A. स. W. Smith 8. Ringerg of 3rd and 6th hail from Cirencester, $8 t h$ from Christ Church. Swindon
BROMLEY, KENT.-On Sunday, Oclober 6th, for moraing service at the Parisi Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples by the fol lowing : E. F. James 1, G. F. James 2, A. James 3 , T. Knight 4, $1^{3}$ J. Spice 5, E. Monnter 6, G. Euxley (conductor) 7, G. Letchford 8. All the above are regular Sunday sarvice ringers at the above church. STAFTORD.-On Sunday, September 22nd, for ovensong a quar-ter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1,260 changes) in 47 mins.: J. Warrilow 1, T. Wigan 2, F. T. Fayle 3, G. Bootl 4, F. Warrilow 5, iw G. Curtis 6, W. F. Jones (conductor) 7, H. Evans 8. Rung for harvost festival.
SEVENOAKS, KENT-On Suniay, September 22nd, at St. Nicholas' Church, for evening service (harvest festival), a quarterpeal of Giandsire Triples in 45 mias. : Dr. E. L. Taylor 1, W. "Turley 2, S. Comber (first quarter inside) 3, P. Turley (conductor) 4, H. V. Baker 5 , H. D. Ford 6, H. J. Fard 7, F. Paige 8. The above arc all Sunday service rinuers.

PLYMOUTH, DEVON.-At Emmanuel Chureh, on Sunday morning, September 22nd, for harvest festival, a quarter-peal of Grand sire Triples in 45 mins.: R. W. Pugsley 1, R. J. Baldry 2, W. J. Rundle 3 , E. W. Marsh 4, G. Godard 5 , W. J. Richards 6, J. Wood ley (conductor) 7, S. Symons 8.

LONDON.-At the Church of St. George-in-the-East, for harvest fesmins, : F. Palmer (first guarter) 1 , J. Prior, (first quarter) $2, \mathrm{H}$ mins, : F. Palmer (first quarter\} 1 , J. Prior (Girst quarter) 2, H
Rowe 3, E. Butler 4, W. Glover (conductor) 5, A. Leonard 6, A Barrett 7, F. Ball (firsl quarter) 8

## WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD,

A guarterly meeting of the Winchester District was held at Hurs ley on Sraturday, fair number of ringera being present from various towers, namely, Winchester, North Stonehan, Titchfield, Southampion, Romsey and King's Stuborne. After ringing in various methorls, a service was conducted by the Rev. Hushand, who gave a shorl address on 'Self Sacrifice.' He considered all charelı bellringers wer performing a duty which was, to a certain extent, sclf-sacrifice.
Tea wes served in the Chureh Hall, to which twenty-two sat down and at the business meeting which followed, votes of thanks wert tendered to the Vicar for the use of the bells and for the service Handboll ringing terminated the meeting, and the ringers adjourned to the tower for further touches, which brought to a close a very pleasnut meeting.

## NOTICES.

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+The Ringing World ' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for $4 /-$ per quarter.
ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (established 1637).-Meeting for practice will be held at St. Paul's Cathedral on October 29th ai 7.30 p.m, Business meating afterwards.-William T. Cockerill. Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W. 4.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Rochester Dis-trict.-The annual meeting of this district will be beld at Rochester ou Saturday, October 26th. Tower opened at 3 p.m. followed by service at Cathedral at 4 p.m. After service a tea, supplied by the Association, will be served in the Temperance Cafe, Rochester Bridge. The business meeting will take place after tea, at which the officers for the ensuing year will be elected.-Stanley J. T. Shellock, 162, Barnsole Road, Gillingbam.
EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.-A ringing meeting will be held at Cowden on Saturday, October 26 th. Tower open 3 p.m. All ringers welcome. -G. Lambert, Drummond Hay, East Grinstead.

LADIES' GUILD.-Lincoln Branch. -A meeting will be held at Stow on Saturday, October 26th. Bells (6) available from 2 p.m. Service at 4.1 j . Gentlemen cordially invited.-Mrs. R. Richardson, Hon. Sec., Glyn Garth, Surfleet, Spalding.
SURREY ASSOCIATION.-Southern District. - A meeting will be held at Kingswood on Saturday, October 26th. Tower open at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service at 5 . Tea and business to follow.-A. J. Bull, Hon. Sec., Jesmond, Queen's Road, Horley.
LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - The next meeting will be held at Llantrisant (Glam.) on Saturday, October a6th. Bells (8) a vailable. Service at 4.30 . Tea and business meeting to follow.-John W. Jones, Hon. Sec., Cartref, Barrack Rd., Newport, Mon.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Lewisham Dis-trict.-The annual district meeting will be held at St. George's, Beckenham, on Saturday, October 26th. Bells available at 3 p.m, Service at 5 . Tea and business meeting to fullow.-A. G. Hill, Hon. Dis. Sec., 53, Hengist Road. Erith, Kent.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Cirencester Branch.-A meeting will held at Maiseyhampton on Saturday, October 26th (dedication of the bells). Service 2.30. Tea 5 o'clock. All ringers weicome.-F. J. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., 67, Chester Street, Cirencester.

MAISEYHAMPTON, GLOS. - Dedication of the peal of 6 (treble recast and all rehung in new frame with dew fittings dy Messrs. Giliett \& Johnston) will take place on Saturday, Oct. 26th, at 2.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.
BATH \& WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Taunton Deanery Branch. - A meeting will be held at Bradford-on-Tone, on Saturday, October 26th. Bells at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service at 5 . Tea and meeting after.-P. Merson, Local Sec., Bishop's Hull.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-A joint meeting of the Eastern and Western Districts will be held at Sunderiand, Saturday, October 26th. Meet at Bishopwearmouth Clurch, 2.30. Bells of the three churches available. Tea at St. Ignatius' Institute 5 p.m.-F. Robson, H. Tyson, Joint Dis. Secs.

BATH \& WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Axbridge Deanery.-The quarterly meeting will be held at Uphill, on Saturday, Oct. 26th. Bells (6) open at 2.30. Service $4 \cdot 30$, followed by tea, and business meeting at 5 p.m. All ringers welcome. R.S.V.P. to L. G. Tanner, Branch Sec., 51, Locking Road, Weston-super-Mare,
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Portsmouth District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Gosport, on Saturday, October 26th. Bells (8) available $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea in Parish Hall at 5.15 , followed by meeting. All ringers welcome. F. W. Rogers, Hon. Sec., 52, Samuel Rd, Portsmouth.

BATH \& WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATIONChew Deanery Branch.-The next quarterly meeting will be beld at Yatton, on Saturday, October 26th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Divine Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea at $50^{\prime}$ clock with business meeting to follow.-Percy G. Yeo, Hon. Local Sec., Long Ashton.

SUFFOLK GUILD.-Debenham district.-A meeting will be held on Saturday, Oct. a6th, embracing the three "Stonhams," viz: Earl Stonham (5), Stonham Parva (5). Stonham Aspal (io). Bells available $30^{\circ}$ clock. Tea at Brewers' Arms, Stonham Parva, 5 o'clock, to be followed by business meeting. It is proposed to ring at Stonham Parva first ; reason for this will become apparent when business comes on. Please help by attending.W. C. Rumsey, Debenham, Stowmarket.

## NOTTINGHAM SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD

 YOUTHS (Est. ${ }^{16}{ }_{72}$ ).-A meeting of the above will be held at Nuthall, on Saturday, Oct. 26th. Tower open 5 p.m. All ringers welcome - F. Blood, Hon. Sec.OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch. -The next monthly practice has been arranged at Warfield, on Saturday, October 26th, at 3.30 p.m. Guild service 5 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m.-A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.--Southern Branch.The next quarterly meeting will be held at Stamford, on Saturday, Oct. 26tb. Bells (6) of All Saints' and St. Martin's Churches will be available during the afternoon and evening. Service at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. at All Saints', followed by tea and business meeting at Barton's Cafe, St. Mary's Street. It is hoped we may bave a good attendance. All ringers welcome.-C. T. H. Bradley, Hon. Sec., Folking ham, Lincs.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-A special meeting will be held at Ows ebury, by invitation of the Vicar, on Saturday, October 26th. Bells (6) from 2.30, service at 4. Tea at 4.30. All welcome. -G. Pullinger, I 7 , Stoke Park Ra., Bishopstoke, Eastleigh.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. - Marlborough Branch.-The next monthly meeting of the branch will be beld at Burbage (instead of Collingbourne Kingston), on Saturday, Oct. ${ }^{26 t h}$. Tea at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$-Cymi Hussey, Hon. Sec., East Leaze, Baydon, Marlborough.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.- Witney and Woodstock Branch.-The autumn (anuual) meeting will be held at Witney, to-morrow (Saturday) Oct. 26th.-W. Evetts, jun., Hon. Sec.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Eastern Branch. The quarterley meeting of the above will be held at Frampton, on Saturday, October 26th. Bells (6) available from 2 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea 4.45 p.m. Business meeting afterwards.-John Phillips, The School House, Butterwick, Nr. Boston.

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Quarterly meeting at Whitchurch to-morrow. (Saturday), Oct. 26th. Bells (8) available 2.30. Meeting in Belfry 5. Tea (I/-each) at $5 \cdot 45$ - Rev. F. Tennison, Hon. Sec., St. Alkmund's Vicarage, Shrewsbury.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCiATION.-Ashford District. -A meeting will be held at Lydd on Saturday, Nov. 2nd, by kind permission of the Rev. Canon P. H. Collins. Bells available from 2.30. All ringeis welcome.-A. C. Kay, Dis. Sec., 6, Sturges Koad, Ashford.

A JOINT MEETING of the Midclesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild (South and West District) and London County Association and North Southwark Diocesan Guild (South District) will be held at St. Mary's, Ealing, on Saturday, November 2nd. kinging from $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Those requiring tea, please notify, by October 2gth, Mr. J. H. Hunnisett, 56, Altenburg Avenue, West Ealing. W. H. Hollier and J. Herbert, Hon. Secs.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Loughborough District.-The next meeting will be held at Diseworth on Saturday, November 2nd. Bells (6) ready at 3.30.-D. S. Collins, Hon. Dis. Sec.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Farnham Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Seale on Saturday, November 2nd. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 followed by tea and business meeting in Jubilee Room. Nominations for district officers for ensuing year must be handed in at this meeting. Those requiring tea please notify by Tuesday, October 2gth.-C. W. Denyer, Hon. Sec., : 20 , Ash Road, Aldershot.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rossendale Branch. -The next branch meeting will be held at St. James', Haslingden, on Saturday, November 2nd. Bells ready at 3.30. Meeting at 6.30. A good attendance is earnestly requested.-John H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 8, Oaklands Road, Edentield.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.- Peterborough Branch.-A quarterly meeting of the above branch will be held at Deeping St. James on Saturday, November and. Usual arrangements.-W. H. Waldron, Hon. Sec., I37, Scotney Street, Peterborough.

NORTH STAFFS AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. A meeting wili be held at Burslem, on Saturday, Nov. 2ad. Will all who intend to be present please inform Mr. E. Gater, 36, Rushton Road, Cobridge, Burslem, Stoke-on Trent. before October 3otb ?-C. S. Ryles, Hon. Sec.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. - Next meeting will be held at Barlborough, near Chesterfield, on November and. For tea, please advise Mr. R. Reece, Old Hall, Barlborough, as early as possible. A kind welcome extended to all ringers and friends.-R. Harrison, Hon. Sec.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Devizes Branch. -The monthly meeting will be held at Seend, on Saturday, Novemher and. Bells (6) ready at 3 p.m. Guild service 4 40. Tea 5. Short business meeting follows tea. All ringers welcome. -F. Green, Branch Hon. Sec., 33 , Avon Road, Devizes.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northern Branch. - The half-yearly meeting will be held at Heckington, on Saturday, November and. Service 4.30 . Tea (r/9 earb) 5 p.m., for those who notify Mr. J. H. Clark, Banks Lane, Heckington, by the Tuesday previous. Bells (8) available from 2 to 9 p.m. Good bus service from Sleaford.-F. S . W. Butler, Hon. Sec.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Hereford Dis-trict.-A quarterly meeting of the district will be held at Burghill, on Saturday, November and. Bells (8) available 3.30-8.30. Tea 5 p.m. Please notify me not later than October 29th.-A. Gwynue, Dis. Sec., Deanery Cottage, Castle Street, Hereford..

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Holy Trinity Church, Blackburn, on Sarurday, November and. Bells available from 3 pm . Meeting at $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. A good attendance requested.-Fred Hindle, Hon. Branch Sec., 58, Anvil Sr., Blackburn.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCEATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-North and East District.Next meeting at St. Olave's, Hart Street, City, on Saturday, November 2nd. Bells from 3 p.m. Service at 5 (Preacher, Rev. T. Wellard, B.D.). Tea at Lyons', $5 \cdot 30$ p.m. All members and friends welcomed.-C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 21, Vincent Road, E. 4.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckley District.-The next meeting will be held at Burbage on Saturday, November 2nd. Bells available from $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. A good meeting is requested, and all ringers will be wel-comed.-W. A. Cope, Smockington.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-Northern Division.-Annual district meeting at Braintree, Saturday, November gth Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting in Vestry Hall at 5 Tea will be provided free to all who give notice to $C$. $H$ Howard, 37, Bank Street, Braintree, not later than Friday, November 8th. All ringers will be welcome. Bells (8) from 2.30 to 9 p.m.-W. Arnold, Holt St., Earls Colne.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION. - The next meet ing will be held at Gamston, near Retford, ou Saturday, November gth. Bells (6) available at 2 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. A business meeting to follow. Good attendance requested. Further particulars in next week's issue. Good bus service from all directions.-R. W. Stockdale and H. Revill, Hon. Secs.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch -A meeting will be held at Woolton, on Saturday, Nov. gth. Bells (8) available $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. to 9. Service 5 . Tea (6d.) $5 \cdot 30$. Meeting to follow. Those requiring tea please notify me by Wednesday, November 6th. Please make an effort.-Claude I. Davies, Branch Sec., Caerleon Dunbabin Road, Wavertree.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Notting ham District. - The next monthly meeting of the above district will be held at Bulwell, on Saturday, Nov, gth Bells (8) available from 4 p.m, till 8.-F. W. Bailey Local Sec.1 42, Rupert Street, Nottingham.

LADIES' GUILD. - Central District. - A meeting will be held at St. Giles-in-the-Fields, Bloomsbury, Lontion, W.C., on Saturday, November gth. Bells available from 2.30.-E. K. Fletcher, Hon. Gen. Sec.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (established 1637).-. The 292nd anniversary dinner will be held at the Bridge House Hotel, London Bridge, where there is ample accommodation, on Saturday, Nov. gth,
at 6.30 p.m. Tickets, 7 s . each, may be obtained until Nov. 5th from Messrs. C. J. F. Bayley, J. Bullock, C. S. Burden, C. J. Chooet, P. E. Clark, T. Faulkner, E. G. Fenn, T. Groombridge, J. S. Hawkins, R. T. Hibbert, C. H. Horton, A. A. Hughes, H. Langdon, A. R. Macdonald, H. R. Newton, A. B. Peck, E. F. Pike, G. N. Price, W. Prime, W. Roughton, J. W. Rowbotham, W. Rushton, E. F. Sampson, A. Walker, C. F. Winney, E. A. Young or W. T. Cockerill, Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4. Towers open: Southwark Catbedral, 1.30 to 2.50, followed by a musical service; St. Magnus', 1.30 to 2.50 , followed by a lecture on the history of the church, by the Rector; St. Andrew's, Holborn, and St. Olave's, Hart Street, 2.30 to 4.30 . Service at St. Michael's, College Hill, at $50^{\circ}$ clock. Sermon by the Rev. Cyril W.O. Jenkyn.

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## BELFRY RECORDS.

There are many directions in which the records of the ringing Exercise are sadly lacking, and information as to past happenings is no longer available. In the early days, of course, it was impossible to bring together for purposes of reference particulars of peals and other events, and yet how valuable and iuteresting would the information have been to-clay if it were available. Alas, it can never now be compiled; it has gone for evet. Here and there, there remain to us scraps of history, retained through old peai boards, the books of a few of the ancient ringing societies, paragraphs buried deep in the files of old newspapers, or retained in the 'scrap books' compiled by old ringers. But while among these records there are, happily, accounts of some of the outstanding early performances in the art, much that would have been of untold interest to-day is lost to us. Not only is this not surprising; it was inevitable.

Even modern facts are soon lost sight of, and instances constantly crop ${ }^{1} \mathrm{p}$, for example, of claims to 'first performances ' on bells, which prove to be untenable. It is hardly to be expected, perhaps, that ringers of this generation should be fully acquainted with all that happened even in the generation that preceded it, although everything of note that has happened in the last half century is on record in the pages of the various ringing journals. The difficulty, of course, is that the precise information required is not, nine times out of ten, to be found, because no one knows where to look for it. There can be no doubt that many claims have from time to time been made, which could not be upheld if tested, but which have never been disputed merely because the earlier records have been lost sight of. The most important of these, obviously, relate to peals, and it might be well, before matters get any worse, if something could be done with a view to bringing to light all available information.

This suggestion might seem to offer a stupendous task, but the collection of these records might be made possible if unciertaken by the various associations. In each organisation some one or more ringers interested in research could probably be found to examine the association's reports and the volumes of the ringing press, and extract for each tower the particulars of the first peal rung therein in each method. These details could then be handed to the custody of the respective towers, where they would always remain for reference. Afterwards, if there was a desire for it, the information could be elaborated by the addition of other peals rung in the tower. Every belfry would thus have its own record, at any rate of essential performances, which could be con-
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sulted and which would settle most of the questions of priority of claims. There are in many belfries, of course, records of the peals rung, but by far the larger number have no such records, and it would be a step towards the preservation of local information if something on the lines roughly sketched out could be generally adopted.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

WINCHESTER, HANTS.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTE DLOCESAN GUILD. On Saturday, Oclober 26, 1929, in Four Hours and Seven Minutes, At tar Cathedral Chorge of the Holy Trinjty and St. Swithon A PEAL OF GAMERIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS, 5280 CHAHEES; Tenor 30 cwt 8 lb.
Cearles T. Coles ... ...Treble $\mid$ †Fredraick W. Rogers ... 7 -George Williams .. ... 2 Herbert E. Agdsley ... 8 John S. Goldsmith ... ... 3 Joseph T. Dyke ... .... 9 4Sidnay T. Molt .... ... 4 Charles H. Kippen... ... io George R. Pye... ... ... 5 5 EDward P. Deffieid .... it Albert T. Coles ... ... 6 W Weliam Pye ... ... ... Tengr
Composed by John Carter. Conducted by William Pye.

* First peal of Cambridge Surprise Maximus t First peal of Maximus. The first peal of Maximus in Hampshire and by the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild. Rung on the 40th anniversary of the conductor's first peal.


## TEN BELL PEALS.

CREWE, OHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, October 26, 1929, in Three Hours and Twenty-Four Minules, At Chrtst Cherch,

## A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cmt .
Harry F. Hocding... ...Tyeble|"Harry Overton
Robert Sperring ... ... 2 EDward V Rodeneron 6
Richard T. Holding … 3 William Wheatherby ... 8

- Iticeard D. Langford ... 4 "William Edge... ... ... 9 Harold Edwards ... ... 5 Jabes H. Riding ... ...Temor Composed by E. Jenkins. Conducted by J. H. Riding.
* First peal of Bob Foyal and first peal of Bow Royal on the bells. A birthday compliment to William Edge.

ABINGDON, BERKS.
THE OXFORD DIOQESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, October 26. 1929, in Three Howrs and Twenty-Two Minutes.
At the Church of St. Helen,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN GATERS, 5009 DHANGES;
Tenor zol cwt.
Alhert E. Lock ... ...Tyeble | John Nobes ... ... ...
Edgar Humprey ... ... 2 Walter F. Jtige ... ... 7

- Miss Stella Davis ......$\quad 3 \quad$ Harded Humprey ... 3 ... 8 Mrs, A. E. Lock ... ... 4 Percy Dyke ... ... ... 9
Jack Honey ... .... ... 5
Composed by N. J. Pitsrow. Conducted by Alberi E. Lock.
* First penl of Stedman Caters.

SWINDON, WILTS.
THE ANCIENT SOGIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS
On Saturday, October 26, 1929, in Thre Fours ath Thirty-Three Minutes,
At tee Parise Chorce.
A PEAL OF STEDHAN CATERS, $\quad 079$ GHANGES:
Tenor za cwt. 9 lb.
Wieliak T. Pates ... ...Treble Ricbard G. Rice .... ... G *William W. T. Damiglls 2 *Edward John Berry ... $\%$ Jobn Agsin $\quad . . . \quad . . . \quad .$. Hgge J. Balcombe ... ... 4
Ernest Bishof ... ... ... 5 Walter H. Troeman ...

Composed by W. T. Pares. Sidney Palmar... ... -...
Wilitam A. Belcock
( Conducted by Joun Ansin. * First attempt for Stedman Caters. W. T. Pates hails from ChelLenham, J. Austin from Gloucester, H. J. Balcombe and R. G. Sue from Harwell, Berks.

BRADEORD，YORESHIRE
THE YORESHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Saturday，October 26．1929，in Three Hours and Thivty Minutes， At the Cathedral．
A PEAL OF KENT TREDLE BOB ROYAL，5040 CHANGES； Tenor $2_{5}{ }^{3} \mathrm{cwt}$ ．

## John Holman

Jamas Cotterble
．．Trebie
tgomas b．Kendall ．．．．．．． Agtadr Kniguts ．．．．．． 4 Leslie W．G．Morris ．．．． Wililam Bartom ．．．．．． 5 Prrcy J．Jonnson ．．．．．．Temor Composed by Arther Knigets．Conducted by James Cotterele．
Rung as a 70th birthday compliment to Mr．Broadley．Also a tirthilay peal for Mr．，Thos．Maude，and rung on the 38th anniverbary of Mr．J．W．Cundall＇s wedding day．

## EIGHT BELL PEALS．

MARGATE，KENT
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCLATON AND ROMNEY MARSE AND DISTRIGT GUILD．
On Saturday，October 19，1929，in Two Hours and Fifty－Threc Minules， At tee Cburch of St．John－ree－Baptist，
A PEAL DF STEDMAN TRIPLES， 5040 CHANGES；
Pisstow＇s Variation．
Frederick A．Falrbeard．．．Tyeblo WIELIAM E．Fitman ．．．．．． 2 Edwin G．Boesden ．．．．．． 3 Pbrcy Page Charles Frankiln Harry Parkes

Tenor 22年 cwt． 5
6 Frederick G．Brett ．．．．．． 4 William J．Falreea ．．．．．．． 7 Conducted by Edwin G．Boesden．
W．J．Fairbeard was elected a member of the R．M．and D．G．pre－ rious to starting．Quickest peal on the bells．

HEPTONSTALL，YORKSHIRE．
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION．
On Saturday，October 19，1929，in Three Hours and Two Minites， At the Chorch of St．Thomas－a－Bhcket，
A PEAL DF EOUELE MORWIGN GOURT EOB MAJOR， 5024 GMAMEES， Tenor $18 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$ in ㄹ．
Moseph Bradley．．．

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| $\ldots$ | 4 | $\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Albert J．Hughes } & \ldots . & \ldots & 5 \\ \text { George Ambler ．．．．} & \ldots & \cdots & 6 \\ \text { William Ambler } & \ldots & \ldots & 7\end{array}$ Thomas B．Tiendall．．． Edward Jenkiss ．．． ．．． 3 Herbert Davenport．．． Composed by G．Lisdofe Leslie W．G．Murris ．．．Tenor Conducted by E．jenkins．

First peal of Double Norwich on the bells．Arranged and rung as 2lst birthday compliment to Anvie，eldest daughter of Mr．and Mrs．A．J．Hughes；it was also a birthday compliment to L．W．G． Morris．

LAVENHAM，SUFFOLK
THE SUFFOLK GUILD．
On Safurday，October 19，1929，in Thyed Hours and Twelve Minutes， At the Cedrce of SS．Peter and Padl，
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES， 5040 CHANGES； Tenor 23 cwt，in D flat
Frank A．Torner
．．．．．．Trable
Fraderick F．Moricock ．．． 2
Wilitam R．J．Podison ．．． 3
Stedman H．Symonds.. $.4 \quad 4$ Lennard Pryme Lawrence Podison ．．． 5 Arthur Symonds Composed by Rev．C．D．P．Davies．Conducted by S．H．Syanonas －First peal on towal bells．Rung．as a birthday compliment to be ringer of the 7th．

## WHITWICE，LEICESTERSHIRE．

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION．
Ot Saturday，October 19，1929，in Two Hoursand Fifty－One Minutes， At the Chorch of Si．John－the－Baptist，
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES， 5040 CHANGES；

J．J．Parker＇s Fodr－fart．
Harmy Lacy
．．．$\quad . . . \quad$ ．．．Trable Gearge Butlbr ．．．．．． 3 Alfrbi Underwood ．．．． 4 ．Walier Frra ．．．．．．．．．． 7

Cenducted by Walter Fern．
First penl and proposed members before starting．$\ddagger$ First peal an boh bell．

BLLINGSHURST，SLSSEX．
On Safurday，Ociober 19，1929，in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes， At tee Church of Si．Mary，
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES，5D40 CHANGES； Hozt＇s Ten－part．

Tenar 12 年 cwt ．
Henry Meleard
．．．．．．Treble
Raymond Wood．．．
Thomas Attwall $\quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 3 \quad$ Arthor J．Bartirit $\quad . . .7$
James Burdfield ．．．．．． 4 Gilberi Johnson ．．．．．．．Tenor Conducted by Arthor J．Barileit．
＊Firet peảl and first attempt．
OSWALDTWISTLE，LANCS．
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION．
On Monday，October 21，1929，tn Threa Hours and Six Minutcs， Ai the Chorgh of Immandel．，
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR，GAAB CHANEESI Tenor 114 cmit．

 Leonard Sceoles ．．．．．． 4 Lacrence J，Williams ．．．Temop Composed by A．Knights．Conducted by L．J．Williams．
＊First peal．f First in the methon．Rung balf－mulfled as a mark of respect to the late Mr．Ben Fielden，who was chorister at the above church for 48 years．

GUILDFORD，SURREY
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GULLD．
On Tuesday．October 22，1929，in Three Howrs and Fifteen Minhtes，
At the Cateedral Ceurce of zee Holy Trinity，
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Composed by F．A．Hocden．Couducted by W．J．Robinsom
＊First peal in the method．First peal in the metbod as conductor． ROMFORD，ESSEX．
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION．
On Tuesday，Oetober 22，1929．in Two Jours and Fifty－Five Mirntes，
At tee Ceurch of Si．Edward．
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES，50qO CHANGES；
Holi＇s Ten－part．
Tenor Is cwt．
James Benneti ．．．
George R．Pye ．．．．．．． Wirliak H．Throbald Ernest J．Butler

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Ernest W．Furbank

Conducted by
George hayden
George Dawson
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＊First peal in the method．
SUNDERLAND，DURHAM．
THE DURHAM AND NETFGASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION，
On Thursday．Oftobay 24，1929，in Timo Hours and Fifiy－Fowy Minutes，
At the Cegreg of St．Ignatids－tbe－Martyr，
PLAL EF DOUBLE MORWICM COURT BOE MAJOR， 6008 CNANCES：
Tenor 13 cwt ．
Frank Ainstey ．．．．．．．．．Tpebje｜Roeert Walker．．「egrge S Taylor
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．．． 3 Tosere W．Parker
Tbomas H．Regyes ．．．．．．． 4 Rogert L．Patterson
Composed and Conducted by Joseph WF．Parker．
Aywanged for Mr．T．H．Reeves，of Birminghan．
SHOREHAM，SUSSTKK．
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Saturday，October 26，1929，in Thece Honrs and Sir Minutes，
At the Churce of St．Mary．
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR， 5088 CHANGES Tenor $14 \mathrm{cwt} 3 \mathrm{gr} . \mathrm{I}: 1 \mathrm{~b}$ ．
Wigliam Hillman ．．．．．．Tyehte Thomas Bertenshan Fredratick Cripps ．．．．．．． 2 ．Tack M．Catpps ．．．．．．．．．．． 6 Alpred W．Groves ．．．．．． 3 K $\quad$ Krith Hart．．．... Waltrr Charman ．．．．．． 4 jomy DFarlove ．．．．．．．．．．Tdq
Composed hy W．Sotitanstall．Conducted by John Dearlove．

NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE
THE WINGHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. Un Thursaay, Octoder 24, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifiy-Scen Minutes,

At ier Cherch of St. Nicolas,
 Tenor 9 cwt. 26 lb.
Frederick G. Grtffen
...Treble Frederick G. Cgle
... 5
JoLn W Tialthrole
 Wilejam G.Edwards ... 4 Owen H. Giles ... .... .... Temor Composed by H. W. Wilde. Conducted by George Willams.
Rung as in hirthday compliment to the ringer of the tenor. In this composilion tha end is never above 4th's place at a course end. CRAYFORD, EENT .
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, Oatober 25, 1929, in Two Hours and Thirly-Nine Mintes, At the Chorch of Sit. Padinos,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, ED58 CHANGES; Tenori2妾 cwt.
T. Groombejmge, grin William Bond

 $\begin{array}{ll}\ldots & 5 \\ \ldots & 6 \\ \cdots & 7\end{array}$ Composed by J. A. Trolcope. Conducted by E. Barnett, sen.

* Firsl peal of Mejor on an inside bell. HERTFORD.
TEE HERTFORD OOUNXY ASSOCIATION.
On Suthrday, Ostobey 20, 1929, in Three Frows and Fiften Minutes, Ai the Chirch of All Sainss,
A PEAL CF BOB MASOR, 5056 GHANGES;
Pritchard's Foor-part.
Tenor 25夜cwt. in $D$.
Sidney Rocerster
.Trebis
C. Ernest Smtrh

Alirerb J. Pocling
Sidney Catarer
Cond .... 4 WALTER AYRE
Rong al'ter meeting short for Caters. This peal was arranged to amable the conductor to fulfil a promise made unconsciously two years ago. Believed to he the first Major on the bells. FEERTNG, EGSEX.
THE LSEEX ABEOOLATION.
On Sathriay, Detober 26, 1929, in Thya Howrs and Eight Minutes,
At the Chorch of All Saints
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor 18 cwt, in $F$.
Walter Arnold ...Tyabie | Wiletam Kerefle Walter Arnold
John C. Newman - PC. Charles Eiliott 3 Eredericr Fludder...5
[.C.Chales Ellioti ... 3 Leslie J. Clark... ... ... 7 Gborgr Hayward ... ... a Charles Botion ... ...Tenor Composed and Conducted by Wicliam Kgeble.

* Firsli peal of Major.

WOLVERHAMPTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOOIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.
On Salurdny, October 26.1929, in Two Hours and Fifly-Eight Minutes.
Ai the Church of St. Loke, Biakenfall,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Groves' Transposition of Parker's Twelve-Part.
William Shitr ... ... ...Trebif Francis Brotherton Abraham Greenfieco $\quad . . . \quad 2 \quad$ Wilejam H. Lawley Edward F. Mitchell ... 3. Harry Boswell Charles W. Cooper... ... 4 |Josbpy Oljver ... ... ...tenor Conducted by Abrahab Grrenfirld.

* Firsh pasa and ftrst attempt. Rung as a birthday compliment to Fidwart $F$. Mitchel, also in bonour of the twenty-third anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. A. Greeafield.


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DORKING, SURREY.
THE ANCIFNT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Satarday, Otober 26. 1929, in Thuee Fonys and Nine Minutes
At the Chorch of Su. Martin,
A PEAL OF BUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAdOR, SOEG CNAMEES

## Tenor 25 cwt .

Ceallis F. Winney ... ...Treble Harold N. Pitstow...
George N. Prigb... Jamrs Bullock ...
Herbert Langdon
 Harry R. Pasmore ... ... 4 Alfred B. Pger ... ... Temoy Composed by C. H. Hattersley. Conducted by Grorge N. Price

EARE SHITTON, LEIGESTERSHIRE.
TEE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, October 26, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Simon asd Jode,
A PEAL OF SPLIGED TREBLE BOB MANOR, 5280 CHANGES;

## Worcester Variation.

J. Henry Wright ... ...Tyeble T. Kelbam Deacon

Alpred Balcard ... ...
C.
 Composed and Conducted by Ernisi Morris.
Rung to commemorate the feast of dedication of the church. Firat peal in this variation (which has no bobs) on the bells and by all except the conductor.

MEASHAM, LEICESTERSEIRE.
THE MIDLAND CODNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saharday. October 26, 1929, in Tto Hours ard Fifty-Five Minutes,
At the Church of St. Lawrence.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, E040 CHANQES;

Davies' Five-part (No. 3). Rev. J. R. King... ... ...Treble Georgb Frebbray ... ... 2 John H, Swinfield ... ... 3 Charles Draper ... ... 4

Tenor ro cwt
Josyph W. Cotion ... ... 5 Charles Smith ... ... ... 6 Ernest W. Beadsmoord ... ${ }^{7}$ Joseph Batley ... ... ...Tondy
Conducted by Grorge Frebbrey
The ringers wish to thank Mr. Geo. Bailey for having everything ready.

WEDNESBURY, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD On Saturuy, October 26. 1929, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

At ine Chorch of St. Bartholomew,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, SOSGCHANGEI: Tenor 24 cwt. I8 !b.
Robert Pickering ... ...Tyeble fohn Perry

| Josepe Pigoty... | ... | 2 | Robert Matinews | ... | .. | 5 | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | Christopher Wallater ... 3 Herbert Knight $\quad . .$. Sydney Eltion ... ... ... 4

Composed by C. Midnceton.
Thomas J. Elion ...Tenoy
Conducted by R, Matterews.
Firgt peal of Cambridge Surprise Major on the bella. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. E. F. Mitchell, Wolvcrhampton, and Miss Annie Huglies, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Hughes, Low moor, Bradford, on the attainmeat of her 2lst birtbday.

WHITTLE-LE-WOODS, LANCS. THE LANGASHIRE ASSOCLATION. (Preston Branch.)
On Saturday, October 26, 1929, in Thyec Houys and Seven Minvtes.
At tee Chorch of St. John,
a PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Temor 21 cwt . q qr. 23 lb .
-Thomas Barker
..Treble
tJack Cearnoce.
Frederick G. Bradeey
Hermon Nelson
Edward B. Coxhkad
3 Entor Hartiey
Composed by J. Thorp,
Edward Dawson
Alfred Blogg ... ...
. ...
Conducted by E. Dawson

* First peal. $\dagger$ First peal with a bob bell. First peal in thw method as conductor. Rung for the 19th anniversary of the bells. and as a birthrlay compliment to the ringers of treble, 2nd, and 7 th. who attained their majority on the 6th, $12 t h$ and 87 th respectivel? All are Sunday scrvice ringers at the above charch. The band were entertained to tea afterwards by the above-mentioned ringers.

REDENHALL, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCJATION.
On Sawrday. Outober 26, 1929, in Thra Hows and Twenty-Fow Minutes, Ai the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES Tegor 2 a cwt
Grorge Howlett
Edwin R. Goate Stanley Copling James Eldridge...

Composed by I. Lockwood. $\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Herbert Fulcher } & \ldots & \ldots & 5 \\ \text { George Gower } & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & 5 \\ \text { Russeli Ruches } & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & 7 \\ \text { Walter Barabit } & \ldots & \ldots \text { Temo }\end{array}$

Conducted by E R. Goate.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

RICKINGHALL SUPERIOR, SUFFOLK. THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Wertrosday. October 9, 1929, in Two Honys and Thirg-One Mindes. At the Chirch of St, Mary.

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Comsisting of two extents each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob emd tbree of Plain Rob.
Frank Shemmintit

Ray Grant
Alphegej. Berfy
Nolan Golden Conducted by Wilelam StegGall.

WEST HAM
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Subrday, Oetober 10, 1929, in Three Hows and Five Minwes. At tee Cedrce of All Saints
A PEAL OF SURPRISE MIMOR, 5Q40 CHANGES;
Eling 720 each of Newcastle, Alnwick, Lendon, Weils, Yoik, Cambridge and frsswich.
Gegrge Hayden...
Wilciam H. Theobald
.. Treble William Milet fr … $\quad 2$ John Mocle... $. . . \quad . .$. - $\ldots 3$ Alfred Prior ... .. Tenor Conducted by A. ERIOR. SUTTON-IN-ASHFIELD, NOTTS.
EAET DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTINGHAMSHIRE ASSOCIATION. In Mondav, Orlober 21, 1929. in Two Hours and Forty-Nine dinutes,

At the Cherce of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 21 Eix-scores of Plain Finh Doubles and 21 six-scores of Graudsire.
Cornelids ]. Partridge Tyeblc

* Thomas Bittison
- WiEson Ale1s, SEN....

Iohn Bleby Tenor 15 ewt.

3
John W. England ...
Conaucteả by J. W. England.

* First poal of Doubles. to First peu]. Fist perl of Doublos on the bells. Rung on the 73 a a aumersary of the birth of the late Mrs. M. E. Heatheote, mother of the tenor ringer, who expressed a wish previous to her death for a peal to be rung cull this day. It was also a birthday evmpliment to Mr. T. Betison, and to the eldest daughter of Mr. C. J. Partridge, who ateaned her majority an Saturday, October 19th.


## ELSTOW, BEDFORDSHIRE.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRF ASSOCIATION

On Monday, October 31, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty Mindes,
At the Chorce of SS. Mary and Helena.

## A PEAL OF MINOR, EOAG CHANGES;

Being two 720's cach of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and three of Tlais Bob, each called differcntly. Tenor 8 owt. (approx.). Yerney Cooper ... .... ...Tytble $\mid$ Percy Bonnett ... ...
 Conducted by J Pozier.
First peal as comlucfor, Rung in hanour of the wedeling of Mr. John Newington (Iate district secretary of the ahove assuciation!, who Was married an he previols Saturday. It was also a fareveli peal, as Mr. Newington is leaving Bediord to reside at Peterhoroagh.

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## THORNHAM MAGNA, SUFEOLK, <br> THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Wednesay, October 23, 1929, in Teo Hours and Thuth-Tuo Minutes, At ine Cherch or St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINDR, 5040 CHANGES
Comprising seven diferast extents, one each of Double OxFord, Donble Court mud thain Bob, and two each of Kent and Oxtord liveblo Bob.

- T'enor $9 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. in G.

Geqrge Cattermole ...Treble|Nolan Goldrn
Ray Grant ... $. . . \quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 2$ Eric G. Bennett
Alphros J. Berry $\quad . .$. Conducted by Nolas Goldus. RUSEALL, STAFEORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETF FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.
On Thursdus. Octoick 24. 1929, ir Tsuo Howrs and Fifly 1llinutes. At tee Chorch of St. Michaez.
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES; Being seren 720 s, each called differenty. Tenor 7 ewh. 2 gr. 14 14. Alfred Adams ... ... ...Treble | Engar T. Smith... ... ... 4 Christopher Elick ... ... 2 Jamis S. Eastwuod ... Thomas J. Elton ....... 3 Sidney Elton ... ... ... Tenor Conducted by Thomas J. Elios.
First peal of Treble Bob Minor by all except the tanor ringer. Fir'st peal of Treble Bob Minor on the kells ant by the soviety. YARDLEY HASTINGS, NORTHANTS.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUTLD.
On Satruday. October 26, 1929, in Three Fows and Tuo winnies. At the Chdrch of St. Andrew.
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Consisting of serem different 720's. Tenorl 14 owt.
-Herbert Lack ... ... ...Tyeble | Harry Pbitit ... ... ... 4

| George Patker | $\ldots$ | $\ldots .$. | 2 | Harry Wooding | $\ldots$. | $\ldots$ | 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| TErnest Wooding | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | Thomas Wise | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ Tenor | Conducled by Thobss Wiaz.

* First peal of Minor. + Finst peal and first altempt.

WILLLNGTON, REDS.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCTATTON
On Sulurdav, October 26. 7929. in Two Howrs and Twendy Minules.
At the Cherch of St. Lawrevce,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 SHANGES;
Being eight 120's eacly of Si. Simon's, Canhathury, and Hoh Douhtes and efghieen 120's of Grandsive.
William'Stock
... ... ...T, Tble
John Potiser
Percy Bonnetit

> Conducted by H. L. Harlow.

* First peal and first atitenpt. Rung on the 44bl anuivarsury of the conductor's wedding day. Rung after mevting short for Miner: HASKETON, SUFFOLK. THE SUFFOLE GUILD.
On Saturday, October 20 1929, in Two Fours and Forth-Five Mintios;
At tae Cyorgh of St. Andrew


## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, sean EHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridqe Surprise, College Boh 17., Lomban Scholars' Pleasure, College Exerejse, Woodbine, Kenti and Oxfortl.
Charles Ablitt

- Alfred B. King

Charles E. Fisher

## Tenor 92 ewt.

Tychle Franer L. Fisher
2 - Wiezinm A. Woons
GEnRGR W. Abliat ... ...Tonor
Conducted by George W. Abliti.

* First pead in seven different methods of Treble Bolb.

GREAT MUNDEN, HERTS.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIA'JON.
On Saturday, October 26, 1929, in Two Hours and Forft-Five Hinates,
At тhe Cherer of St. Nicholas

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Oxford Delight, Woodbine, Kent, qual Oxfriml Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, College Single and Plain Bub. Tonor 11 cwt . Arthur Phirlifs ... ...Treble| Henry Watlace -.. ... 4 - Miss Nora Welce... .... 2 . John Weich Georgr H. Carter... ... 3 Barnard Pathore ... ...Temo* Conducted by Barnard Patmore.

* Firat peal.


## RIBCHESTER, JANCS

THE TAANCASHIRJ ASSOCTATION
On Saturiay, Oatober 26, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes, At the Chorce of St. Wilfred.

## A PEAL OF HINOR, 5OAO CHANEES;

Buing tivee 720's of Kent Treble Bob and four 720's of Plain Bob, differeal callings.
Arthor Tomlinson .. ...Tyeble Wilgir Aaron John Cavannage Conducted by L.
*Righard Boldersion Frederick Hindle ... Jadrence J.

* First peni of Minor. First peal on the bells after rehanging and taning by Mesgrs. Gillett and Johnston. The baud take this oppor tunity to thant the Rector for his kind hospitaity after the peal.

KINGSLEX, STAFFORDSFIRE.
THE NORTH STAFFg AND DISTRIGT AESOCLATION.
On Salurdty, October 26, 1929, in Two Howrs and Fifty Minutes,

## At the Church of St. Werburgaí,

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANEES;

Being liwo 720's each of Lomdon and Fork and three of Cambridge. Tenor 12 ewt.
-Gegrge Holme
Tyable
Henty Garswell Arthor W. Hall James Wacley $\qquad$
Charles S. Ryles ...
Jobn E. Wereldon...
Conducted by Henry Carnwell
Ringers of 4 hin and 5th, for whom
+.. ...Tend

* First peal. Ringers of 4 th and 5 th, for whom this was arranged, have now rumg in peals ranging from 1 to 7 methods. First Surprize peal an the hells.

TEMPLECOMBE, SOMERSET
THE BATE AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
Dm Smidav. October 27. 1929, in Two Howrs and Fifty-Siz Minutes,
At the Chorch ef St. Mary.
A PEAL OF GRANOSIRE DOUBLES, BO40 EHANGES;
Boing 42 six-scures with ten different callings. Tenor 12 ${ }^{3}$ cwt. - W. John Yodng ... ...Treble James F. Hatchley... .... 4


Conducted by H. Andrews.

* Tiush peal. + First peal of Doubles and first peal as conductor.


## HaNDBELL PEALS

GOSFORTF, NORTHUMBERLAND.
THE DUREAM \& NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION (Newcastle Cateedral Guild.)
On Friday, Oedober 25, 1929, in Tipo Honys and Twette Minutes, At No. i, Salter's Road,
A PEAL OF BOE MAJOR, $5[24$ CHANGESI

John Anderson
Wilejam H. Barber
Composed by H. Dains.

I-2 Willian J. Davibson
34 Roberi Anderson Conducted by W. H. Barber.
MANCHESTER.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOGIATION
On Saturday. October 26. 1929, in 7hree Fours and Eighten Minutes,
in the Belery of the Town Hall,
A PEAL OF STEGMAN EINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;
Tenor size $r_{7}$ in $A$

Alurej Barnas...

- Harold jackson

Alern F. Balley
Allen F. Balley
Composed by C.

Erbderick Page ... .... $7-8$

- William Jackson ... ... 9-ió

Peter Laflin .... ... ..iti-iz
Conducted by $\mathbf{F}$. Baicey.
Umpire: Tom Wicde (Hyde).

* Final pon! on twelve bellg. First peal of Stedman Ginques on luadluells in hie county and by the association. First peal of Stedwan Gingues 'in hand ' by all except the conductor. First of Oinques as comductor.


## At the Residence of Mr. E. Lanham.

## A PEAL OF BOE MAIOR, $508 B$ CHANQES

## George Whiting

Wilelam Wightman...
Composed by John E. Burton
First peal on Itatadherls

## George Wigutman

 5-6ERNESTE. LANHAM $\cdots \cdots \quad 7-8$ Conducted by Georgr Wightman

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.
GOSPORT REYISITED AFTHF 15 YEARE.
A very successful meetiag of the Portamouth District was held at Gosport on Saturtay last, it being 15 years since the Guild last met there, and over 30 inembers were present from Alverstoke, Bramshott, Curdridge, Fareham, Gosport, Fortsmoutin (St. Marys and St, Thomas'), Ryde, Shedtield, Titchfield and Wickham, visitors from Beaconsfield, and Mr. J. H. Shepherd (Swiadon).
The bells were avalable during the afbernoon, and at 4.30 the Guild's serviee was held in the churelt, the Wieal kindly officiating and giving the address. An excellent tea was sorved in the Parish Hall, after which the business meeting was held, Col. A. de W. Kitcat being voted to the cladr. Apologies for absence were received from Mr. E. Woods (Bramshott) and Capt. A. R. W. Woods, R.N. (Alverstoke), who were both inclisposeri.
The Vicar of Gosport was, subject to his consent, elected an ton. member. and G. Juid (Gosport) a ringing member.
It was decided, after a vote, to hold the ammal district meeting at Alverstoke on January $27 \mathrm{th}, 1930$. It was also resolved that the secretary should sead a letter of sympathy to Canon G. Landon (Alverstoke) in his recent lass by the death of his daughter.
Votes of thanks were accorded the Vicar for the use of the bella, and the organist for kindly officiating at the organ. In reply, the Chairman, on behaif of the Wiear, weleomen the members to Gosport that day, and hoped that it would not be another 15 years before they came again.
The Secretary (3ir. F. W. Rogers) thanked the chairman for his kind remarks, and also those who had been mentioned in the votes of thanks.

At the conclusion of the meeting another visit was paid to the tower, and, although the bells are somewhat difficuit for strangers to handle, some very good touches were brought round in methods ranging to Double Norwich and Cambridge Surpuise Major.

## ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. <br> \section*{ARCHDEACONRY OF TEX.}

A meeting of tho Archdeacoury of Ely Bratuch was held at Melbourn on Saturday, ringers being present from Barley, Bourn, Fub bourn, Cekleton, Newton, Royston, Sawston, Stapleform and Trump ington, as well as members of the local band. Tea was provided at the Rose Inn, where about 20 mingers and friends sat down. At the conclusion of the tea a short business mecting was held, Mr. A. E. Austin being elected as chairman. Owing to the absence of the diatried secrebary, Mr. F. Warrington, the minutes of the prerious mettirg could not be read.
There were two propositions for the place of the next meeting, namely, Trumpington and Fulbourn, and on being put to the vota Trumpington was selected, the meeting to be beld on November 23 rcd .
A suggestion was made that it would he hetter to arrange a pregramme of meetings and dates [or a complete year, instead of the present method of arranging at one meeting the place and date of the next meeting. After some discussion, it was resolved that tha committee for the archaleaconry should be asked to arrange such a programme for the ensuing year.
Votes of thanks were passed to the Virar for the use of the betis, to Mr. J. W. Ward for arvanging for the tea, and to the chairmen for presiding at the meeting.

The methods rung during the afternoon and evening were Plain Bob, Double Court, Oxford, Kent, mand Woodbine Treble Bob, Cambridge, London, Wells, York, Durlam, Beverley and Ipswich Sur prise, some of the Surprise methods heing spliced.

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

SUCCESSFUL MEETING AT STAMPORD.
All enjoyable meeting of the Southern Rirach of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild was held at Stamford on Saturday last, about 25 ringera and friends being present. The bells of All Saints; a musical peal
of six, were set going abont 3 jp.mi to a variety of methods. includ ing London Surprige. The goor-going peal of six at St. Martin's was also available during the aftemoon and cyening, and at this church the bells were rung half-mulfied before service, owing to a funeral having taken place the same afternoon of a well-known churchman of this parish.
A shorb service was held at All Saints" Church, at which the Vicar (the Rev. C. A. Pencock) officiated, and gave a very hearty welcome to the visifors, and also a rery interesidug adaress on bells from ealy times. Tea was served at Yc Olde Barn Cafe, 19 sitting down to the excelleut tea provided.
At the business meeting, the Rev. H. Law James Master of the Guild took the chair, and thre new members from Stanford wera elected.
The noxt meeling being the annual meeting of the branch, it was flecided to hold a meeting at Granthom.-A vote of thanks to the Vicars of All Saints" and Stt. Martin's for the use of the belle, alsoto the Rev. C. A. Peacock and his organist for making the necasary anangements for the sexpice, was passed.
Ringing was conturad at both churches until about 9 p.ra.

## LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

The last quarterly moeting of this assopiation for the rear was beld at Liantrisant, Glam, on Satarday. The bells, a light, goodgoing ring of eight, were aff early in the afternoon, and kept going in various methods antil 4.30 , when service was held in the church, the Vicat (Rev. D. F. Simon) officiating, assisted by Canon David, of Lantwit Major, who gave a most interesing address.
Following the service, ahout 60 sat down to a bountiful tea, which bad been laid in the church rooms, and graciously provided by the two churchwardens.
Before tea was fintshed, the Canon had to leave, and was thanked bs the Vicar for his address. This was cudorsed by the bon. secretary (Mr. J. W. Jones), and the Canon, in reply, sajd that it was a great pleasure to him to do all he could for ringers, and hoped the members, would once mare visit Llantwit Major before the year was out. He mentioned that the first bells he ever heard were those of Llantrisant, his home being in the adjaining parish of Pendoylan.

The Vicar presided at the business meeting, at which meation was made that Pentre bells had now been placed on ball bearings and were gring weil, and an intitation was also given to anyone to pas a visit to the towar, where there would be a welonme.

The place for the next quarterly meeting was left over until the anuual meeting, which is to be held at St. Woolos", Newport, on Decentier 26 th .
Mention was made that the first peal of Siedman Caterg had been rung on Llandaff Cathedral bells by members of this assaciation, and the meeting closed with the usual vote of thanks. The bells were afterwards rung until late in the etcoing-

## SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION .

A meeling of the Shropshire Association was held at Whitelurch on Saturday, October 26 th, aul was attended by about 25 ringers from Wellington, Wem, Moretan Corbet, Prees, Slirewsbury, Market Drayton, Alberbury, Crewe, Marbury, and the local company. The hellis, a ring of eight, with tenor 20 ewt,, cast by Gudhall in 1715, were raised shortly after three o'clock, and were kept gaing till 5. 30.
A shott meeting was then held in the belfry, presided over by Mr. F. A. Ilarnett. It was decided to hold the annual meeting at Slirewsbury in Jrumary.
There was no other business before the meeting, and the members adjourned to a nearby cafe for tea, after which they kept the bells going until eiglat a'olook.

## LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

## SOUTHERN DISTRICT AT STREATHAM

A successful meeting of the Southera District of the London County Association and North Southwark Diocesan Guild was held on Salurilay, Oetober 19th, at Streathan. Proceedings were to commence at 3 , and at 2.55 there was a good Steaman band in attendance at St. Leonard's Church, but no ringing could be done for a short time owing to a christening ceremony which was taking place. Cambrilge was rung as an opening toubh. Other humbler methods fallowed, including Grandsite far beginners. Members and friends continued to arrive, and by service time some 30 odd people were in or out of the not by any ments large ringing chamber. Choral evensong at five o'clock, at which the Fural Dean gave an inspiriting address, was foilowed by tea at Streatian Hall, 28 sitting down to a nicely prepared meal, the arrangements for which were kindly made by Mr. J. Chapman, of St. Leonard's.
The husiness meeting followed, and the usual routine items wer, soon disposed of. An appeal was made for Mr. 'r. Beadle, of Isleworth, a very old member of the disirict, which resulted in the sum af $£ 1$ being subscribed, to be handed to Mr. Hollier (Middlesex) for bis fund.
The ringers then-turned their attegtion again to ringing. The Master (Mx. Mance) took the major fortion of the company to Immanuel Chureh for London Surprise, etc, whilst the secretary took charge of is novices' party, who first revisited St. Leonard's and rang three gond fouches, Grandsire, Stedman and Plain Boh Major, and afterwards wenl on to jain the main body. Ringing in various methods was kept up till nine o'clock, by which time some of the out-residents (having io go twenty miles or so) had left. During the mecting a vote of thanks was passed to the incumbents for the use of the two 'eights ' available, to the Rural Dean, the organist and choir, and to Mr . J. Chapman and his merry men who arranged things so admirably.

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

A small but energetic company met at Warlield on Saturday lajk for an East Berks and South Bucks Branch practice meeting, and after a few touches enjoyed a most interesting address by the Vicar, which included some history of the older bells of this church.
Then an excellent tea followed, at the Vicar's invitation, in the Brownlow Hall, a very up-todate structure with clubroom, billiard room and library attached.

Afterwards the fower was again visited, chielly for spade work, until all had been satisfied.

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Pictures should, for preference, be photographic posticards, and, where there is any choice, the tower should be a feature.

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Will each tower secretary be good enough to send a photograph of his own tower? It should be forwarded in an envelope for protection, and addressed to The Editor, 'The Ringing World,' Woling, Surrey, and the sender should enclose bis name and address.

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

We desire to thank the many ringers who have responded to our request, in the notice at the lead of this column. We hope that those who have not yet bect able to send the picture of their chasels and information about the bells will kindly do so.
Messrs. Taylor and Co. are restoring the ring of five bells in the ancient tower of Fughy Parish Church. It is of inferest to note That Rugiby Parish Church is unique in possessing two peals of hells, there being a ringing peal of eight, witli tenor 25 ewt., in the other tower of the same church.
In conncetion with the Students' Mission Campaign, two Cambridge undergraduates visited Kington Magna early in September. During two days spent in the village they became interested in ringing, and have since both joined the Cambirige University Guild.
Several weterans took part on Saturday at Bradford in at peal of Treble Tca, which was rung as̀ a compliment to My'. Josepla Broadey, one of Yorischire's 'grand old men, on his 70th birthdny, as a birth ${ }_{2}$ day peal for Mr. Tom Maude, whose interest in ringing and ringers has hexn mantained through many years, and also as a compliment to Mr . J. W. Cundal? on the 38 th anniversary of his wedding. Many happy returns of the day' was the wish extended to the trio.
We are happy to record that after seven weeks' inluess, Mr. Walter Perkins, of Irthlingborough, Northants, is on Ilse road to recovery, and lopes to be at work again in $\pi$ fortnight's time.
Tonday is the amiversary of the opening of the bells at St. 'Paul's Cathedral, which took place in 1878 .
The first "name' pral on record was rung by a band alt with the Chisistian name of William. There wome eleven of them (wo to the tenor), all members of the Royal Cumberland Youths, in a peal of Grandsire Caters at St. Martin-s-in-the-Fields, on November 3rd, 1796. the condluctor being William slifuray.
The bells of Great St. Mary's, Cambridge, which were heard over the ether on Sunday evening. have been associated will change ringing almost from the earliest days, and as long ago as November 5th. 1725 , peal of Grandsire Triples was rung there.
What is believed to be the first peal of Superlative Surprise on record was rumg at St. Peter"s, \#uddersfield, on Novernber 5th, 1821.
Recanse of the nearness of a durelh, which interfered with his Sunday tennis, the High Sherif of Somerset has had his rating assessment reduced on appeal. He staied that it was impossible to play tennis on Sundny evenings, as the people in clurch could look through the church windows neross his lawn and watel the play: also that ihe church bells were rather trying.
The name of the ringer of the third in the peal of Treble Ten at Heddington on October 16th, was connected with Trafalgar: and not the Norman Conçuest. It should have been Nelson Filiobti.
The asterisk in the report of the peal of Trohle Boh Royal at Bromsgrove should have been against the name of the ringer of the 71.1 instead of the 8th.

## MR. TOM BEADEE FUND.

Previously acknowledged £io 14s. 6el.. eollented at the Streatlam meeting of the London County Asseciation (par Mr. J. Herberl) £1, Mr. F. Corke 2s. 6ri., Mr. F. T. Hosd 2s. Grl. Mr. G. Thompson (Tumbringe Wells) 2s., Mr. J. Idle (Drwshury) 2s.; totaj sl2 3s. $6 d$. (Fhthum hrmationse wili bo gratcrult receiverg on hphaff of this fund

## HEDON CHURCH AND ITS BELLS.



Hedon, in the East Rilling of Yorkshire, bossasses a very fine cluurch, and a nolle tawer, in which, as recorded in our last issue, e ring of eight hells has just heen installed and dedieated.
Originally there were five bells there, cast 1686 and 1687, and, from their inseriptions, they appear to have been presented, not to the church, but to the Corporntion of Hedou. The tenor whs east in 1687 by Sanuel Smith, a bell founder of York, the bell heing the gift of Sir Clamrles Duncomb, one of the two members of Parliament for the borough. The fourth bell was cast in the same year, presumany at the same foundry, nut bore the musual ingeription, 'Wind Them and Bringe Them and I will Riug for 'Chem.'
The other three lyells of the five were cast lyy William and Philip Wightman, of London, and were also the gift of Sir Chatles Dancomb. A treble was added to make at ring of sis 1 m 1776 , and the whole of the bells have now becn recasi by Messrs. Taylm and Co. atud two trebles authed, the gift of Col, and Mre. Lambert White, makng at fine ring of cigat, with a tenor of $17 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt. The inseripions on the old hells hare beeu reprotheed on the new, and each baars iu addition the words, 'Recast, 1929.'

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION

## EASTERN AND WESTERN DISTRICTS' JOLNT MEETINA.

A joint meeling of the Eastern and Western Districts of the Du Han and Newrastie Diocesan Asseciation was held in Sunderdand on Saturdny lask. The ringers began to meet at Bishopswearmouth Churel: ht 2.30 p.m., and the bells were soon going mervily to touchra of Gmadsime 'Tripies and Kent Treble Bob Major'. By four oclock the belfy was fell of ringers, so a party 'took off for Holy Trimity Chureh, where Grandsire and Stedman Triples were rung. it $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. all ringers wcaded their way to St. Ignatins' Institute for tea, but owing to some mistake the victuals had been sent to the wrong place. After at good deal of hurrying and scurrying, however, the vingers sat down at 6 p.m. to a most substantial meal.
Afterwards, a short meeting was held, presided over by Mr. E. Ruruetr (vice-president of the Eastern District), supported by the Rev. G. H. J. Baily, Vicar of S1. Ignatius' Church. Votes of thanks were given to the clergy of the respective churches for the use of the beils, Mr. Baily replving for the incumbents, and saying what a great pleasure it was for him to be at the meeting. He was always ready to grana the use of the bells at any time, and wished all suceess to all belfries:
Mr. Enttison, of Houghton-le-Spring, moved a vole of thanks to the ladics for helping at tea, and this, uaturally, was carried witl acclamation.

It was proposed that the next meeting be held at Weat Hartlepool in conjunction with the Southern District on Saiurday, December 7 th .
Aiter the meeting, St. Ignatius Church was wisited, where touches of Kert, Granisire, Stedman. Double Norwich and Superlative were rung, and it was pleasing to know that one or two learners had their first touches at this meeting. Finging finished at 8, and all agread that it had been at very suceessful and happy gathering-

## CONGREGATION STAY TO HEAR BELLS RUNG

## RECTORS NOVEL STEP TO INYEIAEST PARISHIONERS.

On Sunday, October zoth, members of the Winclester and Portsmauth fiuld from Highclere and Woolton Hill were invited by the Rector of Burghelere (the Rev: Canon 道edlicoth) to ring the belly afler evening sorvice, the object being to enlighten the people of Burgtelere in the art of change ringing

The Rector preached a sermon on bells and change ringing, and asked the congregation to stay amd listen to the ringing.
Burghelere clucch bells (a light ring of six) were for some time in a wery bind state, and very little ringing wos, or could be, fone with them. However, funds were raised, and the bells now have been relung with new fittings, ineluding ball bearinge, by Messrs. Mears and Strinbank. The result is that the bells go perfectly.
Twelve members from the two towers mentioned took this opportunity of ringing at Burghelere, and some yood touches of Doubles and Minor were brought round. Scveral in the local ringers were also present, nud it is lsoped they will make good use of ile bells. Thanks were accorded to the Rector for the opportunity provided to ring the bells.

## DEATH OF BRISTOL RINGER

## A LOSS TO SS. THILT AND JACOB'S GELD.

It is with decp regret we have to amounce the death, at the age of 58 yents, of Mr. Isaac Long, of Staploton, Bristel, who Masyed awry on Sumay, October 20th, after an ilmess lasting less than a week. Up to a few dass before lis death, doconsed took part tegularly in the Sunday and practice ringing at Sta. Nicholas' Church and at SS. Philip and Jacob's Church, Or the Guik at the later elurch he wrs a valued member.
My. Long began ringing at Staplefou Chturch 40 yoars aga, anded eont tinued there until the St. Niohelas' Guild was formed some ten years Later by Mr. Fred May, ${ }^{\text {d with }}$ whom he rang many peals, incliding the first peal of Erin Caters in the country. Aiter the Sc. Nicholas' Guild was disbauded, deceased joined the ES. Philip ami Jacobl's Guikd, and has been one of its keenest members for the past 11 yenrs, ringing about 16 peals. He rang about a hundred peals aliogether, from Triples to Royal, the methods ineluding Grandsire, Stedman, Plain Bob, Eent, Oxford, Forward, Exim, and Double Norwich, ant most of them were rung at the heavy end.
The funcral took place amidst many tokens of sympally nut respect, on Wednesday, October 23rd, it Fidgeway Cemetery, the strvice having previously been held it Stapleton Clurell. Nost of deceased's fellow-ringers and many ringers from other churelos were present, and his employers (Messys. \&. Wilkins and Sons, builders), for whom deceased was foreman, were also present. The handbolls were rung at the graveside hy fon members of Ss. Philip and Jaebh's Guidd: Miss A. Brown 1-2, F. E. 'I'yler 3-4, E. J. Brown 5-6, F. W. Wade $7-8$, and an atiempt was mude for a mafficd peal of Stedman 'Triples at St. Ptilip’s, lut unfortunately this failed ziter nearly two hours ringing. However, on Sumby evening, October 27th, prior to the service, a mafled quarter-peal of Keal Treble linh Mnjor was rung by: Mise A. Brown 1, P. C. Williams 2, F. W. Wad 3, W. C. Hunter 4, F. Skidmore 5, G. S. Wiltshive 6, H. T. Howel ${ }_{7}$, E. J. Brown (conductor) 8. This was followed by the whole pull and stand 58 times.
Mr. Long's presence at St. Philip's will be greatly missed, not only for his ability, which was considerable, but for his cxcellent company

## LADY RINGER WEDDED

The wedding took place at Chifldingfold Church on Sanurday, Jetuber 26 th, of one of the lady fingers of the band, Miss Dorollay Atiwell (datighter of Mr. T. Attwell, himself an ald ringer at hifs picturesque Surrey village). The bridegroon was kil. Frank Haris, until lately also a ringer. The trido was given nway by ber fathor, and was attended by her ringing sister, Miss Mahel Attwell, as bidesmad. The service was choral, Mr. E. Howard being at the organ. Owing to serious illness near the church, the tower hells could not be rung, but touches no hatalbells were ruit by Messris. d. P. P'elloe, A. J. Bartlett, M. Smither and G. Luff, who with oblet ringers formerl an archway with laandluells, uttder whicls the bride and bridegroom passed as they left the church. The ringers' piestint to Miss Attwell was a hismit hartel suitably inseribed.

## THE FIRST PEAL OF MAXIMUS IN HANTS. SOME PERESONAL NOTES.

The peal of Cembridge Surpriae Maximus at Winchester an Satur day way in the mature of a gathering of the clans. Hampshire, Surrey, Kent, Londion, Essex, Somerset and Worcestershire were represented in the band, and it is not unworthy of note that in this first peal of Muximus ever rung in the connty of Hampshire were two associalion Masters (Winchester and Portsmouth, and Mirdecsex), four association General secredaries (Middlesex, Guildford, Bath and Wells and Surtey), and a Winchester and Portamonth District secraLary
Mr. Willian Pye, who celebrated with this performance the 40 th ahniversary of his firsi, peal-and his fortieth year of peal ringing has heen marked by achiovements greater than may in his wonderfui carecr-wadided yot another to flie still expanding list of twelve-bel towers in whidh he lias rung a peal, while, among the 'novices' in the panl whs Mr'. Gearge Willians, who, it may be recalled, first rang at Wimelester Cathedral as long ago as the year 1873! He and Mr. J. 5. Cinldsmitl took part in the first peal of Stedman Caters on the bells-the first in Hampshive and by the Winchester Guild-just thirty years ago, andi, masier and pupil, they also rang together in the first pets of Cambridga and London Surprise Major in the county and by the Guild, both well over thirty years ago. They also shared in the first peal of Stedman Cinques in the county and by the Guidd, and their participation in last Saturday's peal was thus a happy culmination of a long association.
Mr. Sidney T. Holt, of Worcester, steppen into the band at the last moment to fill a breacla caused by illness, and this brilliant yonng ringer proved his worth. He had never before struck a blow in Cambridge Maximus, and he rang almost without a trip From start to Cluish.
To these persomal notes must lue added the thanks of the band to the Dean for granting the use of the bells, and especially to the genial Dean's verger (Mr. J. W. Elkins), who made all tha local armanements, was there to walcome the ringers, and, at the close, was the first to enter the belfry to congratulate the band upon lasuige rung a fine peal. Mr. Wiffed Andrews, the leader of the Caliedral ringers, was away on holiday and unable to be present to greet the visitors, but he sent his good wisles, which were much apprecinted.

## NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE \& DISTRICT ASSOCIATION

## PEAL TABLET LiNVEILED

A most suceessful meeting was letd at Biddulph. There was a vory good attendance, over 40 members being present from Bucknall Norten, Burslem, Brown Edge, Uttoxeter, Swynerton, Cheadle and Kingsley. The chief event of the afternoon was the unveiling of a beautiful marble peal tablet recording the first Surprise peal in soven methads on the bells. The ceremony was performed by the Vicar (the Rew. S. Myers Bridge), who, nfter congratulatinp the ringers on their performance, said how much he appreciated the services which the ringers rendered. He then charged the wardens with the care of the tablet.
Mr. J. E. Wheeldon, the conductor of the peal, replying, said that f. We placing of such a tablet in the belfy was not only in distinet wnament but it would stand for a long time recording ta the generations of "ingers to follow the performance of the present-day ringers, und so enerurnge them to keep ringing up to a high slandard.
Tun was served in the schoolroom, and was presided over by the Virar, after which a voto of thanks was accorded to the Biddulph ringers for so kindly providing the tem and giving the association such a heurty weloome.
unicue event took place inmediately after tea, when the Vicar anmounted that: Je had great pleasure in handing over to Mr . Wheeldon the sum of $£ 512 \mathrm{~s}$, towards the Norton bell restoration wheme. lhis sum whs tho result of a retiring collection at bolh marning and ovening services at Biddulph Clurch ou the previous Sunduy
"Ine gift was much appreciated hy all present.
The Iower was aiterwards again visited, and some good practice Whs pul in, some of the ringers trying their land at Dotible Sur prise Minas, and others at Kenl, Oxford, and other Treble Boh mellools. Opportunity is again taken of thatakitg the Vicar and I iddnipli ringers for onterdaining the visitors so well.

## BIRTHDAY COMPLIMENTS.

A1 Hecnlarin, Berks, on October 21st, a quarter-peal of Gmansire boubles was rung in 40 mins., as a birthday compliment to Mr 'lhornas Bidmedd, foreman al this church for 15 years, and a ringel Ge" 40 years: b . Wigmore 1, W. Churchil 2, E. Richardsou 3, F Churchil (first quarter) 4, A. Arlott (conductor) 5, B. Churchil E.

At Rickmansworth, on Saturday, October 2tth, to mark tle hirth ray of Mr. Frechorn, th quater-pual of Loulon Surprise Major (1,344 changes) by: J. H. R. Freehorn 1, Mrs. C. C. Mayie 2, S. H. Foare
 C. Mayng 8. Firsi quarder-peal it the melhod by Mesers. Huare and

## LANCASHIRE'S BELLS.

## DISAPPEARANGE OF RUDFALL'S CASTINGG

The Chutch Belis of Latncashire: Epilogue, was the subject of the lecture, hy Mr. F. H. Cheethan, at the opening meeting of the winter session of the Lancashire and Cheshire Antiquarian Society. It was in substance, says the 'Manchester City News,' a summary of his papers on the church bells of Lancashire reail before the seciety a few years ago, in which he dcalt separately and in some tetail with the bells in the six Hundreds constituting the county. Dealing now with Laucashire as a whole, Mr. Cheetham said that there were only twenty-two bells which could with certainty be assigaed to a date enrlier than 1550. Of these only four were dated, and two of the four belanged to the sixteentli century.
The oldest was the bell at Claughton dated 1296, and the next one at St. Miclasel-on-Wyre datod 1458 . But there were five or six belle which could be assigned to the fourteenth century, and a like num ber to the fifteenth century. There were only six dated belis belong ng to the period 1550-1600, but when we come to the soventeenth century the number is mtich larger, some thirty-four dated bells of that period still remaining.
Of these, seren came from the Wigan Foundre, held successirely by John, Geofrey, and William Seott. Mr. Cheetham spoke at some Iength of the Wigan hell fommers, bath of the Scats in the seventeenth, and the Ashtons of the eighteenth century. One of William Scoti's bells, dated 1666, still hangs in Chetham's Eospital, Manchester
Only three of Ralph Ashton's bells now survive in Lancashire, hut there are aver a score by his successor, Luke Ashton, ranging in date from 1723 to 1758 . In all there were about 265 bells of eighteenthcentury date in the county at the close of the war, of which 189 were cast in the Rudlall Foundry at Gloucester, but during 才he last ten years a number of these lad been recast.

IOSS OF RUDHALL'S BELLS DEPLORED
The disappearmuce of the older Rudhall bells, said the lecturer, was greally to be deplored, and even more so the melting down of a bell Eated 1685 in north Lancashive
Mr. Cheetham drew attention to the recommendations of the Cell tral Council for the Care of Churches as respects claurin balls, and said that in spite of these recommendations Discesan Adwisory Cornmittees in different parts of the country still allowed old bells to be recast without insisting on the retention of the original inscriptions. The Central Council liad endorsed the memorandintu drawn up in 1923 by a conference hetween the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings and tho Contral Council of Churd Bell Ringers, in which it was agreed as a general principle that "in case of recasting, the enrichmme and inscription shauld he reprodweed on the bell in facsimile, and the new bell should be dated and the fact of its recasting mdiled.
It was also agreed that bells cest hy famous founders, such as Abraham Rudhall, slould receive special care, probably the same as bells of pre-Reformation date. The Manchester Advisory Committee lad, however, allowed the cathedral bells, which included sim by Abraham Rudhall dated 1706, to be recast without regard to these recommendations, and the same thing had occulred at Eccles Parish Church, at Leyland, and at Sacred Trinity, Salford, where Rudhall bells, dated respertively 1709,1722 , and 1748 , had been melted down

## DEATH OF A LINCOLN RINGER

MEMBFR OT CATHEDRAL COMPANY FOR NEARLY 50 YEARS. By the death of Mr. Isaac Vickers, there has beess lost to the Cathedral company one of the oldest ringers in the city of Lincoln. It is only as recently as last September that, aftor a period of over 54 yeara with a local engincering fivm as a toolsmith, Mr. Vickers retired and looked forward to a gufet enjoyment of leisure in his declining years, but it was destined not to he so. After a very short illness ha passed away at the age of 76 years ou October 23rd, and was carried to his last resting place on Saturday, followed by several of his fellow-ringers and workmen. A half-mumied quarter-peal of Stedman Cinques ( 1,323 changes) was runt on the Cathedral bells in one hour and four minutes in the evening by the following: George Flintham 1, Harold Marcon 2, Charles McGuiness 3. Gearge Chester 4, Lewis Snell 5, Leslie Pack 6, Tom Pyle 7. Fredk. W. Stokes 8, John A. Freman icondnctor) 9, Stanford J. Wolfe 10, Jahn Wralden 11, Rupert Rieliardson 12.
Mr. Yickers was one of the old sohool of ringers, who in his early Aays considered it an achievement if a band could be got together able to ring the plain methods. Ho was always ready to give a helping liand, and when the old North Lincolnshire Association was formed in 1884 this name was foumd amongst the first list of members and as one of its instructors. He rang several peals, conducting a few, and looked with pleasure upon ringing his first peal of Stedmar at an adwanced age. He was enrolled a member of the Cathedral company in 1882, and acted as treasurel and conductor for many vears, finallp succeeding to the office of Master in 1918, a position he beld at the time of lis death. He was a man with a strong dis position, with a straglatforward character it all his doings, and a stanach churehman

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
THE APPROACEING JUBLLEE.
The annual meeting of the Lewisham District was beld at St. George's, Beckenham, on Saturday last. The bells were made good use of during the afternoon, and service was beld in the church, the association form being used. The Rev. Father Winton officiated, and yave au interesting address.
Service over, the company adjourned to the Church Hall, there to partake of tea, provided by the Roctor (Rev. E. A. Morgan), who, at the conclusioe of the meal, welcomed the association io Beckenliam, and deplored the lack of reeruits to the Exercise.
Mi. F. W. Thornton moved a hearty vote of thanks to the Recfor for the use of the bolls, and for his generous hospitality in enterfaiaing the nembers to tea; to Father Winton for conducting the service and giving his aduress; to Mr. W. Smith for making the ar-
rangements for the meeting ; aud to the ladies for helping at table. This was carried with applause.
The business meeting followed, the Rector presiding. A report of the year's work, read by the disirict secretary, was adopted.
One ringer was elected as practising member of the association, and the election of four members previous to peals was confirmed.
'The retiving secretary (Mr. A. G. Hill) was re-elected, and the retiring representatives (Messrs. I. Emery and E. Barnett, jun.) Were nominated for a further term of office, but on receipt of an intimation that Mr. Emery did not seek re-election, the nomination was altered to E. Barnett, jun., ant W. Smith, and this was carried.

Chiglehurst was chosen as the place for the January meeting without dissentient vote.

Then followed 'any other business,' which, as usual, was the most productive of speech of any item on the agenda.
Mr. W. J. Jeffiries mentioned the 'Helmore T'estimonial Fund,' and hoper that the Lewisham District would exert itself to obtain a much better result. This jidea was developed by other speakers, notably Mr. F. W. Richardson, and it was finally agreed to make a collection among those present to swell the fund. The result was the gratifying sem of 22 2s. 6d.
The nexl business to engage attention was the arrangements to he made for the next annual general meeting, which would mark the association's jubiles. It was suggested that the meeting be held, if possible, in the samo place as, and on the exact amniversary of the innugural meeting. The district representatives undertook to convey tho members' wishes to the general committee on the occasion of
its mext meeting. The Chairman suggested that it would be a happy thought to endeavour to secure the presence of the Dean of Ganterbury (Dr. H. R. L. Sheppard) on this ocession-an expression of opinion endersed by all those present.
Mr. A. T. F. Fodges, churchwarden of St. George's, was elected an hon. rember of the assaciation, at his own request. (Oh! that others would profit by this example!
The secretary was instructed to write to Mr. I. Emery, regretfully accepting his withdrawal from office, and expressing a wish for his speedy and complete recovery from his present indispositiou.
This concluded a successful meeting, the members regaling themselves with handbells, nutification of a serious illness mear the church preventing further use of the tower bells.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
CARY DEANERE CHATRMAN LEAVING.
A quapterly meeting of tha Cary Deancry Branch was held at nere Swindon, Bristol, Baheary, Braton, Diteheat Templecombe, Buckhorn Westou, West Pemard, Fvercreech, Castle Cary, North Cheriton, Mere, Zeals, Barfon St, David, North Cadbury and Kington Magre. A short service was held in the Parish Church, at which the Rector (the Rev. R. Mulene) officiaicd. Tea was partaken of in the Catash Ima and thoroughly enjoyed by the Iarge company, after Which the business meeting followed, Preb. D. M. Ross being voted to
take the chaik. The agenda mas a small one.
The chairman informed the members that the next mecting would be at Evereveech in Jenuary.
Preb. Ross then announced to the meeting that he wouls be leaving the Cary Deanery in a short timo to take the living of Claverton, uear Bath, and therefore he would be resigning from the office whesident. He had always thoroughly enjoyed the mectings whilst at Cary, and would be sorry to go. Whiteheal thanked Preb. Ross for his kind help at all their meetings in the past, and said how sorry they all were to hear he was lenving them.
The Rev. E. S. C. Lock, Master of the association, also thanked Prob. Ross for his pust services, but hoped he would not be lost to the association, as he was stle the tewers around Bath would give him a hearty welcome.

Preb. D. M. Ross proposed a very hearty voie of thanks to the Roctor for his kinduess iu welcoming the ringers, and for the use of th: bells, also to the organist and the ladics who waited at the tea tables.-This was seconded by Mr. R. Look and carried. The party then returnob, Bob Minor and Stedman concluded a splendia meeting, thoroughly enjoged by the large company present.

THE FIRST PEAL AT GAMLINCAY.
To the Editor.
Dear Sir,-The peal at Gamliugay, Cambridgeshire, on September
28th last, is not the first on the bellis, as believed by the band to be.
The first peal at Gamliugay was rung ou December 11th, 1897, and Was a peal of Minor in sever methods, viz., 720 each of College
Pleasure, London Scholars' Pleasure, College Exercise, Yiotet, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. mine ringers were Edgar Thisey, Isaac Hills, William J. Barker, Charles Chasty, Charles W. Clarke and Frauk Hull. It was couducled by C. W. Clarke, and the tenor was then believed to be about 23 ewt. Winh the exception of Mr. Clarke, none of the ahove band ligure in the peal records of to-
day. Mi. Clarke at that period was one of the most prolific: peal scorers, especinlly on six bells, and it is quite pos'sinle he bolds the record on that aumber of bells.-Yours faithfulip,

Liverpool.
HOW TWO PEALS WERE LEFT BEHIND.
The following is the story of two peals and low they were not rung. Four ringers from Clewley and a friend arranged to spend a ringing week-end in Wiltshire, with Devizes as headquarrers. A
weal of Jouble Nonvich was to bare been attempted at Melksham on the Saturday afternoon, Octobar 29th, and a peal of Superlative at Devizes (St. John's) on the following afternoon. Most of The party journeyed by car, and the reat by trails. All mel safely at Devizes, where a substantial and much-needed dinner was donolished in a linger-like manner, after which a start was made fnl Melksiam. Here the visitors were met by the douglity Mr. Joseph T. Dyke and two other gentlemen. An amusing interlude was provided before the peal by two cats fighting in a troc. This proved a had omen, as, after 20 mitutes of Double Norwich out these glorious bells, the 2nd rope ungratefully broke. Ciroumstances not permiting of a second start, Mr. Drke kindly offered to get the use of Keeril bells, which he did. At this church, with its peal of six hells (tenor ahout
22 cwt .) and long draught, 720 Canbridge Surprise was successfully $22 \mathrm{cwt}$. and long dradget, brought round by: Robert Swift Kenneth Sneling 2, Bernard F. Wells 3, Nelson Elliott 4, Joseph T. Dyke S, Oliver Sippetts (conductor) 6. It is believed to be the first time thase bells have bect ruag to a Surprise method. After ten, farewell was said to Mr. Dyke, and the parby returued to Devizes for the night. On Sunday morning ath hour's ringing was enjoyed on these fine bells for morning service, the methods rung being Double Sorwich, Kent Treble Bab, Grand-
sire and Stedman Triples. Here it was learned tini these bells were sire and Stedman Triples. Here it was learned that these bels were
not avalable for the peal, but in: Hillier had procured Bishop Cannings bells instead. The party were unable to admire the scencry owing to the torrential rain, but they could, and did, admire these mag. nificent bells. With the assistance of Messrs. Hillier, Andrews and Wegt, an attempt was again made on Double Norwich, but after an hour and ten minutes' good ringing the betls neatly ran round. (The culprits shall remain anouymous. 1 So, reluctantly, the company reMary's. Then farewells were said, and homuwad they wended their ways, eventually arriving in the small hous of Monday morning. The partr would like to thank the various gentlemen who met them nis car, and, last but not least, the hostess, Mrs. Swift, all of whom it is hoped to meet again at some fubure date to rerrieve the peals
left behind.
H. W. W. left behind.

A FAREWELL.
At the Parish Church, Arksey, Yorks, for evensong, on Sunday, October 20th, 1,092 Guandsire Triples in 33 mins.: F. Garuer 1, H. Arrand 2, E. Cooper (conductor') 3, C. F. Otter 4 , Joseph Mecluskey 5, James MeCluskey 6, T. Revill 7, T' Bysoutlı 8. Rung as farewelL to C. F. Otter, who is ceaving to join the Royal Air Force.

SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.
KENSINGTON.-ALSt. Mary Ahbot's Church, for peening service, on October 27ils, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters (1,257 changes): E. R. Mackrill 1, W. E. Judd (conductor' 2, P. L. Miles 3, I. A. Dart
4, C. T. Winter 5, E. E. Wellan 6, A. Weddington 7, A. Cutnore 8 , G. C. Rice 9, Capt. C. Warner 10 .

EDENBRIDGE, KENT.-On Sunday, Octolver 27ki. for evening scrvice, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (odrl hobs): Dr. E. L. Tay
lor, Scvenoaks (first quarter-peal as conductor) 1 G. Maiyan 2 . W. Leigh 3, R. Jemer 4, H. Leigh 5, J. Heamman 6. J. W. Steddy 7, W. Leigh, jun., ${ }^{8}$. ${ }^{\text {WEST }}$ EALING, MDDLESEX.-At the Church of St. Steplien, on Sunday, October 27 th , for morning service, a quayter-ppeal of rirandsire Triples in 43 mins. : F. S. Palmer, jun., 1, E. J. Walsom 2, J. E. Churchill $3, \mathrm{~J}, \mathrm{H}$ Hunnisett 4, P. E.
Hartis 7 , H . Belcher (conductor) 8 .

TOTCENHABMA All Hallows' Church. a quarter-peal of Boh Major (1,280 changent: H. W. H. Strickiand 1, Mrs. I. Thomas 2, H. A. H. Ellis 7, E. A. Hull 8.

## PENDLETON RINGERS ON TOUR.

The Peadicton, Lance, ringers had Elucir ammal suting on Finturday, Oclatate 5th, thid, with eno exception, nssembled at 2 oclock to boam? a 14 -ceater bound for shackburn and Whalley. Two other Finger-one from thest fisishry shal tho other from Middetornatlo up a full loarl. The exception mentioned akove was officiating harway Holton, where Boltan Wanderers were entertaining Astan
 romed to Blackburn, witls ruggex lodkitg moorlanel stretehing away
 afturwards the party passed though Datwen and into Blackioura, where Jis. A. Tombincon met them outside Blackhum Callodral, to condset them to the tower. Here Mr. W. E. Wilson hat everyuhing in readiness ior a start. Tlie period allowed here was from 3.30 to 4.15, Mr. 'Jmmlinsom laving arranget to time the movements to suit hatla the ringers' tonvenience ank a serviee which was to be held at Whatley later an. "Fwo or three young Pendletan visitors had the phensme of rigcing their first course of Reh Royna at Blackluma, at the sceond attompt, the firs! heing timeir first try at tem-hell finging. Evergume hating had a pull, Mi, Wilson pointed ont one or two lueds. After dianking himy for the tronble and courtesy, the company nuter a hasty exit, to the lus. M1. Tomlinsm, with his inexorable walch, which sameone snicl wis romble-peared when it went it all, anom land tho pratery an the whalleg roat, and pointed ont that, had They come on a clear sthmmers day, they cond fave seen from that toad some of the loveliest serency of the famous Rihblociale. Tven hn 12 mists day, tonding to rain, flew uaw enowgh to convince them that he was mot exagererating. Atruecl at Whallep Church, aear illo Alibey rains, the reason For Mr. Tombinson's atriet time table was aliscovered. A dincesan Sunday School festival was in progress, the biahon af Blackbunt being present, aud there was just the cleat half-hour for ringing hefore the festival bervice. Stedman, Bot Mativ anil Kerw were rung in that tinue, and opinions were manimons as to the lovely tome of these bolls. The tonor, especially, has A mallows stroks that seams to poum out. Even the hardenes antiSimpsonite, who liad to herr them both outejife as well ss in, seemed th he colvanted, at least temporarily. "Owd "Sam *niver alid hear
 mafe, to frillow immediately upon the ringing, hut Mr. Tomlinson
wathed ar rimater-hour for a visit to the remains of the old Abbey whin daylight lastod. A visit well repays that few eoppers rharged
 finc oxample of the zkill and workmansilip of tho okt monks who designed and built thena. One cha only imagine what they must Jave lonked like when standing complete, and contemplato the ultimate ermi of all the works of man, 10 matier how well ordered.
A meat ien, whicly was most excellent one put everyone in a goon hmonar, w. H. S. remarking that these were about the mive
 a cabinat mamophone discoursed Fwer so goney it a foty that hanished those moss-grown feelings acquived in the Abbey ruins
 tathe atrangemente, which han eecutwl a ring at Whalley whem the chanees were against it, owing to the sumdry Sehool festival. and added a rider dianking the Peadieton aecretary, Mr. $F$. Greenhalgh, for his part in the arrangembents. This having heen enrued, Mr. Tomlinan incuensed the debt to him hy sugeesting that, ns one could nat view the lnvely coenery at whallew in pitel dathenes, they should divert flue homeramb ronte and male ac call at Oswaldtwistle (new

 Acremgion to Oswaldtwistle, where a sontewhat poor meeting gave possension of the ropes inmeding Whalley, wha put the wisitars in possession of the roper immediatoly. Tr a few minutes at thuch of Stedman "Iriples thal come smarty lome, followxal by a whill a local hady and a lomal lad trok
$B^{\circ} \gamma^{\prime}$ this tine it was rainime violently outside, and it was fecined to make racks for Manchoster shantly, but hefore leaving the Viens of Siswaidtwistie intitext them to rame again, and even wont so 「ro as to offer the holls far ar reeord pionl atiempt. This smaden offer was form focopphaf an the spol, as no che seemed willing to start just at the
 Annd, to see if the mason was still warkine, one supposes, The yourger noment, who lad hemeregaling the party with all sonts of songe en
 joke. Nanchester was reachod nf 10.30 , and mll agrect they had had n guorl time. 'Jlaey
wney happy oating.

NORTHAMPTON - At St. Paler's Clinem, on Medneday crening. Ocloher 2nd. for harwest frativn serviee, 3.456 Damble Nomich Court Boli Muior in 52 mins : W. Stargoss 1. J. C. Dean 2, H. Hoare J. w, K. parker 4, J, B Howes 5, w, H. Anstin 6, W, Atterhury W'. J. Deve (comaluctor') 8 .

## HARVEST FESTIVALS

BoLRNEMOUTH.-On Oetober 6th, for harvest Pestival evensong at St. Peter"s Clinreh, in 49 mins, a quarter-peal of Graudsive Triples: A. Osborme 1, R. Dear 2, C. Lovell 3, E. Waters 4, C. Forfict 5, S. Andrews 6, A. Davis (first quarter-peal as conductor) 7, $\mathbb{C}$. Chandler 8.

WALTHAMSTOW.-At St. Saviour's Clurcls, on Sumday ovoning, October 6th, for hnrfest Lhanksgiving, a quartor-peal of Gcandzive Triples in 46 mims.: W. Jittle, jun., 1, W. Stead 2, A. Reeve 3, W. Little, serr. 4, E. D. Lillywhite 5, G. A. Hughes 6, H. A. Edwards (conductor) 7, J. Coleman 8 . First quarter hy ringer of treble, and first of Gramdzire inside" by riuger of 4th.
MARKEI DRAYTON, SHROPSHIRJ.-On Sanday, October 6th, on the accasion of the hatrost festival, for evening service, a quarterpeal of Gramelsire Triples ( 1,260 elsanges) in 46 mins.: A. d. Wodley (firgt quarter-peal) 1, LL Walker (first quarter-pleal on a bob hell) 2, S. Hughes 3, T. Turlar 4, A. M. Hickmam 5, E. V. Rodenlaust 6, W. Weatherby (conductor) 7, J. Hall 8.
SHEPSHED, LEICRSTMRSHIRE.-On Samday evoniag, October 6th, at the Pavish Chmreli, for liarvest festival, 1,260 Grandsure Triples in 45 mins: IH. Latey 1, 1I. Kirby 2, W. Tolinson 3 , fr. Butter 4, W. Fean (condnctor) 5 , W. Saddirgton E, T. Finl, sea., 7, J. Salnon 8.

GRANTHAM, LINCS.-On Simday, October Gth, at St. Wulfram's Church; for harvest festival evoning service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters ( 1,263 changes) in 53 mins.: W. G. Thorpe 1, J. Ravee 2,
 FEFRING, FSEAX.-Tor larvest festival on Sunday, October Etis, for early celebration, 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor: W. Kneble (conductor) 1, C. J. Togers 2, J. C. Newman 3, G. Hayward 4, L. Clark 5, F. Fludder E. For Matins, 1,056 Rob Major: W. Feeble (conductor) 1, J. C. Nowman 2, C. J. Rogers 3, G. Hayward 4. N. Elliott 5, F. Fludder 6, L. Clark 7, C. Button 8. For evening service,
I. 264 Bob Majar: W. Filiot 7 the test as before.
KING'S NORTON, WORCESTERSEIRE.-At St. Nicolas' Clinell oun Surday, September 29th, for the lanvest festival, 719 Grandsire Caters: F. H. Yates 1, C. Wolb 2, J. Withers, sen., 3, J. Turner 4, H. Williams 5, H. Stailey 6, J. Eaton 7. G. E. Feain 8, A. Chamhers (conductor) 9, J. Betterton 10. Ase 575 Grandsiro Caters: E. B. Yates 1, H. Fearm 2, C. Wehb 3, H. Williams 4, W. H. Moore 5, h. Downs 6, H. Stanley 7, G. E. Fearn 8, A. Chambers (conduchor) 9, J. Betterton 10.

MADDENEFAD, BERKS.-At the Clmech of All Saints on Simiay, Octoher 6th, for hatrest festipul, a quarter-peal of Sedmar Tupies
 WALTHANSTOW.—At St. Saviour's Churel on Sunday ercning, Octoher 6th, for liarvest thanhsciving, a mater-peal of Grantsire J'riples in 46 mims.: W. Little, jun, (first ruarter-penl) 1. W. Steci 2, A. Roeve 3. Tr. Little, sen. (first quarler-peal "inside:4 4, F. 1),

Coleman 8
S'AIWES, MTDDLESEX. - At St: Petors Churcls, a quarter-peni of Gramdsire Triples on October 61 hi (for lianvest festival) in 44 mins. A. Stevens 1, W. E. Butler 2, H. Worsfald 3, E. J. Gaater 4. Phillips 5. W". C. Purker 6, G. Peehy (confnctor) 7, F. W: Snitit 8 HOLNSLOW.-On Sundty, Octoher Eth, for harvest festival evensone, 1.260 Ruandsire Triples in 43 mins. C. Gash 1, F. G. Goddard 2 . F. E. Ha wthorne 3, C. J. Tricker 4, WT. F. Fillingham 5, IR Mratin B, $_{\text {, }}$

Kent (eonedurtor' 7, H. Gash 8. First guarter-peal away from the

## enor by ringer of the treble.

STBSET, LINCOLNSHIRE-O1 Sunday, Sapiomber $291 \mathrm{l}_{1}$ for her-
vest fastival mozning service, a quarter-pral of Mimot 1720 single Oxford and 540 of Plain Rohb: Mrs. Lawtol 1. W. Wilkinson 2, F Harwood 3, $E$. Dewey 4, H. Fripet 5. W. E. Clarke (comeluctor') 6 . For eveniag service, 720 changes of Oxford Trable Boh: Mis, Harper

1. H. Harper 2, F. Harwood 3, W. Wilkinson 4, w. Houghtan 5, W. E. Clarke (emnductar) 6.

DORCHESTER, DORSET.-On Sunday, September E9rh, 在t St. Peter's Church, for harvast festival evening service. a quarter-pal of Grane sive Triples ( 1,260 chastes) in 51 mins.: J. T. Godwin 1, \{. T. Whito 2, Misa N. G. Williams (Weston, Bath) 3, W. J. Simmus 4. R. Hayward 5, F. C. Benger (conduetor) 6, W. J. Bonger 7, J. W. LOUGHBOROUGE.-At the Parish Church, on Sundar. Sont. 2sth, for harwest festival, a quater-penl of Stedman Caters ( 1,263 changes) in 55 mims. W. Smith 1, Jolan Saddinglon 2, C. Ballard 3. Fanes Cattwight 4, J. Grundy 5, J. Towell 6. J. Sear (Blethhley) 7, Colin Farrisen 8, F. Reader (conductor) 9, A. Farmod 10.
FOLTINGHAM, LINCS.-At St. Andrew's Chareh, on Sumdavi Septomber 29th, for harvest thankseivine service evensong, 720 changes of Oxford Boli Minor: F. Humpla'ey 1, W. Witsan 2y B. Lowmen 3, H. Gibhard 4, G. T. H. Bradlev icenductory 5, +1. स. Musson 6. Also 360 Sitgle Court after nervice.
LIVERPOOT, -At All Saints' Church, Childwall, far harrest festival, Sundry monting, Soptemher 29, h, 720 Baki Minor: G. Lveldieth Davies (conductor) 6.

## NOTICES.

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (established 1637). The 292nd anniversary dinner will be held at the Bridge House Hotel, London Bridge, where there is ample accommodation, on Saturday, Nov. gth, at $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tickets, 7 s . each, may be obtained until Nov. 5 th from Messrs. C. J. F. Bayley, J. Bullock, C. S. Burden, C. J. Chooet, P. E. Claik, T. Faulkner, E. G. Fenn, T. Groombridge, J. S. Hawkins, R. T. Hibbert, C. H. Horton, A. A. Hughes, H. Langdon, A. R. Macdonald, H. R. Newton, A. B. Peck, E. F. Pike, G. N. Price, W. Prime, W. Roughton, J. W. Rowbotham, W. Rushton, E. F. Sampson, A. Walker, C. F. Winney, E. A. Young or W. T. Cockerill, Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4. Towers open: Southwark Catbedral, 1.30 to 2.50, followed by a musical service; St. Magnus', I. 30 to 2.50 , followed by a lecture on the history of the church, by the Rector; St. Andrew's, Holborn, and St. Olave's, Hart Street, 2.30 to 4.30 . Service at St. Michael's, College Hill, at 5 o'clock. Sermon by the Rev. Cyril W. O. Jenkyn.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Ashford District. -A meating will be held at Lydd on Saturday, Nov. 2nd, by kind permission of the Rev. Canon P. H. Collins. Bells available from 2.30. All ringers welcome.-A. C. Kay, Dis. Sec., 6, Sturges Road, Ashford.

A JOINT MEETING of the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild (South and West District) and London County Association and North Southwark Diocesan Guild (South District) will be held at St. Mary's, Ealing, on Saturday, November 2nd. Ringing from 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m. -W. H. Hollier and J. Herbert, Hon. Secs.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Loughborough District.-The next meeting will be held at Diseworth on Saturday, November 2nd. Bells (6) ready at 3.30.-D. S. Collins, Hon. Dis. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rossendale Branch. - The next branch meeting will be held at St. James', Haslingden, on Saturday, November 2nd. Bells ready at 3.30. Meeting at 6.30 . A good attendance is earnestly requested.-John H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 8, Oaklands Road, Edenfield.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-Nortb and East District. Next meeting at St. Olave's. Hart Street, City, on Saturday, November 2 nd. Bells from 3 p.m. Service at 5 (Preacher, Rev. T. Wellard, B.D.). Tea at Lyons', 5.30 p.m. All members and friends welcomed.-C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 21, Vincent Road, E. 4.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Farnham Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Seale on Saturday, November 2nd. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 followed by tea and business meeting in Jubilee Room. Nominations for district officers for ensuing year must be handed in at this meeting.-C. W. Denyer, Hon. Sec., 120, Así Road, Aldershot.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Peterborough Branch.-.A quarterly meeting of the above bracch will be held at Deeping St. James on Saturday, November and. Usual arrangements.-W. H. W'aldron, Hon. Sec., 137, Scotney Street, Peterborougl.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. - Next meeting will be held at Barlborough, near Chesterfield, on Novernber znd. For tea, please advise Mr. R. Reece, Old Hall, Barlborough, as early as possille. A kind welcome extended to all ringers and friends.-R. Harrison, Hon. Sec.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Devizes Branch. -The monthly meeting will be held at Seend, on Saturday, November 2nd. Bells (6) ready at 3 p.m. Guild service 4.40. Tea 5. Short business mueting follows tea. All ringers welcome- -F. Green, Branch Fon. Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes.
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northern Branch. -The half-yearly meeting will be held at Heckington, on Saturday, November 2nd. Service 4.30. Tea (1/9 each) 5 p.m. Bells (8) available from 2 to 9 p.m. Good bus service from Sleaford. -F. S. W. Butler, Hon. Sec.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Hereford District - A quarterly meeting of the district will be leeld at Bughill, on Saturday, November 2nd. Bells (8) available 3.30-8.30. Tea 5 p.m.-A. Gwynne, Dis. Sec., Deanery Cottage, Castle Street, Hereford.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. The next meeting will be held at Holy Trinity Church, Blackburn, on Saturday, November 2nd. Bells available from 3 pm . Meeting at $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. A good attendance requested.-Fred Hindle, Hon. Branch Sec., 58, Arvil St., Blackiburn.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckley District.-The next meeting will be held at Burbage on Saturday, November and. Bells a vailable from 3.30 p.m. A good meering is requested, and ali ringers will be wel-comed.-W. A. Cope, Smockington.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Inchester Deanery Branch. - The next meeting of the above branch will be held at West Coker to-morrow (Saturday), Nov. 2nd. Service at 4.30 . Tea at 5 o'clock. Meeting to follow.-F. Farrant, Hon. Local Sec., North Street, Martock.
ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).-Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on Nov. $7^{\text {th }}$ and 21st, the Coffee Pot on the 12 th at 8 p.m. (election of officers), St. Andrew's, Hoiborn, on the 14 tih at 8 p.m., *St. Paul's Cathectral on the 25 th , Southwark Cathedral on the 28 th at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards. - William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W. 4.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Wirral Branch. The next meeting: will be held at Wallasey on Saturday, Nov. 9th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Service at 5.3 o. Tea and mecting afterwards.-Harry S. Brocklebank, Hon. Sec., 3, Ridley Street, Birkenhead.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Preliminary Notice.-The East Norfolk Branch meeting witl be held at Great Yarmouth on Saturday, Nov. gth ; the West Norfolk Branch meeting at King's Lynn on Saturday; Nov. 16th; the South Norfolk Branch meeting at Diss on Saturday, Nov. 23rd; the North Norfolk Branch meeting at Norwich on Saturday, Nov. 30th, for the election of
officers and committees to the above respective branches. Particulars later on.-Arthur L. Coleman, Gen. Sec. and Treasurer.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-A general meeting of the East Norfolk Branch will be held in the Priory Hall, Great Yarmouth, on Saturday, Nov. gth, at 3.30 p.m., for the election of officers and committee. The ring of bells (12) of St. Nicholas' Church will be available. Members please support this first branch meeting by attending. - Arthur L. Coleman, Gen. Sec. and Treasurer.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-Northern Division.-Annual district meeting at Braintree, Saturday, November gth. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea and meeting in Vestry Hall at 5. Tea will be provided free to all who give notice to C. H . Howard, 37, Bank Street, Braintree, not later than Friday, November 8th. All ringers will be welcome. Bells (8) from 2.30 to 9 p.m. W. Arnold, Holt St., Earls Colne.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.-The next meeting will be held at Gamston, near Retford, on Saturday, November gth. Bells (6) available at 2 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. A business meeting to lollow. Good attendance requested. Further particulars in next week's issue. Good bus service from all directions.- R. W. Stockdale and $H$. Revill, Hon. Secs.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch -A meeting will be held at Woolton, on Saturday, Nov. 9th. Jells (8) available $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$, to 9 . Service 5 . Tea (6d.) 5.30. Meetiag to follow. Those requiring tea please notify me by Wednesday, November 6th. Please make an effort.-Claude I. Davies, Branch Sec., Caerleon, Dunbabin Road, Wavertree.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Nottingham District.-The next monthiy meeting of the above district will be held at Bulwell, on Saturday, Nov. gth. Bells (8) available from 4 p.m. till 8.-F. W. Bailey, Lacal Sec., 42 , Rupert Street, Nottingham.

LADIES' GUILD.-Central District. -A meeting will be held at St. Giles-in-the-Fields, Bloomstury, London, W.C., on Saturday, November gtb. Bells available from 2.30.-E. K. Fletcher, Hon. Gen. Sec.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Daventry Branch.-The meeting arranged for Weedon on Saturday, Nov. gth, is unavoidably cancelied. Next meeting, Daventry, Dec. Ith. Further particulars of W. C. Aoore, Braunston Road, Daventry, Northants.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.-The next meeting will be held at Gamston, near Retford, on Saturday, Nov. 9th. Bells (6) available at 2 p.m. 'lhose requiring tea must notify Mr. R. Ashforth, Gamston, Retford, before Nov. 6th. A presentation will be made to the late secretary: Good attendance requested. Good bus service from all directions. - R. W. Stockdale and H. Revill, Hon. Secs.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Bedford Dis-trict.-The next meefing will be held at Biddenham on Saturday, Nov. gth. Bells (6) available 2.45 p.m. Tea at 5 p.rn. All ringers welcome.-P. C. Bonnett, Hon. Dis. Sec., Stassder, Beds.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIAJION.-Preston Branch. The next meeting will be held at Broughton Parish Church on Saturday, Nov, 9th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Will those intending to be present please notify Mr. W. Smith, I, Black Bull Cottage, Broughton, near Preston, not later than Tednesday, Nov. 6th? - $\mathbf{F}$. Rigby, Hon. Sec., 8, Carrington Road, Chorley:

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOC1A-TlON.-Western Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Madresfield on Nov. gith. Service at 4 prompt. Business meeting afterwards. The bells will be available. Election of officers. The branch secretary should be notified how many to expect by the Wednesday pre-vious.-]. Rowlatt, Branch Sec., Old Street, Upton-onSevern.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATMON. - Leicester District.-The next meeting will be held at Oadby on Saturday; Nov. gth. Bells (6) available from $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at the Lancashire Cafó at 5.15 p.m. Will those requiring tea please let me know not later than Thursday, Nov. $7^{\text {th? }}$ ? Alban Disney, Local Sec., 3, Higlyate, Aylestone Lane, Leicester. (Please note change of address.)

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Chipping Norton Deanery Branch.-The autumn meeting will be held at Hook Norton on Saturday, Nov. gth. - J. Keyte, Hon. Sec., Charlbury, Oxon.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Rochdale Branch. - A meeting will be held at Milnrow on Saturday, Nov. 9th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting at $6.3^{\circ}$ p.m. William Horan, Branch Sec., 2, Greenhirst Hey, Todmorden.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester Branch. - The next meeting will be held at Eccles Parish Church on Saturday, November gth. Bells ready 3.30 . Meeting 7 p.m. Come and try this grand ring of eight. All ringers welcome.-J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver St., Miles Platting.
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SUFFOLK GUILD.-A general meeting will be heid at Woodbridge on Nov, 16th. Bells available from 2.30. Tea at Howes' Cafe, next the church, -at $4 \cdot 30$, gd. each. Meeting follows.-Drake, Ufford, Woodbridge.

VINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Isle of Wight District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Newchurch on Saturday, Nov, r6th. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Tea (by kinc invitation of Vicar) in the Vicarage, and business meeting. All ringers intvited. Will those requiring tea kindly notify me not later than Tuesday, Nov, izth?-B. I. Snow, Hon. Dis. Sec., 2, Collingwood, Daniel Street, Ryde, I.O.W.
GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GLILD.-Guildford District meeting at Shalford on Nov. i6th. Bells available 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Nominations for district officers for $193^{\circ}$ must be made at this meeting. Please send numbers for tea to me by Monday, Nov. Iith.-G. C . Grover, Hon. Sec., Merrow Cotagre, East Clandon.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GLILD.-Lincolin District.Next meeting at Caythorpe (8), Saturday, Nov. 16th. Tower open 2 p.m. Good train and bus service betwem Grantham and Lincoln. Notification for tea to Harold Marcon, Dis. Sec., 269, Wragby Road, Lincoln.

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ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-S.E. Division.--The annual meeting will be held at Galleywood on Saturday, Nov. 16 th. Beils (8) avalable at $2 \cdot 30$. Service at $4 \cdot 30$, fot-
lowed by tea and meeting in the School. Notice for tea to be sent in not later than Wednesday, Nov. isth, to Mr. A. E. Coombes, 8, Council Houses, Galleywood, Chelmsford.-H. W. Kirton, Hon. Dis. Sec.

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MILPERTON, SOMERSET.-On Sunday, October 27th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Seaman triples (1,260 changes): R. Scott (conductor) I, E. Chapman 3, W. Cross 3, H. Norman 4, C. War 5, A. J. Andrews 6, A. Tout 7, J. Sweetland'8. Rung as a compliment to $R$. Scott for his 70 th birthday.
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## TEN BELL PEALS.

BRISTOL
GLOUCESTER AND BRESTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Truesday, Otober 29, 1929, in Fhree Hours and Five Minutes, At the Carreh of St. Stepeen-the-Martyr,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 6067 CHANOES;
Tenor 21 cwt . in E .
Ex-Sergi.]. Willians ...Tyeble | Herbert Kniget ... ... 6
Rev. R. H. Whitford ... 2 Harry Bennetr ... ... ... 7 Alfred E. Reeves ... ... 3 Hgnry Pring ... ... ... 8 Williak A. Cave ... ... 4 William H. Thomas... ... 9 William Kniget ... ... 5 Joseph T. Dybe ... ... ... Temor Composed by WM. Willson. Conducled by Alered E. Reeves Rung on the 77th birthday of the treble ringer. TROWBRIDGE, WLTS. THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wednesday, October 30, 7929, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, At the Cerrch of St. Jamas,
A PEAL OF GHAHDSIRE CATERS, 6093 CHANGES; Tenor 24 cwt

- Mrs. W. C. West ... ...Tyeble $\mid$ Ex-Sergt. J. Willians ... 6

Jegse Frastis ... ... .... 2 Samuel J. Hector ... ... 7
William Baxter ... ... 3 Willlam C. West ... ... 8
James Bicby ... ... ... 4 Cbarigs F. Andruws ... 9
William Lodd ... ... ... 5 Norman V. Andrews... ... 5 Ther
Camposed by the late J. Carter. Conducted by C. F. Andrews.

* First peal on ten bells.

MALDSTONE, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday. Nowember 2, 1929, in Thee Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes At the Cedrch of All Saints,
A PEAL DF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 GHANGES; Tenor 3I cwt, in C
Charles H. Sone $\qquad$ Thomas E. Sone ... ... 6
Mrs. H. Barer ... ... ... 2 Erederick G. Breti ... 7 Tom Sadnders ... ..... .3 | 3 Cbarles W. Franklin ... 8 -James Baseett ... ... ... 4 Charles W. Player .. 9 Harry Baker .... ... ... 5 Frederick White ... ...Tenor Composed by N. J. Pitsiow. Conducted by Themas E. Sone. * First peal on tee beils. $\dagger$ First peal of Royal. A birthday peal for Mr. C. H. Sone. Mrs. H. Baker and the conductor's 50 th peal together.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

LONDON.
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARE DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Otober 26, 1920, in Three Howrs and Fourteen Mintutes, At the Chorch of Si. Clement Danes, Strand,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, EO40 CHANGES;
Heymood's Transposition of Thorstans' Fodr-part. Tenor 24 cwt.
Miss Bertan M. Miles Trebie
GEORGE DAWSON... ... ...
Wicliam H. Throbald ... 3 Edward D. Smita ... ... 7

- Wllliam D. Grainger ... 4 Robert Molton... ... .... Tonor

Conducted by Thomas H. Taffender.

* Fisht peal away fram the tenor. OLD WINDSOR, BERKS. THE OXFORD DIOGESAN GUILD. (East Berks \& Sovth Bucks Brance.)
On Satariay, October 26, 1929, in Three Honrs and Three Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Peter,


## A PEAL OF GAMBRIDEE SURPRISE BAJOR, 5056 CHANCE8

Middleton's.
Jesse W. Harrison N ... ...Treble William Henley .... ... 2 George Marten... ... ... 3
Miss K, E. Fletcher

Tenor II ewt. 2 qr .2 l b .
William H. Fessell ... 5 Leonard Stilwell ... ... 6 Harry Wingrove ... ... 7 William Welling ... Temop

Conducted by Harry Wingrove.
First peal as conductor.

NORBURY (HAZEL GROWE)
THE CHESTER DIOGESAN GUIED.
(Stockport Branch.)
On Monday, Oltober 28,7929, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Thomas,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, DO40 CHANGES; Parker's Twelve-part.

 | -James Fernley, jon. | $\ldots$ | 3 | Walter W. Wolstenchofi 7 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Tom Wilde | $\ldots . .$. | ... | 4 | Samjel Potis ... ... ...Teroy | Conducted by W. W. Wolstrncrors.

* First peal in the method. First peal of Triples on the bells. Rully afley meeting short for Bristal Surprise Major.


## DEANE, BOLTON.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, Ortoder 28, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Thre Minutes,
At tee Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor 12告 cwt .

Titds Barlow ... ...
$\dagger$ Wilfred Halliwele
Thomas B. Worsery ... 7 Composed by J. J. Parker. Conducted by T. B. Worsley. * First peal in method. $\dagger$ First peal.

## LECKHAMPTON, GLOS.

GLOETCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCLATLON, On Wednesday, October 30. 1929, in Two Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes, At tae Parisa Churca of St. Peter.

## A PEAL OF STEDHAN TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;

Thurstans' Four-part.
Teaor 9 cwt in A .
Thonas Baldwyn ... ...Tyeble Walter Rose ... ... .... 5 Harold Halford ... ... 2 William Townsend ... ... 6 Georgr Walters ... ... 3 Jobn F. Ballinger ... ... 7 Fredrrjck Clemente ... 4 William FIarrison ... ...Temor Conducted by J. F. Ballinger.
Arranged and rung as a birthday compliment to F. Clements, of Bourten-on-the-Water, also to commemorate the 30th anniversary of the conductor's first peal, which was Grandsire Gaters at St. Mary's, Chellenham, in Ottober, 1899.

NORTH WINGTIELD, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. (Sarffield District Society.)
Oh Friday, Nowember 1. 1929, in Three Hows and Ten Mintes,
At rae Churce of St. Laurence,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MASOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor 18 cwt .
Arthdr Knights ... ...Treble, William T. Palmer ... ... 5 Jogn P. Tarlton... $\operatorname{lin}^{2}$ F. Hector Bennett ... A. Percifal Knights ... 3 Wilelam Biggin ... Norman C. Lewis ... ... 4 William H. Wain ... ...Temor Composed and Conducted by Artajr Kinggets.

* First peal. This was the conductor's 500th peal.

MILNROW, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHLRE ASSOOIATION.
(Rochdale Branch.)
On Satryday, Novembey 2, 1929, it Three Hours and Tens Mintes, At the Parish Chorge,
A PEAL DF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor 18 cwt .
S. Parry
S. Parry
H. Hamar
... ... ..
.Treble S. W. Donn.
W. Stafr $. . . \quad \cdots \quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 2 \quad$ G. Stafe...

Composed by J. Rerves.
A. Sidebottom ... ... ...Tenor

Conducted by G. Sxaff. * First peal in the method. First peal as conductor in the method.
First peal in the method by a local band, all being service ringers
att the above church. Also first peal in the method on the bells since int the above church. Also first peal in the method on the bells siace they were rehung. Ruag as a farewell to the Vicar (Rep. R. E. Ellcot), who closed his ministry on this date.

LEOMINSTER, HEREEORDSHIRE. THE HEAEFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Nowenber 2, 1929, in 7 hree Hows and Four Minutes, At the Priory Chorch of SS. Peter and Fade,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Holt's Ten-part.
Tenor 22 cwt .
 Albert E. Jones ... ... 2 William R. Nash ... ... 6 Robert H. Jones .... ... 3 Francis Evans ... ... ... 7 William J. Bentame ... ... 4 Arthor C. Nason ... ...Tenor Conducted by Francis Evans.

## SEDGLEY, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE DEDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD. On Saturday, Noucnber 2, 1929, in Three Hours,

At ter Ceurci of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF GRAND8IRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Groves Transposition of Parerr's Twelve-part.
Wilfred Fullwood... ...Trabla William Green ... ... 5
Shmorl J. Hoghes ... ... 2 "William H. Lowe ......
Harry Hakl... ......
Jobn Price ... ... ... ... 4 Gilbert Goesi... ... ...Tenor
Conducted by John Goodman, Jun.
Wirst peal and first attempt. 免ung for the festivalg of All Saints and All Souls. Quarterly peal for the Guild. The band wish to thank the Ficar for the use of the bells, and the towerkeeper, Mr. B. Fullwood, for haping everything in readiness,

MYTHOLMROYD, YORKSHLRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Satarday, Nowember 2, 1929, in Two Hows and Fifty-Nine-and-a-Half Minutes.
At the Chbrce of St. Micharl,
A PEAL GF DOUBLE MORWICH GOURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANOEB| Tenor $14 \frac{1}{\mathrm{c}} \mathrm{cwt}$.
-James Ingeam ... ... ...Tteble William Horan ... ... ... 5
Edivard Jenklas ... ... 2 Aldert J. Hggees ... .... 6
Tromas B. Kendall $\quad . .6$
Joserh Broadley ... ... 4 Leslir W. G. Morris ...Temor
Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood. Conducted by L. W. G. Morris

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

SUTEON, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday, Nowmber 2, 1929, in Thyee Howrs and Seven Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints, Beneilton,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB HANOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor yof cwt. in E .
Frank Jennings... ... ...Treble Georgre W. Steere ... ... 5
Herbert J. Skelt
Frederick W. Hododen
Canon G. H. Rinout
Composed by F. Robinson.
3 Frank E. Darby...

Arranged as a farewell peal to Canon Ridout, who is salifg on the 9th inst. for Johannesburg. First peal on the bells for 14 yeara. They have recently been rehung by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank.

## BURION-ON-TRENT.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Nownter 2, 1929, in Thre Howrsand Nine Minwles.
At the Cedrch of St. Pagl,
A PEAL DF STEDHAN TRIPLES, B040 CHAHEE8;

Thorsians' Fodr-fart.
Jegn H. Swinfield ... ...Treble
... 2 JoHN ADSTIN... ... ... ... 6
forn ]agger … .... ... 3 Percy Harrison......
Edwin H. Stoneley.
Conducted by jorn Austin.
This peal was arranged for Mr. John Jagger, it being 50 years since le rang his frst perl at the above church. He received the hearty congratulations of the bata upon this jusilee. Rung after meeting one short for Caters.

WEST HALLAM, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOOLATION. On Saturday, November 2, 1929, in Three Hours,

At tee Cherch of St. Wilfred,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor 9 owt.

| Miss Elizabeth Foolk | Trebla | †Frank Comon | ... | ... | ... | 5 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Frgderick Browa | ... | ... | 2 | Charles Smith... | ... | .. | 6 |


| Frgderick Brown | ... | ... | 2 | Charles Smith... | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Hfnay Fletcher | ... | .. | 6 | Jack Bailey | ... | Grorgr Frebbrey ... ... 4 Pbrcy H. Tate... ... ...Timer Composed and Conducted by George Ereebrey.

* First peal of Major, t First peal. First peal of Major on the belis.


## LIVERPOOL.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday. Novenber 2, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes, At the Church of St, John-the-Baptist, Toebrook,
1 PLAL GF DOUELE MORWIGM COURT BOB MAJOR, 6088 GMANEE; Tenor 20 cwt . in E .


* First peal in the method.

> NORTH MTMMS, HERTS.

THE HERTFORD GOUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Novenbay 2, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Ons Mirutes, At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF YORKSHIRE SURPAISE MAJOR, 5T5 2 CHANCES; Tenor 13 cwt .
-Georgr B. Cole ... ...Tyejle John T. Kentish ... ... 5 Edwin F. Pike ... .... ... 2 - Daniel Cooper......

- Wilfred Wilifams... ... $3 \quad$ Charles W. Roberts $\quad$... 7 Composed by C. W. Roberts. Conducted by WV. H. Hewert.
* First peal in the method. BUNGAY, SUIFOLK.
THE SDFFOLK GOILD.
On Saturday, November 2, 1929, in Thee Hours and Eighten Minwtes, At the Cetrgh of St. Mary,
a PLAL ©F GOUDLE MORWIGM GOURT BOE MAJOR, 5024 CHAMERI Tenor if cwt.


Composed by Sir A.". F. Feywood. Conducted by E. R. Goate. PEIERSEIELD, HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINOHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOGESAN GUTLD. Or Sadurday, Novenber 2, 1929, in Threo Howrs and Nine Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,


## A PEAL ©F SUPERLATIYE BURPRISE MASOR, 5056 EMAMGE

 Tenor 16 cmt .Ferdertck A. Burneti
.Troblo
Kizith Hart..
George Wiclians
Alpred T. Grbenwood ...
Jack M. Crifps

4 Frederick W. Rogers ...Tenor
Composed by Georgr H. Cross. Conducted by Fride. W. Rogzrs CROWLE, WORCESTERSHITE.
TEE WOROESTERSHILE AND DISTRICTE ASSOCIATION. (Wesirrn Brange.)
On Saturảa, Nowember 2, 1929, in Truo Houts and Fifty-Seven Minutes, At tee Churchoi St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL DF KENT TREBLE BQB MAJOR, 6098 CHANGES; Tenor 10 cwt.
Robref G. Knowles

- Thomas W. Lewis.

Cypir Tancery
.Treblo Sidnay T. Holt...
Cyril Tansele ... ... ...
... 3
Dennis R. Morris ... ... 4 Charles Camm ... ... ... Teno
Composed by T. B. Worsley, Conducted by Sidney T. Holx.
T. First penl in a Treble Bob mothod.

KING'S NORTON (BY GALBY), LEICESTERSHIRE THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASGOGLATION.
On Saturna, November 2, 1929, in Thref Hours and Sixten Minutes, At the Cedrch of St. Joan-the-Baptist.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; A Variation of J.J. Parker's Tweeve-fart. Tenor 2 I cwt. (approx.).
Ronald Russell Tenor
... ...Treble William H. Cearxe
Ernest Morris ... ... ... 2 Ernesi H. Bagworit
f. Geopfrry Geary ... ... 3 Norman S. Bagworth ... 7 Josiah Morris ... ... ... 4 A. Norman Grary ... ...Tenor

Arranged by Morris J. Morris. Conducted by Ernest Morris.
First peal of Grandsire Triples on these historic bells since the
Leicester Scholars rang one on June 4th, 1816.

## BINGHAM, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, November 2, 1929, in Three Hours and Fowy Minutes,
At the Cherch of Ale Saints,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 ©HANGES;
Broors' Variation.
Harry Thorpe ... ... ... Tyoble Willian G. Thorpe ... 5
Harry Haynes ......
Arthor W. Ward $\quad . .-$... 3 Sidney Proctor
Artedr Mackears ... ... 4 tjoen H. Bransion ... ...Tenor Condacted by Sidney Proctor.

* First peal of Stedman 'inside.' + First peal of Stedmat. Rung to commemorate the 704th anniversary of the church; also the Fib anniversary of the restoration and reopening of the bells.


## MARKET DRAYTON, SHROPSHIRE. <br> THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GULD.

On Satraday, Nowember 2, 7929, in Three Howrs ard Eight Minutes,
At tre Church of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF GOUSEE NORWICH COURT BOE MAJOR, 5024 GNAMgEI, Tenor ryt cwt.

| Harry Ouerion... | $\ldots$. | ...$T r e b l e$ | Richard T. Holding... | .. | 5 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Roberi Sperring | $\ldots$. | .. | 2 | Edward V. Rodeneqrit | .. | 6 |


| Robiri Sperring | $\ldots$ | ... | 2 | Edward V. Rodeneturst ... | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Harold Edwards | $\ldots$ | .. | 3 | Wibliam Weathersy | ... |
| 7 |  |  |  |  |  |



Composed by H. W. Wilde. Conducted by Robert Sparring.
This is the 50th peal which the ringers of 2ad and 5ib hare rurg together.

BROUGHTON, STAFFORDSETRE.
THE CHESTER DIOGESAN GUILD.
On Sunday, Nouenber 3. 1929, in Thee Hours and Ten Minutes,
At ter Chorch of Sx. Peter,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOE MAJOR, 6184 CHANGES;
Tenor 15 cwt I qr. I8 lb.
Robert Sperring
... ...Tveble

Alan M. Hickman ... | Alan M. Hickman | ... | ... | 2 | William Weatherby | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Harry F. | 6 |  |  |  |  | Wacter Longman ..... .4 Jambs H. Riding... ... ... ... Terte. Composed by Arteror Knigets. Conducted by Robert Sperrinct

* First peal of Major away from the treble. The band wext afterwards kindly entertained to tea by the lodal riegers. This pen and the peal of Double Norwich at Market Drayton were arranged for Mr. R. Sperrigg, of Chester.


## MARSHFIELD.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Sunday. November 3, 7929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Thyee Minwtes,

At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 504O CHAHGES;
Groves' transposition of Parker's Twelve-part.
Tenor 18 cwt.
"Roland Fletceer
Roland Fletceer ... ...Tyeble |Henry Woodham
arer $\quad 2 \quad$ Jegse H. Beazer
-Charles Harding ... ... 3 Georgr Robinson
Eli Brazer

## Conducted by George Robinson.

\# First peal and first attempt. The conductor's first attempt to call a peal. Rung as a 40 th anniversary compliment to Mr. George
Robinson.

CRAWLEY, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCLATION. On Sumday, November 3, 1929, in Thre Hours,
At the Church of St. Joen-ter-Bhpist,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor 13 角 cwt. in $F$.
 Composed by C. Mideleton. Conducted by O. Sipperts. . Firgl peal of Surprise Major. $\dagger$ Firgt peal of Surprise Major inside.'

## SIX BELL PEALS.

WYCHBOLD, NEAR DROITWICH, WORGESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday, Ocfaber 19, 1929, in Two Howes and Thivty-Five Minutes,
At ter Parisi Cedrce,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 6040 CHANGES;
 John Neal ... ... ... ... 3 "Hobert Sparks... ... ...T Thor Conducted by W. Raxter.
PFirst peal. First peal as coneluctor. It is also believed to be the first peal rung on these bells and coaducted by one of the local band.

## BRADWELL, BUCKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GULED. (North Backs Brance.)
On Saturdity, October 26, 1929. in Two Hours and Forty-One Mintes,
At tee Cgurch of St. Lawrance,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven diferent 720's.
Temor $7 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Thomas C. Walters... ...Trable Frederick C. Case ... $_{\text {... }} 4$

| Alexander Coley | .. | ... | 2 | Tgomas E. Read | ... | ... | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Edward Waitlock | .. | .. | 3 | Albert J. Green | ... | ... Tenoy |  | Conducted by Albrrt J. Green.

The quickest ereal on the bells. Rung on the occasion of the wedding of Mr. William Frencl and Miss Lily Thurlow, who is a reqular ringer at this church, also a birthday compliment to the tucble ringer's dughter.

SU'ITON, CHESHIRE.
THE OHESTER DIOCESAN GULLD.
(Maccersfield Branch)
On Monday, Oclober 28, 7929, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
At the Church of St. James,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven diferent 720's.
WilliaguGryes ... Treble Whered Stevencon Arther Geallinor ... ... 2 John Worth 4 Frank L. Ronan ... ... 3 fJack Wagmsley... .... ........ Conducted by Jobs Woris

* Firat peal inside. + First peal of Minor. All the band are from Christ Church, Macclesfeld, and their thanks are expressed to the Vicer fos the use of the bells.

LITTLE MUNDEN, HERTS
THE HERTPORD COUNTY ASSOCLATION
On Thirsday, Octower 31, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifiy Minutes,
At the Chorch of Ali Sainis,

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

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, New London Pleasure, Woodbine, Oxford Delight, Duke of York, Kent and Oxford. T'eaor 13 cwt . William Williams .. ...Trelie Arthor Phielips Sidney Chrter ... .... ... 2 .. 2 Grorgr H. Carter .... Arthur Woolston ... .... 3 Barnard Patmore ... .... Tenor Conducted by Sidazy Cartir.
Rung with tho bells muffied as a tribute of respect to W. S. Lawrence, the beloped only son of W. H. Lawronce, who met his death under tragic circumstances, and who was interred at Little Mundeu out the above date.

CLAINES, WORCESTERSHRE.
THE WORGESTERSHLRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
Or Saturday, Noumber 2, 1929, in Two Howrs and Fortr-Nine Minutes,
At the Parish Churge,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
"Arthor Moselery
... ...Treble
JOHN NEAL ... ... $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2 \quad$ Whlter Raxter... ......
-Arthor Barton ... ... 3 FIugert Sparks ... .... .... ... Temor Conducted by W. Raxtgr.

* Tirst peai.


## MACCLERFIELD.

THE GHESTER DTOCESAN GULD.
On Saturiay, November 2. 7929, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, At Cerist Cyorch,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Seven 720 's with difierent callings.
Tenor 14 cwt (approx.)
Frank L. Ronan... ... ...Tyoble |Jack Tupper... ... ... ... 4 Arthor Crallinor ... ... 2 John Worth ... ... ... 5
 Conducted by Jozn Worte.
First peal in the method on the bells and by all the band. Ruag on the eve of the Ohrist Church Day School's Festival by ' old boys ${ }^{3}$ of the schools.

CEIGWELL, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Nowember 2, 1929, in Two Hoursand Thirw Five Minutes,

## At tar Parisa Chorch,

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Norwioh, Cbester, Munden, N $\mathbf{N}$ weastle, Alnwick, Beverley, Surfleet.
Ernest W. Forbank...
...Trable John Moule
Alfred Prior ... ...

... $28 |$| ... | William Miller |
| :--- | :--- |

William H. Terobald ... 3 Edward D. Smith $\quad . .$.
Conducted by Emward D. Smith.
WOLLASTON, STOURBRIDGE.
THE WORCESTERSEIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCLATION.

> (Northern Brangh.)

On Suturday, Nowember 2, 1929, in Two Hours and Foriy-Ore Minutes,
At tee Chureh of St. James.
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES; Seven 720's.

Percy Riegards

- Harry Perrins... Sidney Thompson
... ...Treble William Gibes...

| ... | ... | 2 | TSamolel Thompson | ... | ... | 4 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots$ | ... | 3 | John Bass ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Teno |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Conducted by Joan Bass.

* First peal and first attempt. + First peal with a bob bell. Brlieved to be tha frst local peal on tho bells. All are Sunday service ringers af this charch.

SANDY, BEDS.
TEE ELY DIOCESAN AND BEDS ASSOCIATIONS.
On Saturday, Novenber 2, 1929, in Theer Hours and Two Mimutes. At taz Church of St. Swithin,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANEES:
Being one 720 Woodbine, three 720's Oyford Freble Bob, and three of Kent.

Tenor 14 cwt.
William C. Fox...
Ered C. Ginn ... ...
$\begin{array}{ccc}\text {... } & \text {...Trable } \\ \text {... } & \text {... } & 2\end{array}$
Tom Bartram
Con Frank Warrimgion
... 4
Charlas J. Ball.
Conducted by Frank Warrington.
Firat 700 of Woodbiac for 2ad and 5th ringers.

## WATH, NEAR RIPON, YORKSHIRE.

OLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOGIATION.
On Sahwrday, Noumber 2, 7929, in Two How's and Forly Minutes, At tre Parisa Cabrce,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES:

Being seven different 720's.
Tenor 8 cwt.
"Edward Hodson ... ...Treble Jonn Harrison
Herbert E. Pickring ... 2 Robert Lancaster ... ... 5 Henry Clayton ... ... 3 EredE. Addison ... ...Temor

## Conducted by Frrd E. Adpison

* First peal. First peal of Minor by all the band. Treble vinger belongs to Sharrom, and the rest to Tadcaster.


## handBell peals.

BIRMINGFAM.
THE ST. MARTIN'S GUII,D FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Saturday, Oclobar 20, 1929, in Thyee Hours and Ten Minutes,
At 8i, Bakzr Street, Sparkhili,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANEES; Thomas Rossam ... $\quad . . \quad . . \quad$ r-2

 Composed by J. Chriter.

Conducted by F. E. Pervin.
Referee: F. Walaer.

* 100th peel of SLedman Cinques and 200th peal of Stedman. The hand tuke this opportunity of thanking Mr. and Mrs. Walker fot their loospitality after the peal.

IPSWICH.
TRE SUFFOLK GULD.
(St. Mary-le-Tower Society.)
On Wednashay. Octoler 30, 1929, in Two Hous and Twenty-Five Minutes,
In the Belfry of the Cherch of St. Mary-lb-Tower,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREELE EOB MAJOR, 5152 EHANGES; Tenor size 18 in $G$.
 -Cearles J. Sedgley $\quad . . .9$ 3-4 *Wieliam J. G. Brown ... 7 -8

Composed by A. Knights. Conducted by George E. Symonds.
Witness: W. J. Mayhew.

* First peal af Oxford Major on handbells. Rung on the 118th anniversary of the first peal of Oxford Treble Bob Major on handbells at Shetlield.

GREAT BADDOW, ESSEX.
THE ESGEX ASEOCIATION.
On Sathriay, November 2.1929, in Two Hours and Twenty-Six Minntes, At 3, Beel Street

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George Grien ... .... ... $1-2$ George Wiffen... ... ... 5 -6 William JKerbee...

3-4 Lewis w. Wirfen
Composed by J. E. Borton, Conducted by Lewis W. Wifeen, Witness: Percy Green.
First peal ns conductor on handbells.

## A SALISBURY RESTORATION.

A fresh chapier in the history of St. Martin's, Salisbury, began with the reopening of the peal of eight belle, which took place on Saturduy evening, October 194 h , when a special service was conducted by the Rector, the Rev. W. N. Wilson, assisted by the Rev. C. A. Plaxtou (ourate). Among the congregation were the St, Martin's churchwardens, Mr. C. S. Hibberd and Mr. B. Jenking, Fev. F. LI. Edwards, general secrotary of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild, Rev. C. Phillips, secretary of the Wimborne Branch, Mr. F. W. Romaine, secretary of the Salisbury Branch, and Mr. R. Dove, who represented tho firm of Messus. Gillett and Johnston, to whom the work of relanging the bells on ball bearings and overbauling of frame and fittings had been entrusted. The work lias been carried ont in a mest thorough manner, and the go of the bells is now excellent.
In the course of his address the Rentor made special mention of tho 7 th bell, which is the oldest one of the peal, and bears the inscription, 'Br Mec and Loly to Heare the word of God' and is dated I.W., 1582. The inscription on the Lenor is, "Call a Solemme Assemblie, Gather the Feople. I.W., 1624.'
After the scrvice the bells were set going in various methods, ineluding Grandsice and Stedman Triples, Plain and Kent Treble Bob Major, elc, until ahout $9 \mathrm{p.m}$., whers they were lowered in peal, bringing to a close a very pleasant gathering.
Ringers wero present from Rournemouth, Pranksome, Poole, Ringwood, Wimborne, Corfe Mulen, Shrewton, Dintow, Broadehalke, Hritford, Coombe Bisselt, Beldinglan, Croydon, and the local band,

A WEST COUNTRY APPEAL. To the Editor.
Sir,-Readers of 'The Ringing World,' or, at least, a number of them, are aware that the Church of St. George (Witton), Taunton, can boast of a talented band of ringers, having recently rung seven and len different Surprise Minor methods in peals. The Vitar and Church authorities, recognising this, decided, after being appealed to by the ringers, to increase the ring to eight and rehang the whole in $\mathrm{a}^{2}$ new frame and fittins. A faculty has been obtained, and the order placel with Mesers Mears and Stainbank. The local band to give the job impetus, guaranteed to give one of the new trebles complete with fittings, the cost of which is about £50. Towards this they ave subscribing half, viz., f25, which everyone will agree is a handsome donation. They now make an appeal to ringers generally for finallcial help. Therc are doubtless many ringers who would be willing to assist a band that are doing all liey possibly can to help themselves. Any contributions seat will be duly acknowledged by Mr. S. G. Coles, 3, Holly Terrace, Staplegrove, Taunton, or by yours truly, 5, Floronce Terrace, Bishop's Hull, Taunton. J. HWNT,

## MRS. G. W. FLETCHER'S 200 PEALS

Mrs. G. W. Fleteher (formerly Miss J. K. Parker') mang her 200th peal recenty, fittingly enough for the Ladies' Guidd, of which stue has been the hon. segretary since its formation. The following is the list of her peals:-

Tower Gouducted Eandbells Cotwuctech
Spliced Superlative and Gam
bridge Surprise Maximus.
Cambridge Surprise Maximus Kent Treble Dos Maximus
Little Bob Maximus
Stedman Cinques
Grandsire Cinques
Cembridge Surprise Royal
Eent Treble Boh Royal
Plain Bob Roval
Forward Royal
Spliced Bob Royal and Graud-
sile Caters
Spliced Stedman and Guandsive
Caters
Stedman Caters
Grandsire Caters


Totals
WELCOME TO NEW INCUMBENT,
At Emmanuel Church, Plymouth, Devon, on Fridaj, Octolser: 25th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 45 mins., as a welcome to the Rev. R. Carnegie Knox, who was instituted and inducted to the living of Emmanuel the same day: J. C. Pook 1, T. G. Myers 2, TT. J. Richards 3, G. Godard 4, R. J. Baldry 5, W. Wannacott E, J. Woodley (conductor') 7, F. Baldry (first quarter-peal) 8. This quarterpeal was rang after an attempt for a peal of Stedman Triples had failed.

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## DEATH OF AN OLD YORKSHIRE RINGER.

We regret to announce the demise of Mr. Frank C. Willey, a member of the All Saints ${ }^{2}$ Church company, Sheffield, whose death took place suddenly on October 29th, at the age of 72 years. As choristor and ringer he was connected with All Saints' for an uninterrupted period of 50 years, being steeplekeeper and conductor for most of that time. Joining the Yorkshire Association in 1881, he was \& vigorous worker in the interesta of change ringing. He had occupied the position of vice-president of the association, which he had also represented on the Central Council. He was a member of the Ancient Society of College Youths, and had rung 24 peals.
Mr. Willey was a very well-known member of the Druidis Friendly Society, of which he was a lodge secretary for some years. Of breezy, generous disposition, Mr. Willey was always a welcome risitor in any gathering. Unfortunately, "Frank" was a victirn of a paralytic attack three years ago, which rendered bim almost unable to talk or walk. He partially recovered from this, but a further attack resulted in death.
The interment took place on Saturday, November 2nd, at Burngreave Cemetery, being preceded by a service at All Saints Church, at which the Rev. G. H. Staveley (Vicar) officiated. 'Jesu, Lover' of my soul,' and 'Abide with me, two favourite bymos, were feelingly sung by a large gathering of friends and churchworkers. The following representative ringers were present, in addition to many others: Rev. C. C. Marshall (president, Yorks Association), Mr. P. J. Johnson (hon. secretary, Yorks Association), Mr. G. Lewis (vicepresident, Southerv District), Mr. F. Clarke (hon. secretary, Southern District), Mr. R. Harrison (president, Sheffeld and District Society), Mr. R. Harrison, jun. (hon, secretary, Sheffield and Diskrict Society, Mr. J. Lewis Cockey (Midland Counties Asseciation), Mr. C. D. Potter (Barnsley and District Society), Mr. A. Gledstone (Doncaster and Distriet Society), Mr. J. A. Dixon and Mr. W. Burgar (St. Marie's), Mr. J. Thorpe and Mr. S. F. Palmer (Cathedral), Mr. S. Briggs (Rotherham), Mr. J. R. Brearley (Bolsterstone). A course of Grandsire Triples was rang at the graveside, and also touches of Grandsire and Treble Bob on the tower bells, deeply mulfled, as a tribute of respect.
Mr. Willey leaves a son and two daughters to mourn their loss, his wife having predeceased him about five years ago.
The bells of St. Marie's R.C. Chureh, Sheftield, were rang for evenitg service on Sunday, November 3rd, with the ciappers half-mufled as a token of sympathy and respect to the late Mr. Frank Willey, who was a past officer in the Sheffeld District Society of Change Ringers.

## A JOINT AFFAIR.

A HAPPY GATHERTNG AT EALING.
On Saturday last the Southerr District of the London County Association were at Ealing, the guesta of the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild, South and West District, there being the bells of St. Mary's Parish Chureh, fond, in the evening, those of Christ Church, at the disposal of the company. Ringing commenced soon after three, and various methods were rung prerious to a service conducted by the Vicar (Rev. C. J. Sharp), during which he gave a lesson-address on the Beatitudes-most appropriato and Delpful, The singing was well rendered, Mr. H. J. Dasson presiding at the organ. Tea, under the direction of Mr. aed Mrs. Hunnisett, was served in St, Mary's Chureh Fouse, presided over by the Vicar, where a party of about 40 sat down to a substantial repast, After tea, Mr. J. A. Trollope, hon, treasurer, Middlesex South and West District, welcomed the London County men and ladies to Ealing, saying that this was a unique occasion, and one which they, as officers of the Middlesex Association, were very pleased to be able to take part in, as promoting good fellowslip aroong the different societies. Skimming back a hundred pears or so, he recalled the fact that the London County, then the St. James' Society, was mainly the outcome of a quarrel between Annable and Holt, and be sketched the progress of that society till the present. He loped and was sure these gatherings did no end of good
Mr. Mance, District Master, L.G.A., responded, thanking the Middlesex men for the splendid welcome extended to them, and hoped that meetings of this nature would continue. The hon. secretary, Mr. J. Herbert, L.C.A. ${ }^{\text {also spoke in support, as well as Mr. A. D. }}$ Barker, Oxford Diocesan Guild.
A hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar was proposed by Mr. W. J. Hollier, lon secretary, Mixdleses, for the use of the bells, for the service, and for presiding at the tea, also to the organist for his services, to which the Vicar responded in a few words, laving, he said, grasped long since what bencets could accrue from such mixed gatherings.

He was then forced by an engagement to leave, doing so amidst applause. A course of Grandsire Cingoes was rung on handhells by F. Goodfellow (Middlesex), J. A. Twilope (Middlesex), G. H. Cross (Loudon), J. Herbert (London), E. S. Turner (Middlesex), and W. Wilson (Middlesex). A vote of thanks was returned to Mr, and Mrs, J. Hunnisett and their helpers for the excellent irrangements made for tea, which was provided in Mr. and Mrs. 'Jim's' own inimitable way. The two towers were then yisited, and ringing was carried on until nine o'clock. During the daj the standard melhods, Double Norwich, Cambridge and London Surprise and Rounds, were rumg.
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Will each tower secretary be good enough to send a photograph of his own tower? It should be forwarded in an envelope for protection, and addressed to The Editor, 'The Ringing World,' Woking, Surrey, and the sender should enclose his name and address.

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

We are informed that the bells at St. Mary's Church, Birkenhead, ave to be dedicated by the Bishop of Chester at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. to-morrow. The reopening was previously annourced to take place on Sunday.
A gudgeon of the tenor bell at Inthlingborough is at present broken, and ringing is therefore suspended for a time.
We bear of peals coming to grief in many different ways, but it is not often a young Rook gets into the belfry and upsets a peal, as was the case a slort time ago at a pretty little willage in the Mid lands. Perhaps, writes our correspondont, Mr. G., of England, will explain, as he nearly wrung its neck. The gentleman wanted to play tennis near the tower.
Tho ringer of the 6th in the peal at Winchester was Abert W Coles.
Ringers throughout the country will join us in extending greeting to Cation G. F. Coleridge, who celohrates his birthday on Sunday.
One of the carliest peals of Oxford Treble Bob Maximus was rump by the Society of Cumberland Youths at St, Saviour's, Southwark. on November $10 t h, 1766$.
On November $13 t h, 1797$, a penl of 5,003 Stedman Caters was ruag at Christ Church, Spitalfelds. This charch formerly liad a ring oi twelve bells, which were destroyed in a fire, but there are now onff eight in the tower.
November 13th is also the anaiversary of a peal of $10,080 \mathrm{Nem}$ Treble Bob Major (Kent) rung at Huddersfield in the year 1820 . It is recorded on a board in the belfyy and in addition to the usual particulars it preserves the figures of the peal. Four of the ringers in this peal took part eleven years later in the 15,168 Kent Trehle Boh Major at Ellnm. Ten men, however, shared in this peal. A that time it was the greatest length composed in the method.
Nimety years ago next Wedncsday, William Rock Small was borm at Wednesbury. This famous old Black Country ringer lived to tho advanced age of 85 years.
The first 'Clarles peal was rung at Bristol an November 13th 1895. The method was Grandaite Triples.

## TO KEEP SOBR!ETY.'

Here is another variation of "Belfyy Rules' in the old days. They are to be seen painted on a board on the soull side of the tower of Fowey Chnrch, Cornwall:-

Hark, how the chirping treble sings most clear,
An Covering Fom comes rowling in the rear.
We ring the quick to church, the dead to grave,
Good is our mse, such usage let us have.
Now up on end at stigy, come let us see
What laws are best to keep sobriety.
To Swear or curse ar in a Choleric maad
To strike or guarrel, thangh be draw no blood,
To wear a hat or spur, to o're turn a bell,
Or by unskifful handling mares $n$ Peal,
Such shall pay sixpence for each single crime,
'Twill make him catutious 'gainst another time.
What forfeitures are due as here it is exprest,
Here is a box to take the same wherebr "bave Transgrest,"
And we the whole saciety of Ringers do agree
To use the sane inn love and unity.

## DEATH OF MR. EDGAR PEMBERTON

## EEMEBER OF A FAMOUS IPSWIOE COAPANY

Death has removed another veteran ringer, whose name was famous in the Erercise at the end of last century. Mi. Edgar Pembertron, one of the last survivars of the celebrated Ipswich band, passed away at his residence, 41, Bramford Laye, Ipswich, on Thurgday, October $31 s t$, at the age of 78 years. He had long been an invahid-a wictim of arbinitis-but his interest in linging remained to the end, although he had not been able to get mp into the belfry for some years.
Mr. Penberton was one of a band whe made ringing history at Ipswich, where he became a member of the baud at St. Mary-leTower Chureh, when it was reorganiged in 1876. He rang his first peal (Grendsire Triples) at St. Johu's, Waterloo Road, London, on May 22nd, 1978, the band being George Newson, Thomas Sadler, David Stookwood, William Coppage, Edwin Gibbs, Willian Baron, Edgar Pemberton and George Isley. On March 1st, 1881, My. Pemberton ranr the eleweath to a peal of Kent Treble Bob Marimus, the tirst peal on the twelve bells at St. Mary-le-Tower Church. It was rung at the third attempt. This peal was the begiuning of a series of achievements extending over many years, and in all lie rallg in 270 peals, inchuding the first peals of Stedman Triples, Caters and Cinques in Sulfolk; ithe first peals of Double Norwich Major, Royal and Maximus, and the first of Cambridge Surprise Major, Royal and Maximus in the county. The Cambridge Masimus was the first peal in the method ever rucg, and in this, as in all the Sutprise peals in whicll he took part, Mir. Pemberton rang the treble. In 1880 he rang in peals of 7,296 and 10,272 Kent Treble Bob Major at Debentram, and he also reng in an 8,896 in the same method at Rochester Row, Westminster. He took part in a 10,176 Oxford Treble Bob Major at Ufford in 1895, but he was not in the 16,608 at Debenhan in 1892 , al
The late Mr. Edgar Pemberton. thongl he was in wo previous attempts for it at that tower, and in two pheners at Leiston. In each of the latter they rang over 10,000 changes and broke down. When, eventually, the peal was rung, Mr. Persberton, whose tuade was that of a carpenter, was working at Bnry St. Edmunds, and was unable to take part. In long lengtlis of Double Norwich, Mr. Pemberton pang $6,608,8,064$ and 10,080. Thus he had a great share in the ringing which the Suffolk men of those days-men like Daniel Prentice, William Ireland, Tumes Hotis, and William Catrhpole, and the enthusiasts who comprised their hand-made memorable.
Mr. Pemberton's peals were as follow: Kent Treble Bob Maximus 38, Oxford Trehle Bob Maximus 3, Gambudge Surprise Maximus 2, Douthle Norwich Court Bob Maximus 3, Bob Maximus 1, Stedman Cinques 25, Grandsite Cinques 3, Keat Treble Rob Royal 11, Oxferd Treble Fob Royal 3, Cambricge Surprise Royal 1, Double Norwicly Courb Boh Royal 6, Bob Royal 1, Stedman Catelz 18, Gravdsire Caters 7, Kent Treble Bob Major 23, Oxford Treble Bob Major 17,解 Majar 2, Dolthle Norwich Court Bob Major 38, Superlative Sur' prise Major 9, Cambridge Surprise Major 9, Loudon Surprise Major Stedman Triples 26, Grandsire Triples 17, Plain Bob Triples $I_{1}$ Minor 2.
The funcral took place at St. Mary-le-Tower Church on Monday, and much sympathy lass been expressed with the widow, son and laugheer in their berearement.
Mr. Thbert Brundle is now the sole surwivor of St. Mary-le-Tower Saciety fa reconstructed in I876, and is atili on the active list.

## YOUNG MILFORD RINGERS' PROGRESS

A M 1 ford-on-Sea, Hants, on Thursday, October 31st, to celebrate the frat amiversary of tie dedication of the bells, known as the Rev. C. E. Mathews' memorial bells, a quarter-peat of Grandsire Tripies ( 1,260 cinanges) in 50 mins. : L. Parker 1, G. Preston 2, J Knighb 3, K. Desham 4, G. Scragg 5, B. Mogg 6, G. Parker 7, A. Knapp 8. The ringers of $1,3,4,6,7$, and 8 only began to learn in Novemher last, when Mr. G. Preston was appointed as instructor to the Milford band. Ringers of 2,4 and 5 belong to Glristehurch, the rest to Milford.

BRAMLEY, LEEDS.-On Weduesday, October 23rd, 1,024 Kent Treble Bob: S. Helliwell 1, Miss C. Wade 2, H. G. Grimurod 3, F. Elackith 4, Frank Blackith 5, F. Jackson 6, N. Redshaw 7, L. Morris 8.

## BELLS THAT SAMUEL PEPYS HEARD.

## MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION VISIT ST. OLAVE'S

a very enjoyable meeting of the North and East District of the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild was held on Saturday last, at the famous Church of St. Olave, Hart Street, City, where, some 250 years ago, Samuel Pepys was galled to service by some of the bells that are now part of a pretty octare. The back IVe were cast at Whithapel in 1662 ; tlee present thild at the same foundry in 1694. It was therefore foting that Messis. Meare and Slainbank should have the work of retaning this old peal of six and adding two trebles, which that firm did right well only a fow months ago. The back six form the carliest of London's rimging peals, with the exception of the five bells at St. Bartholomew the Great, Smithfield. The latter peal are not at present in a ringable condition, so that the bonour of possessing the oldest ringing peal remains with St. Olave's
Last Saturday's meeting was attended by some 50 ringers, who made good use of the bells. Rounds for the begingers present, Grandsire and Stedman for the more ackanced, end London and Bristol for the budding experts, was the order of the day, and thus all were served. It was a great pleasure to see Mr. Joseph Wagborn present, and taking park in the ringing at the adwanced age of 86.
The aderess at the gervice was given by the Rector (Rev. 7. Wellard, D.D.), wha reminded zingers of the service they did for the chutch. The bells in this church had done great service in the past, he said, and had been rung for the caronation of muny Finglish Kings and Queens. Fe made reference to the fact that Samucl Penys, who lived close by the chanch, and who was buried there in 1703, had listened to these bells, wud had probably received inspiration from them.
Of the business done at the meeting, mention might be made that it was arranged to, hold the next meeting at St. Bathew's, Upper Claption, on December 7th.
sum of 现 3 s. was roted to the fund opened on behalf of Mr . Beadle, one of the founders of the association, and sometime Master and vice-president of the South and West District. It was pointed out that this was an urgent matter, and as such miglat be deale with at this meeting, rather than awaiting the district gonual meeting in January or Febiruary next. The members present mamimously agreed that the sum be paid-over to the treasurer of tho fand, and that the matter should come up for confirmation at the annual meeting.

A vote of thanks was accordert to the Rector for his excellent adduess, and for the use of the bells; to the organist who had very kindly assisted at the service; aud to My. H. I'. Wilson, the dowey keeper, for his unfailing lelp iu making the meeting a pleasant one

## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION

MID-WEEK MEETING OF CENTTAL DISTRICT
A meeting of the Ceutral Divisiot took place at Henfiela on Wednesday, Octoher 23 vd , and the experiment of holding the gathering on a Wednestay instad of Saturday was completely justified by the result, as shown by the large and representative atteadance. This much the hon. scerelary is vory ploased to learin, but feels cornpelled to complain of the lack of consideration shown by some mentbers to those who are extending hospitality, to say mothing of the time and trouble taken in organising the meeting. The total number oxpected at this meeting, according to returus, totalted onls abotit a dozen.
The tower was open at 2.30 for biluging, which continued till 4.30 . when those present, over ffity in number, adjourned to an excellent tea provided by the kindness of Canon R. J. Lea (the Vicar of Fenficld and Mrs. Lea. This was followed by the business meeting, presided over by Canon Lea, supported by the Master (M.: J. T. Pickman). Mr. Ketth Hart acled for the secretary, who was unable to be presicnt.

The busincss was of the usial routice mature, and the following werg elected members: Wiliam Morep, Eric BLorey, Frank King. Farold Trower, Ronald Childs, of the Hentild Branch. The election of Messis. Alfred Ballard, Stouey Stanton, Redvers F. ElHingtan, Anstey, Leicester, Rouald H. Dove, Thornton Heath, and F. Wilforil, Northampton, as non-resident members, was confirmed.

At the conclusion of the meeting a vote of thanks to Canon and Mrs. Lee, proposed by Mr. Rickman, was entlusiastically carried.
The service which followed was conducted by Canon Lea, who, in the courso of a striking address, drew altentian to the influence cxerted by the age-long atmosplicre of worship that pervaded the ancient parish churches of England, such as the one in which they were then worshippint, with its six centuries of existence.

After service, ringing was continued, wethods from Grandsire to Cambridge Surprise being rung.
The following towers were representer: Rolney, Bosham, Brighton (St. Peter's, St. Nicholas', The Good Slaephend) Chichester, Crawley, Feene, Helfield, Lewes (Southower', Lindfield, Lower Beeding Senforix, Shorcham, Stoyning and Faralham.
The locel company are fortunate in possessing a group of keen, younc probationers, and they lizve a capital peal of eight by Messrs. Taylor and Co.

## MAISEYHAMPTON BELLS RESTORED.

## RINGERS' MEETPNG AT THE REOPENING

A very successful meetivg of the Civencester Branch of the Glouceslet Hirl Bristol Diocesan Association was held at Maiseyhampton on Stulurday, Ocloher 26 th, on the occusion of the dedication of the new fifth lefl and the rededication of the other five bells. The peal was ariginally cusk in 1708 by Abraham Rudhall, but the tenor was reatast in 1825 by Johet Rudlatl.
The Clurch of St. Mary was well filled for the service, which commenced with the hymu, We love the place, O God." The lessons were read by the Rev. Canon Jones, Vicar of Fairford, a member of the ressociation.

The bells wore dedicated by the Lord Bishop of Gloucester, and were then ang for a few minutes hy the local ringers. The samon was prenched by the Bishop, who gave a very interesting address dealing with belle and their uses. During the singing of the last layma collection was taken in aid of the bell fund.
The bells werg then open for ringing, and between 30 and 40 fingers were prestht from Oirencester, Wifcomb, Sydenlam, Swinalon, Siraton St. Murgaret, Telbury, Lechlade, South Cermey, Presihury, l3urford, Fairford, Elkstote, Coln St. Aldwyss and Croydon. Two vely woleone visitors were Mr. Wilfred Andrews, of Winchester Cathedral, und Mr. Firnk W. Porrens, of Coventry.

The bramels sceretary (Mr. F. J. Lewis) did his best to see that everyono had a pull. Fer was served in the Village Hall, null was presinded over by the Rev. A. W. Coode, the branch clairman, tut as he had la leave early, Mr. F. Edwards took the chair for the business part of the meeting, at which Girencester was chosen for the nnmal meoting in Jamuary.


## MAISEYHAMPTON CHURCH.

Hr. Ellwards proposer a vote of thanks to the Rector (Rev. H. Peach) for granting permission to hold the meeting, and to the local ringers and their wives who provided the tex. He also congrutulated Messrg. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon, on the excellent, work they had done. Mr. F. E. Collins, who had Juag the bells, replied on hehalf of the firm.

A shorl time was then spent with the handbells, and the tower was agnin visited and the bells kept going till about 8.30 . The methods rung during the aftemoon and evening were Grandsire, Stedman and Boh Doubles, Plain Bob, Dauble Court, Oxford and Keat Treble Bob sud Cambridge Surprise Minor.
"Ehe fiftly bell has been recast and the whole peal of six rehung with ouw fittings and ball beariggs. The firm and the bell hanger are to he congratulated on the splendid work they have done. The new bell fits in perfectly with the other five, and all the ringers were ananimous in saying thant the 'go' of the bells was perfect, one ringer remarking that this would be the place to go for a record peal of Minor.
The following are the inscriptions on the bells:-
Treble.-God preserve the Clunch. A. R., 1708.
2.-God save the Queen and Church. A. R., 1708.
3.-Abrit Rudhall cast us all, 1708.
4.-Prosperity to all our benefactors. A. R., 1708.
5.-Peace and grod neighbourlawi. A. R., 1708. Recast in 1929.

Tenor,-W, Foveshew and R. Miller, Churchwardens, 1825. John Tudtuall, fect.
'Fhn weight of the tenol' is 9 ewt. 2 qr. 17 1t.

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## A NEW RING OF EIGHT FOR SHROPSHIRE.

## CLAVERLEY BELLS ATGMENTED AND REHUNG

An important event in the history of Claverley, Shropshire, was enacted when the Lord Bishop of Hereford (Dr. M. Lintou Swith) dedicated the restored and augmented ring of eight bells. A very large congregation, perhaps a record for the parish in point of aumbers, atteuded and reverently participated in the heautiful service of cledication, which was contwoter by the Vicar (Rev. R. P. Guy)

The Bishop, in his address, spoke of the influence of bells, and. the important part they had always played in English willage lite. From the earliest time, he said, the hell had been used as a moans of gathering Christian people together for worship; indeed, so much was it a Christian institution that Mahomet forbade the ringing of hells in Moslem cities. In certain religions, when the worshipper entered the temple, he rang a bels to call the attention of his god to the prayer lie wished to offer. But it was not God that needed reminding; rether was it man that needed to be reminded of the presence of God and the duty of public warship.

During the dedication, rounds were rung by the local compary assisted by Messers. S. R. Roper and W. Dyer, Groydon.

At the conclusion of the service an expert band from Wolverhamptou, with Mr. Cooper as conductor, attempted a paal of Grandsire Triples, whict unfortunately came to grief in the second part
There was also present a representalive gathering of about seventy ringers from Birmiugham, Market Drayton, Coventry, Womhome, Sedgley and Coseley. All were delighted with the fine tome and easy go of the bells.
It was only in July lagt that it was decided to restore the six bells and put them in ringing condition, Messrs. Gillett and Johnston's tender being accepted. The bells were dismantled and sent to Croydon, during the second week in August, and were brek in the chureln tower again and ready for use in the fourth week of September-a very creditable record of expeditious work. The contract incheded recasting Nos. 4 and 5 of the previous peal of sis, adding two trebles and hanging the whole in an entirely new frame with the most up-to-dnte fittings. As the contractors are clockmakers as well as bell founders, they were also entrusted with the restoration of the clock, the striking part of which hind been out of use for years.

Claverley now possesses a peal of eight (tenor $15 \mathrm{cwt} 1 qr .7 lh.$. ) of which they may justly be proud. Special attention has been prid to the distribution of the sound of the bells by blocking up the louves to various jeights, so that close to the church the volurac of saund is brought to pleasant proportions, and $n 0$ one bell tan ba heard above the others. The like effect has been accomplished inside the tower.
During the evening the visiting ringers, with the local bati, werp entertained at the Crown Hotel, Mr. I. Marsh (captain of Claverley ringers) presiding. In addition to the ringers there were present the Vicar', Mr. R. L. Meredith amd Mr. J. Thompson (churcheardens), arid Mr. G. Green.

Speeches were made congratulating Messers. Gillett and Jobnstor on the excellence of the work and upon the expeditious way it thad been carried out.

Mr. S. R. Roper suitably tesponded on behalf of the firm.
It is hoped, in the near future, to lave a ringing festival.
The situation of Glaverley is rather unique. It is in Shropshire, but on the border of Staffordshire sud in the diocese of Hereford, so that it would seem an ideal place to hold a combined meeting of the associations of ringers for those counties. In miy case visiting ringers can be assured of a warm welcome and wonder\}ul hospitality at all times.

## SUFFOLK GUILD VISITS THE STONHAMS

A meeting of the Debenham Branch of the Suffolk Guild was heir at the Stonlanms on Oclober 26th. After ringing in various methods on the bells of Earl Stonham and Little Stonham, the company which included Canon Wonnacatt (Stonlam Aspal), Rev. T. D. B Parry (Little Stonham), Rer. A. A. L. Gedge (Eard Stonhans), and members from Cretingham, Debenham, Framsden, Great Bentley Eelminglam, Ipswich, Stowupland, Stoke Ash, and Wetheringset sat down to tea at the Maltsters Arms.

Mr. E. F. Poppy expressed regret at the absence of the district secretary, Mr. W. C. Rumsey, of Debanlam, through the illusss his wife. He thanked the incumbents for the use of their bells.
Rev. E. D. P. Parry, in welcoming the ringers to his parish, ex pressed his regret that none of his band were present, and spoke at some length on the pleasute it would give him if the Suffolk Griad cotid induce his band to become active members of the (futild and more proficient in their alt. He felt himself too old to take any part in ringing, but he would do anything to get his band to taile and become more profeiont.

Canon Wonnacott and Rev. A. A. L. Gedge both spoke in ils. same strain, remarking that ringing, for some cause or other, always semed to alternate between waves of enthusiasm ant the reverse.

Some good ringing in varions methods, on the fine ten at \$tmman Aspal, concluded a very pleasant meeting, although moris lom talent wonld have been welcome.

## ON THE PILGRIM'S WAY.

GUJJDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD MEET AT SEALE
A successitul six-bell meeting was held by the Farnlam District of the Guildford Diocesan Guild at Seale on Saturday. Over thirty members were present, and their wisin was mode all the more enjoyable by the weloome which was given by the Rector (the Rev. S. Arrowsmith) and the ocal ringers. Beck, and remains, even to-day, totally unspoiled. An almost coninnous stream of modern eraffic roars along the top of the lill, but Seale is notouched by it. It stands on the ancient Pilgrim's Way and the foundation of its church is lost in the mists of antiquity The present building lias a square tower over the cloir, and ariginally the ringing clamber was approached by a staircase behind the choin stalls. The entrance to these steps was never intended for stout ringers, for the door is of the minimum width-oven a thin man woulc have to go through edgeways. It was, however, hardly ior that reason that a new entrance was cut into the outer wall of the tower, giving access to the stairway from outside. Before this was done, the ringers coming down from the tower at service time hat to distarb the organist from lis seat, so that some other means of getting into and out of the belfry was abviously called for. At the top of the stonc stainway, wooter steps up the side of the hancel roof take one to the little ringing chamber, and even here hig men were not catered for, while a low ared, is a trap for the unwary, as the Master of the Guild found to his cost on Saturday, when a rather badly damaged cranium caused bis early retirement from the scene. Tho hells themselves are quite a good little ring, with a tenor of about 7 cwt., and hung on ball bearings. The fifth was originally cast by Robert Eldridge, of Wokingham, in 1608, but at the time of the Imventory taken in the reign of Edward VI. there were three bolls in the tower and one 'sauce' bell. Even in 1588 hey had a stoeplekceper, fol in that year the churchwariens paid Tolin Jure 12 pence for ' kepinge the belles.' Meny other interesting items appers in these old accounts, such as, for instmence, the ollowing:-
1591, for ringing when lev Majesty (Queen Elizabeth) came to Farnham, $12 d$.; and expenses upon coronation day in drinke to the rimgers 80.
1593, to Carpenter for mendime the beils three daies worke, 35 . $6 d$. iron worke aud nails $\overline{7} 4 \mathrm{~d}$. ; for charges at the mendinge of the luells in bread and drinke, 10 d .
1594 for a cleet that mended the Stecke of the little bell 2ra, for nobding of the goodgin of ye lyttle bell 2d.; for Whitt Lether at Farmam Fayre to mend the bels bandreks, $7 d$.

1597, for scap to dress the bells 1d
160t, for ringeng for the king (James I.) \& grese for the bell oppes 5d
1506 pd to the Bell founder for new castinge of the bells and all harges helonginge therennto as Smyths work \& carpinters \& such e $\overline{7}$ if is ixd
1607 Laicle out at Okengam when wee earied the bells, lxs vjd.; or carryng d recarryng the bells, xs.; pa to the bellfoumder for wetall $\mathrm{y}^{t}$ he put into the bell, xiij li at vi a pound, vjs. vjd.
Tlle Guild's form of service was used on Saturdey, and was conucted by the Rector, who also acted as arganist, and gave an adress, in the courge of which he dwelt upon the important part hich bells played in the life of the nation, the parish and the inividual, and the importance of the art which the ringer exercised.
The Rector afterwards presided over the tea and business meting n tho Village Hall, and extended a welcome to the Guild. He was hanked by Admiral Walker (Guild treasurer), who also expressed he visitor" appreciation of what had been done for them by the neal band and by the caterer.
Two new nombers of the Seale band were elected, and nominations district offeers for next year were reccived. So efficiently have he present officers disclarged their duties that their names were the mly ones submitted, and at the annual listriet mecting at Farnhan January they will he duly elected.
During the afternoon and evening there was ample ringing for all, and it ranged from rounds to the higher flighta of Spliced Treble Fob and Cambridge Surprise Minor. Pilgrims found their way to Geale from Aldershot, Ash, Biackwater, Farnhan, Guildford (Caticedral), Hashemere, Hawley, OLtershew; West Clandon and Woking, but few of them cante afoot as did the men of old.

## LEOMINSTER RINGER'S DEATH.

4. the Church of S5. Peter and Paul, Leominster, Herefordshire, iu Thursday, October 31st, a quarter-peal of Graudsire Donbles (1,260 banges) in 49 nims.: H. Sirrell 1, T. C. Gwillian 2, A. Fairbanks 3, Jones 4, F. A. Jaine (conductor) 5, W. Quartley 6. Rung with the anlls half-muffled as a token of respect to the memory of Gus Nicholls, a respected member of the Leomiuster band, who was interred that day. First quarter-peal for ringers of trebie and third. The ringers of 2nd and $5 t_{1}$ are from Fye and Kimbolton respectively. The rest belong to the local bamd.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

## PRESENTATION TO ROCFESTER DISTRICT SECRETARE.

The annual meeting of the Rochester District was held at Rochester Gathedral on Soturday, October 26th, members attendiag froms Gravegend, Gillingham, Chatham, Rochester, Frindsbury, Milton-nextGravesend, Lewington, Borden, Rainham, Tunstall, Queenborough, and also from the Ashford District. During the afterzoon every opportunity was taken by the ringers to try their skill on the fine peal of ten bells. Evensong was atteuded by over fifty, the choir and arganist being in attendance. Afterwards, the party, numbering about sixty, were entertained to tea by the association af the Temperance Cafe, the Dean of Rochester being present, supported by the Rector of Chatham, the Rev. Buckingham from Gitlingham, and alsb the general secretary, Mr. F. M. Mitekell.

The business meeting was presided over by the Dean, who thauked tha ringerg for giving him the opporturity to meet them at suck a fine gatiluering.
The secretary then asked the Dean to make a presentakion to the late district secretary, Mr. F. M. Mitchell, and handed a small box to the Dean. The Chninman humorously remarked upon the contents of the box-baying he believed it was rouge-and spoke about the qualities of Mr. Mitchell, who, after ten years as district secretary, liad now heen chosen as a 'county man.' T'he hox, upan being opened, was found to contain a beautiful ringer's gold pendant, inscriben, - Thent County Association of Clango Ringers. Presented by Rochesfer District to F. M. Mitchell, 1929.
Mr. Mitchell, in replying, said he was completely taken by surprise. He thanked tho Dear for bis kiod and encouraging remarks, and also the ringers who bad given him such a deliglatif reminder of ten happy vears' work as their district secretary.

The Rector of Chatham (the Rev. Audrey Standen) was elected an hon. menber, Miss Beer and Miss Jones, of Gravesend, and Mi. J. Wilder, of Queenborougl, as practising members.

The officers of the district for the ensulng year were elected, viz, Mr. S. Shellack, hon. secretary; Mr. W. Haigh and Mr. W. Spice. district representatives. In the selection of the place of next meeting, Swanscombe was duly declared at the head of the poll.

The final item on the agenda being 'any other business,' the Dean emarked that this was where the fun conmenced.
The Secretary drew the attention of the ringers to the previans week's issne of "The Ringing World' containing reference to the Central Council, and a spirited discussion took place.

It was finally agread that the district secretary should bring the matter up at the forthcoming general committee meeting.
A vote of thanks was unanimously passed to the Dean for presiding at the meeting, and the ringers then returned to the belfry, touches of Grandsire, Stedman and Kent Treble Bobs being successfully brought round.

## SURREY ASSOCIATION.

SOUTHERN DIBTRICT AT KINGSWOOD.
A by-meeting was beld at Kingswood on Sitiurday, October 26if, the towers represented being Horley, Chatwood, Merstham, Limpsifeld Clart, Crawley, Buckland, St. John's, Croydon, Newdigate, Reigate. Godstone, Redhill, Burstow and the local band. the mombers were also pleased to have with them Canon Ridout, of Johannesburg. and Mr. C. W. Roberts, of London. There were als visitors from Dorking and beatherhead. A short ind interesting service was held in the church, at which the Vicar (the Rev. Wethered) afficiated.
The tea, which was kindly given by the Church Gouneli, was provided at the Infants' School, 42 members and friends being present. The seccelary would like to point out that, while be is rery pleased to see present so many members who help to make the mectings successful, it would be a great lielp if those intending to come woulri let him know, as on this accasion lie had ordered tea for 30 or 32 . and waluable time was taken up in finding chairs and tables to accommodate the extra gucsts.

A short business meeting followed, the chair being baken by the Master of the association, Mr. D. K. C. Birt. Votes of thanks were accorded to the Vienr for the use of the bolls and for his address as the service; to the Glurch Council for their kinduess in providing the ter; to Mrs. Braid for officiating at the organ in the unavoidable absence of My. Hicks; the organist; and to Mr. Boadle, captain of the local band, for his assistance in arranping the meeting.
Great disappointment was felt when the visitors were informed that ringing musk be discontinued at eight o'clock instend of at the usual hour of 9 p.m.

Tho bells at Kingswood, which are, no doubt, the best peal of six in Surrey, were heard to advantage furing the afternoon in methoris. ranging from Grandsite Donbles to London Surprise Minor, also in rounts for the loginners.
The next meeting will be held at Redhill in December.

## BERKSHIRE TWELVE-BELL FUND.

The amount received for this fund is now $£ 118$ 65. 9 d . A further list of subscriptions will xppear in oll wext issue. Contributions glkould be sent to Mr. R T. Hibbert, 69, York Rond, Reading.

TRAGIC DEATH OF A LITTLE MUNDEN RINGER. A VLLLAGE IN MOURNING.
It is with great regret that we record the death of William Stanloy (Bob) Latwreuce, which took place under tragic circumstances. The deceased, who was 22 years of age, was the dearly-loved and unly eor of Mr. W. H. Lawrence. While returning lome from work on the evening of October 2lst, riding his motor-cycle, he collided, in the log that prevailed, with a horse that was straying ou the road. He sustaned severe injuries to tho head, and was taken to the Hertford County Hospital, where he passed away on the 2fth without regaiming consciousness.
The tragic occurrence shed a gloom over the whole village, for Bob Lawrence was loved by all. The deceased was a meniber of thee Church Conncil, and not only was he, like his father, a ringer, but he was also a member of tha choir, and in the belfry and the chanenl he was to be found regularly far every Sunday service. He had not rung any peala, but he could ring quite a number of six-bell methuds. He took his part in the life of the village, and was a member of the Cricket Club and the Mon's Club.
The funcral took place on the 31st ult. amid great manifestations of sorrow. Litile Munden was a village in mourning. Tho church was lilled to overflowing, and many were unable to find seats. The hymine sung were, 'They whose course oa earth is o'er' and 'Ten
thonsand times ten thousand.' Psamm xxxix. was chanted, and the Nunc Dimittis was also sung. Four of the deceased's yaung friends cartiefl him into church, and fout of the ringers from the church to like prive. Eight of the rursing staff, colleggues of deceased's sister, were presenl, and added impressiveness to the sad service, at the elost of which the bells were rung mufled. The floral trihutes nuribered seventy-four. The sincerest sympathy has been showa to Wr. William Lawrence, the sorrowing father, and deceased's two sisters, irom both inside and autside the parish. The loss is a severe blow to the family, coming, as it lias done, so soon after the death ni the deceased's mother.

KING'S NORTON (BY CALBY), LEICESTERSHIRE.
WHERE PEALS ARE FEF AND FAR BETWEEN.
As repprted elsewhere in this issue, another step in the ringing history of this famous outlying village was accomplished on Satardity last by a peal of Grandsire Triples! This place was made ifmens by Squire Wm, Fortrey, who not only rebuilt the church but gave the bells (origimally ten) in 1760-4. He also gave bells to the nearlyy willage of Galby (six), and others to Hougliton, Kebworth,
and S. Margavet's, Leicester. His name appears as a subscriber to Indi's famons broadsliect. Soon after he bells were installed, the Sherwoud Youths came all the way from Nottingham and rang the first pueal, recorded thus:-

- On May 28th, 1776, J. Holt's peal of Grandsire Tripies at Norton-by-Gaulby, the seat of William Fortrey, Esq. in 3 hours 31 minules: James Wilkinson Treble; Richard Peat 2; Robert Metheringham 3: Willinm Bradley 4; Richard Sharrah 5; Francis Braper 6; Williaro D. Crofts 7; John Mason Tenor. Conducted the W. D. Crofts.'
Then, after a lapse forly years, we read in the 'Leicester
Riuging. Tuesday last being his Majesty's birthday, the Leicester Scholars met at Norton in this county, by particular degire of the Norton and Gatulby Scholars, to strike off the musieal peal of cight bells of that place. They rang a true and rampleat peal of 5,040 Grandsire Triples, which was brought
momat in simasterly 5 tyle in 3 hours 20 minutes by the following nemons, viz: J Jouaihn Haywood Treble; Jolnn Clarke 2; Thomas Clarke 3: Jnmes Gill 4; George Harvis 5; Lawrence Stains 6; Willinm Recves 7; William Wood Tenor. The peal was called ly Williarn Recpes. After it had been rang, tho Leicester, NorLun ind Gaulby Scholars partook of an excellent dinner, and the day whs complated by ringing several courses of Grandsire Caters on tho handhells.'
'lhis peal is commemorated on a slate tablet in the helfry. The halls still liang it their original two-storey frame (the three trebles faboul ten feet above tho others), but of rccent ycars Mr. F. $G$. Rinington, of Manchoster, spant a lot of time and money on them, having had stays and sliders added, ete., thus making it possible ta ring a peal on them. Two abortive attempts were minde by the late Mr. J. W. Waslibrook to ring peals, but later the locals the 150 th anniversary year of the first peal on the bells, the present Slierwodd Youtlis of Nottingham came and scored an excellently struck peal of Steiman Triples on December 4tl, 1926, in 3 hours 5 minales, conducted by Mr. A. Coppock. No other peal has been rumg hete until the one recorded this week, at the suecessful conAn Hign of which, naedless to bay, all the band and the locals were very gratified. One would like to see (and hear) a peal of Major on them. and it would be quite possible if a band not afraid of 'work' would only have the courage?

SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.
PUTNEY.-At St. Mary's Parish Church, on Sunday, November 3rd, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 46 mins. : E. Cassel, jun., 1, T. Bolton 2, W. H. Bail 3, F. G. Goddard 4, J. Herbert 5, C. E. Moody 6, E. Cassel (eonduclor) 7, Robt. Bullen 8.
FOLKINGHAM, LINCS.-At St. Andrew's Church, on Sundar, November 3rd, for matins, 720 changes of Single Courl Minor: $P$. Humphrey 1, E. J. Barron (Morton) 2, C. W. Scott (Moreton) 3, Mussen 6.
TWICKENHAM.-On Sunday morning, November 3rd, for service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples inz 44 mins.: Miss P. Gites 1, E. A. Morris (conductor) 6, H. Belcher 7, J. Lovall 8 .

WOOLWICH.-On Sunday evening, November 3rd, at St. Mary's
Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1,260 changes) in 42
mins. : T. Culver 1, W. H. Daynes 2, H. Martyn 3, F. W. Thornton
4, G. H. Daynes 5, G. E. Palmer 6, B. Aldridge (first quarter-peal as conductor) 7, R. G. Sales (first quarter-peal) 8.
LONDON.-On Sunday morning, November Jra, for the fish, etc., harvest thayksgiving at St. Dunstan's-in-the-East, Cits, Thurstans quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes) in 45 mins. : T. H. Taffender I, A. F. Petrie (first quarter-peail of Stedman) 2, E. J. Wing (conductor) 3, J. Waugh 4, W. Grainger 5, F. W. Thornton 6, W. Rogers 7, E. J. Browne 8.

BRENTWOOD, ESSEX.-On Sunday, Nowember 3rd, at the
Chyrch of St. Thomas-the-Martyi, a quarter-peal of Double Norwich Major ( 1,280 clanges) in 48 mins. W. Watson 1, G. R. Pye (conductor) $2, W$. Miller 3, $\mathbb{R}$. Heasel (first quarter in the method) 4. F G. Ringe 5, E. J. Butler 6, E. W. Turbank 7, W. H. Theobald 8.

HITGHIN.-On Sundar, November 3rd, for evening service at Sl. Marys Church, ${ }^{\text {a }}$ quarter-peal of Stedman Triples ( 1,260 changes) in
49 mins. : H. W. Else 1, E. W. Day 2, E. J. Newell 3, D. E. Mears (Ominey) : H. W. Wolfe 5, G. T. Groft (conductor) 6, L. Fider 7, A. E. Symonds 8. First ouarter of Stedman Triples by D. C. Mears.
SWINDON, WILTS.-On Sunday, October $27 t h$ at St. Mark 5
Chureh, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,26u elanges) in 45 mins.: H. Hatton 1, N. Allnot 2, T. Ricketts 3, , Pemy 4, S. Hopper 5, J. Woodroff 6, J. Roberta (conductor) 7, G Lawrence 8.
LONDON.-On Sunday evening, Octobor 27 th, for the anniversary of the dedication service of $8 t$. Giles', Canberwell, 1,289 Stedman Caters: F. E. Dawe 1, T. H. Taffender (conductor) 2, W. D. Graingat 3, S. E. Move 4, W. Rogers 5, E. J. King 6, T. W. Taffender 7, Berry 8, .T. R. Gammon 9, $\boldsymbol{\text { F. Taylor } 1 0 . ~}$

ROCK FERRY, CHESHIRE.-On Sunday, October 27th, for evening service, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: J. Gorst 1, George Battle 2 Miss D. I. Leatham 3, Joseph Leslie 4, W. J. Battle (conductor) J. Cooke 6. First 720 in the method as conductor, and the first in any Treble Bob method for the ringer of the second.
WRINGTON, SOMERSET.-On Sunday, October 27th, at the Parish Church of All Saints, for evening serviee, a quarter-peal Grandsire Caters ( 1,259 changes), composed by J. T. Dyke, in 51 mine, by the local band: T. Gunaing 1, H. Yeates 2, T. Ferris 3. T. Brice 8, H. Vowles 9, A. Bond 10. Rung in honour of a return visit of Mr. W. G. Nipper, who had recently left the neighbourhood. and who, before so doing, had brought the local band to its presme state of efficiency in change ringing.
HAGBOURNE, RERKS.-On Sunday, October 27 th , $a$ quarlev peal of Grandsire Triples: A. W. Cox 1, T. Fest 2, W. V. Webb 5, H. K. White 4, F. H. Abbott 5, A. H. Webb (conductor) 6, R. ©. Rice 7, W. A. Goodenough 8. Rung on the second anniversary of the dedication of the new hell frame.
YORKTOWN, SURREY.-On Sunday, October 27th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Tripies (1,260 changes) in t3
mins.: J. Martin 1, C. W. Denyer, Aldershot (conductor) 2, J, Mins. *J. Martin 1, C. W. Denyer, Adershot (concuctor) 2, *. Hunt 8. * First quarter-peal.
BATTERSEA-At St. Mary's Church for special friendly societies
serviee, on Sunday, October 6th, a quarter-peal of Grandsite Triples
*A. Dodds 1, H. Mance (conductor) 2, "E. Dodds 3, W. Coe 4, W.
 of St. Minhal. for ovening service, 720 changes of Spliced Oxford and Kent Treble Bob Minor in 26 mins. : E. W. Riley 1, H. Doughty 2. M. Slater 3, A R. Judge 4, H. Fradgley 5, J, W. England (conductor) 6. First 720 of spliced methods by the band.
MACCLESFIELD.-On Sunday, September 29th, at Clntist Churci: for crorning service, 720 Bob Minor in 29 mins.: A. V. Rees 1, Challinor (conductor) 2, F. L. Ronan 3, J. Tipper 4, W. Etevenson 5. Doubausler 6. For evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire EASTWOOD, NOTTE.-At St. Mary, Chuch, for evensong, Sunday, September 29thi, in 46 mins., a quartor-penl of Stedman Triples ( 1,260 changes) : P Pollard 1, \#W. Pollard 2, ${ }^{*} F$. Nix 3 , Toliason 4, *T. Whent 5, J. E. Hoblis (conductor) 6, N. Hemminglna 7, O. Saxton (Girst quarter-peal) 8. *First quarter-peal of Stedmall.

## NOTICES.

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (established r637).-The 29znd anniversary dinner will be held at the Bridge House Hotel, London Bridge, where there is ample accommodation, on Saturday, Nov. 9th, at $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Towers open: Southwark Cathedral, I. 30 to 2.50 , followed by a musical service; St. Magnus', I. 30 to 2.50 , followed by a lecture on the history of the church, by the Rector; St. Andrew's, Holborn, and St. Olave's, Hart Street, 2.30 to 4.30 . Service at St. Michael's, College Hill, at 5 o'clock. Sermon by the Rev. Cyril W. O. Jenkyn.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637 ).-Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on Nov, 21st, the Coffee Pot on the 12 th at 8 p.m. (election of officers), St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the $4^{\text {th }}$ at 8 p.m., *St. Paul's Cathedral on the 26 th, Southwark Cathedral on the 28 th at 7.30 p -m. *Business meeting afterwards.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, $3^{2}$, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.
CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Wirral Branch. The next meeting will be held at Wallasey on Saturday, Nov. gth. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Service at 5.30. Tea and meeting afterwards.-Harry S. Brocklebank, Hon. Sec., 3, Ridley Street, Birkenhead.

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. - A meeting will be held at Sandal, near Wakefield, tomorrow (Saturday), Nov. gth, under usual conditions. All ringers invited.-C. D. Potter, Hon. Sec.
NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Preliminary Notice.-The East Norfolk Branch meeting will be held at Great Yarmouth on Saturday, Nov. 9th; the West Norfolk Branch meeting at King's Lynn on Saturday, Nov. 16 th; the South Norfolk Branch meeting at Diss on Saturday, Nov. 2 3rd; the North Norfolk Branch meeting at Norwich on Saturday, Nov. 3oth, for the election of officers and committees to the above respective branches. Particulars later on.-Arthur L. Coleman, Gen. Sec. and Treasurer.
NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-A general meeting of the East Norfolk Branch will be held in the Priory Hall, Great Yarmouth, on Saturday, Nov. 9th, at $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., for the election of officers and committee. The ring of bells ( I ) of St. Nicholas' Church will be available. Members please support this first branch meeting by attending.-Arthur L. Coleman, Gen. Sec, and Treasurer.
ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-NorthernDivision.-Annual district meeting at Braintree, Saturday, November gth. Service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea and meeting in Vestry Hall at 5. All ringers will be welcome. Bells (8) from 2.30 to 9 p.m.-W. Arnold, Holt Street, Earls Colne.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch A meeting will be held at Woolton, on Saturday, Nov. 9th. Bells (8) available $3.10 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. to 9 . Service 5 . Tea (6d.) 5.30. Meeting to follow. Please make an effort.Claude I. Davies, Branch Sec., Caerleon, Dunbabin Road, Wavertree.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Nottingham District. - The next monthly meeting of the above district will be held at Bulwell, on Saturday, Nav. 9th. Bells (8) available from 4 p m. till 8.-F. W. Bailey, Local Sec., 42, Rupert Street, Nottingham.

LADIES' GUILD.-Central District.-A meeting will be held at St. Giies-in-the-Fields, Bloomstury, London, W.C., on Saturday, November gth. Bells available from 2.30.-E. K. Fletcber, Hon. Gen. Sec.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.-The next meeting will be held at Gamston, near Retford, on Saturday, Nov. 9th. Bells (6) available at $2 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. A presentation will be made to the late secrefary. Good attendance requested. Good bus service from all directions. - R. W. Stockdale and H. Revill, Hon. Secs.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Bedford Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Biddenham on Saturday, Nov. gh. Bells (6) available $2.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at 5 p.m. All ringers welcome-P. C. Bonnett, Hon. Dis. Sec., Stagsden, Beds.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch. The next meeting will be held at Broughton Parish Church on Saturday, Nov. gth. Bells available from 3 p.m.-F. Rigby, Hon. Sec., 8, Carrington Road, Chorley.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATTON. - Leicester District.-The next meeting will be held at Oadby on Saturday, Nov. gth. Bells (6) available from 3.30 p.m. Tea at the Lancashire Cafe at 5.15 p.m.-Alban Disney, Local Sec., 3, Highgate, Aylestone Lane, Leicester. (Please note change of address.)

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Chipping Nortori Deanery Branch.-The autumn meeting will be held at Hook Norton on Saturday, Nov. 9th. - J. Keyte, Hon. Sec., Charlbury, Oxon.
I_ANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Rochdale Branch. -A meeting will be held at Milnrow on Saturday, Nov. 9th. Bells available from $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Meeting at $6.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. -William Horan, Branch Sec., 2, Greenhirst Hey, Todmerden.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester Branch.-The next meeting will be held at Eccles Parish Church on Saturday, November gth. Bells ready 3.30. Meeting 7 p.m. Come and try this grand ring of eight. All ringers welcome.-J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver St., Miles Platting.
BIRKENHEAD.-St. Mary's Church.-This peal of 6, rehung by Taylor and Co., Loughborough, in a new frame with modern fittings, is to be rededicated by the Lord Bishop of Chester to-morrow (Saturday), the gth inst., at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Oxford and District Branch.-The annual meeting will be held on Thursday, Nov. rith, at St. Cross, Holywell, Oxford. Reils at 6 p.m. Service 7 p.m. Meeting to follow. - Wiliana Simmonds, Hon. Sec.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - A general meeting of the West Norfolk Branch will be held in the Archdeacon's Court in St. Nicholas' Church, King's Lynn, on Saturday, Nov. 16th, at $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{mm}$., for the election of officers and committee. The ring of bells (8) of St. Nicholas' Church will be available. Members are kindly requested to attend this first meeting of the new branch.-Arthur L. Coleman, Gen. Sec. and Treasurer.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Sonning Deanery Branch-Combined practice at St. Paul's, Wokingham, Saturday, Nov. roth, from 6 till 9 p.tit. All welcone.W. J. Paice, Branch Sec.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.--Isle of Wight District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Newchurch on Saturday, Nov, ${ }^{66 t h}$. Bells (6) available at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea (by kind invitation of Vicar) in the Vicarage, and business meeting. All ringers invited. Will those requiring tea kincly notify me not later than Tuesday, Nov. 12 th? 3 B. J. Snow, Hon. Dis. Sec., 2, Collingwood, Daniel Street, Ryde, I.O.W
SUFFULK GUILD.-A gensral meeting will be held at Woodbridge on Nov. 16th. Bells available from 2.30. Tea at Howes' Cafe, next the church, at 4.30, gd. each. Meeting follows.-H. Drake, Ufford. Woodbridge.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Guildford District meeting at Shalford on Nov, 16 th. Bells available 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Nominations for district officers for 1930 must be made at this meeting. Please send numbers for tea to me by Monday, Nov. 1 ith.-G. L. Grover, Hon. Sec., Merrow Cottage, East Clandon.
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Lincoln District.Next meeting at Caythorpe (8), Saturday, Nov. 16th. Tower open 2 p.m. Good train and bus service between Grantham and Lincoln. Notification for tea to Harold Marcon, Dis. Sec., 269, Wragby Road, Lincoln.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Bolton Branch. The next meeting will be held at St. George's, Bolton, on Saturday, Nov. 16 th. Bells available 3 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.-P'eter Crook; Hon. Sec., 203, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-S.E. Division.-The annual meeting will be held at Gaileywood on Saturday, Nov. 16 th. Bells (8) availabie at 2.30 . Service at 4-30, followed by tea and meeting in the School. Notice for tea to be sent in not later than Wednesday, Nov. 13 th, to Mr. A. E. Coombes, 8, Council Houses, Galleywood, Chelmsford-H. W. Kirton, Hon. Dis. Sec.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - The annual mecting of the Gloucester Franch will be held at the Church of St. Mary de Lode, Gionecster, on Saturday, Nov. 6 th. Bells (6) open from 3 p.m. Service at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea $5.15 \mathrm{p}: \mathrm{m}$., is. per head. All ringers welcome. Will those requiring tea notify me not later than Nov. 14th? - W. H. Harris, Branch Sec., 15, Painswick Road, Gloucester.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.-There will be a meeting at Arley, near Nuneaton, on Saturday, Nov. 16th. The recently augmented peal of 6 will be available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 o'clock, 1s. each. Bus leaves Nuneaton (Broad Street) 2.10 and every half-hour after. Bus from Coventry 3.30-D. E. Lewis, Gen. Hon. Sec., Firholm, King Edward Road, Nuneaton.
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Kettering Branch. - A special meeting will be held at Grafton Underwood (5) on Saturday, Nov. 16th. Usual arrangements. Will those requiring tea kindly advise me by Tuesday, Nov. izth? - H. Baxter, Bredon, Windmili Avenuc, Kettering.
HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Bromyard District. A quarterly meeting will be held at Bredenbury on Saturday, Nov. 16 thi. Bells (6) available 3 o'clock. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 o'clock, free to those notifying me ly Wednesday, Nov. $3^{\text {th. }}$-A. S. Tomkins, Post Office, Bredenbury.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Marshland Branch. - A meeting will be held at Tilney All Saints on Saturday, Nov. i6th. Tea will be provided for those who notify me by the r4th. Ringers welcomed.-W.: G. Cross, 16, St. James' Road, King's Lynn.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District.-A meeting will be held at Arlesey on Saturday, Nov. 16th. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.rm., if arrangements can be made. All ringers welcome.-C. J Ball, Dis. Sec., 2, Tempsford Road, Sandy:
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Burton District.-The last meeting of the year will be held at St. Helen's Church, Ashby-de-la-Zouch, Saturday, Now. 16th. Beils ready $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Those requiring tea notify me by 14 th inst. A grood attendance is requested. - John Leach, 4, Vernon Terrace, Burton.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Peak Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Baslow on Nov 16th. Church of St. Anne ( 6 bells, tenor about 12 cwt .) available afternoon and evening. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. Please notify Mr. F. Sheldon, Bar Cottage, Bas low.-J. E. Lewis Cockey, Hon. Dis. Sec., Leamwood. Dore.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.
Swindon Branch.-The monthly practice meeting will be held at South Marston on Saturday, Nov. 16th. Bells (6) available at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. for those who notify me by Tuesday, Nov. 12th, at is. per head.-S. Hopper, Hon. Sec., 79, Edinburgh Street, Swindoi, Wilts.
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - A quarterly meeting of the Western Division will be held at Chichester on Saturday, Nov. 16th. Bells available from
 Rooms, The Hornet. Those intending to be presen kindly advise me by Wednesday previous to meeting.A. W. Groves, Amherst, Dominion Road, Worthing.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD, - Chertsey Dis trict.-A combined practice will be held at Weybridge on Saturday, Nov. 16 th, 6.30 to $9 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Come and give a helping hand.-H. Hancock, Hon. Dis. Sec., 3, Chobham Road, Ottershaw.
ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD, - The next monthly meeting of the Guild will be held at Rye on Saturday, Nov. 16 th. All ringers welcome. The next Cambridge practice will be at Appledore on Nov. 23 rd. Advanced ringers welcome. Bells available 2.30 both dates.-A. J. Battin, Hon. Sec., Heronden, Hall Gardens Tenterden.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-The nex: meeting of the Chesterfield District will be held' at Alfre ton on Nov. 16 th. No arrangements made for tea.-J. P Tarlton, Hon. Sec.
LADIES' GUILD.-Northern District. - A meeting will be held at Dore, near Sheffield, on Saturday, Nov, 30th (eight bells). Gentlemen cordially invited.-N. Caw thorne, Hon. Sec., 394, Handswortl Road, Sheffield.
CHANGE OF ADDRESS. - The address of Mr. David Vincent (formerly of West Bridgford, Notts) is now Dale Terrace, Fulwell, Sunderland.

## DEATH.

LAWRENCE. - On Oct. 26th, at the County Hosoital, Hertford, Willian Stanley (Bob) Lawrence, the dearly loved and only son of William H. and the late Annie Lawrence, of Little Munden, Herts, aged 22 years The dearest of sons and sweetest of brothers.

## HANDBELLS FOR SALE.

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## MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMENCES.

HORLEY.-Ou Friday evening, October 4 th, for harvest festival, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 47 ming.: $G$. Woodman (first quatior-peal away from tenor) 1, E. Razzell (first quarter-peal of Triples) 2, F. Sad ter 3, S. Kenward 4, G. Ellman 5, W. Slaughter 6, A. J. Bul (conductor) 7, A. Lucas 8.

RAVNOS.-At St. Peter's Church, on September 30 th, 756 Bob Triples: W. Gilbert 1, H. Copperwhent 2, G. Jeff (Titchmarsh) 3 , E. Whitmore 4, W. Whitmore 5, F. Shaman 6, F. Kirk (conductor) 7, \&. Robinson' g. Rung with the bells half-mulfied in memory of the lite Mr. T. Stubs (sexton), who was buried on that day.

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## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

IPSWICH.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
(St. Mary-le-Tower Society.)
On Salurduy, Nowember 9. 1929, in Three Hoursand Forty-Seven Minutes, At the Cadrea of St. Mars-Le-Tower,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS; 5280 CHANCES; Tenor 32 cwt.
Willam Tillett ... ...Treble George A. Feeming ... 7 Cbarles J. Sedgley ... 2 tjames George ...... William P. Garrett ... 3 Charles A. Catchpole ... 9 Harry R. Roper ... ... 4 William J. G. Brown ... iu Robert H. Brondle ... 5 George E. Symonds ... It *Leslie G. Hrett ... .... 6 Frbderice J. Tilleit ...Temay Composed and Conducted by George E. Symends.

* First peal on twelve bells. $\dagger$ First peal of Cambridge Maximis. Rugg half-mufied as a last tribute of respect to the late Mr. Edgar Pemberton. This was Mr. James George's 1,000 th peal on tower bells, and he has now rung peals in the method on 6, 8, 10 and 12 bells.
 peal of Surprise Maximus, being in tlieir 76th and 79th year respectively.


## TEN BELL PEALS.

LEATEERHEAD, SURREY. THE SURREY ASSOCLATION.
On Safurday, Nowember 9, 1929, it Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes, At the Choter of SS. Mary and Nicgolas,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES; George F. Marringr ...Treble John H. White... ... ... G John Beans ... ... ... 2 Arthor J. Smith ... - Miss I. L. Hastie ... .... 3 Alan R. Pink ... Arthor C. Otway ... ... 4 Arthor Dean ... ... ... 9 Alpred H. Winch ... ... 5 Albert H. Harman ... ...Temor
Composed by Artera Knighis, Conducted by Arthor Dean,

* First lady to ring a pesl in thif tower. The 25tla anniversary of the treble ringer's first peal, which was rung with the same conductor.

WALSALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOOLEYY TOR THE A On Saturday. November 9, 1929, in Thee Hours and T wenty Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Matthew,

## A PEAL OF STEDPAN CATERS, 5055 CHANGES;

 Tenor 26 cwt . 88 lb . in D .Christopeer Hicr ... ...Treble | Arthitr I. Detton ... .... 6 Alfred Adabs ... ... ... 2 Walter R. Hoghes ... ... 7 John C. Adams ... ... ... 3 Gilbert Harding... Sidney Eliton ... ... ... 4 Thomas J. Elyon ... ... 9 Edgar T. Smith... ... ... 5 Wjlljam Waleer ... ...Teror Composed by John Cartrr. Conducted by Thomas J. Elton. Rung as a compliment to Aldeman E. H. Ingram on his election as Mayor of Walsall.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

BURBAGE, LEICESTERSHTEE. THE MLDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. (Hinckeby District.)
On Saturday, October 19, 1929, in Two Hours and Fi/ty-Eight Minutes. A iee Chorch of St. Cateerine,
A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 6040 CHANGES: Being 42 six-seores with ten difforent callings, with $4,6,8$ covaring Tenor 14 $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Enwin L. Campton ... ...T Treble | Edward Clodge... ... ... 5 Walter Clooge ... ... 2 Norman Ififfe ... ... ... 6 George Diddey ... ... Gabriel Campton ... ... 4 Edwin Campion ... Conducted by E, Rivitu.
First peal by all except ringers of 3 rd and 7 th. First peal on lhe bells since they were increased to eight. First peal on tha belly ley a local band. Rung as a birthday compliment to the granddaugher of the 3 rd ringer.

BOLTON, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASEIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Tursday, October 29, T929, in Ihre Hours,
Ai the Church of Si. Peter,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Groves' Transposition of Parker's Twelve-part. Tenor 15 量 cwt.


Conducted by John Portra.
Rung as a compliment to the ringer of tenor, who presented a дew clock for the ringing clramber. The conductor's looth peal.

CHATHAM, KENT,
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIAIION.
On Saturday, Nowaber 2, 1929, in Thye Hours and Eight Minutes.
At the Chergh of St. Mary-tar-Virgin,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES:
Tenor 25 cwt .
RICHARD B. Lambert... ...Tyeble
Reginald E. Lambert
... 5 Frederick J. Lambert, jun, 2 Frederiget J. Lambert, 5en, 3 Robert T. Lambert ... ... 4 Agberts E. .. Norris ... 7 Composed by F. Bennetr. Conducted by Albert E. Edwards.
Rung to commemorate the annivergary of the dedication of the church.

## FRTNDSBURY, KENTI.

THE KENT COUNTY AESOCLATION.
On Sathray, November 2, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty Mintes,

## Ai tei Ceturg of All Saints,

## a PEAL AF DOURLE MORWIGN COURT BOD MAJOR, 6024 CMAMEEs,

## Tenor 16 cwt.

Shmdel E. Taylor ... ...Treble | Wileiam Haich... ... .... 5

John Wheadon ... ......$\quad 3 \quad$ Joen H. Chersman ...
Whlelam Spice ... ... ... 4 Harry Parkes ... .... ...temow
Composed by the late E. Wigetman. Conducted by F. Benneit.
Rung on the g54th anniversary of the dedication of the church.
DORE, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COWNTIES ASSOCIATION.

> (Pear District.)

On Saturidy, November 2, 1929, in Three Hours and Faurteen Minutes, At Carest Cherch,

## A PEAL OF BDB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

 Tenor Iflacwt. in $\mathrm{G}_{\mathrm{G}}$.*Norman W. Westlake Tyble Madrice E. Wilson... Miss Noel Chwithorne ... 2 Arthor S. Robingon ... Miss Elsie Smita $\ldots . . . . . . \quad 3 \quad$ Wicliam Biggin....... Alfred G. Wallace ... 4 J. E. Lewis Cockry ... .... Tenor Composed by jons Reeves. Conducted by J. E. Lewis Cocrey.

* First peal in the method, age 16. Rung on the festival of All Souls, as an act of praise nad thanksgiving for the lives of the faithful departed, and especially those who during the past 100 years have giren of their time and mesns to embelligh the church wilk those things necessary to its well-being and honour. Rung also to mark the centensry of the church, consecrated on Augusb 28ad, 1829, by Henry Rycer, Bighop of Lichfield and Coventry; and to commemorate the association of the church with the dioceses of Lichfich-Coventry, Lichfield, Southwell and Derby, At the condusion of the peal the ringers were visited by Mr. H. E. Baggs, Wicar's warden, who conveyed to them the thanks and appreciation of the church authorities and invited them to eign their names for preservation with the parish records.


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## TUNSTALL, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASEOCIATION.
On Snaday, November 3, 1929, in Two Honrsumd Fovty-Seven Minutes,
At the Chyrch of St. John-the-Baftist,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Rev. C. D. P. Davies' Variation or 'hersians'
Tenor 8 cut.
Edward H. Spice ... ...Tieble Frank Bennett ... ... ... 5
Percy J. Sptce ... ... ... 2 Harry Parers ... ... ...
Samoel E. Taylor... ... 3 Sianley B. Dobbie ... ... 7
William E. Spice ... ... 4 William Spice ... .... .... Tenor
Conducted by Frank Bennett.

* First peal of Stedman.

ST\& LYBRIDGE゙, CHESHTRE.
THE GHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Stockport Brance.)
On Sumay, Novenbry 3, 1929, in Three Hours asd Tuenty Minutes,
At the Church of St. Padl, Stayley,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Holt's Ten-pari.
Tenar 18.
*Harold Hinchliffe
Jons Simister ...

- Albert Hodgson


Conducted by A. Roberis.
* First peal. First peal as conductor.

HEJMINGEAM, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Monday, November 4,1929 , in Thee Hours and Eight Mintles,
At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PRAL DF DOUDLE MONWICM CDURT BOD MAJOR, 6024 GNAMEES। Tenor 193 ewt.
John Gooch .... ... ...Tretle Ernest E. L.aneam ... ... $\operatorname{sic}$ Grorge Whiting...


Composed by F. A. Holden. Conducted by T. W. Lasx.

* First peal in the method on inside hell. The peal was arranmeri as a birthday compliment to the gifth ringer, and was the 150th peal by the conductor. L. C. Wightman las now rucg each boll in this tower to a peal.

FARNHAM ROYAL, BUCKS.
THE OXFORD DIOGESAN GUILD.
On Wednesdiay, Notember 6, 1929, in Two Hows and Fifty-Nine Minutes.
At tre Charch of St. Mary
A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB TRIPLES, 5040 DHANGES;
J. J. Parker's Six-part.

Tenor 12 $\frac{\pi}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Tbomas Smith ... ... ....Treble Leonard Stilwell ... ... g

- Walter P. Cross ... ... 2 William H. Fussell ... 6

Grorge H. Guttrridge... 3 Wicliam Welling ... ... 7
†Edward S. T. Farr... ... 4 Wileiam Henley ... ...Temor Conducted by Leonard Stilwele.

* First peal in the method 'inside.' $\dagger$ First peal in the methad. First peal in the method as conductor.


## HILLINGDON, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Noumber 9, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes, At ter Chorch of St. Andrew.
A PEAL OF STEDMAM TRIPLES, 5040 DHAMGE ©

Tuerstans' Foor-part.

- Edgar G. Swify

Percy E, Jonrs...
Tyeble *James H. Lucas
Pan .... 2 Edgar Hancox... ... ... 6
Wilziam H. Joiner... ... 3 Frank Corke .... ... ... 7 Josrpp J. Pratt ... ... 4 -Charies Nicholl5 ... ... Tenor

## Conducted by Edgar Hascox.

* First peal of Stedman, and rung at the first attempt. The above peal was arranged for W. H. Joiner, whe hails from Mitchart, Surrey, and who, for a great number of years was a member of the St. Andrew' Societer. J. J. Pratt belangs to St.. Joln's, Hillingdon, and the remainder to the local society-


## MEASHAM, LETOESTERSERE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOEIATION.
On Wednesday, November 6, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Lawrence,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 50A0 CHANGES;
Kifv. E. Bankes James' Odj Bob Twenty-part. Tener :ocwt. Madrice Swinpield ... ...Treble John H. Swinfired ... ... 2 Joserb Batley ... ... ... 4 Jこun Curits... ... ... ... Tener

Conducted by M. Swinfirld.
PONTYPRIDD, GLAMORGANSHIRE.
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Tharsday, November 7, 1929, in Tiyee Hoks and Three Minutes, At the Cbirch of St. Katherine,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Terior $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

## John Percitps

...Treble Charles F. Perry ... ...
Forpeick Thwe

Roydra Davies ...... Petter Heath ... ... ... 4 Frederick Neville ... ...Tahor Composed by Rev. E. B. Jambs. Conducted by Charles H. Prrry
The band take this opportunity of thanking the Vicar for the uke of tine bells.

## ERITH, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
Un Thursday, Noaronber 7, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifiy-Soven Minutes,
At ter Chorge of St. Joan-the-Baptist,
n Peal of doudle Morwich court moz majon, $\quad$ o24 chances; Tenor 15 cwt . in G .

| Canalas W. Roberts | ...Treble | Ernest Brett |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jobn J. Lamb ... | ... 2 | Frederick J. Collom, jun. 6 |
| Wilciam A. Martin ... |  | Crcil W. Pipe ... ... ... 7 |
| Wilfred Williams ... | ... 4 | Jambs E. Dayis ... ... ...Tohoy |
| Composed by C. W. | brts. | Conducted by Jambs E. Davi |

Rang as a birthday compliment to Mr. F. J. Cullum, sen. The ringer of the treble has now completed the circle in this tower.

FRODSHAM, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GULD.
(Graptenball Branch.)
On Fviday, November 8, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifiv-Three Minates,
At the Church of St: Lawrence,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Mideleton's.

- Brucr Birrington ... ...Treble Cyril Valentine
toswald Claybrook........ 5
Norab M. Bibby $\ldots . .$.
John E. Bibey... ... ... 4 Francts Blaby ... ... ...Tenor
Conducted by J. E. Bibey.
A remombrance peal. Rung by the local bend. * First peal in llie method. $\dagger$ First peal of Cambridgo inside.


## CRAYFORD, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, Nourmber 8, 1929 , in Ttuo Hours and Fifly Minters,
At the Caurch op St. Padlinus,

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 505B CHANGES;

Midoleton's.
Charles W. Roberts Edwin Barnett sen THo B Ciobr ... $\begin{array}{lll}\text { Thomas Groombridge, sen. } & 3 \\ \text { Wilfred Williams } & \text {... } & \text {... } \\ 4\end{array}$

Tenor $12 \frac{3}{4}$ cwt.
John H. Chebsman ... ... 5 Herbert E. Audsley .... Edwin Barnett, jon. Erederick M. Mitchell ...Tetor
Conducted by Frederick M. Mitchell.
dirat peal as conductor in the method and frst attompt.

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At Clrist Church, Otershaw, Sures, $\Omega$ quarter-peal of Grandsita licubles (1,260 changes) was rung in 45 minutes on Saturday, October Stin, after the dedication of a new peal board recording the first poal, Thug on Fehruary 25th, 1929, by a local band: S. Sleet 1, H. J. Cluftey 2, D. Sleet (conductor) 3. Miss M. Thompson 4, H. Hancack 5,
 Conducted by F. Grondy.

* First peal in the method. First peal as condactor. An Armiatice commemoration peal, ruug with the belts half-muffled. Also rung on the 72nd anaiversary of the birtin of the late Mr. James Henry Ridyard, of Worslay.

> WILLESDEN, MIDDLTSEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY AFSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOUESAN GUILD.
On Salurday, November 9, 1929, in Two Hents and Thirty-Six Minttes, At the Chorce of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRIGE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor 10 ewt.
Edward Lankrster ... ...Trebil |Jambs Bennett ... ... ... 5
Charles T. Coles .... ... 2 Grorger R. Pye ... ... ... Georgr M. Kilby ... ... 3 Harry Kilay ... ... ... 7 Ernest C. S. Turner ... 4 William Pye .... ... ...tenor Composed by Arthor Knights. Conducted by Charirs T. Coles LONDON.
THE MIDDLEGEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Suturday, November 9, 7929, in Two Hours and Fitty-Five Minutas,
At the Cafrce of St. Genrge-the-Martyr, Soquhwark.
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 6058 CHANGE8; Middeeton's.
-Harry fioverd...
... ...Trebis $\mid$ Frederick Digey ... ... 5
Grorgr H. Cross ... .... 2 Wilfred Williams ... ....
 Conducted by Grorge H. Cross

* First Surprise peal. Rung on the couductor's Birtbday. The ringers of the treble and 2nd were proposed members of the association previous to starting-

ENDERBY, LEIGESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND GOUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 9, 7929, in Two Hoursand Fifly-Seven Minutes,
At tbri Choreh of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL DF 8UPERLATIVE BURPRIEE MAJOR. gO8B CHAMGES; Tenor II cwt. 2 q5. 15 lb .
Cbarles H. Whbe ... *+ TYeble | James S. Hotchby ... ... 5 Redvers F. Elkington ... 2 情 Willim A, Stote ... .... E. Harry Stoneley ... 3 Alfred Ballard "Rzv. R. P. Farrow, m.A. 4 Ernest Morris... ... ...Tenger Composed by Nafhan J. Pitstow. Conducted by Alfred Ballard
*. First peal in the method and first attempt. $\dagger$ First of Eurprise Major. First of Surprise as conductor and his 50th M.C.A. peal. Firs Sarprise pead on the bells. The Rev. R P. Farrow, M.A., was Vicar of Enderby from 1917 to 1923. BRISTOL.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASGOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 9. 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty Minktes,
At tee Churce of St. Ambrose, Bristol East.
A PEAL OF 8TEDMAN TRIPLES, BOAO GHANEES;
Wasebrooh's Irrbgular Ten-fart.
Edwin J. Brown... ... ...Tybbls "Frank Skidmorie
Miss Aneir Brown ... .. 2 . Samubl Puilips ... +... Percy C. Williams ... Aefred E. Reeves … $\cdots \cdots$. Conducted by Edwin J. Brown.

* First peel of Stedman. † First peal. First peal of Stedman on the bells. Rurg with the belis haff-muffied as a tribute of respect to the late Mr. John Gardiner, closely associated with St. John-theBaptist Ohurck, where he was a vestryman and an ex-churellwarden. He Fhs also donor of the tower at St. Ambrose's Church Bristol East, built 1912, mni, later, of the bells, which were installeu there about 16 months ago.


## PULHAM，NORFOLK．

THE NORWIOH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION．
On Saturday，November 9，1929，in Thyea Hours and Thirteen Minutes，
At the Cgurch of St．Mary Magdalene．

Tenor 13 cwt， 1 gr． 22 lb ．in $F$
 Conducted by C．C．Mayne．
This peal was rumg in honour of all holders of the Victoria Cross， ，$\frac{1}{5}$ whom 321 dined thig day at Westmingter with the Prince of Wales．

## BATLEY，YORKSEIRE．

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION．
On Saturday，November 9，1929．in Thrce Howrs，
At the Church of St．Peter，
员 PEAL GF GOUBLE MOHWICN GOURT BOD MAJOR， 5088 CHANEES； Tencr 10 cwt ．
－Ernest B．Betts ．．．．．．Tyable｜William H．Senior．．．．．． 5
Ciarles E．Lawson ．．． 2 George Robinson ．．．． 6
Thomas Wm．Strangeway 3 ＂Harry Marsden ．．．．．． 7
－Harold Senior．．．
Composed by james Hont Conducted by Th Strangewny
＊First peal in the mothoi．First peal in the melhod on the bells． LUDEOW，SEROPSEIRE．

## THE KEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

Dn Saturday，Novanber 9，1929，in Two Hours and Fifty－Nine Minules， At the Chorca of St．Lawrence，
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES，5040 CHANGES；
Holf＇s Ten－part．
Tenor 223 等 cwt ．
Hogert Jones ．．．．．．．．．Treble
Albrrt E，Jones ．．．．．． 2
Iobn ］Pbice

Conducted by Francis Evans．
Rung as a compliment to Alderman Johm Palmer on his re－elec－ tion as Mayor of Ludlow for the fifth year in succession．Also as a pelcome homo to the Rector，who las just recovered from an illness． BRIDGEND，GLAMORGANSHIRE．
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION．
On Sathyday，Noverber 9，1929，in Three Hours and Fiftex Minutes，
At iee Chorce of St．Illtyd，

## A PEAL DF BOB MAJOR，5040 CHANGES；

Tenoriscwt．
Alfred W．Wriget ．．．．．．Tyeble
Willinu Pige
2
Erank J．Bailey．．．...
Percy Jones ．．．．．．．．． 4
Compased by T．Hapgoad．
Royden Dayies

First peal of Maior as conductor
bell in the tower lo a peal Rume the memory of all ranks of H．M．Forces who made the supreme gacrifice in the Great War．

ROGATJ，SUSSEX．－On Wednesday，October 2nd，at the Parish Church，a quarter－pes］（ 1,260 changes）of Graudsire and Bob Doubles in 43 mins．：A．T．Greenwoad $1_{1}$ F．W，Rogers（conductor）2，O．E． Bassett 3，P．W．Piper 4，E．J．Muaday 5，J．Gtenning 6．First gumerter－peal of Doubles by all except the ringer of the troble．

## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS．

THE CHART，LIMPSFIELD，SURREY． THE SURREY ASSOCIATION．
（Sodibern District．）
On Salurday，November 2，1929，in $T$ wo Hours and Forty－Four Minutes， At the Chorcr of St．Andrew，
A PEAL OF MINOR，G040 CHANGES；
Being twa 720＇s of Woodbing two of 耳ent，one of Oxford Treble Bob，and one each of Canterbury and Plain Bob．Tenor $10, \mathrm{~cm}_{\mathrm{w}} \mathrm{t}$ in G ． Leonard A．Tidy ．．．．．．Treble William D．Ashdown William G．Paternoster 2 James W．Kinight ．．．．．． 5 Eyzton F．H．Tidy ．．．．．． 3 Edward E．Tidy ．．．．．．．．．Tenor Conducted by Lemard A．Tidy，
First peal in fipe methods for the ringer of ine 2nd．
EYE，HERETORDSETKE．
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUMD．
（Leominster District．）
Or Saturday，November 2，1929，in Two Hotes and Fifty－One Mintes，
At the Ceurce of SS．Peter and Pagl，
A PEAL OF BOB MIMOR，5O\＆O CHANGES；
Being seven diferent $720^{\prime} \mathrm{s}$ ．Tenor 10 cwt ． Wilfred E．Brookes．．．．．．Tyeble｜Thomas C．Gwilliam ．．． 4 Jонн F Fux， 2 Tдомаs G Coove Righard Coone ．．．．．．．．．．． 3 Frederick A．Jaine ．．．．．．．．．．．．． Conducted by F．A．Jainh．
First peal of Minor on the bells．First peal of Minor for all ax－ cept conductor．First peal of Minor as conductor．First peal of Minar rang by a resident band in Leominster district since its forma－ tion．

## NORTON GANON，HERENORDSHIRE．

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD．
On Sumay，November 3，1929，in Two Hours and Forty－Scoen Mintules，
Ai ine Church of St．Nicholas，

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES， 5040 CHANGES；

Being 720 each of Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob，and 3,600 of Grandsire．Tenor 8 ewt． ＊Harry Maleg

Treble G．James R．Price ．．．．．． 3

†James Randle ．．．．．．．．．．Temor
Conducted by J．P．Hyert．
＊First peal in three methods．f First peal＂inside＂in three methads．Ruag for the festival of All Saints and for evensang，the ringers being specially thanked by the Vicar（Rev．E．G．T．Simey）． The peal also commomorates the 25th andifersary of the rehanging of the bells，the 25 th anniversary of the conductor＇s first lesson noder the tuition of Mr．W．Shert in the above tower，the 85 ph peal for G．J．R．Price，and the 25th peal together for the second and third rígers．

ALLESLEY，GOVENTRY
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD．
（All Salnts＇Society，）
On Weducsay，Noumber 6，1929，in Two Hows and Forty－Five Minutes， Ax tbe Chorcr of Alf Saints，

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDEE SURPRISE MINOR，$\quad$ G 40 CHANGES；

 Tenor 12 cwt． Conducted by Hofert $G$ ．Summers．
Rung in connection with the erection of a carved oak screen in the above church，dedicated on the previous Sunday to the memory of the late Mr．Alfired Kirby，Rector＇s warden，1891－1919．

RICKINGHALL SUPERIOR，SUFFOLK． THE SUFFOLK GULLD．
On Thursday，Notember 7，1929，in Two Hours and Forly Minules，
At the Chorch of St．Mary．
A PEAL OF MINOR，604，CHANOES；
Consigting of seven different extenta，two each of Oxford and Eent Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob．

Tenor 10 cwt ．in $G$ ．
Nolan Golden ．．．．．．．．．Treble｜Arther Cook
Ray Grani ．．．．．．．．．．．． 2 Eric G．Bennett ．．．．．． 5 Alpe在ds J．Berry ．．．．．． 3 Garnham A．Blancbll ．．．Tenor Conducted by Garnaam A．Blaxcell．

## WINFAR1HING, NORWOLK.

THE NOEWICH DIOCESAN ASSOGIATION.
On Fridsy, November 8, 1929, in Two Hours and Forly-Five Minules,

## At the Churce of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF HINOR, 6040 GHANGES;

Compuisivg seven different extents, one of Double Court and two each of Plan Boh Oxford and Kent Treble Bob.

Tenor 9 cwh. 4 lb . in $G$.

Charlas F. Goodman ... 3 John Snelling ... ... ...Tehor Conducted by Nolan Golden.
The ringers in this and the peal at Rickinghall Superior represent six different parishes.

WYCHBOLD, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTFRSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Northern Branch.)
On Saturday, November 9, '929, in Two Howys and Fovty-Eight Minutes,
At thr Chorga of St. Mary-de-Wyche,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 6040 CHANGES;
Soven rifferent 720's.
Tenor 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
*Henry H. Frarn ... ...Tyeble $\mid$ tGrorge E Fearn ... ... 4 $\dagger$ Fredrrick J. Whitworth 2 Arther J. Martin ... ... 3

Conducted by Harolo F. Martin.

* First peal. 1 First peal in the method. $\ddagger$ First peal of Minor away from the trehle. The band wish to thank the Vicar for the nse of the bells at short notice.


## BITTESWELJ, JEICESTERSHIRE

THE MIDUAND COUNTIES ASSOCIARION.
(Hinckley District.)
On Saturday, November 9, 1929, in Two Hours and Thirty-Senen Minutes,

## At the Parish Chorch,

## A PEAL OF GRANISIRE DOUBLES, 6040 CHANEESI

Heing 42 six-scores witl ter different callings. Tenor 8 ewt. 1 qr . 10 lb . in A.
John H. Baicess. . ... ...Treble M. Edward Watson ... Joseria W. Lomas $\begin{array}{ccc}\cdots . . & \cdots & 2 \\ \cdots & \cdots & 3\end{array}$ William A. Wood Alfren E. Warwick .... .... 5 Tenor Conducted by M. E. Watson BUTTERWICE, LINCOLNSHTRE. THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. (Eastrrn Brance.)
On Salurday, November 9, 1929. in Three Hours and Two Minutes. At ahe Church of St. Andrew.

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three 720 's of Canterbury Pleasure and four of Plain Bob,
each called differently. * Mre. T. Laxton John Phiclips Frank Dewey $\qquad$ William Wiliinson William E. Clarike ... $\quad . .4$ Conducted by W. E. Cearke

* Firsl peal and first aftempt. The ringers wish to thank Mr. and Mrs. fr Phillips for their kind hospitality after the peal, and tho Rev. T. R. Trotter for the use of the belle. BELBROUGFION, WORGESTERSHIRE.
On Sadirday, Novembar ty 1929, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, At the Church of the Holy Trinity.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 6040 CHANGEB; Reing forty-two six-scores, with teu different caltings. Tenar 13 ewt. (approx.).
PC. Aefred Hollis ...Tyelde|†Wilfred Sadnders...
-Grorge Parton ... ... 2 Ralpa Parton ... ... ... 4 Ernest Calcott ... .... 3 +Leslif Darby ... Conducted by E. Calcett.
* First peal on a hob hell. I First peal. First peal of Grandsire Doubles on the bells, Rung with the hells half-muffled, in memory of the fallen. All the ringer's belong to the local band.
CHEStER, On Monday, September 9th, at St. Mary's-within-theWalls, 1,344 Loador Surprise Major: R. Sperring (conductor) 1, J. Huyes 2, (1. R. Jones 3, H. W, Wilde $4, P$. Bwindley (firgt in the methond) 5, J. Swindley B, J. Morgan 7, S. Jones, jun, 8.


## CEEDZOY, SOMERSET

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. (Tadenton Deanery.)
On Saturady, Nowember 9, 1929, in T two Hours and Fi/bl-Eight Minutes,

## At the Cedrch of St. Mary-the-Virgin,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 50AO CHANGES;
Being two 720's eacli of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and three of Plain Bob.
Alfeed J. Wyatt ... ....Treble $\mid$ Wicliam G. Gigg
Arthor Reze
$\begin{array}{cc}\text {... } & \text {...Trebis } \\ \ldots & . . . \\ 2\end{array}$
Precy Merson *** .-. ... $\quad . . .3$ Wilejam H. Lloyd $\quad$... Conducted by W. H. Leoyd.
First peal of Minor on the bells.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

GOSFORTH, NORTHUMBERLAND.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION. (Nrweasile Catredral Guild.)
On Surday, November 3, 1929, in Two Hours and Tucuty-Five Minmes,
At 65, Elsdon Road,

## A PEAL OF BOB HAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Jobe Anderson $\quad . .4$... 12 William H. Barber
... 5-6
Conducted by 4 V H Baper $7^{-8}$

* First peal on handbells. Rung on the eve of the 53rd birthday of the conductor


## BARTON-ON-EUMBER, LINCS.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Northern Branch.)
On Sunday, November 3. 1929, in Tero Hows and Foyty-There Minutes,

## At ri. Holy Dyke, <br> A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 50』D CHANEES; Tenor liv in F slarp.

Mrs. J. Bray ... $\quad . . . \quad$ I-2 $\quad$ Jack Bray Hoode $5-6$
Frank Lord ... .... ... .... 3 3-4 Arther W. Hoodless.. $.7^{7-8}$
Composed by W. H. L. Bockingiam. Conducted by jack Bray.

## BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

BIDDENHAM'S VETERAN RINGERS.
A meeting of the Bedford District was held at St. James' Chureh, Biddenham, on Saturday, when a company of 38 vingers was present, representing Bedford (St. Paul's and St. Peter's), Brombam, BidCenham, Oardington, Clapham, Grent Staughton, Harrold, Kompston, Kaysac, Wobara, Turvey and Stagsden. The bails, a well running peal of six, were set going at ahout 2.30 , and kept in constant use throughout the aftornoon and cyening
Tea was served in the Village Fall, where an excellent repast had been prepsred, and the prosence of the Rev. W. Norman at tea and the busibess meeting was greatly appreciated.
The Vicar, in welcoming the association to his tower, said they were all-pleased to see anongst them Mr. William West, who is coptain of the Biddenham band at the advanced age of 82 . Fe spoke of Mr. West as 'the old man with a young heart.'
It would be interesting to know if there is a ringer with as grest a record as Mt. West, for he has been a member of the Biddenham band for 71 years, heving been made a memher on November 5th, 1858. Mr. Harry King, also a Biddenlam ringer still on the active Jist, is one of the oldest members of the association, having joined at its establishment.
The Vicar said when lie first came to the village be was struct by the barmony and concord of the place, and fin those days he thought he was right in saying Biddenlana had one of the linest bands of ringers in the county, producing latmony on the bellsbells not rung in time produced very obmoxious noises.
At the business meeting, wibl the Ficar in the clair, it was decided, after some disctussion, to lold the annual meating at Sh. Peter's Church, Bedford, on December 7th, if the hells are available.
The advisability of appointing a Ringing Master to suparviso the ringing at meetings was also discussed, and it was resolved to ask Mr. F. Gaytion to carry out this olfice at the next meeting. A vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, and to Mr. West for making local arragements, closed the meeting.
The melhods rung on the bells diuring the day ranged from Bob Doubles to Londan Surprise.
An interesting feature in the trwer is a huge framed record of the bolls of the churches of Bedfordshire, giviug the mame of theclurch, the number of bells, the weight of tenor and the founders" names.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD

DEVIZES BRANCH EXTENDS WELCOME TO VETERAN.
A very successful monthly meeting of the Devizes Branch was beld at. Seend on Saturdey, November 2nd, a good company being present, when ringing commenced. Tha Guild service was conducted by the Yicar (the Rev. W. A. Butler), with Mr. A. T. Weeks as organist Tea followed at the Bell, to which 25 sat down. The following towers were represented: Devizes (St. John's and St. Mary's), Southbroom, Hoit, North Bradley, Rowde, Trowbridge, Melksham, and visitors were present from Bath, Wootton Bassect, Mere and Buckhorn Weston.

Mr. C. D. Heginbatham presided ak the business meeting. After exterding a hearty welcome to all pregent, the Chairman made special reference to the presence of Mr. H. Brownlee-West, a vicepresident of the Guild, and formerly branch secretary. Although Mir. West is well over 86 years of aga, he is in good health and very active; in fact, as soon as he arrived in the viliage on Saturday be called to see an old friend, Mr. Joe Willshire (change ringing ingtructor and verger), who is at present unfortunately on the sick list.

Mr. West thanked the chairman for his kind remarks, and assured them all it was a rely great pleasure to him to see so many old friends again.

Foul life members wero clected, viz., Messrs. R. Swift, K. Snelling and N. Eiliolt, of Crawley, Sussex, B. H. Wells, of Merstham, Surrey, and two vinging members, Messrs. J. S. Weeks, of Southbroom, and E. Wilking, of Holt.

An invitation was received from Holt to hold the December meeting there, if possible.

A move was made to the tower for more ringing till 8 p.m. During the afternoon and evening the following methods were successfulls rung: Oambridge Surprise, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Tueble Boh, Plain Bob, and Little Bob Minos, Stedman and Grandsire Dotibles, everyone being delighted with the "go' and the music of the peal.

## SURPRISE MINOR ON KEEVIL BELLS

 To the Eator.Dear Sir-ln "The Ringing World ' of November Ist I note a 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor was rung on the grand peal of bells of Kecvil, Wilts, believed to be the first 720 Surprige on the bells.' Tho Leytonstone eompary rang 720 York Surprise on the same bells on June 20th 1925, an the ocoasion of their anauk outing (see "The Ringing World,' July 10th, 1925). Yours, ele.,

GEO. DAWSON.

## DEATH OF A RIPLEY, DERBYSHIRE, RINGER.

The Midland Counties Association has lost one of its promising young ringers by the death, under very tragic circumstances, of Mr. Hugh F. Attewell, of Codnor Park, Derbyshire. Mr. Atteweli, who was only 29 years of age, learned to riag on the five bells of the ancient church at Pentrich, and subsequently joined the Ripley company, rapidly becoming proficient in the standard and Surprise Major methods. He had nok been able to take a regular part in the Sunday service ringing at Ripley for about two years, owing to his remoral to Codnor Park to reside near his place of business, but he had decided to retura to Ripley, with a riew to renewing his active associationship, when le was taken ill with double pneumonia, and be passed away in the Derbyshire Royal Infrmary on Thursday, October 31 st. Mr. Attewell leaves a widow, and an infant son only eight weeks old.
, The interment took place at Ripley on Monday, Nopember 4th, the fecensed being borte to his last resting place by fellow-members of the colliories staf of the Buttorley Company, Limited. During the sad ceremony, the belle werc rung half-mufled, end, as a last tribute of respect, on Monday evening, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples ( 1,260 changes) was rung in 52 mine., with the balls halfmuffled by the following: John W. Cupit 1, Herbert Day 2, Kenneth G. Sheldon 3, John J. Turner 4, Frank F. Hill 5, Fred W. Hill 6, Alex. Hutchison (conductor) 7, W. Henry George 8.

The heartfelt sympathy of the Xipley ringers is accorded to the widow, and father and mother of the deceased, is their very asid bereavement.

## BERKSHIRE 12-BELL FLJND

Amount previously acknowledged $£ 89$ 0s. 3d., Bucklebury ringer: 17s. 6d., High Wycombe ringers £2 2s., Brightwalton ringers 7s., Mitcham ringers 10s., Newbury ringers 12s., Warborough ringers £1, Bampton ringers 75 ., Chicheley ringers 10s., Messrs. J. F. Barlow 10s., W. Pole Routh £1 ls., J. H. B. Hesse $£ 1$ 1s., Chairman Reading Branch £10, Messes. J. T. Mumford $£ 2$ 2s., A. J. Wright $\mathrm{E}_{5} 5 \mathrm{~s} .1$ J. S. Pritchett £l 15., W. Epetts, jun., £l ls., Rev. Canon Ridout 15s., Rev. CareyWard 5s.; total $£ 1186 \mathrm{~g} .9 \mathrm{~d}$. The above amounts are acknowledged with sincere gratitude by R. T. Hibbert, 69, York Road, Reading. to whom contributions should be sent.

OVER, CAMBS.-On Monday, November 4th, 720 London Surprise F. Robinson 1, F. C. Ginn 2, B. Wayman 3, F. G. Gleaves 4, A. J. Gian 5, F. Warriagton 6. Also 720 Gambriage Surprise: W. Bavin 1. A. J. Ginn 2, B. Wajwan 3, A. W. T. Gimn 4, F. G. Gleaves 5, F. Warrington 6.

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Pictures should, for preference, be photographic postcards, and, where there is any choice, the tower should be a feature.

Obviously, of course, all the pictures cannot be published at once, the object of getting a collection being that the photographs may be ready at hand for use when fitting opportunity occurs.

Will each tower secretary be good enough to send a phatograph of his own tower? It should be forwarded int an envelope for protection, and addressed to The Editor, 'The Ringing World,' Woking, Surrey, and the sender should enclose his name and address.

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Jasper Whitfield Snowdon died on November 16th, 1885, at the age of 41 years. His death, coming just when he bad reached his prime, was one of the greatest blows the Exercise has ever sustained.
'The Antient Guild of St. Stephon's Ringers,' Bristol, was granted ar Royal Charter on November 17th, j 620 .
The first peal of London Surprize Major was rung at St. Avdrew's Church, Norwich, on November 17th, 1835. It was a composition by Shipway and conducted by S. Jhurston, and was one of the most memorable performances in the history of ringing.
It was at another Norwich church, St. Giles', on the same cay in the year 1760, that the first peal of Imperial Treble Bob Maior was ruug, and immediately it was completed John Webster, who had rung the 6th, dropped dead in the belfry.
It was this John Webster who wrote to Dr. Mason, of Trinity College, Cambridge, baying that the Norwich company seemed 'entirely to slight John Holt's broadsheet of peals of Grandsire. He owned it was not a generous way of treating Mr. Holt's perfornance, adding that, 'I believe they are induc'tl to this by that ingenious ringer, Mr. Anable's not encouraging of it, had he approved of it his influence on the College Youths I presume would have been sufficient to have sent it to the press without any further subseriptions.'
This letter threm great light on the attilude of ringers towards Grandsire composition in those days, when men were striving for a peal without singles. Apparently, Annable did not approve of Holt's peals because they contained singles, nad his influence was so great that the Norwich men, on the strength of it, withheld their support.
Onc hundred and twenty years ago on November 20 th , eight mernbers of the Tebbit family rang a peal of 5,208 Oxford Treble Bob rt Sohana, Cambs.
Twenty years ago next Wednestay, Holt's Original was rung silent "at Christ Church, West Bronwich.
The hon. secretary of the Salishury Diocesan Guild will be abroad for the sake of his bealth till the middle of January. Any sorrespondence requiring immediate attention may be addressed to the assistant secretary, Mr. T. Hervey Beams, Bradpole, Bridport.
There are still ringers to be found who are prepared to make gome serious personal effort to fulal engagements. Last Friday, Mr. G. A. Blaxcell 'push-biked' 42 miles, after a day's work, to take part in a peal of Minor at Winfarthing, Norfolk.
A peal was rung at Rickmansworth, Jerts, in honour of the V.C.'s. The Lenor at Rickmansworth is 20 cwt .20 Jb . in D. Is this, asks a correspondent, the lightest I) hell in the country? And have there been any faster peais rung on this weight, wilhout a trip throughaut? The time of the peal was $2^{\prime}$ hrs. 55 mins.
The bells at St. Mary's, Birkenhead, which were reopened on Saturday, have suffered long periods of silence, but it is not twelve years, as was at first said, since they were rung. There has been occasional ringing on them since, the Inst time they were rung being at the induction of the Rev. R. E. T. Bell.
Mr. R. Matthews writes that the first peal by a local band at Wollaston, Stourbvidge, was rung on October 10th, 1910.

COLLEGE YOUTHS' ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
GREAT GATHERING OF RINGERS IN LONDON.
SERMON BY OXFORD GUILD MASTER.

Coinciding with Lord Mayors Dry, the celebration of the $282 n d$ amniversaty of the foundation of the Ancient Society of College Touths took place on Saturday, and was once again noteworthy for
the large number of ringers it drew together from all parts of the the large mumacr of ringers it drew togethed from ald parts of tha Church, London Bridge, were open in the early part of the afternoon, and aftorwards those of St. Olave's, Har't Strect, aud St. Andrew's, Holborn, and all of them were well utilised cluring the time available. Following the custom revived since the war, an service wat held at St. Michael's Churcl, College Fill, where the men who founded the society nearly three hundred years ago were wort to
practise, and from which the society got its name. The congregation of men filled the seating accommodation to capacity, and the bright service was conducted by the Rector (Rev. Canon Bullock Wehster'), the hearty singing of the hymns being a faalure. The semmon was
preached by the Rev. C. W. D. Jenky, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guildi.

A UNIQUE GATHERING.
The preacher chose for his Lext Proverbs wvi. 31, "The hoary head is an crown of glory if it be found in the way of righteousuess.


ST. MICHAEL'S, PATERNOSTER ROYAL, on College Hill, the Mother Church of the College Youths.

There is, he said, na ringers' gatheriuk quite like this All
ringers peculiar features. In one case it may be a diocespn guild ot a cointy association antural mecting; in anather case it
may be a gathering together os the amiversary of the death of same great ringer who, in his generation, justly hek sway among his fellowmen, and after his deatb his memory is held in honour and On another occeasiou it may be that the gathering togethel is to welcome the
restoration of some well-loved ring of bells; but, to my mind, there is a unique feature about this gathering, which has been going on now for nearly 300 years, and which is called, and, 1 sup-
pose, always will the called, pose, aways Youthe diuner. In trying to think out in my own mind what cxactly it is that is the unique feature ghont this gathering, I rather blundered apon some sort of explanation which I will try to give you as shapily as possible. Those of us who are ringers and who love onr bellringing have a pride in itthe proper sort of pride, not the sort of pride which says,
'I pan ring so many methodis, I can ring so many' metwous, and I am quite satisfed with myself; hut the pride wheh says, 'Almighty Gad has given me a great gife and it but I am not a bit satislied ret that: I have used it to the full or used it properly."

From time to time, contimed the preacher, they felt That they wanted some sort of responsc to that feeling, some sort of acknowledgrnent of that pride. Some of them in their work in connectiou
with bellringiag ware sometimes led to ask themselves whether they were not pursuing an idenl which was, after all, only an ideal, anil would never be accomplished, in trying to make people see whai, they meant and what they wanted to do. It was just at this time of year when they were taught to reach out far and wide, riglat beyond the seas, and think of their brothers and sisters, wha perhaps once rang with then and were now far away, and to think of them ras they would the remembering the Christmas bells; to think of

Hhose in distiant lands who wotad miss the sound of the bells and we Green fields; and to think, also, of those who wont forth, leaving all behiud lhem, and passed out of the sight of men, having mande the great sacrifice. Thiey as ringers came there at that lime of your with some sort of response to that pride which they felt. They lmad rather felt it that day, as some of them had watched that very line payeant associated with the City of London, had leard the hells ringing, and remembered that God had given them a very grat conntry and empire. And they had come there that day, also, as bellingers, into the heart of that empive, among the glorious rhturches and the glorious rings of bells, and to that church which sawr the beginning of change ringing 292 years mo, to that clurch which covered the remains of him who went out wrudering and was called back, and bad bis destiny in this world guided and lixed for him by the sourd of the bells of Bow. They came then'e, to fle rity where change ringing had existed sines the telen of King Charles I., and where it remained rigorons enougly to call logether that day a gathering from the length atid breadtl of the land, mombers of cither groat ringing associations, many of ahera also members of tho
Ancient Society of College Yaulhs. At a gathering like that they Ald, perliaps, begin to feel this response which they desired, and did begin to fecl that they might le thaukiul to Gind that they were chutch bellringers. They thanked Him for His guiding liand in the past oner the art whicl they loved, that He had accepted this change ringing for His Church, and had nade it His fandmaiden in the
service of His Churcts that He liad awepted diem as His servants service of His Church; that He liad aweeted ihem as His servants
and harl endowed then, some inore, some less, with the fifts requisite for this mmistry. They thanked liod that at this point in the listory of change ringing it was, speaking gencrally, found in the way of rightcousress.

NOT A "HING OF Y゙ESTERHAY.
It. was not a thing of yestevelay, this change ringing of theirs: it was $\pi$ hing of long standing. It had vame thongh difteult itmes, but Gock had made it what it was lo-dny, when the bells of their churchus wero runge to express God's message to His people. Theme were, of comse, exceptions. There were thase, andoumterly, who had taken up helloinging as a pastime, as they might have (afeer up athy other game, and wha did not persine if in any olifir spirit than that. Fut incy weve the exeeptions, and change ringing to-dny wacrown of glary when it was to be found in the way of rigliteaustncss. He belicved that everyone who was really a ringer af heart, and lati a pride in his ringing, and was prout of being at ringer, would be all the better when he went home for having effenderi that gathering. He would go liome inspised by Jkis visit to Jondon, by due service in which he was taking math, thy the mediug with old friends and by the whole selting of this city in which they were met, and not least, promps, by whal they lad seen in the great show wheln hatd passed that day through ils streets. It might be, in that show in a fow years time, hey migh "have a serbes of cars requernting hell fomeding from the beginning for Lometon land not been hedindInand among those who had founded the hell-fonading industir?
In conclusion, the preacher sain there were wo most inportant, fhings that he warted to speak on quite showily. The first was that they musi maintain a standard of gonsi ringing: that Hey should strike every blow, that trey slaquid set their frees ngainst Those who might lave rung maby peals, but latilyet to leatn to ring a bell, who seomed to think that the backetrok was merely an awkward methen of bringing the bell back into the handstroke position. Thay must seek to ring truly erter'y hlows. "That was one thaing which would ensure the crown of glary. The sceond lhing was they must be, most truly, men of God, antil in this he wanted to reminel
 ringers might he very regular and faithind in ringing the bells for Sunday services, there was nol nearly enough of them who looked upou one particular church ms his apiritual home who could say, "Illis church," wherever it migltt be, "is my church; it is here that I go and place tupon the altar, as it werc, the niliowitg of iny life and service, bere that I seek for imspirstion.' 'There were somse who, he know, hat to perform ringing in many ulferent clatruss on in chtirches he rang at and make it his spiritual hone, to enter into the whole lifa of that church and to make lis contribution ar mervice to it as a churchworker. In those ways, as they grew nearer the bonry age, they would add the lustre of a crown of glory to change ringing, and they themselves would bo fllad with the juy which, God grant, they inight Hways have as lapy came ncarer in the crossing, because they would be found in the way of righteousness.
'The volumtary' after the service consisted of a conves of Stedman Triples tung on handbells by Messers. Winney, Waltser, Smallwood and Young.

THE DINNER.
Almost a record company gathered at the Bridge House Hotel for Lfir: annual dinner, the party numbering ovor 250 . The chair was laken by the Master (Mr. J. Bullock), and the vice-chair by Mr. J. S. Hawkins. Among these mresent wero Rev. Canon Coleridge C. Herltord (St. Andrew's, Holborn), Rev. Canon Haldane (Southwath Cathedral), Mr. R. Waldea (chatelwarden of Southwark), Rev. HI. if. Fynes Clinton (St. Magmus'), Rev. Ganon Buliock Webster, Rex. J. Lh. Edwards (lion. Secrevary of tle Salisbury Diocesan iluilii), Rev. W. Ponninglon Bickford (St. Olement Danes), Messrs. A. A. Hughes (treasurer, W. T. Gockerjll (hon. secretary), C. J. Choon and I. J. Sampsan (stewards), C. F. Winney and W. Prime (thusteres of the society), E. A. Young (lon. secretary of the Central Cumacil), W. Fenton, J.P., Major J. H. B. Hesse (Master, (iuililfurd Diocesan Guild), Messrs. A. J. Wrifht (Bon. treasurer) nud IR. T. Hibbert (secretary, Oxford Diocesan Guild), C. H. Kippen (hon. ymeretary of tho Surrey Association), J. D. Mathews (Mastor of the Royal Cumberland Youthsh, E. H. Lewis, Mrs. Wilkins and Mis. Kann (Brisfol), Messis. J. E. (traves (Birmingham), E. Bishop (Swindor), H. Marcam and FI. Walker (Lincoln). There were repregendatives from many towers in and aroumd London, limgers coning in protics from the Greenwieh and Gravesend District, Rearing and Cavergham, Barking, Faling, Holhorn, Bethnal Green, Southwark, Fitmonom, Portsmenth, Croydon, Guildford and Figh Wycombe, while smong those from more distant placos ware Mesars. J. T, Dyke (Hon. secrelary, Bath and Wells Assnciation), A. Walker (Deputy Kinging Master, St. Martin's Guild, Bimmingam), J. F. Smallwood (Derbsi, F. Pervin (Coventry), S. Palmer, Wilson, J. Holman (Sheffich), C. Hartison (Laughboraugh), W, DD. Smilh (Easthaurbe), Hristol, J. Austin (Glomenster), T. Kims and $F$. Tich (Batb), W. Knight and W. Tlamas (Bristol\}, G. Popmell (Marklamm, South Walest, C. Mee (Tpswioh), A. Rivers (Cambridge), W. J. Noward (Great Bentiay), A. Bennatt (Buckfastaigh), E. Poppy (Eye), F. Deneh (saffron Wraldent, etc.
An interesting fact was revealed during the repast, when the Master 'took wine' with members of the society of over' 50 pears' standing. Tlose who responded numbered six, and were Canon Culeridge, Messrs. T. Wallage (the 'fatler " of the society), T. Benner, W. D. Smith, J. W. Rowhotham and W. Prime.
The tonsi of "The King' was honoured on the call of the Master, who then proposed khit a telegram should be fent convering fram that sathering respectul ereetings to the Prinee of whales and his gallan gucsts at the Fouge of Lovds This suggestion was endorsed with eheers.
The Master then gave the toast of 'Ple Chureln,' to which Canon Faldune responded in a facetious speech, in the course of which he ssin, on behalf of the clergy, or the great majority of them, that they dirt apprecialo very liggly the work which the Ancient Society of College Youlhs and rimgers generally did for the Church (hear, lieat). It was very arduans work, and work which made great claims upan their powers of mind and body, and work which had its risks; in Facl, so risky was it that he hat never been able ta make up lis mind la start it (haughter). Fery often, he continued, bhoge who listemed got as mach pleasure as those who rang, and le could lanestly say no ringing be had ever heard at his tower had excelled tha ringing of the Gollege Foublis. He realised that at Soulthwark thoy hat ihe very fire peal of bells (hear, heary. Somelimes he was it was rery good, indeed, he world reply that it was the Colleue Foulise (laughter'). If', on the other hand, it was not so good, he sain it was a Southwark Surprise Major (laughter), and dici not tert. Canon Faldmas concluded by thanking the company for drinking the lanst of "The Churels.

## C.G OF THF BELFRY

(aban Coleridge proposed the Loast of "The Ancient Sceiety of Colluge Yonths. ${ }^{2}$ He said he was very glach thoy had sent from that assembly a messiate of grectiug to the gathering presided ower by the Drince of Wales th be House of Lords. He said lar could not, of course, rememhor alt the raliand deeds done by those gatlant then, but he recalled three instanees in which the coveled crose was won by men whose only weapons hat heen their own fists. But, he undow, what about those twelve valiant men who, at Ashtonluriage Surprise Maximus in 11 drs, 33 mius, one of peal of Carnfoats ever done in the amals of chonge ringing? (applanse). He happened, during the following week, to be staying in Somerset, ntul n loeal paper, having got hold of the fact that this poal bad been rung, ended its report with the question, "We wonder what the inhabitnnis thought of it? (laughter). Fe was able to inform some
 groal dral of it; that they turned out in great numbers to cheer it, in the town tund for mites around who was not delighted. Did these men have it V.C. for holding the ropes in their fists for III hours? They dida't, but they deserved it, but merit brought its own reWhat, atme the ringers of that penl wanted nothing olse (hear, henr'). What struk lime was that a good many of those who were pinging
in that peal coulr no longer be called yaung men. They were getting on in years-he did not know what their average age was, but whether ther were vounf or whether they were getting into the sere and yellow leaf, ringing seemed to keep men young, and accasions like that gathering of College Youtins had a great facility for keeping them yotng. It was always said that a donkey did not get to its prime until it was a hundred gears old, and he ihought it mist be the same with some ringers (laughtor). Even when men, owing to stress of circumstances, could not manage to ring any longer, not a few of them were engaged in doing valuatyle work for the Fexcrise (hear, hear'). He mentioned one-ane of his oldest friends-the Rev. G. D. P. Davies, who, thotugh stricken down some time ago and who now liad the greatest difficulty in moving about-put in a great deal of time for the good of the Exercise, either collat ing works or writing new ones. One of bis most recent was 'Odds and Ends of Grandsire Triples,' which was a most interesting little work, especially for the youmg composer. Canon Goleridge went on to say that recently Mr. Davies preached at Tewkeshury Abbey (on the accasion of the jubilee of the restoration scheme inaugurated by his fathery, although he had to be carried inth the pulpit by his son and the verger. The spaker cameluded by remarking that the sate cess of such an organisation as the College Youths needed the exuberance of youth and the wisdom of old age, and when those were combined, as they were in that Ancient Soctety, that societw woult go oul and flourish to the end (applause) Ge coupled with wouli go ou and fourish to the end (apptause) He colpled with verything else, Mir. Cockerill, the hon, sentory (applause) and A course of Stedman Cimques was then mmg on bandbells by $F$. Hodgetts, G. F. Swant, A. Wialker, J. F. Smallwood, A. H. Pulling and H. Langdon.

A IONG DEATH ROLL
In rising to respond, Mr . Coekerill was greeted with elieers and Cackerill said they had reecived apologics for non-ateandace and Cockerht said hey had reemed apologies for montatendance and J. H. Ellison, G, F. Phillimove, B. T. Simpson, S. G. Pansonby and N. T. Hopkins, Messes. J. C. Mitehett. P. Johnson, W. H. Judd, E. Morris, Nichols, and 'T. Reeves. They had also received a telegram from Bristol Tnited Ringing Guilds sending best wishes. Since they ast met at dimner said Mr Cockevill they bad mode 40 unw bers (appladse). They lad met for ringing practices 76 times during tho yoart, and these practices had been altended hy 117 different meribers ai some time or other. He regretied that the dedeased mernbers fotmed a rather long list. they had lost by death Robert Holloway, Hemy F. Clandler W. H. C. Courtner, Tom Coxhead Henry W. Jackson (Bolton), John Wilkins (Walthamslow), Joseph E. Sykes, Robert Thompson (West Ealing), Geo. Alder (Buraham), Rev, Maitland Kelly, York Green, Sam Soutliby, Geo. P'. McLaughlin, Edga: Pernberton (Ipswich), Frank Willey (Sliefteld) and T'om Payne (Oxford. The peal list was only a very noderate one, ouly fifteen hnving been rung-all in the Lower: Grandsile Triples 2, Stedman Triples $3_{1}$ Stedmarn Caters 4, Stedman Cinques 2, Double Norwieh Major 2, Superlative Surprise Major 1, Cambridge Surprise Royal 1. He thanked the company very beartily for the way in whinh they had received the toast
Mr. A. A. Hughes submitted 'The Visitors,' and took the opportumity of thanking, on belalf of the sactety, the various imemments of Londou churelees for their permission to hold practice meetings at their churehes. The society appreciated flo excouragement that was given them in the work which they ditd
The Rev. H. J. Fynes Clinton replied, and remarked that visitors to that galhering not only eajoped the lospitality that was extended to them, but were verg much struck by the extraordinary entilusiasm hat was shown, mot only among members of the Ancient Society in Lomdon, but lyy others who came to that dinner from such long distances-an enthusiasm which they could find equalled in hardy nay other wark or habby. It must be the comradeship of ringing and the knowledge that they were doing a most valuable work for the Glumeh. Tlieve was no fickleness in bellunging, but an enilhtiasm and stedfastuegs which aet an example to all other church workers.

Mrs. Hughes at this point gave some delightfuily played handbell solos, with all her accustomed artistry. She rendered Love, could I only teli thee," and 'I'll sing the songs of Araby,' and, being encored, with "musical lomours," played an old favourite in 'Land of Hope and Glory.

The Vice-Chairman (Mr. J. S. Hawkins) proposed the toast of 'The London and Provincial Ringing Societies.' He remarked that there were present that evening representalives from vearly every society, essociation and guild in the country. On belalf of the Ancient Society of Callege Youths he extended to them a bearty welcome, and, laving referred to the valuable work which was being done by these societies, concluded by wishing them continuedi success and prosperity
Mr. E. A. Young first replied, remarking that their first thought must go out to those who were not with them that night, but who were associated with them is their anciant Exercise. They had many vigorous societies operating in the London area, and among them
was the Roysl Cumberland Youths, whe was the Royal Cumberland Youths, who went back in their listory, (Continued in next column.)

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

THE MASTER ENTERTAINS LARGE GATHERING AT' BRAINTREE.
In large numbers on a dolightful automn day, members responded Lo the invitation to atoend the annual mecting of the Northern Division of the Essex Association at Braintree ou Saturday last. The procedings aommenced wilb service in the Parish Churcl, with an inspiring fudress from the newly-appainted Vicar (Rev. Jas. Case, M.A., B.Se.). Mr. C. H. Howard, Master of the association, read the lesson. Tha collection for the Association's Bell Restoration Fund amounted to El 10s. Upwards of one luudred accepted the Master's invitation to lea, bue company being representative of thirty-five parishes.

At the subsequent meeting, Mr. A. A. Saunders was thanked for his past services aud reappoinled District Master.

Mr. W. Arnold, who has carrien out the duties of gecretary for the past two years in a mosi efficient manner, intimated his inability to continue, uwing to busiuess pressure, and was heartily thanked. Mr. F. Redgwell, of Earls Colne, was unaninously elected his successor.

Rev. O. L. Martiu, Vican of Tarls Calne, was clected an honorary nember, ant Mrs. C. C. Courtanla, of Perny Pot, Falstead, was elected an honorary life member. Several ringing members were also elected.

It was decided to fold the next meeting at Feering in February.
The Master made feeling allusion to the sad loss sustained by Mr. W. If. Lawrence, of Littie Munden, Herts, by the tragic death of his son, Mr. W. S. Lawrence, as reported in 'The Ringing World, and a rote of condolence with Mr. Lawrence and his two daughters was passed in silence, the Mester being requested ta convey the sympathy of the menting to Eliem.

The Vicar was thanked for the use of the bells and for his address, and the organist was also thanked for his services.

Mr. H. E. Hammond voiced the liannks of the meeting to the Master for providing tea for so large asi nssemblage.

Immediately after the meeting the whole company were shown over the magnificent Town Hall, recently presented to the town by Mr. W. I. Courtauld at a cost exceeding $\mathbf{x} 60,000$. In the spacious Council Chamber the Master, who has been a councillor for twentyonn yenrs, explained the special points of tho whole building, and enumerated many other gifts by Mr. Cotrtauld during the past few yenrs, including a hospital completely equipped and a recreation ground endowed so as to be entirely free fron clarge an the rates.
Thie District Master" ant Messrs. W, Kecble and L. W. Wiffen did their utrnost to ensure that everyone of the large company had a ring on the hells, which are in excellent order. Commencing at 2.30 p.an., they were, with the exception of the period of the service aut mecting, ringing unceasingly in methotis ranging from l3ob Major to Lomida Surprise.

## CAMBRIDGE MAXIMUS BY VETERANS

Mr. James George, who is approaching his 76th birthday, has achicved anotlier distinction. He has rung his first peal of Cambrifge Surprise Maximus al a greater age than any other first, pealer in? the melhorl, and has thus given another proof of his Vonthful mental capmeity. Mr. 'Bob' Brundle who also took part fin the peal, was 78 last September: On the evidenco of many competent ringers whe were listening outside, the peal was splendidy sbretck and went like clockwork from beginning to end.

It is no small achievement, even for a man of many achievements, to ring his Cirsh peal of Cambridge Maximus at the age of 76, when dose men ate thinking of retiring from the belfog, if they have not alverdy disappoared from the seene. The peal.was really a crowning achierement for Mr. George, for it whs hits one thousandth peal on town bells. Jt was also his twentieth peal of Maximus, including the 12,240 Troble Bobs Maximus, to which lie rang the tenor, in 8 lirs, 39 mins. He has now rung peals of Canloridge Surprise on 6 . 8,10 and 12 bella.

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like the College Youths, to the 17th century, and who hat carried out the luaditions of the Exercise ever sunce. He was glad to see many inembers of that society presenf on tlat onciasion.
Mr. J. M. Mitcheld. hon. secretary of Lle Kent County Assomintion, replied for the Provincial Societies, and reminded the company that nert year the Kent Association wonld celebrate its jubilec. He remarkeri that he would like to see every association have its own beneralent fund. In Kent they had such a fund which had often proved its value. They started it 17 years ago, lad paid out about £90, and had a bainnce in hand of aboui $£ 130$.
Mr. R. T. Hiblerth proposed the concluting toast, "The Press, whinh Mr. J S. Goldsmith responderl, and tlie formal proceedings coneltided with 'Auld Lang Syne.'
Diting the evening songs were sung by Mr. T. T. Fowler, Mr. स. Spice and Mr. Bullock, gens, Mr. H. N. Pitstow being the accatnpanist, while some clever card tricks were pertormed by Mr. J. A. Eslar.
A considerable number of visitons remained in London until sundry and rang at various churches for the morning services.

## SILCHESTER

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Foul times repeated.
And what is Silchester? Well, if you take New Doubles, extend it to seven hells, and reverse it, you will arrive at the above set of ligures; but iam not going to let it go out into the world with sucla a name as Reversed New Triples, or even New Triples Reversed. Sach a inme would kill any method. Fou may ling Reversed New Triples, if you like, but if you use my Bob, call it Sileliester, please. But, says the critic, your Bob is not a bob at all. Quite so, neither is the Singlo used in Grandsire Triples a single. To be exact, they are both double changes. But it is always ealled a single in Grandsime, and it will, I am sure, be vost concenient to call it Bob in Silchester, especially as mother call is necessary.

Silehester will prove interesting to any ringers who feel tempterf to try for the first peal, while, to the composer who likes to take up somelhing new, I can promiso a most interesting study.
Here is the peal again written out by the bob-leads, as some conductors may profer it so :-

E. BANKN: JAMES.

## BELFRY RECORDS

## AN OLD RINGING BOOK AT OHEW MAGXA

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir, Your lending article of November 1st curionsly coincides with a discovery I liave just made.
I have always believed that change ringing in North Soblowet was introduced by Squive Palairet, father of the famous crickctars. Now [ hase to hand irrefutable evidence of change ringing doue in the Chew Magna district, considerably over one hundred sears ago, it the slape of a manuseripl book which las heen handed down through the generations, and is now the property of a Chew Magar ringer. On telling Mr. W. A. Cave of this, he quoted au olil say-ing:-

A single, extreme, a single, hob, too,
None cant equal the rillgets of Chew
suggest, smay be a misquotation of
The first lime, $]$ suggest, thay be a misquotation of * A hob, extreme, a trob and single, too," as the latter protuces a six-score.
To revert to the book, it contains 28 extents of Duulles. Sume of them, with eurious nanles, e.g., Mrs. Crambol, Thomas Sage's Delight, the Cambridge Journey, Gog-Magog, are merely six-scores of Grandsite, wills or without extremes.
Others, such ns " Little Mr. Bols, are extents nroduced by cansing one bell to lie eight blows hehind, or in front. Others make the treble da a peculiar hust, while others change the home kell.
Calls, in addition to the boh, single, and extreme, included the lialf-simgle and the "sliarp." It would appear that the sharp meant an odd dodge on the front, with 3rd's place to correspond.
Now Doubles, as we know it, is there, except that the single is made in $2-3$ instead of in 45, as nowadays. All dodges were calfed, by the way
"One ringer was sory, when [ mentioned it, that April Day was not inclarded.
"Aln!" said another, "if us wetc lo ring le, "iwotzld zound more laike November night. - Yours failhfully,

Clileompton.
J. T. DYKE

DEATH OF FORMER MASTER OF COLLEGE YGUTHS
The doah of George 't'. McLathghin, n former Master of the Col Inge Yottlis, who died at the age of 70 years, passed aimost unwaticed in the Exorcise. Writing, to pay a slight tribute to his Wruth" Mr. Cliallis F. Winney says:-
Gearge MeLatginlin was Master of the Ancient Society of College Youlles in 1887. Qur dinner on Saturday, November 5th, in that yenr, was a great success under his chairmanship as Bridge House Hotel. 'The bells ati Ste. Magnus' aud St. Mary-the-Virgin's, Putney, wero rung by the parochial ringers, and these were the last two elurches to kecp up 'St. Guido Faux.' I think this was the last arnivermary when there was any paid ringing for the Gunpow ut St. Pinl's, and took part in in peal there. He called Mr. Cockerill's first poal at St. Mary-the-Virgin's, Putcey (Holt's Original), Saturday, Iune 25th, 1887. He wis very keen in all be did, especially in dingisg Holl's Original, non-conducted, rung with the material forged at St. Abans. Messrs. Mitahell abd JBuckiugham are both still engaged in business in London.

George McLaughlin was an export packer at the Army and Navy Slores, and was persioned of from there mome five or six years ago. Hu hat been out of tonch with ringing siace be gave up as instructor Ht St, Joln's, Wilton Rond, where Messrs. Dawe, Gover and Wimney started to ring. Cancer wag the cauge of death. May he restin peace.

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

## LTORNY PROBLEM TOR NOITHERN BRANCH

The half-yearly meeting of the Northcrn Branch was held at Hockington on Salurday, November 2nd. According to previous arrangoments, it glould have been held at Ewerby, but, owing to the incumbency being vacanl by the death of the Vicar, the commitiee necided to transfer the meeting to Heckiugton. Throngh unforeseen circumstances it was fixed later than usual, but, fortunately, it proved to be real success. Amongst the towers representer were औlankney, Branston, Jwerby, Gainghorough, Heekington, Lincoln, Seoter, Sleaford, Stow and Willingham. The Elloe Deaneries and Southerm Branches were represented by members from Pinchbeck, Surfeet, Spalding Talkingham and Stamford, and the North Notte Agsociation by a lady ringer from North Collingham.
Thu bells, which are a nice riug of eight, und have recentiy been veribuled, were kept going during the afternoon and evening in various methods, ranging from Grandsire Tripies to jondon Surprise Msjor.
I'he gervice, ete which the guild office wes used, whs well attended. The Vieur (Rev. C. A. Norrig) officiated, and gave an appropriate address. The organist very kindly presided at the organ. Subsequently, close upon fifly menbers and fricuds parlook of an excellent, rea in the Village Room.
The business meeting followed, nt which the president, Mr. F. F. Linloy, was in the cluir, supported by members of the commiltee. The Chailman thanked the Vicar for the cordial welcome extended to the hranch, and the Rev. C. A. Norris, who Had to leave carly,
respo rusponded.
[Barton-on-Humber was selected the the place for the next halfyearly menting, tho date lueing left in the hands of the committee. port. Tho Hex resident explained wat to return to a pre-war meport would, owing to the high cost of printing, quiekly absorb the funds of the branch, unlesp the fren tea at the ammal meeting was given up or an increage made in the subsoriptions.
Atler discussion it was agreed to leave this thorny problem to the committee to decide upon the best steps to be taken in the mather.
Mr. Linley alluded to the loss which the branch had sustained by Lto deceuso of Mr. Isanc Vickers, who, for nearly fiffy years, had been $\pi$ nember of the Culhedral company, and proposed a vote of condolonce with the relatives.-Mr. J. A. Freeman seconded, and made reference to Mr. Vickers having beun a staunch and loyal supporter of the old North Lincolnshire Assodiation-This was carried by the members standing in silence, and the seeretary was instructed to write a letter of sympatlyy to those who are left to mourn the loss of one who was so highly respected by all with whom the crame into contacl.
A compreliensive vole of thenks was passed to the church authoritics for the use of the beils, the organisf for his assistance, the caterers fur the excellent tea prowided, the ladies for their efficient waiding at the ten table, likewiso to tho mombers of the local comtake the meeting such asuceess.
This eonelnded the business, after which some of the company induged in hand pet rimgimg others returnod to the tower, while a at that chareb, thus bringing to a close a very suceessfal and enjoynbla menting.
 man Caters 1,263 chrages in, 50 mins. P. Fenth 1, F. Rowsell
(firsi quater of Sicdman Culers) 2, C. 1'ory 3, W. Rehards 4, J. Davies 5, G. Largo 6, E. Stitcil $\mathrm{T}_{3} \mathrm{~J}$. I'hillips $\mathrm{g}_{\text {, }}$ F. Chamberlain connductor) 9, S. R. Braker 10.

## THE ARMISTICE COMMEMORATION

Arong the touches rung in connection with the observance of the anciversary of the Armistice were the follawing:-
KNIGHPON, RADS-On Armistice Sunday, November 10th, at St. Edmard's Church, for morning services, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1,260 changes) in 43 mins., with bells balf-mufled: W. T. Gough 1, A. T. Jones 2, R. H. Jones 3, E, W. Watkins 4, T. F. Preene S, J. J. Price 6, F. Evans (conductor) 7, R. H. Wellings 8.
HOUNSLOW. - On Sunday, November 10th, for Armistice evensong, 1,260 Grandsire Triples in 50 mins. : F. G. Goddard 1, W. H. Stevens 2, W. F. Ellingham 3, C. J. Tricker 4, H. Belcher 5, F. E. Fawthorne 6, J. Kent (coaductor) 7, C. Gash 8. Tung bells half-rauffied

CHESTER-At the Church of St. Mary-without-the-Walls, for evening service (Service of Temernbrance), on November 10th, 1,008 Double Norwict Major in 43 mins.: J. Tomlinson 1, J. Heyes 2, wh. Harris 3, A. G. Watkin 4, 3 as. Swindley $5, G$. Gerrard 6,1 . Swindey 7, S. Jones, jun. (conductor) 8.
FRYERNING, ESSEX. -OD Sunday, November IOth, at St, Mary's Church, before 10 a.m. choral Eucharist, with bells half-muffled, 720 New London Ploasure; after 11 a.m. matins, with bells open, 720 Braintree Delight; before 6.30 p.m. evensong, 720 Double Court and 720 Oambridge Surprise: E. Camp I, G. Camp 2, C. Harrington 3, H. Wright 4, E. Sitch 5, A. Bradley (conductor) 6.

TETTENHALL, STAFFS.-For the memorial service, on Sunday, Novenober 10th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, with the bells half-muffled: T. E. Taylor 1, A. Butier 2, F. R. Pickering 3, B. Dalton 4, J. W. Taylor 5, K. C. Taylor 6, R. Pickering (conductor) 7, T. E. Bate 8.
BISHOP'S STORTFORD, HERTS. On Armistice morning, Mumday, Navember 1Ith, before the Two Minutes' Silence, bells fully mufled, 504 Grandsire Triples: Miss D. Winey 1, R. Fayden 2, H. A. Wacey 3, H. M. White 4, F. Bird (conduetor) 5, W. T. Prior 6, P. Springham 7, W. Wilkinson 8 .

HARROW WEALD. At All Siginte' Church, fol Armistice Sulday, before matins, with the bells lialf-mufled, 360 Bob Minor, followed by Grandsire and Stedman Doubles; after the service, with the bells open, 240 Grandsire Doubles; before evensong, with the bells half-muffled, 720 Bob Minor; affer, another 720, with the bells open, by the following: Miss F. Olayton, Miss II. Fulton, Messre. F. Wilcox, G. R. Goodship, N. Genna, H. Holnis, W. Forrod. Minor condueted by G. R. Goadelip, oller methods by N. Geani. This is the first oceasion that a 720 has been rung by a purely local batal, all of whom ane regular Sunday servied ringers at this church.
UPPER GLAPTON.-For morning Service, on Armistice Sunday, at Sh. Mathew's Church, g quartor-peal of Grandsire Triples in 42 mins., by the following, who aro all local Sunday service ringers: L. C. Cornisb 1, H. J. Cantry 2, S. H. R. Cooper 3, H. J. King 4, H. Smith 5, H. J. Gregory 6, C. H. Grey (conductur) 7, H. A. W. Yeowell (first quarter) 8.
CARDIFF.-On Armisfice Dap, for the 11 o"clock service, a quir-ter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1,260 changes) in 51 mine., with the bells half-muffed in remembrance of those who fell in the Great War: G. Large 1, F. Hannington 2, Miss D. Richards 3, F. Chamberlain 4, P. Heath 5, A. Parinell 6, J. Philligs (conductor') 7, S. R. Barker 8.
ERITH, KENT.-For special Armistice service, at Cllist Cburch, guarter-peal of Grandsire priples (1,260 chatiees), withe the Lalf-mufled: J. Reynolds 1, F. A. Holden 2, A. G. Hili 3, L. J. Gullum 4, F. A. Coley 5, J. S. Morton 6, F. J. Gullum, jun. (conductor) 7, W. G. Darke 8.

FARNHAM, SLTRREY.-On Sundry, November 10th, in the mornng, at St. Andrew's Cliurch, for the Armistice sorvice, a quarterpeal of Bob Major (1,284 changes) in 49 mins.: J. Hergley I, C. Edwads 2, J. Read 3, S. Meadows 4, G. Upslanll 5, F. Kemp 6, R.
Hasted (conductar) 7, T. Upshall B. For cvening servite, 504 (ivandsire Triples: H Birmingham 1, $G$. Upshall 2, C. Edwards 3, S. Moadows 4, J. Read 5, F. Kemp 6, R. Fasted (conductor) 7, A. E. King 8.
GREAT BADDOW.-On Sunday, Novemher 101h, for avening service, a quarter-peal of Grendsire Triples ( 1,260 chapges) in 45 mins. for the Brilish Legion Armistice service: Miss Winnie Linn 1, W. Rice 2, H. Dawson 3, P. Greon 4, Miss Dolly Firench 5, Dr. Spencer Plitilips 6, Geo. Green (conductor) 7, F. Payze 8.
PUTNEF, LONDON.-On Sundat, November 10th, a quarter-peal
of Stedman Triples (Brooks') in 45 mine: T. Bolton I, W. H. Ball 2, W. Malins 3, E. Cassel] 4, C. E. Moody 5, J. Herbert 6, W. ${ }^{2}$. Elson (cenductor) 7, A. E. Williams 8. Rung for Armistice Sunday nad the parade of ex-Service men with the R.A.O.R.

## A COMMEMORATIVE QUARTER-PEAL

On Thursday, Novemher 7h, at the Cathell ral, Portsmouth, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Tripleg in 51 mins.: E. C. Martin 1, F. A. Burneti 2, Mrs. F. A. Burneit 3, C. Sheplerd A, P. Giles 5, F. W. Burnett 6, H. L. W. Aitken (conductar\} 7. L. P. Cook 8. Rung to commemorate the presentation of a model of the fourth 'Mary Rose. ( which fought a brilliant naval action off Cadiz in 1669), which is now to find a binal resting place close to the tomb of lier gallant admiral, Sir John Kempllionne, in the precinets of the Cathedral.

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established r637).-Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on Nov. 2Ist, *St. Paul's Cathedral on the 26 th , Southwark Cathedral on the 28 th at 7.3 o p.m. *Business meeting afterwards. - William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

## NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - A

 general meeting of the West Norfolk Branch will be held in the Archdeacon's Court in St. Nicholas' Church, King's Lynn, on Saturday, Nov. 16th, at $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. , for the election of officers and committee. The ring of beils (8) of St. Nicholas' Church will be available. Members are kindly requested to attend this first meeting of the new branch.-Arthur L. Coleman, Gen. Sec. and Treasurer.OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Sonning Deanery Branch.-Combined practice at St. Paul's, Woikingham, Saturday, Nov. 16th, from 6 till 9 p.m. All welcome.W. J. Paice, Branch Sec.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN 13UILD.-Isle of Wight District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Newchurch on Saturday, Nov. r6th. Belis (6) available at 3 p.m. Tea (by kind invitation of Vicar) in the Vicarage, and business meeting. All ringers in-vited.-B. J. Snow, Hon. Dis. See., 2, Collingwood, Daniel Street, Ryde, I.O.W.
SUFFOLK GUILD.-A general meeting will be held at Woodbridge on Nov, 16th. Bells available from 2.30. Tea at Howes' Cafe, next the church, at 4.30 , gd. each. Meeting follows.-H. Drake, Uford, Woodbridge.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Guildford District meeting at Shalford on Nov. 16th. Bells available 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Nominations for district officers for 1930 must be made at this meeting.-G. L. Grover, Hon. Sec., Merrow Cottage, East Clandon.
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.-Lincoln District.Next meeting at Caythorpe (8), Saturday, Nov. 16th. Tower open 2 p.m. Good train and bus service between Grantham and Lincoln. Notification for tea to Harold Marcon, Dis. Sec., 269 , Wragby Road, Lincoln.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Bolton Branch. The next meeting will be held at St. George's, Bolton, on Saturảay, Nov. 16th. Bells available 3 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.-Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., 203, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-S.E. Division.-The annual meeting will be held at Galleywood on Saturday, Nov. 16 th. Bells (8) available at 2.30 . Service at $4 \cdot 30$, followed by tea and meeting in the School.--H. W. Kirton, Hon. Dis. Sec.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Bromyard Dis-trict.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Bredenbury on Saturday, Nov. 16th. Beils (6) avatable 3 o'clock. Service 4.3 . Tea 5 o'clock. - A. S. Tomkins, Post Office, Bredenbury.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - The annual meeting of the Gloucester Branch will be held at the Church of St. Mary de Lode, Gloucester, on Saturday, Nov. 16th. Beils (6) open from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea $5.15 \mathrm{p}: \mathrm{m}$., is. per head. All ringers welcome. - W. H. Harris, Branch Sec., 15 , Painswick Road, Gloucester.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.-There will be a meeting at Arley, near Nuneaton, on Saturday, Nov. I6th. The recently augmented peal of 6 will be available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 o'clock, is. each. Bus leaves Nuneaton (Broad Street) 2.10 and every half-hour after. Bus from Coventry 3.30-D. E. Lewis, Gen. Hon. Sec., Firholm, King Edward Road, Nuneaton.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - Marshland Branch. - A meeting will be held at Tilney All Saints on Saturday, Nov. 16th. Ringers welcomed. - W. G. Cross, 16, St. James' Road, King's Lynn.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION, - Biggleswade-District.-A meeting will be held at Arlesey on Saturday, Nov. I6th. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m., if arrangements can be made. All ringers welcome.-C. J. Ball, Dis. Sec., 2, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Peak Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Baslow on Nov. 16th. Church of St. Anne ( 6 bells, tenor about 12 cwt .) available afternoon and evening. Tea and meeting 5 . p.m. Please notify Mr. F. Sheldon, Bar Cottage, Bas-low.-J. E. Lewis Cockey, Hon. Dis. Sec., Leanwood, Dore.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - A quarterly meeting of the Western Division will be held at Chichester on Saturday, Nov. 16th. Beils available from 2 o'clock. Service at 4. Tea at 5 o'clock at Vokes' Tea Roons, The Hornet.-A. W. Groves, Amherst, Dominion. Road, Worthing.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Chertsey Dis-trict.-A combined practice will be held at Weybridge on Saturday, Nov. 16 th, 6.30 to 9 p.m. Come and give a helping hand.-H. Hancock, Hon. Dis. Sec., 3, Chobham Road, Ottershaw.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-The next meeting of the Chesterfield District will be held at Alfreton on Nov. 16th. No arrangements made for tea.-J. P Tarlton, Hor. Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Newbury Branch.The annual meeting of the Newbury Branch will be held at Newbury to-morrow (Saturday), Nov. r6th. Bells (8) available at 3 o'clock. Service 4.3 . Tea 5 p.m. at is. All ringers welcome. Two peal boards to be dedicated at 4.I5 p.m. - H. W. Curtis, Hon. Sec., Church Road, Shaw, Newbury, Berks.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Hunts Branch.A meeting will be held at Hemingford Abloots on Saturday, Nov, 16th. Service at 4.30 . Tea at 5 p.m.-C. Fields, Dis. Sec., St. Neots.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Western Division.
The district annual meeting will be held at Leytonstone on Saturday, Nov. 23 rd. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Service 4.45 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m. Meeting to follow.-E. I. Butler, Dis. Sec., 3, Euslace Road, Chadwell Heath.

HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Western Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at King's Langley on Saturday, Nov. 23 rd. Belis (8) available from 3 p.m. Usual arrangements. Splendid bus service from Watford. W. Ayre, Sec.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-A general meeting of the South Norfolk Branch will be heid in the Vestry of the Parish Church, Diss, on Saturday, Nov. $3 \mathrm{zra}^{2}$, at $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., for the election of officers and commitee. The ring of bells (8) of St. Mary, Diss, and St. Peter, l'elgrave, will be available. A good attendance of members is kindly requested at this first meeting of the branch.-Arthur L. Coleman, Gen. Sec. and Treasurer.
LADIES' GUILD.-Northamptonshire District. - A meeting will be held at Orlingbury (5) on Saturday, Nov. 2 zrd. Ringing from $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.15 , followed by tea. Will all requiring tea kinclly let me know by Nov. 19th?-S. Thursfield, Hon. Sec., Cranford Rectory, Kettering.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Northern District.-A meeting will be held at Hitchin on Saturday, Nov. 23 rd. The bells (8) will be available at 3 p.m. Short service (County Service Paper) at 4.30 . Tea at 5 p.m. Will those who require tea provided for them, notify me not later than Wednesday, Nov, 2oth? All ringers welcome, and a good attendance requested. Donald C. Mears, Hon. Dis. Sec., Offey, Hitchin.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckley District.-The next mecting will be held at Croft on Saturday, Nov. 23 rd. Bells available at 3.30 p.m. Tea provided in the Schools at 5 o'clock. A good attendance is requested at this neeting, all ringers being cordially welcome-W. A. Cope, Smockington.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-A meeting of the Ely Archdeaconry will be held at Trumpington on Saturday, Nov. 2 grd. Bells (6) available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and business 5 p.m. Will those who require tea advise Miss K. Willers, Sweetbriars, Trumpington, Cambs, by 2 ist?-F. Warrington, Dis. Sec.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Luton District. - $A$ meeting will be held at Luton on Saturday, Nov. 23rd. The bells will be available at 3 p.m. Everybody wetcome-A. E. Sharman, Hon. Sec., 199, High Street N., Dunstable.

EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD.-A meeting will be heid al. Turner's Hill on Saturday, Nov. 23rd. Tower opened 3 p.n3. Will those attending kindly notify me not later tham Nov. 20th? - G. Lambert, Drummond Hay, East Grinstead.
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUlLD,-Alton District.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Selborne on Saturday, Nov. 23rd. Bells (5) availalle from 2.30; also at Newton Valence (5). Service at St. Mary's, Selborne, 4.30 . Tea at 5 p.m., followed by lusiness meeting. Those requiring tea kindly notify by Thurs., Nov. 21.-B. C. Taylor, Binsted Vicarage, Alton.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-East Berks \& Sauth Bucks Branch. - The next ringing practice bas been arranged at Clewer ( 5 lyells) on Saturday, November 23 rd, at 6 p.m.-A. D. Barker, Branch Sec. and Treas., Cambridge. Wexham, Slough.
CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. - Grappenhall Branch.-The annual meeting of the above branch will be held at Grappenhall on Saturday, Nov. 23rd. Bells (8) ready from 3 p.m. Service at 5 o'clock. Tea at 5.30 , followed by meeting.-G. A. Taylor, Branch Sec., The Village, Grappenhall.
LADIES' GUILD.-Northern District. - A meeting will be held at Dore, near Sheffield, on Saturday, Nov. 3oth (eight bells). Gentlemen cordially invited. - N. Cawthorne, Hons. Sec., 394, Handsworth Road, Sheffeld.

COMBINED MEETING of members of the Hereford Guild, the Shropshire and Worcestershire Associations, and the Stafford Archdeaconry will be held at Claverley (between Wolverhampron and Bridgnorth) on Saturday, Nov. 3ath. Bells (8) available from 3. Tea (Is. 6d.) at the Crown Hotel at 5 for those who send word by Wednesday, ${ }^{7} 7 \mathrm{th}$ inst. Bus leaves Queen Square, Wolverhampton at 3 ; return 9.45 . All ringers welcome. - H. Knight, 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-North-Western District. -The next meeting will be held at All Saints', Banstead, on Saturday, Nov. 3oth. Tower open $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 5 p.m., tea and meeting following at the View Tea Roons. Those requiring tea please let me know by Tuesday, Nov. 26th.-D. Cooper, Hon. Sec., 5, Harrison's Rise, Croydon.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis-trict.- The next bye-meeting will be held at Ospringe on Saturday, Dec. 7 th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service. Arrangements for tea can be made for those who notify me on or before Wednesday, Dec. 4th.-Percy W. Smith, Hon. Dis. Sec., Fair View, Littlebourne, Canterbury.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West District.A meeting will be held at Heston on Saturday, Dec. $7^{\text {th }}$. Ringing from 3 p.m. Tea arranged as usual. Cheap tickets issued on District Railway to Central Hounslow, then bus to church.-Wm. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W. 4.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - The annaal mecting of the Cheltenham Branch will be held at Charlton Kings on Saturday, Dec. 7 th. Bells open at 3 o'clock. Service $4 \cdot 30$. Tea, by kind invitation of the Vicar (Rev. Edgar Neale), 5.30 . Business meeting after tea. Will all those intending being present please notify me by Dec. 3rd? - Walter Yeend, Branclı Sec., Millfeld, Tewkesbury Road, Cheltenham.
HERTS ASSOCIATION.-Rickmansworth, Saturday, Dec. $7^{\text {th. -Horton, }}$ 53, Aldenham Road, Bushey. (Tel. City $4^{27}{ }^{\circ}$.)
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USK, MON.-On Sunday, November 3rd, for evensong, at the Parish Church, a quatter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1,260 changes) taken from Holt's Original, in 42 mins.: G. Knight 1, D. G. Clift (conductor) 2, G. Hawkins 3, G. Went 4, E. W. Luff 5, L. Jones 6, A. Hawking 7, E. Bowyer 8 .

MACCLESFELD.-At Christ Church, an Sunday, November 3 ra , for the day school festival evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1,260 changes) in 50 mins.: A. V. Heese 1, A. Cuallinor 2, F. L. Ronan 3, J. Tipper 4, W. Stevensan 5, J. Worth 6 , W. Gayes (conductor) 7, J. Waumsley 8. The first quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples on the beils for 25 years.
DENHOLME, YORKS.-Ou Sunday, November 3 rd, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples ( 1,260 changes) in 45 mins. : W. Foster 1, J. Windle 2, H. Atkinson 3, A. E. Smallbones 4, W. Proctor 5, A. Bairstow 6, V. Bairstow (conductor) 7, M. Harrison 8. Rung for the 53 rd anniversary of the bells, opened ou Novernber $4 \div 11$, 1876.
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SWYNNETTON, STAFFS.-On Sunday, October 27th, for eveming scrvice, at St. Mary's Church, 720 Grandsire Doubles: W. Watkin 1, Rev. J. B. Frith 2, A. Bennett 3, E. Young 4, W. Chailinor (conductor) 5, J. Willings 6. A first effort of the local band.

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One of the points which will appeal most strongly to all good ringers was the emphasis which the speaker laid on the importance of good striking in ringing. It is not a new subject, but it carries added weight when it comes from one who is himself among the best of ringers. It is unfortunately too true that there are those who have rung many peals, but who have not yet learned to ring-to ring well, that is to say. There are many in the Exercise who, though their names may bave appeared in the records of peals, are still inefficient in the management of a bell-who merely 'slop' through their ringing, and, what is sadder still, are content with that. One poor striker can and does spoil the efforts of the rest, however good they may be, and no man ought to be satisfied until he is competent to 'place' bis bell in its exact position every time. That is not to say that the best of ringers do not sometimes make a bad blow. It was, we believe, the Master of the Oxford Guild who on some former occasion said that if he were asked to define a good striker he would say be was one who, when he made a bad blow, knew be had done it and could kick himself for it. That is a delighiful definition and it woald be difficult to find a better. The trouble about bad strikers-and no man has really learnt to ring a bell untit he can strike well-is that they do not know it. They do not take the pains to learn to listen for their own bell, and they seem to have no sense of time or rhythm. Bad strikers we shall probably always have (Continued on page 738.)

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[^76][^77]with us, but there is a great deal in the point which was made by the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn when he said we should set our faces against those who ring many peals before they have learnt to ring a bell. Young ringers need encouragement, but the encouragement which is provided by peal ringing should only be offered when they have really learnt to ring a bell.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

NORWICH, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, November 12, 1929, in Thee Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes, At the Chirch of St, Feter Mancroft,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOE ROYAL, $\operatorname{bOOOCHANEES;}$

 Tenor 37 cwt 3 qr . 5 lb .Willinm B. Duncan ...Treble *Nolan Golden ... ... ... 6
-Miss Hribn W. Bill ... 2 Frederick R. Borrbit ... 7
Edin R. Goate ..... .3 ; Cbarles E. Loveti... ... 8 Grorge Maybrs ... ... 4 Grorge Balley... ... ... 9 Willam C. Doffield.. .5 James F. Doffield ... .... 5 Thor Composed by G. H. Cross. Conducted by E. R. Goate.

* First peal of Treble Ten. Rung as a peal of weicome to the Rep. Hugh McMullan, who was instituted as Vicar at this church on Friday, November 8th.

LOUGHBOROUGH.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Satuyday, Nowember 16, 1929. in Three Hours and Twenty-Nine Mintites At the Cadreh of All Saints,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor 30 cwt.
William Willson ... ...Tyeble ${ }^{\text {Refprt Richardson ... }}$... 6
Harold J. Poole ... ... 2 Percy Harrison... ... Alfrid Ballard ... ... 3 Ernest Morais - ... ... 8
 Jobn Holman $\ldots \ldots$
Composed by Wb. Pye.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

HEDON, YORES. THE YORESHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, November 7. 1929, in THyee Fours and Nine Minutes, At the Cedrce of St. Augusithe,
A PEAL OF GRAHDSIRE TRIPLES, 50t0 CHANGES;
Tenor 17 cwt . qr . ig lb .

Leonard Rodmbll ... ...Tyeble John W. Hobson ... ... 5 \begin{tabular}{llll|llll}
George F. Williaks \&... \& 2 \& Grorge Miller ... \&... \&.. \& 6 <br>
Grorge Dowling \&... \&.. \& 3 \& John H. Howrle \&... \&.. \& 7

 

Grorge Dowling \& $\ldots . . .$. \& 3 \& John H. Howzll \&... \&... <br>
John Chambrriain \& $\ldots$ \&.. \& 4 \& Edwin Wood
\end{tabular} Composed by J. J. Parker. Conducted by Grorge F. Williams First peal on the bells.

SOUTHWELL, NOTTINGHAMSHTRE.
THE MIDLAND CODNTIES AgSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 9, 1929, in Thre Hours and Sixteen Minutes, Ay ter Cathedral Cedreh of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, BDGD CHANGES!

- Drxter's Variation.

Tenor 29 cwt .
Dr. 至. L. Taylor ... .
 Grorgre E. Foster ... ... 3 Artbur J. Chambbrlain ... 7 Walter White ... ... ... 4 Edward Foster ... ... ...Tonor Conducted by J. F. Milner.
First peal on the bells since 1911. First on the bells aince ther were rehung by Messirs. Taylor and Co., Loughborough, the "go" being excellent. A birthday compliment to the conductor. Tho treble ringer is from Sevenoaks, Kent, and was elected a life mem ber of the M.C.A., 2nd from St. Mary's, Nottingham, 4th from Cotgreve, 5th from Bell Foundry, Loughborough, the rest are reguler gervice ringera at the Cathedral.

SALEHURST, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Satwrday, Nowmber 9, 1929, in I wo Hours and Fifiy-Eigh Minutes. At the Chdrch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Groves' Transposition of Parkrr's Twelve-part. Tenor $16 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Frederick Morgan ... ...Trebla $\mid$ George King .... ... ... 5
Richard D. Divale ... ... 2 Albert E, Edwards ... ... E Grorgr Lhmbert ... ... 3 FrederickJ. Lambert, jun. 7 Ernest J. Ladd ... ... ... 4 Josepg Wren ... ... ... Tempt Conducted by F. J. Lambert, jon.
Ruag as a birthday compliment to Mrs. F. J. Lambert, jun., and Mr. A. E. Edwards.

LUGWARDINE, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Satwrday, November 9, 1929, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes, At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR: 505G CHANGES;
Tenor iz cwt. I qr. zo lb.
William H. Symonds... ...Treble Thomash. Tayson ... ... 5

| Cearles Edwards | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Geofrrey Tayson | ... | ... | 6 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Allan E. Gwynne | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3 | Artbor W. Davies | ... | .. | 7 |


Composed by J. R. Pritchard. Conducted by Waltar Taylor.
ㅍANDSWORTH, FORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ABEOOIATION.
On Monday, Nobember 11, 1929, tn Three Hours ahd Thirtean Minttes,
At tae Chorch of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT DOB MAJOR, 5184 GHANEEG Tenor 18 crit.
Arther Pasbley ... ...Tyeble Miss Norl Cawtborne ... 5
*Miss Doris Terner... ... 2 Frbderick Cardwell ... 6
Altrord Bassford ... .... 3 Harold Taylor...
Miss Epa Horkins ... ... 4 Fred Watkinson ... ...Tenoy Composed by H. Joenson. Conducted by F. Watmenson.

* First peal. Rung with clappers liali-mufled in commemoration of the fallen in the Great War, 1914-1918. BRENTWOOD, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, November 17,1939 , in Three Fowrs and Five Minutes,
At the Chorce of St. Thomas-the-Martyr,

Tegor 20 crut.

George R. Pye... $\ldots . . . . .$.
ERNEST J. Composed by G. Lindoff. Conducted by G.R. Pye.
$\Rightarrow$ First peal in the method.


## LONDON.

THE ANCDENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUMHS. On Monday, November 17, 1929, in I hree Bours,
At tee Churce of St. Andrew, Werles Strert,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, EA4O CHANGEs;

ThUasians' Fotr-part.
Tenor 20 cwt .

George N. Price ... ... 3 Herbert Langdon ... ... 7
Henry Dyas ... ... ... 4 Alan R. Macdonald... ...temar Conducted by Challis $F$. Winney.
Rung half-mufled to the memory of all those who lost their lives in the Great War.

LISCARD, CRESHIRE.
THE GHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Wirral Brance.j)
On Monday, Nouember 11. 1929. in Three Hours and Eightern Minutes,
At the Parise Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BDB MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;

Tenor if cwt. 2 qr. 2 lb . in F .
-J. Norman Benson ... ...Treble $\mid$ †Harry Rogrrs.... ... ... 5 John Bagley ... ... ... 2 Thomas Rogras ... ... 6 Joen Breese... Lester L. Gray .... ... 4 Jambs C. E. Simpson ...Temor
Composed by A. Knigats. Conducted by J C. E. Simpson.

* First peal and first attempt. $\dagger$ First peal of Major away from the treble. \#First peal of Oxford. Rung with half-muffled clappers on this, the 11th anniversary of Armistice Day, as a tribute to those who fell during the Great War.

BRIERLEY HILL, STAFFS.
THE WORGESTERSHIRE AND DISTRIGTS ASSOCLATION.
(Nortaern Branch.)
On Wednesday, Nownher 13, 1929, in Two Howrs and Fifty-Four Minutes,
Ay the Cagreh of St. Michabi,
A PEAL OF BPLICED BOB MAJGR AND GRANDSIRE TRIPLEE, 6096 GHANCES;
Tenor 14t cwt.
Grorge Davies .. ... ...TPeble John Kendall ... ... ... 5
Harry Holden ... ... ... 2 Whithr Masters $\quad . .$.

| Williah Potter | $\ldots$ | ... | 3. | Clifford Skidmore | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Thomas Femming | 7 |  |  |  |  |


This is the first peal of Spliced Major and Triples on the belfs, by all the band and by the association. It was rung by an entirely local band. The composition contains 2,572 changes of Bob Major and 2,524 changes of Grandsire T'riples, and was published in 'The Ringing World ' of September 17th, 1926. AMBROSDEN, OXON

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(Oxford Socibiy.)
On Saturday, Nowtaber 16, 1929, in Two Hours ama Fifty-Eight Minutes,
At xhe Chorch of St. Mary-the-Virgin,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, B0,0 CHANGES।
Heywood's 'Transposition of Thorstans' Four-pari.
Tenor 20 cwt. T qr. 6 lb . in E flat.

Mrs. Albert E. Lock ... 2 Wicliam Stone ... ... ... 6

Conducted by Walier F. Jodge
This is the first peal on these bells, which were recently, alumented from six to eight by Messrs. Taylor and Co., the "go' being excellent.

## MYTHOLMROYD, YORESHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION,
On Salurday, Nowomber 16, 1929, in 7hree Hours and Ten Minutes,
Af the Cegrce of Si. Micearl,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOE MAJOR, $\overline{0} 08$ CHANEEB Tenor 14s cwt.
Herbert Davenport... ...Treble James Ingeas .. Miss Rose A. Bell ... ... 2 Frank Firloen
Frank Greenwod .... 3 •Robert Barmed ... ... 6
Miss Hester Bell ... ... 4 Wileiam Horan ... ...Tenor
Composed by Arthor Knights. Conducted by William Horan.

* First peal in the method. Rung as e 2lst birthday compliment to Mr. F. Nuttall, of the Todmorden Unitarians' company. The band wish to thank Miss F. Bell for kindly taking a rope at a moment's notice.


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THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GULLD.
On Saturday, Nowenber 76, 1929, in Thee Honrs and I welve Minutes,
At the Chorch of St, Mary,
A PEAL EF MOUBLE MORWICH COURT DOE MAdOR, 5024 GNAMEEE, Tenot 22 cwt .3 qr .37 lb .
 John R. Maln $\ldots$.... .... 4 Anderson Y. Tylek ... ...Tbion
Composed by York Green. Conducted by Anderson Y. Tyler.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Alfred J. Martin, who leas soropleted his 50 th year as a ringer at the above church. It was also a birthday compliment to Mr. Harry Obapman (late of Manshester), brather of the ringer of the treble. FANDSWORTH, SHFEFIELD, YORKSHIRE. THE MIDLAND COUNTBS ASSOCIATION. (Sempfigly District Society.)
On Saturday, November 36, 1929, in Thrce Hours, At the Churca of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES; Tenor 12 l cwt .
Eard Watminson
...Treble Herbert Haigh

- Miss Norl Cawthorne..

Miss Gract Borcinall 3 harbar Knigets
Migs 3 Arther Pashley ... .... 7
Composed by Arthor IאNigets, Conducted by A Prrcival Knigrors

* Tiral peal of Oxford Trebla Bob.

BURNHAM-ON-SEA, SOMERSEI.
THE BATH AND WTLLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Nowember 76, 1929, in Thyea Hours and One Minute, At the Church of St. Andrew,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 6056 CHANGES; Tenor 23 cwt .
Alexandea Evans ... ...Treble William J. Prascott ... 5
Albert Stowell ... ... 2 William H. Lloyd ... ... $\overline{6}$
Alpred E. Rrevas ... ... 3 Ronald G. Bbce......
James Hont... .......... 4 Joserph T. Dyke ... .... ...Tetor
Composed by C. Midderon. Conducted by Acfred E. Reeves.
First peal of Cambridge Surprise on the bells.
DEVIZES, WILTSHTRE.
IHE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Satrrdar. Nowmbar 16, 1929, in Thyoe Hours and Eleven Minutes, Ax the Cebrca of St. Johm,
A PEAL EF DOUBLE NORWICH C日URT BOD MAJOR, 5136 CNANRE Tenor igh cwt.

- Jegee Francis ... ... ...Treble Sidney Wiltstitre ... ...

Ernast Troman $\quad . . . \operatorname{lin}^{2}$ Samogr J. Hector...
Looks A. Wilson ... .... 3 Sidney Hileger ......

- William C. West ........ 4 Fred Lahbeth ... .... ... Tenor

Composed by H. J. Tockrr, Conducted by Fred Lambeth.
*First peal in tha method. First peal in this method on the bells. Rung as a compliment to Mr. W. Bolwell. The band take this opportrinity of wishing bim every success in his new splere of activity in London.

BEWDLEY, WORCESTERSHTRE.
THE WORCESTERSFIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Northern Branch.)
On Suturday, Nonaber 16, 1929, in Three Honrs and Three Minites, At the Church of St. Anne,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Thurstans' Four-part. James Broad
Wileian Shos
I

## ..Trebie ... 2

 Higctor Bird Joun Smiry Conducted by C. Sxidmore.
Rung as a welcome to Alderman $H$. N. Frost, on his return from n nursing home followiog an operation, also in honour of his rewection as Mayor of Bewdey for the third successive year. It is about 18 years since Mr. J. Broad last rang in a peaf, and aboat forty years since a peal was rung on these bolle, which lisve recently lneed rehang on ball bearings. The quarterly peal for the Northern Brapel.

LEYTON, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ABSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Noumber 16, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Fony Minutes, At tar Cutreh of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 EHANGES; Tenor $8 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
Charles A. Hughes ...Treble Grorge R. Pye ... ... ... 5
Ernest f. Butcrar.......$\quad 2$ James Branett ...
Albert W. Coles ... ... 3 James E. Davis ... ... ... 7
 Composed by Gabriel Lindoff. Conducted by Wilciam Pye.

* First peal in the method.


## WARNHAM, SUSSEX.

THE GULLDFORD DIOCESAN GUIED.
On Saturday, Nowember 76. 1929. in Three Hours ard Two Mirstes, At the Chorch of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF COLLEGE SINGLE MAJOR, gO88 CHAHCES; Tenor I 4 cwt. 2 qr. II lb.

| Walter Charman | ... | ...Treble | Peter Cgarman | ... | ... | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Griogge Wilson | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Alprid H. Pulling... | .. | 6 |


| -George Wilson | $\ldots$ | ... | 2 | Alpred H. Pulling... | .. | 6 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - C. Ernest Smith | $\ldots$ | ... | 3 | †Josn Cook... | ... | .. | - Kenneth Sneling... ... 4 Oliver Sippetts .... .... Tenor Composed by Walter Cearman. Couducted̉ by Alfred H. Pulling

First peal in the method. +100 th peal. First peal in the method for the Guild.

## TOTIENHAM.

On Saturday, Nowomber 16. 1929, in Two Horys and Fifty-Eigh Minutos, Aitae Cefrca of All Haleows,
A. PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 50:40 CHANGES;

Parker's Twelqe-part.
H. W. H. Strickland ...Treblé H. Ellis
H. A. Barnetri...... $\operatorname{lig}^{2}$ N. Tomlinson

| . | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 6 |  |
| $\cdots$ | $\ldots .$. | $\ldots$ | 7 |  |
| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ тено |  |

- W. J. Elcis … $\begin{gathered}\cdots \\ \text { Conducted by N. Tomlinson. }\end{gathered}$
\% First peal in method. Peals are very ravely rugg on these bells, and this (delayed for rehanging of the teaor) was to celelrate the golden wedding of Mr. H. A. Barnett and incidentally the birthday of Miss P. Upsher.

BANSTEAD, SURREY.
THE GULLDFORD DIOCESAN G ULD.
On Satwrday, Nowamber 16,1929 , in Two Hows and Fifly-Eight Minuics.

> At the Caurgh of Ali Saints.

A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, B058 CHANGES! Middeeton's.

Tenor 2 传 cwt. in $E$ flat.
Albert H. Harman ... ...Theble Harold N. Pitsiow ... 5
-Artelor J. Smith ... ... 2 -Alaert E. Chersman ... 6
Frederick W. Housden... 3 *Alan R. Pink .... ...
Frederick G. Wgodiss ... 4 Herbert Lañ̂don ... ...Temor Coaducted by H. N. Pitssow.

* Firot peal in the method. Quickest peal on the bells. Rung as a welcome to the new Ficar, the Rev. Canon F. N. Skene, M.A. LLANGIBBY, MONMOUTHSHIRE.
THE LEANDATF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Soturday, Novomber 16, 1929, is Three Fours and Fow Mixutes.

At the Parish Cedrch,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Holz's Original.
Tenor is cwt.
Donald G. Clifi
.Treble $\mid$ Edward W. Lofe
-George Went ...
Samtel fones ...
..
$\cdots$
$\cdots$
$\cdots$
$\qquad$
ARTHER HAWKINS
. 2 Frank Rowsble ...
4- George Hawkins
Condincteđ by D. G. Clipx.

* Tirsti peal "inside." The band are greatly indebted to Mr. Went, who filled a gap it a moment's notice.


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FOXEARTH, FSSEX

> THE SUFFOLK GULLD.

On Saturday, Nowember 16, 1929, in two Honrs and Fifty Four Minutes Ai the Parise Churce,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 50 䵣 CHANGES Sidney Gridley... ... ....d reble | Parcy Gridley ... ... ... 5 Granville C. Binby ... ... 2 Arthor Taylor ... ... ... 6 Throdori E. Slater... +... 3 Arthur Maxim ... Thomas Chingry .... ... 4 Samorl Evans ... ... ...Temor

Composed by T. B. Woasley. Conducted by Samoel Evans.
This peal was alranged for Mr, ©. Gridley, of Sudbury, a nativo and formerly a yinger of Foxearth. This was his first peal since 1913, as 马e wes severely crippled in the was

CURDRIDGE, HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINOHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH BIOCESAN GUILD.
In Saturday, Nowembes T0, 1929, in S hyee Hours and Sizteen Mtnutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR; 5056 CHANGES; Jomnson's Variation of Midnleton's.

Tenor 26 cwt.
Edwin J. Harding, sen. Tyeble Josiat D. Harris ... .-- 5
Frederick A. Burnett ... 2 Alfred T. Greenwood ... 6
Tower R. Taylor $\ldots$... ... 3 Frederick S. Bayley $\quad$... 7 George Williams ... ... 4 Frederica W. Rogers ...Temor Conducted by Frederick W. Rogers.
Rurg as a birthday compliment to Mrs. G. Williams. The first peal of Cambridge on the bells.

## STAINES MIDDLESEX

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUHD.
On Sathrday, November 16,1929 in Two Hours and Forty-Srven Minutes, At the Charce df St. Peter,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
J. J. Parker's One-part.

Tenar I5 ${ }^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathrm{c} w t$.
John Peilips ... ... ...Treble
William Weliting ... ... 2
liam Weling ..... 2 Artatir Harding
Arteror Harding
Frank Corke
Ernest ]. Goatbr ... ... 4 William Brants ... ...Tenor
Conducted by Wicilam Weleing.
CLATNES, WORCESTERSETRE.
THE WORGESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCLATION (Western Branch.)
On Saturday, Nowember 16, T929. sin Two Hours and Fifty-Fiwe Minvete, At ite Chorcg of St. John-tae-Baptist
A PERL OF PUDSEY gURPRIRE MAJOR, 5O56 CHANEES; Tenor 14 cwt.
Frani Lawrence ... ...Tyeble |Wiceiah Ranford ... ... 5

| Robert G. Knowles.... | ... | 2 | Wilisam Lewis | .. | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Wilitam C. Jones | ... | ... | 6 | 6 | Cvril Tansell |$..$.


| Willitam C. Jonbs | $\ldots .$. | ... | 3 | Cyril Tansell | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Sidney T. Holt | ... | ... | $\ldots$ | ... | 7 |
| Charles Camm | .. | .. | .. Tenor |  |  |

Composed by Grorge Lfwis. Conducted by Sidney T. Holt.
First peal in the metlod by all the band, on the bells, and for
the acsociation. Rung at the first attempt.
CROWLE, WORCESTERSETRE.
THE WORGESTERSFIRE AND DISTRICTS ASEOCIATION. (Westrin Branch.)
On Sunday, November 17, 1929, is Twi Hour's and Thirty-Nine Minutes, At thr Chorch nf St. John-thr-Baptist

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Groves' Transposition of Parker's Tweive-part.
Tenor 10 cwt .

Frederick Hawkes ... ... 3 Sidney T. Holt ... ... 7 Conmas Conducted by Cyril Tansell.

* First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to Master John Bamber, son of the Vicar, on the first anniversary of his birth. The ringers were kindly entertained to supper by the Vicar and Mrs,
Samber after the peal. Quickest peal on the bells.
BILLINGSHURST, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sutday, November 17, 1929, in Thyes Howrs and Fow Mintes,
At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GAHTERBURY PLEASURE MAJOR, 6056 CHANEES;
Tenor I2 cwt. I gr. 7 lb . in F .
Walter Charman ... ...Treble $\mid$ Peter Cgarman ... ... ... 5
Albert Feist ...
Jack Cook 6
- James Bordfitld... Tom Adams... .... ... ... 4 Alan R. Ping ... ... ... Tener Compased by Wamtrr Cbarman. Conducted by Acanr. Pink. ${ }^{*}$ First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor. First peal of Ganterbury on the belle.


## SIX BELL PEALS.

LAMBERHORST, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
Dn Wednesday, Novembey 6. 1929, in Two Hours and Forly-Eight Minntes.
At the Churce of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR, 6040 CHANEES; Seren 720's.
Albert Relfe
..Treble James Waghorn .

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| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | ... | 5 |
| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | ... |

Conducted by Albrrt Relfe.
Rung as a compliment to Mr. H. Burrows on completing 50 years as organist at the above church, also in houour of the gotden wedding of Mr. W. Padgham (who was a member of the choir for many years) and Mrs. Padgham. 50th peal as conductor.

## NA YENBY, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GULLD.
(Norterrn Branch.)
On Sadwrday, Nowember 9, 1929, in Three Hours and Six Minfles,
At zhe Chorch of St. Peter,
A PEAL DF MINOR, B040 CHANEES;
Being 720 each of St. Olement's, Double Court, Single Court, Oxford
Bob, Plain Bob, Oxford Treble Bob and Kent Treble Bob.

## Tenor 13 ewt.

Friderick W. Stores
Treble Moses Bileings...
John Walden $\qquad$ ... 2 Charles Claydon
... ... 4 Haray Carter Conducted by Frgderick W. Siokes.
First peal on the bells.

## GREAT BARTON

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Saturday, November 9, 1929, in Two Hours and Forly-Four Minutes,
At the Ceureh of tee Holy Innocents,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGEg:

Being seven 720 's, exch called differently.
Tenor 9 cwt 3 lb .
J. Chinery
S. Sturgron
E. Sturgeon

| ... | ... | ...$T r e b l e$ | F. J. Ilffy | ... |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | W. Derrant |
| $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 3 | H. W. Foelger |


| ... | ... | ... | 4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

Conducted by H. W. Foumger.

## GRAVELEY, HERTS.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY AGSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Nowenter 9, 7929, in Two Hoursand Thirty-Six Minutes
At the Chdrch of St. Mary

## A PEAL OF MINOR, BO40 CHANEES;

Being three 720's of Oxford Bob aud four 720's of Plain Bot Minor, with different callings.
Grorge P. Jehnson ...
Treble $\mid$ W. H. Sthniev ... ... ... 4
H. W. Wituering ….. $.2^{2}$ Jack Welce..

EY ...
...
.4
Frank Turner .... ... ... 3 William Lawrence ... ...Tenor
Conducted by W. Lawrence
The first peal on the bells since they hare been rehung.
SIMPSON, BUCKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GULLD.
(Noria Bucks Brance.)
On Striday, November 70. 1929, in Two Hours and Fiffy Mirndes.
At the Parisa Chorce
A PEAL OF MINOR, sO\&A CHANGES
Being 720 each of Double Court, Kent and Oxiord Treble Biob and four 720's of Plain Boh.
Sidney Foskett .. ... ...Treble 'A. Edward Hanks
Albert Fleet
$\begin{array}{ll}\ldots . . & 2\end{array}$
Edmond J, Hozas
Cbarlei: W. Smith...

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| .. | .. | 5 |
| ... | enor |  | Conducted by Cbarles W. Smith.

* First peal. E.J. Hobbs' 100 th peal. First penl on the bells in four methods. Rung with the bells half-muffled for the memorial service.

The final performance of the North Wales tour was rung at Wrex ham on Saturday, September 28th, 1929, and not on the Friday, 276 , as stated in No. 968 of "The Ringing World.'
W. H. F. "writes to say that good oki George McLeughlin was elected Master of the Ancient Society of College Youths in November, 1886, and the writer would like to hear more about the rimging career-for the past twenty years-of such a sound Londoner.

MADRESFIELD, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASGOCLATION. (Western Branch.)
On Sunday, November 10, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes
At tee Cborch of St. Mafy,
A PEAL OF MINOR, E040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Carobridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Deuble Oxford, College Single, Oxfard Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 14 cwt.
 Conducted by Charles Camm.

* First peal on six bells. Rung on the 62nd anniversary of this church.


## TRUMPINGTON, CAMBREDGE

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, Novenber 11, 7929 , in Three Hours and Five Minxtes,

## At the Cabrch of SS. Mary and Migbarl,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGEB;

Being seven 720's.
Tenor 10 ewt .

 Conducted by Edward Haynes.

* First peal. † First peal of Minor. First peal on the bells since they were rehung by Messrs. White, of Appleton, in 1928 . All the band aro Sunday service ringers at the above church. Rung with fully muffled clappers in memory of the men who gave their lives in the Great War.

NEWHALL, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, November 11. 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,
At the Cadrch of St. John,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, $\operatorname{ga40}$ CHANEES;

Seven 720's, eaeh called differeatly. Tenor 11 cwt. -Thomas N. Balley ... ...Treble "Wileiam H. Redfren ... 4 Herbert Hodrdan ... ... 2 a Arthor Sharp ...... Horacr L. Dawson ... ... 3 John Hodge ... ... ...Tomar Conducted by J. Hovar.

## * First peal

HORSMONDEN, KENT. TPGE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATTON.
On Monday, November 11, 1929, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,
Aitige Cgurce of St. Margaret.

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDEE BURPRISE MINOR, $\overline{0} 040$ CHANRES

 Being seven different 720's, called differentlyEdwin Bromley ... ...Tyeble Reginald E. Lambert

- Thomas W. Card
... 2
Reginald E. Lambert
Ggorge Bdrt ...
Azan Bromley
3 Robert T. Lambert ..
... ${ }^{5}$
Conducted by Robert T. Lambrrt.
* First peal away from the treble. Rung with the bells halfmuffled in memory of those who gevo their lives in the Great War. The ringers of the treble and 3rd are brothers and cousins of the ringers of the $4 ; \mathrm{h}$ and tenor.

COOKHAM, BERKS.

## THE OXFORD DIOGESAN GULLD

On Monday, Novender 11, 1929, in Thyee Hours and One-Half Minute. At the Cherch of tae Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;
Being 720 of Oxford Troble Bob and three 720's of Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob, rung alternately.

Tenor 14 cwt .1 gr. 23 lb .
Thomas J. Fowler ... ...Tretie Lbonard S. Stilwell
 Conducted by Gzo. Gisbert.

* First peal in three methods. Rung half-muffled for Armistice Day.

NOTTINGFAM.-At St. Mary's Church, on Noverober 14th, quartor-peal of Grandsire Caters ( 1,277 changes) in 54 mins.: F. Colling 1, Miss I . B. Thompson 2, P. Price 3, A. Copplock (conductor) 4, A. Goodwin 5, A. Lambert 6, L. Clay 7, F. Turaer 8, R. Narborough 9. B. Markhald 10. Longest' leugth of Caters by ail exeept Nos. 3

## BEDFORD

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCLATION.
On Monday, Novamber 11, 1929, isu Two Hours and Forty-One Misutes, At the Chdrce of St. Petrr-de-Mbrton,
A PEAL OF MIHOR, 5040 CHANEEB;
Being 720 changes of Woodbine, 1,440 of Oxford Treble Bob, 1,440 of Oxford Bob, and 1,440 of Plain Bob.
Kenmeta Bowyer
Miss Edith K. Knigat Harky Tysoe

Conducted by Wictiam Siapleton.
Rung to celebrate the anniversary of the Armistice.
KIMPTON, HERTS.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCLATION

On Saturday. Novenber 16, 1929, in Two Hours and Forly Minktes.

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& \text { AT TBE CBDRCH OF SS. PBTER AND PADL, } \\
& \text { APEAL OF HINOR, EOU GHANEEE; }
\end{aligned}
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Being two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Boh and three of Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor 121 cwt.
Thomas J. Holel ... ...TVeble Benjarman... *Alpred J. Gillings... ... 2 Whiter Apre ... ... ... 5 joen Malyan ... .... ... 3 | Francis Kiri ... ... ...-Temoy Conducted by Francis Kirk.

* First penl of Minor. It is thirty years since Mr. Gillinge rang a peal. First peal as conductor in more than one method.


## HANDBELL PEALS.

## IPSWICH.

THE BUFFOLK GUILD.
(St. Mary-le-Tower Society.)
On Weduesday. November 13. 1929, in Two Houys and Eighten Minutes.
In the Belfry of the Cedrce of St. Mary-le-Tower.
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

## Tenor size 14 in C .



Composed by Henry Hobeard. Conducted by Gborge E. Symonds
Umpires: Wilciam P. Garrbit and William J. G. Brown.
First peal of Keat Treble Bob Major on haudbells by all the band. The conductor has now called peals on 8,10 and 12 handbells, of Grandsire, Plain Bol, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, and is the first to perform this feat.

## LEICESTER.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATTON.
On Sunday, November 17, 1929, in Two Hows and Fifty-Sever Minates, At the Residence of H. J. Poole, 3z6, Narborodgh Road,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 GHANGES;
Rupbrt Richardson ... ... i-2 Ernest Morris ... ... ..- $^{\text {5-6 }}$ Harold J. Pooze... ....

## - Percy Harrison ... ... 9-10

Composed by Jambs Gedrge. Conducted by Harold J. Poole

* First handbell peal.


## BELL RESTORATION IN THE OLDEN DAYS.

HOW MONEY WAS GOT IN THE MIDDLE AGES
An interesting record comes down to ans in the archires of the diocese of Winchester, throwing light on the manner in which money was raised for church purposes in the Middle Ages. Referring to the foct that the parish and town of Farnham, Surrey, have just raised £300 to rehang and retune the bells of the Parish Church and to put the chimes in working order, the 'Guildford Diocesan Gagette, says: 'Note the continuity both of parish life and of the English Church. We ask our readers to think of the 14 th century and the particular year 1388 . Forty years earlier the Black Death had ravagod the country and halved the population, with momentous results to the religious, social and economic life of the country. Richard II. was (I388) on the throne. Wycliffe bad been dead but four years; Chaucer had just completed his Canterbury Taiess monasticism and the Medieval Church were entering upon a period of decay. But parish life weut ou; people had the same needs: money was just as much wanted then as now for Church purposes. We dip into the episcopal register of the great William of Wyreham (1367-1405), and we read that in the jear 1388 the people of Farnham were raising money for the purchase of church bella; the parishioners were duly and properly assessed (the "Quota," instead of being a new idea, is an ancient medieval practice). But it was easior then to raise money than it is today. It appears that a fer of the parishioners would not pay up. What happened? The Bishop heard of it and issues a mandate to the Rector of Farnham to "admonish certain parisbioners under pain of ecclesiastical censure (i.e., excommunication) to pay up." They stood no nonsense in the Midale Ages.'

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. STARTING THE REORGANISED BRANCHES.
A gencral meeting of the newly-constituted East Norfolk Branch of the association, the first of a series under the reorganisation scheme, was, by kiad permission of the Vicar (tife Rev. Canon R. Aubrey Aitken), held in the Priory Hall, Great Yarmouth, on Saturday, November Sth, for the election of officens and committee.

The general secretary (Mr. Arthur L. Goleman) read a letter of apology from Ganon R. Aubrey Aitker, expressing his regret in not being able to preside at the meeting.

Mr. Denison Fayward was voted to the chair, and was supported by Mr. Arthur L. Coleman, Mr. Wiliam J. Lee (district secretary), and representatives from Acle, Beecles, Great Farmouth, Reedham, ete.
The General Secretary gave a brief ontline of the purpose of the raeeting, after which the members proceeded to elect officers and committee as follows: Mr. Denison Hayward, chairman; Mr. William J. Lee, hon secretary; Messrs. Robert W. Barber, jun., Willian E. Bason, John C. Dicken, Edwin R. Goate and James Taylor, members of the committee.
The General Secretacy moved tho ratification of the belfry elections (prior to peals) of Messrs. Bertie J. Howchin (re-election), John W. Ward and Colin Harrison, life members (non-resident), and also moved the election of Messrs. James Bunn, Robert William Barber, and Francis Herbert Glossop Hind as members of the association. The notions, on being put to the meeting, were carried.

A vote of thanks was passed to Canon R. Aubrey Aitzen for the usa of the Priory Hall, and the meeting then closen, and the members adjourned to the belfry for ringing-

## BOW BELLS.

CITY CORPORATION AND THE RESTORATION.
The famous bells of St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, which have all too long been silent for need of restoration, were mentioned at a meeting of the City Corporation recently, when the Lord Mayor presented a letter from Alderman Sir Louis Newton, on behalf af the Rector and churchwardens of the church, asking for the assistance of the Corporation in raising the funds necessary to carry out urgent repairs to the fabric, organ and bells.

Mr. Deputy Ellis said 'Bow bells' were not only known to every citizen of London, but they were known all over the world. Their historic association with Dick Whittington endeared them to every British man and woman, and the Court sbould do all in its power to see that they were repaired.

The letter was referred to the Coal, Corn and Finance Committee.

## LIGHT BELLS IN •D.

Writing in answer to the inquiry as to whether Rickmansworth has tha lightest $D$ bell in the country as a tenor (its weight being 20 cwt. 20 lb.$), \mathrm{Mr} . \mathrm{C} . \mathrm{H} . \mathrm{Jenning}$ says that Bere Regis (Dorset) tenoor is $18 \frac{1}{c} \mathrm{cwt}$. in D .
The tenor bell at St. John's, Devizes, Wilts, was cast by R. Purdue at Salisbury, in 1677, and its weight is $19 \ddagger$ ewt. in D fat, and measures 50 in across. A perfect peal of Grandsire Triples was rung there, writes Mr. Sidney Hillier, on September I4th, 1912, in 2 hrs. 54 mins., and it is worthy of note, as the tenor ringer was blind. He gained the deserved congratulation by the band for the perfect way he rang it.
As to fast peals, the writer was one of e band who rang a perfect peal at Trowbridge, Wilta, on April 19th, 1913, in 2 hrs. 47 mins., the tenor being 24 cwt.

M2. W. W. Pitraz writes: 'A correspondent asks whether a peal rung at Rickmansworth with a tenor 20 cwt. 20 Ib. in 2.55 can be beaten. Yes. The writer participated in a peal at Margate on October 19th, with a tenor $22 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$, in 2.53 , and that without a trip. Mr. Buesden, the conductor, will bear me out.'

## BARNSLET AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION

## MEETING AT SANDAL

A meeting was beld at Sandal, near Wakefield, on Saturday, November 9th. The attendance of ringera and friends was only abont half the number that attended at the aear-by tower of Grofton in October, which represents the difference between the attraction of a shield contest and an ordinary monthly mecting. However, Sandal bells still hold a charm of tone for ringers, after a ceatury's wear, that seems to say, 'Ringers may come and ringers may go, but we go on for ever." There is a surrounding home for these sounds that never wearies. The houses, placed mostly in gardens, are fit to offer a happy welcome.
The proceedings were of the usual character. The worthy Vicar, the Rev. Parry, was at the tea table as of yore, offering a welcome to young gad old. Unfortunately, duty called him away, but not undil blessings and good wishes were given to the association.

One local veleran (Mr. G. Robingon) was there to receive all-round congratulations after recovering from cight months' very serious illnese. Mv. Noah Wath, president, occupied the chair, ard hearty votes of thanks were passed to the Vicar, the local ringers, and some ladies who always display a breezy activity towards the association. The next mecting is most likely to he a jaint one with the Yorkshire Southern Division at Rawmarsh in December.

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PICTURES OF CHURCH TOWERS FOR PUBLICATION IN 'THE RINGING WORLD.'
The Editor of 'The Ringing World' will be glad to receive photographs of churches, with a view to their future publication when suitable occasion arises.

The photographs should be accompanied by brief particulars of the bells, with their inscriptions and dates if possible, and any other interesting information about them.

Pictures should, for preference, be photographic postcards, and, where there is any choice, the tower should be a feature.

Obviousiy, of course, all the pictures cannot be published at ance, the object of getting a collection being that the photographs may be ready at hand for use when fitting opportunity occurs. .

Will each tower secretary be good enough to send a photograph of his own tower? It should be forwarded in an envelope for protection, and addressed to The Editor, 'The Ringing World,' Woking, Surrey, and the sender should enclose his name and address.

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

The ringer of the tenor in the peal of Grandsire Triples on November 9th was Arthur C. Nason, not Nash, as published.
When the Mortlake Society rang a true and compleat peal of 5,040 Boh Major Tribbles' on November 22nd, 1731, they recorded that "this is the third time this peal was ever rung and the first by the method designed and called by W. Walker. ${ }^{1}$

A William Wglker was ringing at Richmond and Mortlake for many years, althougin it is rather likely that the later Willian Walker was a son of the ringer whis "designed and called" this eariy peal at Mortlake. If not, then William Walker must have been of the same wirile stock that, long after, produced the gentleman who is 'still going strong,' William Walker rang in a peal of 10,640 Bob Major at Mortlake in 1776.
One of London's earliest rimging societies, the City Scholars, rang a peal of 6,012 Grandsire Caters at Cripplegate on November 23 rut. 1732. Another of these long defunct London organisations, the Enstern Scholars, phit up a recorl ist West Ham, when on Noversber 25th, 1737, they rang a peal of 15,120 of Bob Major.
Sunday next is the anniversary of the frst penl of Maximus rung on handibells, a peal of̂ Oxford Treble Twelve at Sheftield on Nowember 24th, 1816.
Exactly two hundred yearg ago next Wednesalay, tie London Scholars rang a peal of 6,204 Grandsire Cinques at St. Michael's, Cornlill, the Colloge Youths twelve days before, viz., on November 15th, haping rung the first peal on the bells, a 5,126 Grandsire Cinques. The bi-ceatenary of these two periormances ought not to go unmarked, despite the fact that little peal ringing is now permitted at this tower.
The first peai at St. James', Bermondsey, was rung one iundred years ago mext Thursday. It was 5,120 Oxford Treble Bob Royai by the Cumberlands.
It was at the Shakespeare's Head, Wych Street, Strand, in 1896. that W. H. In. reported to the members there angembled that the College Youths' certificate was the wort of Bartolozzi, and produced several engrawings, purchased of a street trader's barrow in Rochester Row, to support his clajm,
Amongst those present at that meetiog were Messrs. Routh, Hayes, Allbone, Haworth, Barry, McLaughlin and Winney, besides others, but the last-named, with W. H. F., is the sole survivor to-day, Janctly forty years later Captain Yorke confirmed the fact of the certificate being Bartolozzi's work by his diseovery at the British Museum in 1926 .
The first peal of Cambridge Surprise on the bells at Ourdridge Hants, rung last Saturday, recalls the fact that the first and only cother Surprise peal rung on the bells was Superlative over 31 years ago. Messes. G. Williams and F. S. Bayley took part in both peals the litter on the same beil, the seventh, but the former, who rang the tenor in 1898, and called the peal, took on a lighter task thif time. When the first peal was pung, Curdridge was one of the: noisiest towers in the country.

## ANCIENT BELLS AT KIMPTON, HERTS.

 ONE 500 YEARS OLD AND STILL IN USE.A ring of six bells, the most modern of which is over two hundred years old, hangs in the tower of Kimpton, Herts, and a peal was rung on them on Saturday last. These six bells are of various dates, the age of the fifth probably exceeding 500 years. This bell is 36 inches in diameter, and in addition to a device, bears the Latin words, 'Sit nomen Domini benedictum' ('May the name of tbe Lord be blessed'). It was probably cast by one William Burford, whose last will dates from the year I 390, and on this evidence the bell certainly appears to be more than 500 years old. At one time it may have been the only bell, and it is possible that it may be slightly older than the tower, which was built about that period.


KIMPTON ©HURCH.
The rourth is the next oldest bell, and hears a device of the arms of the Bishops of Winchester and the words 'Saucte Dunstanc' (St. Dunstan). It was cast by Jom Saunders, of Reading, Berks, about the year 1540, and bears the founder's initials, "J.S." It is 33 inches in diameter.
A third bell existed at this time, which has zow disappeared, for ont the Inventory taken in the year 1552 there were three bells in the belfry. The missing one may, however, have been recsst later.
The treble bell bears the mame of Thomas Hoo, the owner of the Hoo Estates at the time. It is 28 in . in diameter, and has a cross stamped upon it and the date 1636, also the maker's shield, "R.O.,' that is, Robert Oldneld, who cast bells in Hertiord at this time.
Tho 3 rd bell is of the same date as the treble, and by the same maker. It bears the same marks, but lias, in addition, the initials 'W.M.-C.W.', probably meaning' Witlian Michell, churchwarden.
Two years later the tenor bell was lung, east also by Rohert Oldfeld. This is 40 inches in diameter, and beare the inseription ${ }^{\text {thil }}$ liam Micheli, 1638.?
(Continued in nest colume.)

## ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. <br> THE NEW OFFICERS.

At the ammal election of officers of the Ancient Society of Callege Youths, Mr. E. J. Chooet, whe last year filled the office of Senior Steward, was elected Master ; Mr. C. W. Pipe was elected Senior Steward; and Mr. C. W. Roberts Junior Steward. Mr. A. A. Hughes was elected hon, treasurer, Mr. W. T. Gockerili hon. sectetnyy, and Messrs. C. F. Winney and W. Prime trusbees.

## AN APPEAL

DISTRESSEUE CASE OF LANCASHIRE RINGER.
The Blackhurn Braach of the Laucashire Association has made an appeal to all its merabers on behalf of Mr. Harry Tomlinson, of Burnley, one of its old merabers, to help him in his time of zeed.

Mr. Tomlinson,s who is a widower, with a daughter entirely dependent upon him, was taken to the Infirmary some twa moxilis ago to have a Ieg amputated, but collapsed whilst under chlaroform, and had to be revived with oxygen before the operation had taken place.

His circumstances are such that an appeal has been mado to help to alleviate his suffering and distress, and, should any member of the Exercise outside the branch feel disposed to help a brother ringer, subscriptions, however small, would be gratefully received and duly acknowledged by the secretary of the branch, Mr. T. Hindle, 58, Anvil Street, Blackbura.

## BALL BEARINGS v. GUN METAL BEARINGS.

## To the Editor.

Dear Gir,-I have been asked by the authorities of one of the churclies in the association of which I am presiclent to advise them whether it is preferable to have their bells (which reçuire relhanging) put into ball bearings or gun melal bearings.
I have my own ideas on the matter, but before passing them on would be glad to lave a concensus of opinion of members of the ringing fraternity, more expericoced in this matter than I am.
May I ask for expressions of opinion through your paper whether ball hearings or gun metal bearings are preferable from the points of viow of durability, ease in ringing, and consistency. The bells in question are a quick-running peal of eight with a 12 cwt. tenor.
For obvious reasons I am writing uader a nom-de-plume, but my name can be furnished if desired.- Yours sincerely, NORTHERN' PRESIDENT.?

## LINCOLN'S ANCIENT RINGINC SOCIETY. <br> \section*{FOUNDED BEFORE THE COLLEGE YOUTHS.}

In a letter to "The Times," with reference to a claim that the Ancient Society of Callege Youths, founded in 1637 to foster the art of campanology, is the oldest of its kind in the world, Ghancellor Srawley of Lincoln, says:-
"May. I ventare to point out that the "Company of Ringerg of our blessed Virgin Mary of Lincoln" is of still earlier date? It was in origin a voluntary, association, and in the mumiments of the Dean and Chapter there is a parchment document bearing the date, October 18th, 1612, which contains the Ordinances drawn up by fite members. Anothel document, daled September 23 rd , 1614, contaias the Patent of the Dean and Chapter. On tho walls of the Ringers ${ }^{3}$ Chapel at the base of the south-west tower of the cathedral are inseribed the games of the Masters of the Ringers, beginning in 1814. In the Ordiannces the purpose of the assaciation is stated to be "for the ringinge of Sainete Hughe bells and our Ladye Bells. solempre feastes and dayes and otherwise upon good oecasions.s

## WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

wery successful monthly meeting was held at Arley, near Numeaton on Saturday, November 16th. Members attended from AlLesley, Bulkington, Chilvers Coton, Craft, Fillongley, Leamington, Nuneaton, Shilton and Stoke, together with the lacal hand. The Rector (Rev. M. J. G. King) weleomed the ringers at the Institute, where tea was arranged. A bazair was being hold is the building to help defray the cost of the bells.

The methods rung during the meeting were Plain Bob Doubles and Minor, Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, Kent Treble Bob, Cambridge, York, Beverley and London Surprise. This was the first visit of the Guild to Arley, where the bells have recently been recast and augmented by Messrs. Taylor and Co.

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The 2nd bell was the last to be installed in the tower. It is 29 inches in diameter, and bearg the inscription, 'Jobn Carpenter, chureliwarden, 1728. John Waylett, London, made me, H.s.' It is not improbable that this bell is the recast old bell, existing in I552. Waylett is known to hare gone through the courtry casting bells at this time.
There is a tradition that one or more of the bells was stolen from the meighbouring claurch of Ayot St. Lawrence, at some time, but no confirmation of that is now fortheoming.

## CHESHIRE PEAL OF SIX RESTORED.

RE-DEDICATION OF BELLS AT ST, MARY'S, BRKENHEAD. Afier a silence, seldom broken, extending over about ten yeare, the bells of the Parish Church of Birkenhead (St. Mary's) Fere heard again on Saturday eveuing, November 9th, after they had been rededicated by the Lord Bishop of Chester (Dr. H. L. Paget). The old frame of wood having become very dilapidated and unkate for ringing, these bells, of which there are six, have hung idly in 1.he tower for years. In March of this Jear a subscription list was opened for the purpose of having the bells put into ringing condition, to which the townspeople, including the Corporation of tine borough, most generously contributed, and the work of having a new iron frame constructed and the hells quarter-turned and tuned was entrusted to the well-known firm of Messrs. J. Taylor and Co, of Loughborough, who were represented at the opening by Mr. J. P. Fidler. The rededication service, which was conducted by the vicar (Rey. A. G. Williamsor, M.A.), was attended by the Mayor and Mayoress of Birkenhead, the ex-Maypr and Mayoress, and other prominent citizens, the ex-Mayor reading the first lesson,
In his address after the rededication, the Bishop spoke of the readiness with which not only the members of the congregation but also the townspeople generally had contributed to the funds for rebanging the bells. Without the beils they had been neglecting, to their peril, the beauty of public worship. Devout and regular attendance at divine service was one of Gon's own ways of helping them to hold together. The voice of the bells might be just the very voios calling them logether in the performance of a common duty and a common privilege.
After the actual ceremony of rededication, and whilst the Bishop and ciergy were returning from the belfry to the chancel, a wellstruck courge of Plain Bob Minor was rung, and, following the service, tutuches of Plain Bob, Kent Troble Bob and Cambridge Surprise Minor werg rung, the ringers afterwards expressing satisfaction with the 'go' and tone of the bells, which will make a welcome addlition to the 'zings' of bells in the town.
The inseriptions on the belis are:-
Treble-Wilimm Dobson, Downham, Norfolk, Fecit 1881.
2oi.-God save the King. 1g2l.
Zrd.- The first stone of this Chureh laid by Lloyd Lord Kengon, July 26th, 1819, in the 59th of George MI.
Tho Clrutch was fiwished the second year of the reign of Bis Majesty King George III., 1821.
41h:-Theso six bells were cast by W. Dobson on the 26th of July, 1821.

5th.-Glory be to God on high. Peace on earth, goodwill towards men. Alleluia. Joln Taytor Oxford, Campanarius. George Gitlibrand, Liverpool Churoh Bellhanger, 1837. The Right Rev. John Sumner, D.D., Lord Bishop of Chester; Francis Richard Price, Eisqu., Lord of the Manor and Patron. The Rev. Andrew Knox, Minister.
T'enor.-Laudo Deum Verum, plebem voco, Congrego Clerum, defunctos plero, Festa decono.
(Translation, I praiso the true God, I call the people, I gather the clergy. I moum tie dead, I honour festivals.) (Weight, 11 cwt. 9 lb .) Total weight of whole peal, just over $40 \frac{1}{2}$ ewt.
MAYORAL SUNDAY, ARMISTICE AND TOC H RENGING.
On Sunday, November 10th, the ringers of St. Mary's, Birkenhead, and St. Peter's, Rock Ferry, joined forces so that, as the former churcla havo not yet a competent band, the newly-restored bells should not bo silent for 'Meyor's Sundey.' At St. Mary's Church, following the civic service, a 720 of Gambridge Surprise Minor was rung by: F. Banton 1, W. J. Battle 2, G. R. Edwards 3, J. Cooke 4, T. A. Rogers 5, H. Ludkin (conductor) 6. For evening service at the same church, a 720 of Kent Treble Bob Minor was rung by: W. Bavite (first 720 in al Treble Fob method) 1, G. Battle 2, G. R. Edwards 3, F. Banton 4, W. J. Battlo (conductor) 5, J. Cooke 6.
Tho services at St. Poter's Church were of a special nature haviag yegard to the commemoration of the Armistice, and the bells were half-muftled for both morning and evening services. A 720 of Kent Troble Bob Minor was rung in the morning by: Miss D. I. Leatham 1, Miss M. Cooke 2, J. Gorst 3, I. Lerlio 4, J. Hughes 5, W. Dean (conductor) 6, whilst the seme band rang 720 of Oxford Treble Bob Minor prior to the evening service.

Following evensong, a speciai service for Too If members and olhors was conducted by the Rev. A. Ball, M. A., prior to which 720 of Gambridge Surprise Minor, with the bells still half-mufled, was rung by: F. Banton 1, J. Gorst 2, J. Leslie 3, W. J. Battie 4, G. R. Fdwards 5, J. Cooke (conductor) 6. After the service, which was most impressive and ineluded the 'Ceremony of Light,' the bells were rung 'open' for a few minutes whilst the coggregation dispersed.
Thus, between the two churchos, five 720 's were rung in one day, a 720 nt St. Mary's in the morning being lost through the conductor missing a eall.

A special word of thanks is here extended to all those who so kindly assisted tho St. Mary's ringers, both for the Sunday service ringing and ulso at the rededieation service the previous day.

## GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUKLD. NEGLECT OF 30 YEARS RSMEDFED.

Shalford Church is so close to Guildford that ringers have not thought it necessary to hold a mecting there for the last 30 years. This was remedied on Satarday, when the last district meeting of the Guildford District for the current year was held there. In spite of the wretched weather-rain, a heavy snowstorm and then more rain-aver twenty ringers attended from Old Woking, Aldershot, Rudgwick, tho Cathedral Church, Cranleigh, Worplesdon, West Clandon, S. Nicolas' and the local company. What the weather was really like may be gauger from the fact that no ladies were present. The bells were kept going in rounds and various methods from Doubles to London Surprise Minor throughout the afternoan and evening.

The Guild's form of service was conducter, end an interesting address given by the Vicar (the Rev. Hamilton Jackson). The organist had kindly arranged a choir. Afterwards the ringers did full justice to an ample tea, which was served in the Church Hut.
The Vicar was in the chair at the business meeting, when nomina tions for district officers for 1930 were received. No election will bo necessary in the case of the Ringing Master, secretary and anditor. Although three names were proposed for the office of Ringing Master, namely, Mr. C. Hazelden, Mr. F. Bennett and Mr. A. H. Pulling, the two first-named geatlemen declined to accept the office, and Mr. Palling will therefore be elected at the annual meeting. Mr. Hazelden withdraws from office after gerving the district for many years as Ringing Master, first with the Winchester Diocesan Guild, and, siace its formation, with the Guildford Diocesan Guild.
There are three candidates for tho two places of ringing members on the Executive Committee, aamely, Messrs. C. Hazelden, B. Redford and O. N. Burdock.
Mr. E. G. Martin, organist at Shalford, was elected an honorary member, and he drew the attention of the meeting to the fact that choir bioys vary often dropped out of Chural life on leaviag the choir, and pointed out that the ringers had an opportunity of keeping them interested in Church work by teaching them to ring.
In the discussion which followed, some members seemed of opinion that choir boys are the most difficult end hopeless of people to turn into ringers. Others thought that they are no woree than any other class of recruits, but the general opinion seemed to be that Mr Martin's suggestion is excellent in theory, but difficulties, which only ringers can appreciate, arise in practice.
Admiral Walker was entrusted with tine task of putting into words the thanks of the members to the Vicar, the organist, and to the ladies who helped with the tea.

One entinsiastic joung ringer then starten e lively tiscussion by seekirg enlighterment as to the exact meaning of the Rer. O. W O. Jeakyn's reference, in his address to the Gollege Youths, to back strokes being considered by some mingars to be only an awkward method of getting the bell back into the handstroke position. After geveral members had expressed their views on the subject, the Vics, remarked that as neither be nor his churchwarden (Mr. Hayes) could understand what it was all about, the meeting had better ond

## DEATH OF TWO NORTH NORFOLK RINGERS.

The already thin ranke in North Norfolk ringers have been recently depleted by the death of Messrs. Meager' and 'Temant, of West Runton and Cromer respectively.
Mr. Meager, who came to Norfolk from Northantis, was a man of sterling character, genial and good-natured. Although not far ad vanced in change ringing, what he rang was rung well. 百e was a real holp to ringing at Cromer, and was always punctual.
Mr. Tenmant passed away at the age of 47 in the Norfolk and Norwich Hospital on the 8th inst. The funeral, which took place on Tuesday, November 12th, was followed early in the evening by the ringers tribute, the bells being rung half-muffled by the following S. Love, L. Risebrow, E. Wilson, C. Pooley, F. Pearce and T. James W. Burgess and C. Silver also took part.

Mr. Tennant learnt to ring with his father at Shipdham, in the county, and, after serving an apprenticeship there, came to Crome: two years before the war. Here he found a company freshly started to learn ringing at the instigation of Mr. John A. Godfrey, and this company he joined. In 1919, Mr. Tennant undertook to train a band of ringers, and before long the bells were being rung reguiarly to Minor. He had rung six peals only for the Norwich Association, no: being able to throw off business ties, but he was a devoted servar of the Church, and assisted not only as a ringer but as a member of the choir and the Church Council. Requiescat in pace. N. G.

## THREE GENERATIONS.

Young 'Teddy' Barnett scored his first quarter-peal, and ist the frst attempt, on Sunday, when he rang the treble to 1,260 Grand sire Triples for morning service at Crayford. It was called by ins father, and 'grand-dad' rang the 2ad. Edwin jii. js only 11 year of age, but he is showing a keen aptitude for ringing. The tour
was rung by: Edwin A. Barnett 1, Edwin Barnett, Ben., 2, E. was rung by: Edwin A. Barnett 1, Edwin Barnett, sen., 2, EF. F
Audgley 3, J. Wheadon 4, E. Loy 5, W. Bond 6, Edwin Barnett. jun 7, Albert Flect (first quarter-peal and first ettempt) 8 .

## NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION

## PRESENTATION TO FORMER SEGRETARY.

Mr. Herbert Haigh, of Worksop, recently retired from the office of hon. $\varepsilon e c r e t a r y$ of the North Notts Association, of which he was one of the founders in the year 1886. On Saturday week the members, in recognition of his long and loyal service, presented him with a wallat of Treasury notes. The presentation took place at a meeting held at Gamston, and members were present from Anston, Creswell, Collingham, East Martham, Edwinstowe, East Retford, West Retford, Gainsborough, Ordsall, Lincoln, Misterton, Sutton-on-Trent, Worksop, and the local company. Several methods were rung on the bells of St. Peter's Clurch during the afternoon, and at 5.30 the nnembers adjourned for tea, which was served in the schoolroom.
The Rector of Gamston (the Rev. E. A. Paxton) presided over the business meeting, and was supported by the Rew. R. F. Wilkinson, Rectar of Ordsall; Mr. Herbert Smith, Gamston House; Mrs. Grawford and her daughter, Mrs. Rowseli, Lanelam; with Mr. H. Haigh, Worksop, treasurer; Mr. R. W. Stackdale, hon. seeretary; and Mr. H. Revill, assistand hon. secretary.

Letters of apology for absence were received from the Rep. H. R. Peel, Cuckney, and the Rev. R. E. Rogerson, East Markharn.
Tho Rector extended a bearty welcome to the association, and remarked that it was through the efforts of Mr. Haigh and the generosity of Mr. Smith that the bells of Gamston Ghurch had been put into such good order. He spoke encouraging words to the members on their excellent work.

Mr. T. Hercy Denman, J.P., Netley, Southampton, a former ringer at East Retford Church, and the Rev. E. A. Paxton, Gamston, were elected vice-presidents; and Mrs. Rowson, Lanehem, daughter of the late Mr. C. Crawford, East MarLham, was elected an honorary life member. Her brother, Mr. A. Crawford, Rampton, is an honorary life member.
Masters R. Smith and W. Brett, both of Ordsall, were elected members of the association.
It was decided to hold the next meeting of the association at Shireoaks on Saturday, January 18th, 1930.

## A FOUNDER OF THE ASSOCIATION

The presentation to Mr. Haigh then took place, and was the occasion of well deserved eulogiums of the work done in the cause of the association and of bellringing in general by the recipfent, and was also a tribute to the respect and esteen in which he is held. The wallet was inscribed, 'H. Haigh, 1929, North Notts.'
Mr. Haigh was among the little band of entliusiasts in 1886 who met at the Priory Schools, Worksop, with the late Vicar of Worksop (the Rev. H. T. Slodden) and formed the association, with the first Bishop of Southwell as president and Mr, Slodden as secretary. Mr. Haigh, who succeeded the late Rev. B. Darley, Harthill, as secretary, was born at Ordsall, Retford, on September 22nd, 1866, and learut to ring at the early age of ten years.
In 1890 Mr. Haigh played an important part in helping to get the East Restford bells rehung and augmented to a ring of ten, and the ringing chamber put in good order. He taught g new band of ringers soon after the Rev. G. J. A. d'Arcy settied at Worksop, and was successful in having the bells rehung at the Priory Church, being responsible in collecting $£ 66$ towards the restoration of the peal. His motto is to practise on practice nights, and on Sunday to give the very best services in ringing for the lonour and glory of God.
In addition to his love for the bells, he las many hobbies. In his vounger days he was a keen cricketer, and played some good inninge for local clubs. From 1890 to 1905 he collected almost 8100 for St. Swithin's Cricket Club, for which the Rev. W. C. Ridding, then curate at East Retford, presented him with a beautiful smoking cabinet:
A letter was read from Mr. T. Hercy Denman enclosing a cheque for the presentation fuad and expressing his appreciation of the valaable services rendered by Mr. Haigh for many years in tite art of bange ringing.
Mr. F. Hargreaves, Shireaks, who was also unable to be present, referred to the ungrudging services rondered by Mr. Haigh to the Association, which was reflected in its financial position and the unembership. Mr. Stockdale was a good succcessor to Mr. Haigh in the seeretaryship.

MANY BELL RESTORATIONS.
The Rev, R. F. Wilkinson spoke of Mr. Haigh's long and energetic Fork for the association and of his keen interest in the art of bellinging. Mr. Haigh had travelled handreds of miles to attend meetings of the association in town and country, and they highly appreriated his services. He (Mr. Wilkinson) became acruainted with Mr. [aigh when he was a curate at Mansfield, and he had read of Mr. Haigh's activities with great interest. Mr. Willinson referred to Mr. Smith's recent visit to Germany, and remarked that the 25 -ton bell in Gologne Cathedral was made out of cannons which the Germans took from the French in the war of 1870 , but, becoming short of
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## A PEAL AT SOUTHWELL CATHEDRAL <br> AN UNUSUAL BELFRY.

It js interesting to note, as reported elsewhere, that after a lapse of 18 years the bells in the quaint and difficult belfry of Southwell Cathedral have had another peal recorded on them, tjis bringing the total to five in 208 years. The bells were cast and hung in the tower by Abram Rudhuli in 172I, and it was not until 1894 that Mr. Francis E. Dawe conducted the first peal on them to the tune of Grandsire Triples in 3 hrs 27 mins . In 1905 the Rev. F. E. Robinson conducted a peal of Stedman Triples in 3 hrs. 27 mins. Four years later, the first and only Surprise peal, 5,056 Superlative, was eredited to that able canductor, Mr. Willian Keeble, in 3 hrs. 38 mins., and in 1911 the Rev. H. Law James condueted 5,084 Double Norwich in 3 hrs. 39 mins.
The ringing chamber consists only of a balcony projecting $\$ f$ t. from all sides of the tower, and forming an open space $16 \mathrm{~m}^{\mathrm{L}} \mathrm{L}$. square in the centre, with a 60ft. drop to the bothom of the church. As a means of sefety a wooden barrier about 4 ft. high is fixed in front of the ropes, and on top of this is fastened another $4 f^{\circ}$. of stroug mesh wire vetting, through which the sioger is obliged to look to find his colleagues' rapes. This, together with the bells being lung the 'opposite way round, make it extremely dificalt for visiting ringers, and often the tenor has been mistaken for the treble.
The pregent peal of Stedman Triples is the quickest jet rung in the tower, this, without doubt, being due to the excellent worls of Messrs. Taylor and Co., who were entrusted with rehanging the bells recently. The band are indebted to Dr. Teylar, cousin to the Lord Bislop of Southwell, for his kiad hospitality at the Bislrop's Falace after the peal. Handbells later brought a pleasant evening to a close.
J. F. M.

## WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD

The attendance at the quarterly meeting of the I.O.W. District, hald at Newchurch on Saturday last, was very small indeed, only eight ringing members, (representatives from Brading, Godshill (2). Newport (3), Ryde and Whitwell) putting in an appearance. Nevertheless, good use was made of the six bells, and methods ranging from Grandsire Doubles to Double Court were rung. Tca wus kindly provided and served to the ringers by tho Vicar and Mrs. Bamford in the Parish Hall. The Rural Dean also presided at the business meeting, at which Mr. A. Jackson, of Ryde, was elected a ringing member,
It was resolved to hold a by-prectice meating at Casisbrooke on Saturday, January 4th, the annual meeting having already been fixed for Saturday, February 1st, at Newport.

The meeting concluded with a hearty vote of thanks to the Rural Dean and Mrs. Bamford for providing tea, also to the former for presiding. A course of Grandsire Caters was then rang on handbells by B. J. Snow, W. Upton, H. Bartan, Dr. J. B. Williamson and H. Phillips, and further ringing was afterwards indulged in on the church bells.

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ammunition in the Great War, the bell was taken down, broken up, and raelted down. Since the war another bell, weighigg 25 tons had been made, and was now tolled every day. They all appreciated Mr. Smith's presence to make the presentation to Mr. Haigh. Mr. Smith took a great interest in church bells, and members were always glad to come to Gamston and ring the splendid peal in the church tower.
Mr. Smith, in makiag the prescntation, gaid he liad a sontimental regard for bells, and when he was abroad he missed the sound of the bells which was so familiar in Englund on Sunday mornings. It was an old custom in Belgium on the occasion of a public holiday for everybody to visit one of the cemeteries and churches to honour the dead, and he would like to see it practised in Eogland. Mr. Smith observed that Mr. Faigh was primerily responsible for the renovation of the bells at Gamston, and he had much pleasure in handiag him the wallet of treasury notes as an token of appreciation aud esteem for his services.
Mr. Haigh suitably replied, and gave a short laistory of the association. He observed that he had been associated with no fewer than sixteen restorations of bells in clurch towers in Norith Notts, including East Retford, Ordsall, East Markham, Misson, North Wheatley, Tuxford, Guckney, Sutton-on-Trent and Ganaston. He had often walked to Gainsborough and Jincoln to ring the bells.
Mr. Stenton proposed a vote of thankg to Mr. Smith end to Mrs. Ashforth and her helpers for the excellent way in which they had catered for the tea. Mr. Stenton said be bad been associated with Mr. Haigh in ringing for 40 years.
Mr. O. McGuiness, Inincoln, seconded.
The Rev. R. F. Wilkingon proposed a vote of Lhamks to the Rev. E. 4. Paxton for presiding, and for the use of the bells, and the proceedings terminated.

## a THOUSAND PEALS ON TOWER BELLS

MR．JAMES GEORGE＇S ACHIEVEMENT．
As recorded in our last issuc，Mr．James George，who next Wed－ nesduy will celebrate his 76 th birthday，has now rung 1,000 peals on lower bells，and carried his aggregate to 1,045 ．The following is the list of his peals，which have been rung in 45 counties and 352 towers in the Britisl Isles：－

Tower Bells．bells．
DOUBLES：
Grandsice
Rung．＊Gonducter．Rung．
MINOR：
In one method（including two of Oambridge）
Tis three methods ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． 2
TRIP 3 ES ：
Grandsire
Sledman
Union
Plain Bob
Darlaston Bol
MAJOR：
Grandsire
Plain Bob
Oxford Treble Bob
Kent Treble Bob
Double Norwich Court Bob
Canterbury Pleasure
Superlative Surprise
Cambridge Surprise
London Surprise
Bristol Surprise（with treble）…
CATHRS
Grandsire
Stedman
ROYAL：
Grandsire
Aston
Oxford Treble
Kent
Bob
Plain Bols
Little Bob
Forward
Gambridge Suplise
CINQUES：
Grandsire
Stedman
MAXIMUS
Grandsire
Plain Bob
Kent Troble Bot
Forward
Cambridge Surprise
（a）Including 6，000，（b）including 6， 336 （both rung in one day）， （c）inoluding 6，720，（d）including 6,011 and 8,009 ，（e）including 6，080 and 7,280 ，（ $f$ ）including 6,000 and 12,240 （record in the method）．
Mr．George has received so many letters of congratulation upon his first peal of Cambridgo Surprise Maximus，which was his one thousandth peal on tower bells，that he finds it impossible to reply to them individually．He，however，desires to thank sincerely all those who have sent him such kindly messages．

## SILCHESTER．＂

## To the Editor．

Dear Sir，－A peal of the method Mr．Bankes James calls Silchester was rung at St．John＇s，Waterloo Rond，Lambeth，on October 23rd， 1912，under the rame of Waterloo Revorse Bob．It was rung as a Major method with a bell in the hunt，but，of course，that does not ulter the method．You will find it as No． 70 in the Gollection of Major Methods．I should not aall it an extension（or，at any rate， not the exiension）of New Bob Douthes．New Bob Triples is given hy Fiubbard and as a Major method in tho C．C．Collection，－Yours faithfully，

Mr．George Bake，writes that＂Sitchester＂was published by him in＇Bell News＇as lonr ago as Jume，1900．It was published with－ out name．
Mr．Arthne Graven points ont that if＇Silchester＇had been a ＇legitimate＇method he could lave published it as lo山g mgo as 1902.

## DEATH OF CANON NOLLOTH

The Rev．Canon Henry Edward Nolloth，for 41 years Vicar of Reverley Minster，has dijed at Oxford，where he had lived in re－ timoment since 1921，He was 84 years of age．To Ganon Nolloth， Beverley Minster owes tis fise poil of bells，and he was largely re－ sponsible for the recasting of the bells et York Minster．

## ARMISTICE COMMEMORATION．

WhLTHAMSTOW．－On Monday，November 11th，in 48 mins．，at St．Mary＇s，1，263 Stedman Caters：T．Carney 1，J．H．Wilkins 2，H． Rumens 3，C．＇I，Coles（conductor）4，E．E．Holman 5，R．Maynard， sen．，6，J．H．Crampiou 7，C．W．W．Coles 8，F．C．Maynard G，L． Weleh，sen．， 10 ．First quarter－peal of Caters by ringers of treble， 7th and tenor．

BROOMFIELD，ESSEX．－For Armistice Day，November Ifth，at the Church of St．Mary，with the bells half－mufficd，a quarber－peal of Treble Eob Minor， 720 Woodbine， 360 Oxford， 240 Kent：R．L． Denny（first quarler－peal）1，H．E．Bowers 2，L．Ainger 3，E．Clark 4，H．Devenish 5，I工，Bradley（conductor） 6.
KETTERING．－On Monday，November 11th，at the Church of SS． Poter and Paul，a quarter－peal（1，260 changes）of Stedman Triples was rung with the bells half－mufiled in memory of the fallen：$H$ ． Warren 1，G．Warren 2，E．J．Chapman 3，H．Baxter 4，C．W．Bird 5，A．Henman 6，R．F．Turner（conductor）7，F．Tite 8．Tirst quar－ ter－peal in the method by 1st and 2nd ringers．
NORTHAMPRON．－At St．Peter＇s Church，on Mooday，November I1th，with the loells half－muffled，1，260 Stedman Triples：W．J．Dove 1，J．G．Dean 2，F．Trylar 3，且．Hoare 4，W．R．Parker 5，H． Sturgess 6，W．H．Austin（conductor）7，J，Wilkins 8.

UXBRIDGE．－At the Church of St．Margaret，ons Monday even－ ing，Novemher 11 th ，for united service，a quarter－peal of Stedman Triplen in 42 mins，G．H．Gutteridge 1，A．G．Twinn 2，R．Warnett 3，J．F．Lucas 4，J．J．Fratt．5，E．Hancox 6，F．Corke（conductor） 7，C．Nicholls 8.
EALING，MIDDLESEX．－On Mouday，November 1Ith，at Christ Chureh，a quarter－peal of Grandsire Triples（1，260 changes）in 61 min．：F．A．J．Coombs 1，E．C．S．Turner 2，W．G．Wilson 3，W．H． Hollicu 4，H．Folkare 5，A．Harding 6，J．A．Trollope（conductor）7， J．H．Burton 8．Rung with the tells half－muffled in memory of those who fell in the war．
SEALE，SURREY．－On Sunday，November 10th，for Armistice Sunday，with the bells half－muffled，before morning service，a quar－ ter－peal（consisting of 720 Kent Treble Bob， 360 and 180 of Plain Bob Minor）：R．3．Whitford 1，C．W．Denyer 2，H．Gardier 3，W．Den－ yer 4 ，C．Newman 5，H．Tinsey（conductor）6．After morning ser－ vice，with the bells open， 240 Plain Bob．
SMARDEN，KENT．－On Sunday，November 10th，for menorial scrvice，with bells half－mufled，a quarter－peal of Plain Bob Minor in 46 mins．：E．King 1，F．Pcarson 2，A．B．Alcorn 3，R．T．Gornes 4，C．Brown 5，F．S．Macey（conductor） 6.
HOOLE，CHESTER－On Sunday，November 10th，for Armistice service，with bells half－muffled，a quarter－peal of Bob Minor（ 1,260 changes）in 47 mins．：J．Benyon 1，W．Weatman 2，G．R．Jones 3， H．Cousins 4，A．Neweli（conductor）5，J．Beryon，jun．， 6.
PYTCHEEY，NORTHANTS．－On Sundey，November 10th，at the Parish Church，a quarter－peal of Grandsire Doubies $(1,260$ changes）in 43 mins，，for morning service．Also a quarter－peal con－ sisting of Canterbury，Old Doubles，Plain Bob and Grandsire（1，260 changes）in 43 mins．，for cvening service，on the oceasion of Remem－ brance Day：F．E．Munton 1，R．Williamson（conductor）2，G．S，F．
Brown 3 ， R ．Coleman 4，G．Middeton 6 ．The abowe are all Sun－ day service ringers．
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ALDERSEOT．－At the Parish Ghurch of St．Michsel，on Sunday November 10th，for evenigg Armistice service，with the bells Lalf． muffled，a quarter－peal of Grandsire Triples（ 1,260 changes）in 50 mins．：Miss Margaret Scott 1，C．W．Denyer（conductor）2，Miss Nancie Denyer 3，Miss A．Fisher 4，A．Cos 5，Will H．Viggers 6，P． L．Eldridge 7，R．J．Whitford 8．First quarler－peat in the methort by ringers of 1，5， 6 and 7．All are members of the Aldershot tower． After the service，with the bells open， 1,152 Kent Treble Bob Major in 45 mins．：A．Court I，Miss Nancie Denyer 2，Will H．Viggers 3， W．Denyer 4，R．J．Whitford 5, P．L．Eldridge 6，Lance－Sergt．E．J． Bragg（Grenadier Guards）7，C．W．Denyer（condactor）8．Longest length in the method by ringers of treble and 5th，All are members of Aldershot tower，witly the exception of ringer of treble，who be－ longe to Seale．
UCKFIELD，SUSSEX．－At the Church of the Holy Cross，for Armistice service，on Sunday，November 10th，with bells half－mufflect a quarter－peal of Grandsire Irriples（1，260 changes）：F．S．Hart 1，A． Richardson 2，P．Marchant 3，B．Saunders 4，A．J．Pierpoint 5，F Wellor 6，J．A．Hart（conductor）7，J．Baldock 8 ．
SUTTON－ON－TRENT，At All Saints Church，for evensong on the eve of Armistice Day， 720 Plain Bob Minor in $\mathrm{E}_{5}$ mins．：J．Shipley 1, Miss K．Burchall（couductor）2，N．Moron 3，H．Edwards 4，Wiss Burchnall 5，E．A．Midwinter 6.
WOODCHUROH，CHESHIRE．－At the Parish Church of the Holy Cross， 720 of Plain Bob Minor：E．Lee 1，J．Johnson 2，G．Philips 3 ， R．Bemmett 4，H．Martin 5，W．Bennett（conductor）6．Rung with the bells half－muffied on the anniversary of the Armistice．

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637 ).-Meeting for practice will be held at *St. Paul's Cathedral on the 26th, Southwark Cathedral on the 28 th at $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. *Business meeting after-wards.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Western Division. The district annual meeting will be held at Leytonstone on Saturday, Nov. ${ }^{2}$ 3rd. Beils (6) from 3 p.m. Service 4.45 p.m. Tea $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Meeting to follow.-E. J. Butler, Dis. Sec., 3 , Eustace Road, Chadwell Heath.
HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Western Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at King's Langley on Saturday, Nov. 23 rd. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Usual arrangements. Splendid bus service from Watford. W W. Ayre, Sec.
NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-A general meeting of the South Norfolk Branch will be held in the Vestry of the Parish Church, Diss, on Saturday, Nov. $33^{2}$, at 3.30 p.m., for the election of officers and committee. The ring of bells (8) of St. Mary, Diss, and St. Peter, Pelgrave, will be available. A good attendance of members is kindly requested at this frst meeting of the branch.-Arthur L. Coleman, Gen. Sec. and Treasurer.
LADIES' GUILD.-Northamptonshire District. - A meeting will be held at Orlingbury (5) on Saturday, Nov. ${ }_{3} 3$ rd. Ringing from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 , followed by tea. - 3. Thursfield, Hon. Sec., Cranford Rectory, Fettering.
HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Northern District.-A meeting will be held at Hitchin on Saturday, Nov. $z_{3}$ rd. The bells ( 8 ) will be available at 3 p.m. Short service (County Service Paper) at $4 \cdot 30$. Tea at 5 p.m. All ringers welcome, and a good attendance re-quested.-Donald C. Mears, Hon. Dis. Sec., Offley, Hitchis.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckley District.-The next meeting will be held at Croft on Saturday, Nov. ${ }^{2}$ 3rd. Bells available at $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea provided in the Schools at 5 o'clock. A good attendance is requested at this meeting, all ringers being cordially welcome-W. A. Cope, Smockington.
ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-A meeting of the Ely Archdeaconry will be held at Trumpington on Saturday, Nov. 2 zrd. Bells (6) available 2.30 p.m. Service $4-30$ p.m. Tea and business 5 p.m.-F. Warrington, Dis. Sec.

EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD.-A meeting will be held at Turner's Hill on Saturday, Nov. 23rd. Tower opened 3 p.m.-G. Lambert, Drummond Hay, East Grinstead.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Luton District. -A meeting will be held at Luton on Saturday, Nov. ${ }_{2}$ grd. The bells will be available at 3 p.m. Everybody welcome.-A. E. Sharman, Hon. Sec., r99, High Street N., Dunstable.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Alton District.-A quarterly meeting will be helf at Selborne on Saturday, Nov. 23rd. Bells (5) available from 2.30; also at Newton Valence (5). Service at St. Mary's, Selborne, 4.3 o . Tea at 5 p.mi., followed by business meeting. - B. C. Taylor, Binsted Vicarage, Alton.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-East Berks \& South Bucks Branch. - The next ringing practice bas been arranged at Clewer ( $\overline{6}$ bells) on Saturday, November 23rd, at 6 p.m.-A. D. Barker, Branch Sec. and Treas., Cambridge, Wexham, Slough.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. - Grappenhall Branch.-The annual meeting of the above branch will be held at Grappenhall on Saturday, Nov. ${ }^{2}$ 3rd. Bells (8) ready from 3 p.m. Service at 5 o'clock. Tea at 5.30 , followed by meeting.-G. A. Taylor, Branch Sec., The Village, Grappenhail.
NOTTINGHAM SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS (Estb. 1672.)-A meeting of the above will be held at Lenton, on Saturday, November 3oth fower open $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All ringers welcome-Preliminary Notice:The eighth W.D. Crofts Memorial Dinner will be held at the Welbeck Hotel, Nottingham, on Saturday, February ${ }^{15}$ th, at 6 p.m. -F. Blood, Hon. Sec., 9I, Dame Agnes Street, Nottingham
LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.-The next meeting will be held at St. Michael's, Headingley (St. Chad's bells nor available) on Saturday, November zoth. Bells available from $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea can be obtained near the church. Business meeting in the tower at $6.30 .-\mathrm{H}$. Lofthouse, Hon. Sec., 8. Wortley Road, Armley, Leeds.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Bristol Branch.-The next meeting will be held at SS. Philip and Jacob's on Saturday, Nov, 3oth. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 . Will those intending to be present for tea please let me know by 27 th ? A cordial welcome extended to all riagers. -Harry Bennett, Hoo. Sec.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. -- Chertsey Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Esher on Saturday, November 30th. Bells (6) 3 pm . Service 5. Followed by tea. Numbers for tea to be sent to A. V. Bristow, High Street, Esber, by 28th.-H. Hancock, Hon. Dis. Sec., 3, Chobbam Road, Ottershaw.
LADIES' GUILD.-Northern District. - A meeting will be held at Dore, near Sheffield, on Saturday, Nov. 30th (eight bells). Gentlemen cordially invited.-N. Cawthorne, Hon. Sec., 394, Handsworth Road, Sheflield.

COMBINED MEETING of members of the Hereford Guild, the Shropshire and Worcestershire Associations, and the Stafford Archdeaconry will be held at Claverley (between Wolverhampton and Bridgnorth) on Saturday, Nov. 3oth. Bells (8) available from 3. Tea (is. 6d.) at the Crown Hotel at 5 for those who send word by Wednesday, ${ }^{2} 7$ thi inst. Bus leaves Queen Square, Wolverhampton at 3 ; return 9.45 . All ringers welcome. - H. Knight, 15, Rugby Street, Woiverhampton.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.- North-Western District. -The next meeting will be held at All Saints', Banstead, on Saturday, Nov. 3 oth. Tower open 3 p.nn. Service 5 p.m., tea and meeting following at the View Tea Rooms. Those requiring tea please let me know by Tuesday, Nov. 26th.--D. Cooper, Hon. Sec., 5, Harrison's Rise, Croydon.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIA-TION.-Southern Branch.-The annual meeting of the branch will be held at Great Hampton on Sat., Nov. 3oth. Service with an address by the Vicar, the Rev. D. Fitzmaurice, at 5 p.m. Tea will be provided in the Pariub Room for those who send me their names not later than the Tuesday previous.-J. Hemming, Branch Sec., 29, Church Bank, Great Ha ripton, Evesham.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Bowden and Stockport Branch.-- The last meeting of the year will be held at Hyde on Saturday, Nov. 3oth. Bells ready 3 p.m. Service 4.30 . Tea 5.r 5. Will all who require tea please notify me before the 27 th ? - T. Wilde, 36 , Dowson Road, Hyde.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northern Dis-trict.-Next meeting November 30th. St. Saviour's, Walthamstow: ringing from 3 p.m. Tea and meeting in Parish Hall at 5 p.m. Levton bells probably available in the evening. Everyone welcome.-J. A. Waugh, Hon. Dis. Sec.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. - Northampton Branch. - A meeting will be beld at Ecton on Saturday, November 30th. Bells (6) 2.30. Service 4.r5. Tea 5. Will all who require tea please notify me by Tuesday, November 26 th? - T. Tebbutt, West Street, Moulton. Nor hampton,

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Guilsborough Branch.-A special meeting of the above branch will be held at Yelvertoft on Saturday, November 3oth. Usual arrangements.-R. Adams, East Haddon.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis-trict.-The next bye-meeting will be held at Ospringe on Saturday, Dec. 7 th. Beils available from 3 p.m. Service. Arrangements for tea can be made for those who notify me on or before Wednesday, Dec. $4^{\text {th. -Percy } W \text { W. }}$ Smith, Hon. Dis. Sec., Fair View, Littlebourne, Canterbury.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - The annual meeting of the Cheltenham Bracch will be held at Charlton Kings on Saturday, Dec. th. Bells open at 3 o'clock. Service 4.30 . Tea, by jkind invitation of the Vicar (Rev. Edgar Neale), 5.30. Business meeting after tea. Will all those intending to be present please notify me by Dec. $3^{\text {rd }}$ ? - Walter Yeend, Branch Sec., Millfield, Tewkesbury Road, Cheltenham.

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NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-A general meeting of the North Norlolk Branch will be beld in the belfry of st. Peter Mancroft, Norwich, on Saturday, Dec. 7 th, at 4 p.m., for the election of officers and committee. The ring of bells (i2) of St. Peter Mancroft will, by kind permission of the Reverend H. McWullen (Vicar), be available after the meeting. A good attendance of members is kindly requested at this first meeting of the branch.Arthur L. Coleman, General Secretary and Treasurer.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -The next me ting will be held at Church Kirk on Sat., December 7 th. Bells ( 8 ) available 3 p.m. Meeting 630. Business : Questions on Central Council. A good attendance requested.-F. Hindle, Hon. Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIUCESAN GUILD.-North and East District. -Next meeting at St. Matthew's, Upper Clapton, on Saturday, December 7 th. Bells from 3 to 7.30 . Service at 5. Tea at usual terms $5 \cdot 30$. Meeting to foliow. All members and friends cordially invited. Please advise me for tea.-C. T. Coles, 2 r , Vincent Road, E. 4.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Div-ision.-A quarterly meetıng will be held at Rotherfield on Saturday, December 7 th. Tower open at 2.30 p.m. Service $4 \cdot 3$. Tea at 5 . Busioess meeting to follow.G. W. Stokes, 22, Melbourne Road, Eastbourne.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-Southern District. - A meeting will be held at St. Jọn's, Redhill, on satarday, December 7 th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 5 . Tea at 5.30, at the Parish Hall, to those who inform me not later than Wednesday, December 4 th. All riogers welcome.-A. J. Bull, Hon. Sec., Jesmond, Queen's Road, Horley.

DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.-The quarterly meeting will be held at St. Andrew's, Netherton, on Saturday, December 7 th. Bells available 3 o'clock. Service in Church at 4.30. Tea will be provided for those who notify me not later than Tuesday, December 3rd. A good muster is required. Business meeting afterwords.Herbert Sheppard, ii3, Himley Road, Dudley.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch -A meeting will be beld at Garston, on Saturday, Dec. I4th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 5.30 . Tea 6. Those intending being present please inform Mr. W. Hughes, 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston, not later than Wednesday, December inth. A good muster is especially reçuested. Canon Elsee will be present.-Claude IDavies, Branch Sec.

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Kidderminster.-On Sunday, November 10th, on the occasion of the Mayor attending morning service at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): G. Bennett I, G. Davies 2, J. Lawrence 3, T. J. Salter 4, J. Woodberry 5, C. H. Woodberry (conductor) 6, A. Wright 7, J. Beanett 8.
BROUGHTON, KETTERING.-On Sunday, November 3rd, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Doubles ( 1,260 changes) in 50 mins. : $\mathbb{\$}$. F'. Rowney 1, C. Sorgent 2, F. W. Randall 3, H. D. Baxter 4, P.C. A. Stapleton (conductor) 5. Rung as a farewell to P.C. A. Stapleton, who is learing the village.
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With big black headlines, 'Bells that make our Sundays hideous and our nights intolerable, ' Everybody's Weekly,' in its last issue, produced an article, by Francis E. Trotter, ralculated to curdle the blood of all peaceloving people and rouse them to such a condition of active indignation that one might almost expect to hear that the population of these islands has risen as one man to fall upon the bells of our churches and smash them each into a thousand pieces. People who object to beils do sometimes write like that, and we sympathise with them-sympathise with them because they are usually the victims of unfortunate circumstances and a misplaced sense of discrimination and proportion. The trouble seems to be that Francis E. Trotter has made his habitaLion in a neighbourhood where church and other clocksseveral, more or less, in number-strike the hours at varying times, and some of them the quarter-hours, through the night, while on Sundays solitary church bells clang out a rather monotonous call to worship. Consequently Francis E. Trotter-unlike the majority of people, who quickly get used to the striking of clocks at night and don't lose a wink of sleep about them, and who are generally within the hearing of only one church bell or one peal of bells which ring for service-lays about him with the big stick and belabours bells of every kind, and, by inference, the ringers of them. That is the fault with writers who have a bee in their bonnet: their condemnation is sweeping and they lose perspective.

But Francis E. Trotter disclaims any desire to speak irreverently or frivolously, and tells his readers that one of his loveliest memories of the war-time was when, in a train passing through North France, he heard the tiny bells of one village church and then another sound across the small rounded valleys. That is just the secret of it. It is the conditions that make all the difference. Probably those French bells were, as bells, as bad or worse than those English ones of his acquaintance, of which he now complains, and it is quite obvious that Francis E. Trotter hias yet to hear a good modern peal of bells weil rung. Nowhere in all France would he hear bells like them. It is unfortunate that he had not heard some of these glorious rings before he embarked upon his tirade, in an effort to influence public opinion.

And yet, for all his fuming, thoughtful readers will appreciate the exaggeration with which the article is filled, from this characteristic statement, that 'all the inability of the churches to agree with one another in a Christian way is symbolised in the clanging, arguing. (Continued on page 754.)


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bickering, contradicting, quarrelsome exhibition of bells jostling and pushing and shouting one another down.' Anyone acquainted with the facts knows that, with very few exceptions, bells are used only in the Estatblished Church; that in extraordinarily few instances are churches so closely situated that their bells can be heard in annoying confict; and that therefore this fulmination against church bells in general is nothing but a bit of empty "flapdoodle." If the clocks at night disturb him, he must be a sufferer from insomnia and should consult a doctor; if the bells on Sunday upset him, he should consult a parson-it may be that conscience is pricking him for a long-negIected summons. But the pity of it is that so many of the readers of his article will not realise this.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

CHELMSFORD, ESSEX. THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Satxelay, Nouchber 23, 1929, in Three Houys and Thirty-Setuen Minutos, At teg Cathbdral Cherch of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, GO21CHANGES;

## Tenor 34竟cwt.

Lrslie J. Clark ... ...tyeble James E. Davis ... Cbarles T. Coles ... .... 3 William Lincola ... ... 8 Ghorge R. Pypi... ... ... 3 John W. Wood ... Lewis W. Wiffen ....- .4 William Pye 4 ...... Edward P. Doffiecd ... 5 Jamis Benneti .. ... ... It *Fichard C. Clark ... ... 6 Arthor Head. ... ... ...Tehor Composed by Gabriel Lindoff. Conducted by Cearles T. Colrs

* First peal on twelve hells.


## TEN BELL PEALS.

BEDDINGTON, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASBOCIAEION.
On Saturday, Nowember 23, 1929, in Thyee Hows and Fourteen Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES; Tesor I8 cwt. I qr. 26 lb . in E flat.

- Ronald H. Dove ... ...Treble Edwin F. Pike ... .... ... 6

William H. Hewett ... 3 | Danirl D. Coopbr ... ... 7
John S. Goldsmifh ... ... 3 "William R. Melvilee .. 8

- Frank Jbanings ... ... 4 Frank E. Dabby ... ... 9

John Sparhow ... ... ... 5 Charlas H. Kippin ... ... ... Tendy
Compased by William Pye. Conducted dy W. H. Hewett.

* First peal of Cambridge Surprise Rogill.

BRISTOL.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sutwrdav, Nownder 23, 1929, in Three Howrs and Twenty-Five Minthe, At ibe Cedrch of St. Stephen-ter-Martyr,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDEE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5 IUA CHANGES; Tenor al cwt. in E.
Herbert Kniget
Albert Stoweel
...Treble
William A. Cave
...... .3 William Stowell 3 ... $-\cdots 8$

Composed by John Carter. Cogducted by foun A. Borford.
Rung with the bells half-muffled as a last token of respect to Mrs. W. H. Thames, a highly respected member and vegular Sunday service ringer of Et. Stephen's Gtild, who died on November 19th.

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## MANCHESTER.

the lancashire association.
On Saturday, November 23, 1929, in Thyee Hours and Twenty-Two Minutes, At the Catazdral Churce de the Beloved Virgin Mary,

SS. George and Denis,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5001 CHANGES;
Tenor 27 cwt 3 gr .36 lb . in D flat.
Herberi Davbnport... ...Treble | William Horan :.. ... 6 Tom Wilde ...... Grorge R. Newton ... ... 3 John Potter ... ... ... 8 James W. Grounds ... ... 4 Ed Edabd Jenkins... Jogn bootti ... ... ... ... 5 Frederick Pagz ... ...Teror Composed by Jobn P. Bradley. Conducted by Grorge R. Newion * First peal on ten bells. † Firsl peal of Caters.

## CULLOMPTON, DEYON.

THE DEVONSHIRE GUIED.
(St. Sidweit's Branch, Exbibr.)
On Saturday, Noumber 23, 1929, in Three Hours and Twenty-One Minntes, At the Parish Catrcy,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANGES;

Tenor igh cwt.

- David Betis ... ... ...Trable Edwin Seepheed ... ... 6

中Edward Biffen ... ... 2 William Howe... ... ... 7
Alfred Monkley ... ... 3 G Gejrge Betts ......
William Riceardson ... 4 | †Arthor Trdman... 'Tom Bartlett... ... ... 5 Arther Goad ... ... ...Tehor Composed by John Carter. Conducted by Edwin Shepgerd,

* First peal. + First peal of Caters.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

WEST HARTLEPOOL, DURHAM.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. Or Saturday, November 76, 1929, in Two Hoturand Fifty-EightMinutes,

At tee Cherce of All Saints, Stranion,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 506E CHANRES; Tenor 12 cwt.
William Piclar
...Treble "Elward Clannett Robson 5

- Harold Robson ... ... 2 Thomas H. Champion ... 6
*John Clodston ... ... ... 3 Sidngy Breeze ... ... ... 7
Frederick Robson ... ... 4 Ernest Burnett ... ...Tenoy
Composed by J. A. Troleopr. Conducted by Ernest Bornett.
* First peal of Major.

HORLEY, SUKREY.
THE SURREY ASSOOIATION.
(Sodtaern District.)
On Sunday, November 17, 1929, in Three Hours and Three Minutes.
At the Chorch of St. Bartholomew,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR. 5088 BHANEES; Tenor in cwt. in F sharp.
Robert Swift ... ... ...Treble Alfred \}- Boll ... .... ... 5
Kenneth Snelling... ... 2 Reginald V. Jounson ... 6
-Grorge Olliver ... ... 3 Grorge Ellis ... ... ... 7
Nelson Elliott ... ... 4 | Oliver Sippetts... ... ...Tenor
3 Composed by Gmbriel Linderf. Conducted by O. Sifferts.

* First peal in the mothod 'inside.'

NBWCASTLE-QN-TYNE.
THE DURHAM \& NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Tuesday, November 79, 1929, in Tra Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,

At xae Cagreh of St. John,

## A PEAL OF 8PLIGED OXFDRD AND KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES :

Tenor in cwt. 5 lb.
Stephen W. Stratford ...Tyebla Henry B. Taylor ... ... $50 .^{5}$ William H. Bareer... David Vincent ... ... ... 6
 Composed by A. J. Pitman. Conducted by W. H. Barber.
In this competition the method is changed 18 times, and at least once in every course. First spliced peal of Treble Bob Majou for the assaciation and all the band.

WHITWICK, LE1CESTERSHIRE
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Wodnesday, November 20, 1929, in Thre Hours and Twenty-Six Minwies At the Cborge of St. Jogn-the-Bapist,

## A PEAL OF DUFFIELD MAJOR, 5760 CHANEES;

 Tenor 121 cmt.| - Matice Swinfigld... | ... Tyeble | Charles Drater | ... | ... | 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jorn F. Swinfield | ... | 2 | Richard C. Beeton... | .. | 0 |


| Jobn F. Swinfield | ... | 2 | Richard C. BeEton... | ... | 0 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Josepp Babley ... | ... | .. | 3 | lambs S. Hotchey | .. |
| ... | 7 |  |  |  |  |

-E. Harky Stoneley ... 4 .Ephralm W. Rands... ...Terot
Composed by Rev. H. Earle Bulwer. Conducted by M. Swinfirld

* First peal in the methad. First peal of Major as conductor. This composilion is now rung for the first time, and is the extent with the sixth at home.


## LLANTRISANT", GLAMORGANEHIRE.

THE LLANDATF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASGOCIATION. On Thursday, Nowenter 21, 1929, in Three Howrsatd Six Minutes,

At ine Parish Cabreh,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, EO40 CHANGES;

Tenor $22 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cvot}$ ( (approx.).
Royden Davirs ... ... ...Tymi i Cearles H. Perry - ... 5
Geqrge Popnell ... ... 2 Georgr H. Maktin ... ... 6
Jobn Dafch ......

Composed by Rev. E. Bankes James. Coaducted by C. H. Perry

* First peal. The ringer of 2nd is from Bedweltu, 3rd from Pontypridd, 4 th and $6 t h$ from Caerphilly, 7th from Cardiff, 5 th from Bridgend, treble and temor local. The band take this opportunity of thanking the Vicar for the use of the bells.


## ROMFORD, JSSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, November 21, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minules, At the Cadrch of St. Edwand,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor 15 cwt.

 Jogn G. Nash ... ... ... 4 William Pye ... ... ... Vent
Composed by Frank Bennett. Conducted by George R. Pyr

* First peal in the method. This was the condactor's 1,800 hi peal and his 100th on these bells. Rung with half-muflerl ciappers on the day of the funeral of the labe Miss Mary Robinson.


## CANMOCK, STATFORDSHIRE

THE SOCIETY FOR THE AROEDEACONRY OF STAFFORD On Thrysday, Novamber 27. 1929. in Two Hows and Fifty-Nima Minales.

At the Churce of St. Loke,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 50. 0 CHANGES;
Groves Transposition of Parkrr's Twrlve-part. Tenor 14 cwt .
Joun Yerrold ... ... ...Tyeble Abraham E. Wintehton
-Gborge Bradrory ... ... 2 .Arthor Williams ... 5


Conducted by john Perry.

* First peal and, together with the finger of the fourth, belong to the local baud. The remainder belong to Brewood.

PAEGRAVE, SUFFOLF.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
गн Friday, November 22, 1929, is Two Hours and Forty-Sewen Mintics,
At the Cgurch of St. Petpr,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE EOE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor $7^{\frac{3}{4}}$ cwt. in A flal.
"Nolan Golden ... .... ...Treble | Eric G. Renneti ... ... 5 Albert G. Harrison $\quad . . . \quad 2$ David Whiting ... $\quad . .$. Ray Grant... $. . . \quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 3 \quad$ Wilciam Stbggall ... $\quad . .$. Alpbates J. Berry ... ... 4 Clement J. More ... ... Tamor Composed and Conducted by Nolan Gorden.

* 75th peal. Rung as compliments ta the drughter of Mr. C. J. More nud to ML. A. G. Hanvison, whose birthelaj occurated on thut day.

ASHTEAD, SURREY.
THE GULLDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, November 13, 1029 , in Two Hours ind Fifty-Eight Minufes,
At the Chdrch of St Giles,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIYE SURPRISE MAJOR, 6088 CHAMEES.

Miss Irbne L. Hastie Arthor J. Smith ... ... 2 John Beams ... .. ... ...
 Gegorge Marriner ... ... 4 Albert Harman ... ... ...Temor Composed by W. H. Inglesant. Conducted by Albert Harman CRAYFORD, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, November 22, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,
Ay tag Chorch of St. Padlends,
A PEAL of Buperlative gurprise major, 5056 cmameen, Tenor 12遈 cwt

 Composed by G. H. Cross. Non-Conducted. Gmpires: J. Wheadon and H. Hoverd. WICKEN, NORTHANTS.
THE TOWCESTER AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.
On Sathrday, November 23, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes, At ing Parlse Chorcb,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

P'arker's Twelve.part.
Tenor 18 cmt .
Frederick C. Case ... ...Trable
Leonard A. Smite ... ... $x$

- Harry Casemore ... ... 3

Emnest C. Lambrbt Conducted by T. E. Roberts.

Hrrbert C. Edwards Thomas E. Roberts
... 5 ... 6

Walier B. Jackson........eno

* Firsl peal 'insile.' † First peal and first attempt. SOUTHAMPTON, HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINOHESTER AND PORTBMOUTH DIOCESAN GULLD. On Sathrday, Noventer 23. 19\%9, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes, At the Cherch of St. Michafl.
a PEal of Superlative Surprise major, 5024 chances;
Tenor 17 cwt in F .
 Towbr R. Taylor ... .... 4 Freperick W. Rogbrs ...Teno Composed by Hbnry Dains. Conducted by George Wileiams.
First peal in a Surprise method on the bells. HOGHTON, LANCASHIRE
THE LANGASHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Preston Branch.)
On Satirday, Novanber 23, 1929, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
At tee Chorch of the Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5089 GHANGES Tenor 13 cwt .

Composed by W. H. inglesant. Conducted by W. Sharples. * Eirst peal of Major.

SPALDING, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GULD.
On Saturday, Nowember 23, 1929, in Thres Hours and Twenty-Nine Minutes At the Parise Chtrce,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor 16 cmt .
*Johm T. Brown... ... ...Treble John G. Ambs
Arthor Riggall
... ${ }^{2}$
Grorge ladd ... ... ...
Wieliam H. Waldron ...
John Corry..

Composed by J. Nichols.

* First peal in the method.


## WIDFORD, ESSEX

THE FSSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sathyday. November 23. 1929, in Threa Hours, At the Church of Sf. Mary.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; A. J. Pitmak's Twelve-fart. Tenoritidewt.
-Reginald A. Arnold ...Tyeble Dr, Spencer Phillips ... 5 Alfred Tdrban, jon. ... 2 †Edward A. Kemp ... ... $\overline{6}$ Thomas Lincoln ... ... 3 Grorge Grben ... ... †Percy Grezen ... ... ... 4 George Cooper ... ...Tenor Conducted by Dr. Spencer Phillips.

* First peal. $\dagger$ First peal on inside bell. First peal as conductor. A. Turban was elected a member in the iower before starting the peal.

STONE, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE NORTH STAFFE AND DISTRIOT ASSOOLATION.
On Saturday, Nowember 23, 1929, in Three Houys and Eight Minutes,
At the Chitre of St. Michazl,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES: Tenor 12 ewt.
Robert G. Lewis ... ...Tyeble George W. Biddolph ... 5

| Themas Hord |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Charles S. Ryles | ... | .. | 2 | Willam P. Drane | ... | ... |

 Composed by J. Thorp. Conducted by Cearles H. Page.
The band wish to thank the Rector for the use of the bells, and the local riagers for having everything in readiness.

## ERITH, KENT.

## the kent county association.

On Saturaday, November 23, 1929, in Two Hours and Foyty-Five Minutes,
At the Cherch of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF STEDMAM TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Haley's Variation.
Tenor 15 cwt in G .
Joan Weradon... ...
..Treble Lionel J. Cullum
Herbert A. Ilolden ... 2 Bertie W. Aldridgb....

- Harry Hourrd ... ... ... 3 Fabderick J. Collom, jon. 7

Frederick A. Coley ... 4 Wizliam C. Darke ... ...Tehor
Conducted by Fredericx J. Collom, jun.

* First peal of Stedmau. Rung to celchrato the wedding anniversary of the ringer of tenor, also as a birthday compliment to Mri. J. Wheadon, wife of the ringer of the treble.

GODSTONE, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION
(Sotibbrn Branch.)
On Saturday, November 23, 1929, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Nigbolas
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor 12 cwt .


Grorge F. Hoad ......
Composed by J. R. Paitcrard. Conducted by Waltbr Ceaydof

* First peal. + First peal of Major away from treble. First peal of Major as conductor. Quarter-peal for the Surrey Association (Southern Branch). Rung on the 77 th birthday of Mr. T. Bassett who has been in the Godstone Paxish Cburch Ohoir for fifty yeare.

SEDGLEY, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Satcyday, November 23, 1929, on Three Hours and Eight Minuras,

At the Cabrcy of All Saints,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Grovbs' Tisansposition of Pabker's Twelve-part.
Tenor $16 \mathrm{cwt}, 4 \mathrm{lb}$.
Benjamin Godgh ... ...Treble $\mid$ William H. Layley Francis Brotherton Samotel Baker ... ... $\begin{array}{ll}\cdots & 2 \\ \cdots & 3\end{array}$ ... 3 Harry Boswble Abrabam Grebnfield ... 4 Benjamin Foll wood ...Temor Conducted by Abrabam Grebnfibld.

* 25th peal. 50ti peal as conductor. Rung half-muffled as a tribute of respect to the late Vicar of Sedgley, Rev. Dr. T. G. Swindell, who passed away on November 16th, and was laid to rebt on Wednesday, the 20th. For over 41 yeara he was Vicar of the sbove parish.

BRIDSTOW, HEREFORDSHTRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Noventer 23, 1929, in Three Hours and Six Minutes, At the Chitce of St. Bridget,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES:

## Therstans' Fodr-part.

 Refs Evans... ...Treble Henry E. Cox ... ... .. 5 Allin T. Poston ... ... 2 Edwin H. Foster ... ... 6 Abfred T. Poucton ... ... 3 Wieliam Poston... ... Robert E. Sumasrs ... ... 4 Robbrt Semmers ... ...Tenor Conducted by W. Poston
First peal of Stedman by all the band, and the first on the bells. Rung nt the 9th attempt.

IFUGHENDEN, BUCKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, November 23. 1929, in Three Howrs and Ten Minutes,
At the Ceurch of Sit. Michaer and Acl Angels,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRIBE MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

## Tenor 12 owt.

| William Efenley | ...Trebie | John Eva |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Peylifi M. Mayne | ... 2 | Harry Wingrove |
| William F. Fossell.. | ... 3 | George Ma | William Fi. Fussell..... .3 George Martin ... $\quad . .$.

 Composed by C. Hatrersley. Conducted by C. C. Mayns,
Rung as a welcome to the Rev. Gr. Ferbert Jones, M. of the diocese of Hereford, whu was inducted Vicar during the week.

ALDENHAM, HERTS.
THE HERTFORD COLNTY ASSOCEATION
On Saturday, Novenber 23, 1929.in Two Houys and Fovty-Eight Mimzies,
At the Chorch of St. Joen-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor 15 cwt .


A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; Tenor 14 cwt a lb . is F
Walter Idle ... ... ...Tyeble Wiglam H. Semior
percy Вyrom ... ... ... 2 Fred Hodgson ...
5
Ernest B Betts .... ... 3 Harby Marsden... .... ...
Harold Senior ... .... ... 4 Herbert Dransfizld ...Temer
Composed by G. H. Hardr. Conducted by W. H. Senior.
First peal as conductor. Rung to celebrate the silver wedding of Mr. Feningway Dransfield, an esteemed member of the local band. The ringers and friends wish to thank him for his kind hospitality after the peal.

## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

## TEVERSALL DERBYSHIRF,

EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTINGEAMSHIRE ASSOCLATION. On Satwday, November 9. 1929. in Twe Hours and Thirty-Nine Minutes,

At ine Chorch of St. Kathraine.
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 3,600 changer of Grandsire and 1,440 of Bob Doubles.
 Frbd W. Knowles Bernard Porter
Conducted by Fred W. Knowles.

* First peal. These ringers entertained the hand to supper after the peal. The bells were rung half-mulfed in remembrance of the man of Tevergall who fell in the war.
'ODDS \& ENDS OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES'
Being maimy an explamation of the nature and working of the $Q$ sets in ordinary ringing phrabeology, with one or two other matters.

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KENNINGHAILL, NORFOLKK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday. Novenber 1d. 1929. in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minuter, At tae Chorg of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Comprising seven different extents, viz., one each of Double oxford, Double Court, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, and three of Plain Bob. Tenor $16 \frac{1}{2}$ ewt. in F .
Ray Grant ... ... ... ...Tyrble Eric G. Bynnett
Framk S. Ciarke ..... .2 Jebn Snelling ... ...
Charles F. Goodman ... 3 Nolan Golden ... ... ...Tenoy Conducted by Nolan Golden.
Rung after meeting short for Major. It is believed to be the first peal of Minor on the bells.

STANFORD-ON-AVON, NORTHANTS.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCLATION.
On Saf hrday, Novembey 16, 1929, in Two Houy 5 and Thivty-One Mintes,
At the Caurch of Si. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF GRANDEIRE DOUBLES, BOAO CHANGES;

Forty-two extents.
Edwin Botr...
Tenor 11 cw l .25 th in F
Ernest A, Marsu
.Tveble Ronald Rosgell
$\qquad$ Ernest H. Bagworth ...Tehoy
Conducted by Norman S. Bagworth. BUGKLAND NEWTON, DORSET. THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GULDD.
On Satwriay, November 16, 1929 . in Three Hours and Fourtecn Mentes, At the Ceurch of the Holy Rood,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES; Being 42 six-scores with ten different callings. Tenor 17 ewt. Frank Price ... ... ...Tyeble |'tclement H. Vowles ... 4
 Conducted by W. C. Seete.

* Firat peal away from treble. + First attempt for a peal. All are members of the Slorborne Abbey band with the exception of the conductor. First peal on the bells.

MARDEN, HEREFORDSHIRE. THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sunday, November 77, 1929, in Two Hows arnd Fifty-Four Minutes
At far Chorce of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5010 CHANGES;
Being 42 six-scores, 18 callings.
Thenor $16 \ddagger \mathrm{cmt}$.
-Cearies Leite... ... ...Trebli James P. Hybit.
William G. T. Barrett 2 G. James R. Paice.... Reginald Morris ... ... 3 William E. Kinsey .... .... Temav Concuucted by G. J. R. Pricr.

* First peal. Rung as a complinent to the Vicar for his kindness in always placing the bells at the ringors' disposal. Also rung on the birthday of, and as a compliment to, the tenor man.

THRANDESTON, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUIID.
Ou Monday, Nowewher 18, 1929, in Two Fours and Forty-One Minules, At the Cgerge of St. Margaret of Anifoch,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 504 C CHANGES;

Comprising one of kent, two of Oxford and four of Plain Bob, each called differently.

Tenor 10 cmt . in G .
Alphifus J. Berry
Nolan Golden ...
... ...T

Treble Alaert G. Harrison.
Conducted by Nolan Goldren.
North muskham, NotTs.
TRE Midland COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, November 18, 1929, in Two Hours and Thiriy Minufes,
At the Chorch of St. Wilfrid,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5060 GHANGES;

Being four 180's of Stedman, three of Plain Bob and 35 of Grandsire. Tenor 9 ewt. (approx.).

- Miss Grace Burchnall Trebic $\mid$ George E. Foster .... ... 3 -Miss K. Bercheall... ... $=$ Arther ${ }^{\text {. }}$. Chamgerlaln ... 4 J. Frederick Milner ‥Temer Concucted by A. J. Chamberlain.
* First five-bell peal. The second peal on the bells,


## BLACKWELJ, DERBYSHLRE

THE MDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Novender 16, 1929, in Two Hours and Thirty-Two Minutes.

## At the Cheach of St. Werbergh,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, goti ghanges;

Being 720 Stedrum Doubles, 720 St. Simon's, 2,400 Grandsire and 1,200 Boh Deubles.
Ereqst Mallender ... ...Tuili | Hobert Balley ... ... ... 3 Aryhur Smithson ... ... 2 | Bernard Balley... ... ... 4

Fred W. Knowles .Tanar
Conducted hv Fren W. Knowles.
Rung as a birthday compliment to the following: The conductor, the Vicar, Rer. T. S. Hudson, the mother of the treble ringer, and the mothor of the zrd and 4th ringers. The latier entertained the ringers to tea afterwards.

WITHAM, LSSEX.
THE EBSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November i6. 1929. in Thres How's,
At fhe Church of St. Nicholas,

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

Two 720's encl of Cambridge, Oxfori and Kent and 720 of Woodine. Tenor 18 ewt in T .
William Botetr ... ...Tyebie William Kbeble
... $\cdot . .4$
Wilelam H. P. Melelns 3 Erabet Briget ... .... .... Tamor Conducted by Wialiam Kebber.

* First peal on a bobly bell. Rung as a birthday compliment to A. Evers. First peal on the bells since they were rehung by Messrs. Bowell and Son, of Ipswich.

EGREMONT, CUMBERLAND.
THE CUMBERLAND COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, Noventer 19, 1929. in Three'Hours and Two Minudes,

## At the Cherch of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRIGE MINOR, gOAO CHANGES;


* First penl, Rung with the bells moffled in remembrance of those who fell in the war. First peal of Cambridge Minor by all the band.

STAPLEFORD, CAMBS
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
Un Thursday, November 21, 1929, in Two Hours and Thirly-Eighl Minutes, At tae Chergh of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5O4D CHANGES;

Being 720 each of London, Wells, York, Durlam, Cambridge, Beverloy and Surtleet.

Beriram Pilgrim $\qquad$ $\ldots$| $\ldots$ Treble | Albert E. Adostin |
| :---: | :---: |
| $\ldots .$. | Frank Harpaz | Miss Kitty Wileers... $\begin{array}{ll}\ldots . . & 2 \\ \cdots & \\ \cdots\end{array}$ Joan W. Ward Conducted by Albert E. Austa. Tenor 7 ewt.

## IPEWICE, SUFFOLK. <br> THE SUFFOLK GULD.

On Safurday, Nournber 23, 1929 , in Two Hours and Fifty-Speren Minutes, At the Chorch of St. Clement.

## A PEAL OF HINOR, 6040 CHANGES;

Consisting of 780 eachin of Ipswich Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, Ox ford, Fent, Plain Holb, Doulte OxTurd, Double Conrt Boh. Tenor 15: cext.
 Conducted by F. J. Long.

* First pual. + First peal of Mrinor. First peal as conductor. Ruar on the $9 i_{1}$ sminversary of the reopening of the bells. All aro Sunday service ringers.

SWINDON, wites.-On Tuesday, Oetohar 15th, ai Christ Church, for urbutice, 1,080 Cambritige Surprise Roynl: L. A. Wilson 1, G. W. Townind 2, W. R. Kynaston 3, R. W. Hyner 4, S. Palmer 5, C. J. Gardiney (uondictor') 6, T'. Townsma 7, H. A. Hearl B. E. Bishop 9,

HANLEY CASTLE, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Western Brance.)
On Saturday. November 23, 1929, in Two Hours and Thitly Minutes.
At the Church of St. Gabrier,
A PEAL OF MINOR, SOIO CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Jondon and Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, College Single and Plain Bob. Tenor $10 \frac{k}{2}$ cwt.


* First peal on six beils.
breathay, lancashtre.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Furness and Lake District Branch.)
On Sathriday, November 23.1929, in Two Hours anid Forty-Five Minutes,
At the Church of the Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven different 720's.

 | Jin Tebay | $\ldots$ | ... | ... | 2 | Thomas Jefrerson | ... | ... |
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Conducted by W. Robinson.
First peal by the ringers of the 2nd, 3rd, 5th and tenor and first attempt. They are members of the newly-formed band at ther Windermere Parish Church, Bowness.

## LEICESTER.

THE MLDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Novender 23, 1929. in Two Hours and Thity-Five Minutes,
At the Chorch of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, s040 CHANGES;

Being 12 six-scores of Plain Bob and 30 of Grandsire. Tenor 10 l cwt . in $G$.
Gegrge Clarke ... ... ... Treble $\mid$ Leomard H. Whitgread...
Charles Cattbll … .... $z^{2}$ Edward R. Whitebead

## Arthur Catrele ... ...Tency

Conducted by E. R. Whitehead.
First peaf of Doubles as conductor. Rung as a token of respect to the late Joha Henry Tarratt, in memory of whom a stained glass window was unveiled the following day, by the Lord Bishop of Leicester.

## ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

## EIGHT MEETINGS FOR ELY ARCHDEACONRY.

A district meeting for the Ely Archdeacoury was held at Trumpington on Saturday last. Although parrly attended, some gaod ringing took place. The service was conducted by the Ticar (Rev. A. C. Moule), Mr. E. Faynes being the organist. Tea and business meeting followed at the Green Man, arranged by Miss K. Willers.
The scoretary (Mr. F. Warrington) read the minutes of the last meeting, arising out of which it was decided the district committea meet, if possible, at the room of the Rev. A. H. F. Bougley (president of Cambridge University Guild), to arrange a programame for ensting year. Mr. F. Hurry (Sawston) proposed, and Mr. A. E. Austin (Stapleford) seconded, there he eight meetings next year, and this was carried.
Three new memhers weve envollen, Fric Clapaian (Trumpinglon), Cecil Austin (Stapleford), and Munsfeli Gimn (Over). Mr. A. G. Rivers (Dry Drayton), supporteri by M: B. Buttress (Fulbourn) welcomed the new members, statilig they were pleased to see ths young blood enlisted in the association.
On the proposition of Mr. A. E. Austin, seconded by Mr. E. G. Fibbins (Cambridge), votes of thanks were accorded the Vicar for the use of the hells and taking the serrice, to Mr. E. Haynes as organist, and Miss Willers for making arrangements. The Vicar replied, welcoming the association to Trumpinglon. He snid he wished it to be Known that Miss Willers, by her untiving efforts, had a good Sunday service ringing baud. He also expressed thruks to Mr. A. Wilson on his help.
Mr. Hibbins congratnlated Mr. Haynes an couducting the first peal on the bells, which was also his (Mr. Haynes') first peal.
Business over, the tower was again fisited, methods rung being frous Plain Roh' to Lomdon Surprise, tho meetiug ending with a 720 of Loudon Surprise (rung nou-conducted) by: E. Haynes 1 , Miss $\mathbb{Z}$. Willers 2. A. F. Austin 3, W. Warington 4, C. W. Cook 5, E. Hiblins 6. Witmess, A. T. Gim.

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUIED

NEWBURY BRANGF GRAN'IS FOR RESTORATIONS.
The annual mecting of the Newbury Brapeh of the Oxford Diocesan Guild was held at Newbury on Saturday, November 16th, when, despite a very wet dajy the attendance was good.

The Rectar' (the Rer. L. R. Majendie) dedicated two peal boards commemorating peals rung in November, 1922, and August, 1929, after which a short touch ai Grandsire Triples was rung by the members preseat, whose names appear un the boards, augmented by Miss V. Robinson, of Wokingham, and Mr. R. T. Hibbert, conducted by Mr. H. W. Curtis (captain of the tower).

Service was held in the larish Church, conducted by the Rev. A. Browning (Rector of Peasemore), the address being given by whe Master of the Guild (the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn), who preached from the text. Irom sharpeneth iron; so a man sharpezeth the countenance of his friend' (Proverbs xxvii. 17). The Rev. L. R. Majendie presided at the organ.
Ten was served in the Parish Room by Mus. H. W. Curtis, assisted by other ringers' wives, ard 58 sat down to an excellent meal.
Tlie business meeting followed, over which the chairman of the branclı (the Rev. L. R. Majendie) presided, supported by the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, Mr. R. T. Hibbert (Guild secretary), Mr. A. J. Wright (Guild treasurer), Rev. Fiugh Bonsey, Rev. A. Browning, and the hon. branch secretary and treasurer (Mr. H. W. Curtis)
The Secretary reported a very successful year ; the balance in 1928 was $£ 13 \mathrm{12}$ s. This year $£ 13 \mathrm{3s}$. had been voted to three towers for restoration, leaving an metual balance in hand of 5417 s .4 d .

The sum of $£ 2$ was voted from the branch fund to the Berkshire Twelve-bell Fund. ${ }^{\text {. }}$

The foremen of towers gave satisfactory reports.
The Master congratulated the Newlyury Branch on its meeting and its officers. He was giad to hear reports from nearly every tower in the brauch.

Mr. R. T. Hibbert atso spoke on behalf of the St. Lawreace Twelve-hell Fund, and the chairman promised to send £l.

Mr. A. J. Wright commended the brancla npon granting so much of the lalance to bell restoration.

Three new honorary members were elected, and 15 new ringing members were also enrolled.

The next meeting was fixed for Chieveley in February, and the spring meetiog for Thatoham in april.

The meeting closed with an expression of thanks to the Master, to the Rector, and to the ladies for ploviding tea.

Further ringing then took place until 9 p.m.

## THE LATE CANON NOLLOTH.

HIS ASSOGLATION WITH BEVERLEY AND YORK MDNSTER BELLS.
The dealh of Ganon H. E. Nolloth, D.D., which we briefly recorded last week, removes a great lover of bells. Canou Nolloth was Vical of Beverley Mingter for 41 years, and during his jacurabency did a great deal to beatify the building, and le added the glorious ring of bells for which the Minster is famous. Fo ratired in 1921, but took an active part to getting Fork Minster bells and Great Peter recast.
During his long incumbency at Beverley, Ganon Nolloth spent a considerable amount of his private means in bentifying the church Lo which be was greatly devoted. He put in the fine mosaics and figures in the niches in the altar screen, stained glass windows in the transept, and a new organ case, and also erected the iron fencing round the churchyard; the last-mentioned work alone oost over £3,000. Oanon Nolnath was also responsible for the scheme he partly financed of filling in the niches in the exierior of the Minster with stone figures, and he and Mrs, Nolloth were generous benefactors in connection with the present peal of ten bells and clock which chimes on the peal and strikes on the great bell which hangs in the other tower.

When Canon Nollath left Beverley he gave the property he beld in the town to the Mimster for the improvement of the living. For several years be was a member of the East Riding County Council. As a Canon of York Dr. Nolloth frequently preached in Yark Minster, and since he went to live at Oxford continued to take his appointed tarn at the Minster.
Both Forle and Beverley owe much to Canon Nolloth in regard to their noble rings of bells, and a short time ago the York Minste: ringers made a prosentation to him in appreciation of the work lie bad done in connection with York Minster bells.
Canon Nolloth, who had been living at Oxford since 1921, had reached the advanced age of 84 years. Mrs. Nolloth survives her husband.

The funcral took place at Beverley on Thursday of last week.

## FAREWELL TO A MYSSIONARY

At the Parish Chareh of Great Tey, after the evening service, on Nowember 17th, a touch of Bob Major was rung as a farewell to Miss Garrard, who is leaving for East Africa to work in the mission felds: F. Wilby 1, H. Webh 2, B. Webb 3, F. Gartard 4, T. Evans 5, G. Evans 6, T. Piper 7, J. Dyer 8.

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## A FAMOUS BRISTOL GUILD.

## THE ANTIENT SOCIETY OF ST. STEPHEN'S RINGERS.

Occasional references have been made in our columas to 'The Antient Sociery of St. Stephen's Ringers," an old Bristol Guitc, which is supposed to have been founded about the year 1620. There was a tradition that Queen Elizahell visited Bristol in 1574 anct expressed herself so pleased with St. Stephen's sweet bells


THE FINE TOWER
of the Church of St. Stephen-the-Martyr, Bristal.
and graceful tower that she promised to give the ringers a charter. But the royal charter does not seem to have materialised. Perhaps Queen Elizabeth forgot about it. It has sometimes been stated that King' James I. rectified Elizabeth's omission, wut no charter has been found, nor any record of one, and there is no good reason to suppose there ever was one. Had a charter been issued by the Lord Chamberlain it would have recited the purposes for which the Guild was formed, given the names of
those associated with its control, and probably the date of it loundation. The absence of such 'a document, and, indeed, of any other written record, prior to 1681, leaves the origin of the society entirely a matter of conjecture, and the numerous attempts made to ascertain its true lueginnings have not been attended by much success.
Probably the Guild had a very iuformal begimnine thatgh the Ordinances plainly indicate a religions foundation. The earliest of these Ordinances go no further bacle thas 1620, but there is clear indication in theni that the EL. Steplen's Ringers were already an ancient body, and local historians linve suggested thut it wat a preReformation society for religious, benevolent and social purposes. That fhey were urginally responsible for ringing St. Steplaca's hells is obvicus, but thal athivo connection with the church seems long since to have ceased. Here are two interesting extracts from the Ordinances:-
'If anyone of the said Company after the time he shall come int the Church shall be so satucy as to take the rope to ring before the Master and the eldest of the said Comprny who have been Masters shail be settled where they please to ring, the party so elfending shall pay for such his offence twopeuce, one pemy thercof to the soxton and the ather peuny to tho Company.

Jf athy of the said Company shall be so rude as to tum inte the Bedfry before to do kneel down and pray as every goud Christian ought to do, he shall pay for first oftenco sisponce, and for thic second the shall bo cast out of the Company."
The rurliest known minute hook of the society is of the year 1682 , and the iirst known Master was Thomas Atkins, elected in '1581, ithd wilh only one short break in the first half of the cithtienth century the list of Masters is complete to the present day. At first ald the members were acmal ringers, but by the close of the seronteenih contury mon-ringers were admitted, and gradunly the tinging eloment disapperred
The Guild has hati its ups and downs, and occasionally come near to extigetian, hut it never quite died. and io tho mid-ninetemth century began ils great work for the fabric aud emitelishneneat of the churels of St. Slephen. So, while the members never rang, they rendered a greal service to the church by nssisting wheu needful in the upkeep of the buildiug. Only a few Joars ago they sponl about $£ 2,000$ on the renovation of the tower:
Thero is one other feature which they have stendfastly maintained, and that is their annual feast, and from the bille of fare that hive come tiown to us, the menlbers have generuly managed to do themselves well.' The menu for une of The feusts in the forties of last century, for instance, contained three soups (molnding turtle), five kinds of fish, venison (in three forms), lamb, veal, ralves' heads, beef, tonguc and fowls, with dueklings, venison pastry, gosling, rodst elicken ant turker as entrees, three puddings anm dessert.
Even to-day the quality of ihe hanquets is maintained. The members and their guests dined tegether at the Rea Lodge, Rritiol, on Monday week, under the chairmanship of the Master, Mr. Fratucis N. Cowlin. The diners successfully negoliated a rederchié ment of ten courses, including the traditional turtle soup. There tere eight toasts, including one "To the memory of Good Queen Bess.' The ofld chservance of the "Procession of ithe Don" was honotred, the 'charter' was read, and the new Master (Capt. Mardon! installed. There was a distitguished company present, including the Lard Mayor and Sherifts of Bristol, and Sir Ernest Charles (Master of tha Merchant Venturers' Society), and daring tho eveniag an oddress and a silver salver were presented to Mr. H. E. Roslyn, in recognition of his services in compiling fund publishing a history of the Antient Society
The Church of St. Stophen-the-Martyr, Bristol, with which thy Antient Society is associated, is conspicuous for the elegance aud beauty of its tower. The church itself dates bate to 1304. and was rebuilt between the years 1450 and 1490 , the fretted tower, which is 133 feel high to the leads and 35 feek more to the tops of the pimaneles, heing erected in 1469. The bells were originally a ring of six, reenst, and made into eight hy Rudhall, of Gloucester in 1759, rud augmented to ion in 1891, the trebles heing recast hy Llowelyn and James, of Bristol, in 1906. The ingcriptions on the thells nre as follow:-
Treble.-A. 13. James, 1890. G. R. Hancock, 1891. Llewelyn \& James, Bristol, 1906.
2nd.-E. H. Stock, 1906. E. C. Barry, 1906:' Llewelyn \& Jamma Bristol, 1906.
3ud-God Preberve Our Chureh And State. A. R., 1759.
4th.-Peace And Good Neightourloorl. A. R., 1759.
5th-Surcess To The British Arme. A. R., 1759.
6th.-May The Trade of this City Incrense. A. R., 1759.
7th.-Prosperity To This Parish. A. R., 1759.
8ilt.-We Were All Cast At Gloucester By Ah. Rudiall, 1759
9th. Worihington Brice And Valentine Watkins, C.F. Wardens. A. R., 1759.

Tenor.-I To The Chureh The Living Call,

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\text { And To The Grave Do Summuon All. A, R., } 1759 .
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The tenor is 21 owt . in F.

## DEATH OF MRS. W. H THOMAS

W WLL, KNOWN BRISTOI, LADY RINGER
It is wifl great regrel, that we anoumeo the death, at the age of 46 years, of Mrs. William $H$. Thomes, wife of the popular president of the Rristal United Ringing Guikls.
Mrs. Thomas was ringing as recently as Armistice Day and Colstan Day (November 13th). It is presumed that she contracted a chili un Armistice Day, and tieath resuled from pneamonia and seplicremia 011 'I'uesday evening, November' 19tlı. Mr. I'homas was away traveling ati the time, and only reached home several lours after aleath hat taken places.
Decenad hari jung nine peals for the Gloucester and Bristol Dioecsan Assoniation, heing three of Stedman 'Triples, four of Stedman Caters and the treble to Cambidge Surprise Major and Royal.

Mr. Thomas leave日 thee sons, two of whom are ringers, Wilfred huing attached to Oxford Eniversity Guild, and Stanley, a useful member of St. Stephen's (fuikd, Bristol.

Mrs. Thomas, like her hushand, was very genial company, and the writer's mind is caryed back to thatay lappy ringing mectings which slat attemied during tille past few montis, one in particular across Hirr stroteh of Somerset from Pill to Clapton-in-Gordano.
Many happy memories of the deceased lady will be cherished, and ringers in the West, as weli as many other parts of England, who knew her, will extend deepest sympathy to Mr. Tbomas and his fanily in the great loss they lave sustained.

At St. Stopher's Gharch stie will be greatly missed, and the Bristol branch of the Gloucester and Bristol Diogesan Association lias lost at valuable membor, who regulatly attended the meetings. E. G.

## NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

## WEST NORFOLK BRANCR STARIIED.

A general meeting of the newly-formed West Noufalk Branch of tho Norwich Diocesan Association was held in the Arehdeacon's Cout in St. Ninholas' Church, King's Lynn, on Saturday, November 161h, for the election of officers and committec. The Rev. M. H. Kuowles, Rector of St. Margare witl St. Nicholas, King"s Lyna, prosided. Supporting lim were the Rev. R. L. B. Oliver, the Rev. A. N. Garmett, Messus. A. L. Caleman (general seeretary), W. J. Fhderi (dislriet secretary), H. R. Heyhoe and representatives from hersiugham, Gaywood, Renge Lyw, Marlam, Swafham, ete.

Thu . Eoneral secretary gave a short axplanation on the object of ilie meeting, after which the mumbers proceeded to elect the officers unti committee.
The Rov. R. L. R. Oliver was elected chairman of the branch, ML: William d. Eldred hon. secretary.
'I'te Rev. R. L. B. Oliver moved, nad Mr, James H. Raper secomided, that a Ringing Master be appointed, and, on the motion krilg pat to the meeting, it was carried without opposition. Mr. W. T. Fldted was elected to the offies, an the notion of Mr. James I1. Raper, seconded by Mr. H. R. Heyhoe.

Messi's. Christopler Crome, Kobert F . Girenacre, Tom Gutenaere, Willimm Hawos and James f. Rapur wore elected members of the atinnmiltoe.
On in mation moved by the general secretary, Mr. Jolm Buckenham was elceted a life member (non-resicleat) of the association, and M1: , Iohn Gurston a performing nomber.
It mas resolved that a West Norfolk Brameh meeting be held at Dersingham on Soterday, Jantary 4th.
A roir of thanks was passed to the Ren. M. H. Knowles for presiding nifl for the use of the Arohdeneon's Cotit, anki also for the ust: of cighl bells of St. Nieholas' Cluurch.
"IM monbert ad journed to the helfry for ringing at St. Nieholas" and alsi on the sing of six belle at St. Faith ${ }^{4}$, Gaywoocl.

## PRESENTATION TO ICKLETON'S VICAR.

fan Monctay fvening. Nowenber 18th, a meetiug of the Tekleton ringers was hold to give a small present to the Ficar, the Rev. $P$. H. Cooke, who is ratiritur. The gift consister of a silver inkstand in the shape of a hell.
Mr. 13. Wehb, on belatf of the ringers, said they were all wery surfy they wore losing the Ficar, as he lita always backed the ringerg np: En, alwnys prated ble yinging when it was good, never found fath when il was bad, and always welcomed visiting ringers.
'Illow, Fican, who was taken quite by sumprise, said he fannd when lue came to Tcklelon, 15 p yeara nge, that he load a gallarit hand of
 $H_{1}$. was very pleased lie had been atyen to get the hells restored ant two added in lis time. He thanked the rimgers very mach for the presint, which lo world treasume very much. It would remind him of the happy mectings, man he wishod thorn every suecess in thair ringing in the finhre.

## SON'S TRIBU'TE TO FATHER

Fivo sana paicl a iribute io theil departed fathev all St. Mary's Church, Dewizes, when they twok part in a 720 130th Minor, rung with halfomulfled hells, in memory of Mr: Wै. Wr. Swift, who died on November 191h. The rimgers were: V. E. Swift 1, L. Swift 2, R. Swil' 3 , V. (A. Swift 4, W. A. Swift (conductor') 5, T. Green 6.

## SILCHESTER '-AND THE TWO NEW METHODS.

To the Editor.
Dear Sir',-Mr. James askr, "What is it?' Personally, I think he onght to know. But if he has forgotten that the Central Cauncil hed a committee, named 'The Legitimate Molhods Committee," and that they liave given a definition for each class of metlood, he should kizow that the one in question js not a legitimate one, inammeh as the changes aro not all Triple changes, as it bas a doutnle change when the treble lies liev blows behind, and also when trehle leads when a bob (or single) is called. Had this method conformed to rule, I could have published it as long ago as 1902.
Good Triples methods we not plentiful. Quite the best I bave come actass I appencl below:-

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> This is the sister method and is also re Donthe method. The division elianges * are the clanges of the last lear of the plain course of Grandsire Triples reading from the end upwards,

A DOUBLE METHOD.
The division changes marked thus (*) are line changes of the first lead of Boh Triples, making fourteen divisions in the courze.

3ut ${ }^{\dagger}$ s prace Boin made 1 .
These methods will be equally interesting to the ringer, condactor and composer. Thure ure 70 ehanges in the plain course, 72 courses in the peal. The new feature of a Double Triple Method with dodging in 3 -4 and $4-5$ as the eentre work daltermately should commend them as a great tovelty. - Fours truly

AR'THUR CRAVEN.
79, Carver Street, Shefficld.

## RUNG AT BRISTOL

Dear Sir, New Doubles, extended to Triples, was rulg for many montlis at 'St. James', Bristol, over three years ago. Extended to Caters, it was rung ance or twice by the St. Stephea's Guild at St. Stephen's Church.- Yours faitlufully,
E. GUISE.

## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

## WESTJRN DIVISION MEETYNG.

A very sitecessful quarterly meeting of the Westerm Division was held at Clichoster on Saturday, Norember 16th. Although it was a typical November day, abont 40 ringers and friends attended from all. quarters, the following towers being represeuted: Angmering, Brighton, Lewes, Feene, Shoreham, West Tarring, Rogate, Bosham; Howe, Petersfield and Chichester. Some good practice was held in the following methods: Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob Major, Troble Bob Major, Douhle Norwich, Cambridge Superlative and London Surprise $\begin{aligned} & \text { Hajor, some of the young menhers ringing their first }\end{aligned}$ courses of Boh Mejor and Grandsire Triples.

A service was held in the Cathedral, and afterwards the company wended their way to NHegirs. Fokes' tearooms, where a substantial tea was paitaken of.
"The usiunl business meeting followed, with Mr. Jiames Blaker presiding. Tlie following new members were elected: Boslann band, Rev. ( Strect (liqn. member), Messis. G. Brown, W. A. Combes, G. T. Dewrhey, J. W. Cijby, G. W. Marshall, J. H. New, J. G. Pryme, A. J. Rolanson aurl H. W. Stovold; Goring band, Rev. A. de H. Robimboni (hon. nember), Messis. F. W. Hayder, T. A. Warven, W. and P. Smith, G. Weaver, S. Orchard and P. Baker. The election of M\%. G. Wilson, of Guildford, was confirmed.
After the usual vates of thanks, the members agaill made their way back to the campanile for further ringiug.

NFWBOLD-ON-AVON-On November 7th, 720 Plain Bob: E. Oakes 1, T. Pittham 2, W. Rhead 3, F. Garrison 4, A. Grant 5, J. Fenton (conductor) 6. First 720 Plain Buh on the bells since they were rehung hy Messis. Taylor and Co.

## BALL BEARINGS v. GUN-METAL BEARINGS

Dear Sir,-In reply to the letter in "The Ringing World of November 2Znel, concerning the above, 1 feel sure your correspondent will lind ball bearings to be a great advantage over gun-metal bearings for a light peal, with a tenor of 12 cwt., providiag they are filted by a compehent firm of bellhangers. Fours, etc.
J. F. B. HESSE.

## ESSEX ASSOGIATION.

## SOUTH-WESTERN DIFISION AT LEYTONSTONE.

In spite of the inclement weather, the meeting of the SouthWestern Division al Leytonstone was a suceessful one, between 40 and 50 members and friends putting in an appearance from Leyton, Walthamstow, West Ham, Loughton, Brenlwood, Beatley, Wanstead, Woodford, Ealiug, Barking, Romford, Camberwell, ete. The bells were going soow after 3 p.m. tili 4.45 p.im., when those present attended the service conducted by the curato (the Rev. D. Beard) in the regrettablo absence of the Vicar, Canon Brown, through fllness. After bervice the members were entertained to a sumptuous tea kindly provided by the wives and daughters of members of the Leytonstone bagd.
Tea over, the business of the afternoon was procecded with, and live new members elected. Messrs. A. Prior and E. J. Butler were unanimously re-clected District Master and secretary respectively for another year, and it was agreed to hold he mext meeting at Loughton. The bells there have been rehong in ball bearings, etc., the work being almost, completed.
The meeting concluded with a vate of thanks to the Vicar, Canon Brown, for allowing the use of the tower, bells and inall, the Rev. Douglas Beard for conducting the service and presiding at the tea ant meeting, the arganist for kindly attending and accompanying the hymns, ete., Miss Dawson fur her splemididy rendered solo, Mr. CLurchwarden Clark, and Messrs. Prior and Butler respectively for their services during the past year, and, last but not least, to the ladies who kindly provided the teat.

After the roeting the bells were again made uge of till 8.30 p.m., and louches in various methods from Grandsire and Stedman Doubles to Spliced Surprise Minve were vung.
This is believed to be the first meting of the association ever hed at Leytonstove since the Formabion of the St. John's Society in 1883 hy Mr. W. Miller and others, the former still being the respected Master of the band.

## MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

A monthly meeting of the Nottinghan District of the Midland Counties Association was Leld bt Bulwell on Saturday, November $9 \mathrm{Qth}_{\text {, }}$ when a goodly number of members attended. Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Kent Treble Bob, and Double Norwich Major were rung during the evening, also a short touch of Grandsire and Stedman Spliced.
There were members present from Warsop, Bottesford, Sutton-onTrent and Nottinghum, while the local ringers were there in fore. dist after eight o'clowk the bells wore splendidly brought down in peal, and this brought to a close a very enjoyable meeting.

## PEAK DISTRICT.

A very pleasant meeting of the Peak District was held nt Raslow on Saturday, Novemher "16th. A very wet afternoon adversely affected the altendance, bub ringers were present from Baslow, Bakewell, Dore, Eyam, Hope and Sheffield Cathedral. The bells, a nusical ring of gix, were raised, about 3 p.m. and were kept Yoing until about eight oclock, in Granclime and Stedman Doubles, Plain Bols, Kent and Oxford Trobla Bob, and Cambridge Surprise Minor. Several leamers were given a good drilling is Plain Bob, and about an hour's real good practice in Cambidge was indulged in, it lawing been decided at the last meeting to make this the method for special attention. A good 720 of Oxford Treble Bob Minor was also brought round by: U. Dane (Eyan) 1, F. Sheldon (Baslow) 2, A. G. Wallace (Bakewell 3, F. Barker (Eyan) 4, A. Walace (Bakewell) (first 720 of Oxford) 5, Rey. W. P. Wright (Eyam) (conductor) 6
substantial tea was partaker of at the Rutland Arms, nearby, and was followed by a short business meeting, aresided over by the Rev. W. P. Wright, of Eyam, at which the usual votes of thanks were passed.

It was decided to hold the firgt annual meeling of the district at Hakewell, about the third Saturihy in January, and to make Double Norwich Major and Carobridge Minor the methods for special attention. A little landbell ringing concluded the procectings.

## MAYOR 'PROCLAIMED.'

At Wrexham, North Wafes, on Saturday, November 9ths, ia honour of the Mayor of the town being proclaimed, at the Parish Church, is quarter-peal of Stedinan Caters (1,268 changes) in 57 mins.: E. Barber 1, F. Mitchell 2, J. Clutton 3, W. Jones 4. F. Evans 5, W. Cathrall 6, A. Lea, jun. (conductor) $\frac{7}{7}, \mathrm{~T}$. Cath'all 8, A. Lea, sen., 9. A. C. Hodges 10. First quarter by ningers of 2 and 10 .

## CLERGY AND RINGERS

To the Eator
Sir, Will you, through your columns, kindly voice the cry of at somewhat negleoted body of churchworkers, and submit its appeal both to the incumbents and fellow-workers everywhere, then on botil sides an emmest effort be matle to remedy a greatly regretted state of allairs?
Long and varied experience proves that bellingers note the abseace of their Ticars from the ringing chanbers, and we fear that in only too many instances they have adceptod the situation and look for nothing else. There are, of course, exceptions, but the rule, alas, is ouly too general.

On the other hand, elergy and congregations note the absence of the ringers from the services to which they have just been calling the parishioners. Here, again, there are exceptions, but the practice is yery common.
These topies were freely discussed at a recent meeting of bellringers, the outcome, Sir, being this reguest to voice the cry, hereby expressed:-

Could not all incumbents make their bellringers as sacred a
charge as their Sunday School teachers or any other body of warkers? ${ }^{7}$
All present agreed that a warm welcome would be extended were incumbents regularly to visit their belfries, warmer still if they would set about aoquiring the art of change ringing; and would, without doubt, find the ringers respond to the changed attitude. The incumbents on their part would soon be able to rejoice over wingers joining in the worship to which they call others.
Signed on behalif of the meeting,

## J. R. KING, <br> Vicar of Measiam. <br> JOHN LEACH.

Hon. Secretary,
November 24th, 1929.
Burton-on-T'rent Distriet,

## DEATH OF MR. J H GARTSIDE

EARLY LINK WITH LANCASHIFE ASSOCIATION,
The death of Mr. John Henry Gartside, of Chorley, Lancs, removes another of the few survivars of the first days of the Lancashire Association. Mr. Gartside died on November 18 th at the age of 75 years, and by his passing Chorley loses one of its most respected inhalnitants and the Churcle one of its most stalwart sons. He was a man of many activities, and in all he andertook he faboured unostentatiouslyr but thorouglaly. Born on January 8b1, 1855, Mr. Garbside hegan work in his father's plumbing and painting business at eleven Jears of age, and after his father's death he carvied on the business with Mr. S. J. Gartside. Familiarly known as "Jolm Fenry," the deceased devoled a great deal of time to religious and friendy socicty work.

His connection with the Chorley Parish Church and Sunday School extended over the long period of 66 years, commencing as a Sunday School scholar. He wias for over 40 years a Surday gchoal teacher, and held the long-service bronze medal of the Manchester diocese. He was a member of the church choir for over 15 years, became a bellringer at the age of $I 5$ years, and served 39 years in this capacity, he had been treasurer of the Parish Church Schools for 30 years, and for 25 successive jears was re-elected people's warden, vetiring in 1924. He had also been Sunday school librarian avd stpperintentient for a shors period.
Mr. Garcside was present at either the first or second meeting conrened for the formation of the Lancashire Association, which was held at St. Georee's School, Chorley, in 1876 . There arg still une or two left who were present at that meeting, one being Mr. Tohn Marsden, who still riners regularly at Chorley Parish Clurch. Mr. Gartside was the president of the Lancashire Six-Bell Association, which was dissolved just pribr to the Great War, the members of the society being absorbed by the present Lancashire Association. Owing to lais other church duties, Mr. Gartside had mot been actively assooiated with ringing for a lon mumber of years, but his place las been taken by his son, Mr. J. H. Garkside, jun., who is more widely knowa to present-day mombers of the Fxercise as a good ringer, especially ous the heavy end. He las recently rumg the tomor to the two heaviest peals of Minor rung by the Lancashive Assaciation. Mr. Garkside, sen.'s, connection with friendy society work was almost lifelong, and in addilion to being for over 58 Jears" standing an Ordfellow in which he served in all the lodge and district oflices, his grealest interest was in tho Loyal Order of Ancient Shepherds, in which be rose to the highest office of Chief Sheplierd of die Order in 1906.
The funeral took place on Friday amid every matifestation of regret. In addition to the family mourners, there were in lage number of representatives of local organisations, itrolung the riogers, whose doral tribute was in the shape of a bell. The service was ehoral, and the bells were rung half-mullited.
On Sunday morning, as a last token of respect, before the moming service, a quarter-pal of Grandsite Triples was rung with the bells half-muffled: H. Fisher 1, H. Foster 2. 'I'. Lofthouse 3. F. Southwortin 4, J. F. Gartside, jun., 5, F. Rigby (conductor') 8. W. Blackiedge 7, G. Hewitt 8.

DEATH OF MR．CHARLES STANBRIDGE，BIRMINGHAM， ANODIfER LINK WITE JENRY JOHNSON BROKEN
is with deep regret that we record the death of Mr．Charles stanianige，who passed away on Munday，November 18th，at the advanced rage of 81 years．
Forn at，Herlford，lie came to Hirminglam about 55 years ago，and atcaclied hinasolf to Astou fower，and was one of the founders of the Holt society，which later became marged iu the St．Martin＇s Guild． Het was sth annomplishot ribger and good striker，and a most reliable man in a peal，heing a contemporary uf such ringers as IEnry John－ нon，Jary Bustahle，Samuel Recves，William Kent，etc．
He rang many poals in varions methods，his most notable one being a long peat of Citandsine Cintucs， 9,020 clanges，rung in St．Mardin＇s tewer wh Whath 23rd，1887，to commemorate the visit of Queen Vic－ toria to Birminglam to bay the fonndition stone of the Victoria Law Courts．Its is the last of the band who stood in that peal．
Fte liad a mast lovable lizposittom，and wa尹 always willing to do anyone a goorl lutn，being in the best sense of the term one of מuture＇s gentlemen．
He was laid to Jest on Sainrlay last，ami St．Martin＇s Guild was repregented by several members，
A muTled pras of Stedmarn Cinques will be attempted at St．Mat lin＇s on＇luestay，December＇3rd，in his memory．

## CHINGFORD BELLS

TO RETURN TO OLD FOME．
A new ring of six bells is to be placed in the tower at the Church of St．Joter and Paul，（hingtord Green，Essex，to replaco the three artient belis，brought from the old ehurch at Chingford Mount in 18：4，und wisieh ate to the returned to their original home．
The inter whurch was buit owing to tho disrepair of the old edifice and the growits of a new residential district at the Green．Pews and other arbicles were moved，as well as the bells，which are centuries old．Other monuments were moved when SS．Peter and Faul Church was entargerl in 1903.
In 1904 the roof of the old whtch fell in．A new roof to the clannel was put in out the expense of Miss Boothby Feathcote，a descendani of some of the Reeters of the parish and patrons of the living，and Miss Heatheotw recently gave El， 000 towards a fund to re－ atore the chareh．
The woyk of restoration is now proceeding，and when it is sulft－ clenthr advanced regular services will bo resumed in the church． hany new houses have been built on the siles of the old village diwolling which suptund the place．

## BEGINNING YOUNG

A number of young folle have been learning to ring under Mr．W． Denyer at ildershot Parish Church，and two more girls have now seorod their lirst quarter－peal．This was Grandsire Triples rung on Sunday for evening scrvice，in 47 mins：＊Miss Betty Stewart（age 131 1，©．W．Denyer（conductor）2，＂Miss Edne Soutiby（age 13）3， Miss A．Fialuw 4，W．Denyer 5，I．L．Eldridge 6，Lance－Sergt．E．J． Bragg（Grenadier Gunrds）7，＊Gurdsman F．Townsend（Goldstream Guarts）8．＊First quarter－peal anti rugg al first attempt．

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

Despite the unfarourable weather，eight different towers werc ypucsonlud at Clewer on Salurday last，when a meeting of the East Herks fund Squth Bucks Branch was held．Grandsire and Stertman Douthles，ant Plain Hob，Kent Treble Bob and Cambridge Surprise Minor were rung，tho practice being quite a successful one．It is hopod thal the next meetimg will be on December 21st．

## SOUTHGATE RINGER＇S WEDDING．

An inlerpsting event took place at Clarist Church，Southgate， revenlly，when Mr．Donald Pink，one of the local ringers，was mar－ ried to Miss Dorothy Crane，$\pi$ Sunday School teacher，the only anughtor of Mr．A．G．Crane，who is also a local ringer

The choral wedding service whs condueted by the Rex．O．F．Peplob， M．A．，in tho presence of over 80 gucsts．As the happy couplo left tho charch，if iddition to being besprinkled by copious showers of confetti，they were groeted by a merry peal on the bells．The recep－ tion wis held at the Yillinge Hall，and speeches appropriato to the arcasion werg made，Luter the liappy couple left for Lynton，Devon－ whire，where tho honeymoon is being spent．In tho evening，its honons af the event，the Sonflegate ringers，with the assistamee of one of tila Liride＇s wholes，who resicles at Bleteliley，Buchs，e quarter－pen］ of Sicelman Triples（ 1,260 clanges）was ruyg in 47 minuteg：Arthur Gran 1，A．R．Glaemeork 2，G．Plater 3，D．Overimgton 4，J．玉．Miller 5．FI．Miller 6，W．Pickwortl 7，T．Amostronte（conductor）8．Jning－ cliately afterwards the band，by invitation，aflyourted to the residence of the hride＇s parents，where an excellent supper awaited them，to which ample justice was flane，during whirh the health and prosperity of the newlymarricd couple was tonsted and the thanke of the ringers axpressed to the host and hostese for their kind hospifality． Tortunately，the new home of Mr．and Mrs．Pint will be fe Sporthgate，and the loal gociety will thus ratain the servines of Mr．

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCYES

MACCLESFIELJ．－For morning service，on November 24th， 630 Grandsire Triples，with J．Tipper（longest length in method）as con－ duction．For evening service，1，371 Grandsire Triplos in 53 mins．： A，V．Rpes
Stevenson 5，W．Ghallinor 2，F．L．Ronan 3，J．Tipper 4，W．W．Worth（longest length as conductor＇） 7 ， J．Wraumsley 8．Longest length in tho method by ringers of 1,4 and 8.

ERITH，KENT－On Sunday，November 24th，at the Chureh of St． John－the－Raptist，for Confirmation servies，a quarter－peal of Stedman Triples（ 1,260 changes）in 42 mins．： F ．J．Cullum，jun．（conductary） 1，H．A．Falden 2，H．Hoverd 3，A．G．Fill A，F．A．Coley 5，J．S． Morton 6，L．J．Cullun 7，O．Rohinson 8．Also for evensong a quarter－peal of Stedman Triples（ 1,260 changes）in 43 mins．：J．S． Morton 1，L．J．Cullum 2，P．C．G．Elliott（Deptford）（first quarter－ peal of Stedman）3，F．A．Coley 4，A．G．Hill 5，H．A．Holden 6，F． 3．Cuilurn，jun．（conductor）7，W．C．Darke 8．Arranged for the tinger of the 3rd．
hARKTON，NORTHANTS．－On Sunday，November 17 th ，to com－ memorate the festival of the Cluuch of St．Edmund， 720 Grandsire Doubles by members of the local band：G．Clarke 1，E．Sargeant 2， G．Mutton 3，H．Patrick 4，B．P．Morris（conductor） 5.
＇TO＇ILENHAM．—冓t All Hallows＇Church，on Sunday，Novenber 3rd，for divine serwice，a quarter－peal of Stedman Triples（1，260 changes），＇Thuesfans＇，in 42 mius．：H．Ellis 1，Miss P．A．Upsher 2， W．J．Eilis 3，H．A．Harnett 4，E．A．Hull 5，W．A．Tomlinson E， I．G．Nash（first quarter of Stedman as coaductor）7，H．W．H． Strickland 8．The conductor expresses his lhanks and appreciation for the kindness of the Tothennan band in allowing bim to call his Girst quarter－peals of Bob Major，Grandsite nnd Stedman Triples at All Hallows＇
SIBLE HEDINGYAM，ESSEX．－On Sunday，November 3rd，for evening service，a quarter－peal of Kent Treble Bob Major（1，280 changes）：L．Wiseman 1，B．W．Pottitt 2，F．J．Cook 3，F．G． Gleaves 4，O．Bropd 5，A．Cattorwell 6，F．Warrington（conductor）7， H．H．Foung 8．Rung after an attempt for a fuli peal，which came to a finish through a window smashing in the belfry．The 3yd，the and 7th ringers ihank those concerued in arranging the ringiog．
NORTON，STAFISB．－At St．Bartholomew＇s Church，on Sinday， Novembar 3ra，for evensang， 240 each of Cambridge，Darham and Hanley Surprise．Owing to the bud condition of the bells，which are shartly to be rewast，the above was rung intermitteatly by the following：J．Ryles， O ．Williams，C．S．Ryles，W．C．Corfeld，J．W． Walher，G．E．Lawrence，H．Wibberley，W．C．Latrence，J．Whlley and 3．E．Wheeldon．
CLAPHAM，BEDS．－On Sunday，October 27th，for morning ser－ vice，a gararter－peal of Minor（ 1,260 clanges，being 720 Bob Minor， 360 of Single Oxford， 180 of Canterbury），in 40 －mins．：J．Patter 1， F．L．Harlow（conductor）2，Fi．Smith 3，G．Wright 4，W．Bland 5， R．Shimmans 6．Also a wedding compliment to the ringer of the 5th，who was married tlo previous day．

## YATELEY RINGER WEDDED

On Thursday，Nowember 14th，the marriage of Major J．G．Sti］－ well，of Xateley，Hants，to Miss C．Woods，took place at Frest－ water，Isle of Wight．At noon，in honour of the event，as is usual nt Yateley，the whole resident band assembled in the belfy and wished the newly－married couple every happiness，whilst a section， under the conductorship of Mr．G．Butler，rang a splendicl touch of Graudsire Etriples．
Hajow Stilwell has for some time laken a great interest in ring－ ing，and，being a practical ringer，tho Yateley band are pleased io know he will reside at Yateley with his wife，who，we understand， has lately been interested in the restoration and rehanging of bells at Bentworth，Fants．The hest wishes for their future will，we feel sure，be re－echoed by the whole of the Basingstoke District of the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guid．

## JOHN SMITH \＆SONS，



Makera of Clocta and Chimes for S．Peul＇s Cethedral， Beverley Minster，Selby Abbey，Truro Cathedral，Thurles Cathedral，Trinity College，Cam－ bridge，Belfost Asoembly Hall，Magdalen College，Orford，and many others in all parts of the world to the late Lard Grimthorpe＇s degigra． ENQUIRIES INVITED．ESTIMATES FHEE．

## NOTICES.

NOTTINGHAM SOCIETY OF SIIERWOOD YOUTHS (Estb, 1672.)-A meting of the above will be held at Lenton, on Saturday, November 3oth 'sower open 5 p.m. All ringers welcome.-Preliminary Notice:The eighth W.D. Crofts Memorial Dinner will be held at the Welbeck Hotel, Nottingham, on Saturday, February I5th, at 6 p.m.-F. Blood, Hon. Sec.: 9I, Dame Agnes Street, Nottingham.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Chertsey Dis-trict.-The next meeting will be held at Esher on Saturday, November 3oth. Bells (6) 3 pm . Service 5. Followed by tea.-H. Hancock, Hon. Dis. Sec., 3, Chobham Road, Ottershaw.

LADIES' GUILD.-Northern District. - A meeting will be held at Dore, near Sheffield, on Saturday, Nov. 3oth (eight bells). Gentlemen cordially invited.-N. Cawthorne, Hon. Sec., 394, Handsworth Road, Sheffield.

COMBINED MEETING of members of the Hereford Guild, the Shropshire and Worcestershire Associations, and the Stafford Archdeaconry will be held at Claverley (between Wolverhampton and Bridgnorth) on Saturday, Nov. 3oth. Bells (8) available from 3. Tea (is. 6d.) at the Crown Hotel at 5 . Bus leaves Queen Square, Wolverhampton at 3 ; return 9.45 . All ringers welcome.- H . Knight, 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.--North-Western District. -The next meeting will be held at All Saints', Banstead, on Saturday, Nov. 3oth. Tower open 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m., tea and meeting following at the View Tea Rooms.-D. Cooper, Hon. Sec., 5. Harrison's Rise, Croydon.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.-Northern Dis-trict.-Next meering November 3oth. St. Saviour's, Walthamstow: ringing from 3 p.m. Tea and meeting in Parish Hall at 5 p.m. Leyton bells probably available in the evening. Everyone welcome.-J. A. Waugh, Hon. Dis. Sec.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. - Wimborne Branch.-The annual meeting is to be held at St. James', Poole, on Saturday, November 30th. Ringing from 2.30. Service at 4.30 , address by Rector, the Rev. C. Egerton Williams. Tea at Church House, 5.15.-A. Phillips, Hon. Branch Sec.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Marlborough Branch.-The next meeting of the branch will be held at Pewsey on Saturday, November 30th. Bells available 2.30 p.m.-Cyril Hussey, East Leaze, Blaydon, Hon. Sec.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.-Meetings for December: St. Clement Danes, Mondays, 2nd, 16 th and 30 th, at 7.30 p.m., Sunday, December 1st, at 10 a.nr.; St. Mary's, Lambeth, Tuesday, 24 th, at 8 p.m.-S. C. Moye, Gen. Sec.
GLoucester and bristol diocesan assoCIATION. - The annual meeting of the Cheltenham Branch will be held at Chariton Kings on Saturday, Dec. 7 th. Bells open at 3 o'clock. Service 4.30 . Tea, by kind invitation of the Vicar (Rev. Edgar Neate), 5.30. Business meeting after tea. Will all those intending to be present please notify me by Dec. 3 rd? - Walter Yeend, Brancls Sec., Millfeid, Tewkesbury Road, Cheltenham.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis-trict.-The next bye-meeting will be held at Ospringe on Saturday, Dec. $7^{\text {thl }}$. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service. Arrangements for tea can be made for those who notify me on or before Wednesday, Dec. 4 th. -Percy W. Smith, Hon. Dis. Sec., Fair View, Littebourne, Canterbury.

SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD. Southern Branch.-A meeting will be held at Gorseinon on Saturday. December $7^{\text {th }}$. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 . Tea and meeting to follow. All ringers welcome. Bassetts or S.W. Transport Bus, return fare 1/from Swansea or Llanelly.-E. Stitch, Hon, Dis. Sec., 21 , Cambrian Place, Port Talbot, Glam.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West District. A meeting will be held at Heston on Saturday, Dec. 7 th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Tea arranged as usual. Cheap tickets issued on District Railway to Central Hounslow, then bus to church.-Wm. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-A gemeral meeting of the North Norfolk Branch will be held in the belfry of St. Peter Mancroft, Norwich, on Saturday, Dec. 7 th, at $4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. , for the election of officers and committee. The ring of bells (I2) of St. Peter Mancroft will, by kind permission of the Reverend H. McMullen (Vicar), beavailable after the meeting. A good attendance of members is kindly requested at this first meeting of the branch.Arthur L. Coleman, General Secretary and Treasurer.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. - The next meeting will be held at Church Kirk on Sat., December 7th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30. Business : Questions on Central Council. A good altendance requested.-F. Hindle, Hon. Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-North and East District. -Next meeting at St. Mathew's, Upper Clapton, on Saturday, December 7th. Bells from 3 to 7.30 . Service at 5. Tea at usual terms 5.30. Meeting to follow. All members and friends cordially jnvited. Please advise me For tea.-C. T. Coles, 2 t , Vincent Road, E.4.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Easterd Div. ision.-A guarterly meeting will be held at Rotherfield on Saturday, December 7th. Tower open at $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4.30. Tea at 5. Busidess meeting to follow. G. W. Stokes, 22, Melbourne Road, Eastbourne.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-Southern District. - A meeting will be held at St. John's, Redhill, on Saturday, December 7th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 5 . Tea at 5.30 , at the Parish Hall, to those who inform me not later than. Wednesday, December $4^{\text {th. }}$. All ringers welcome.-A. J. Bull, Hon. Sec., Jesmond, Queen's Road, Horley.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Soming Deanery Branch.-Combined practice, All Saints', Wokingham, Saturday, December 7th, 6 till 9 p.m. Committee meeting, Church House, 4.30 p.m.-W. J. Paice, Branch Sec.

RICKMANSWORTH. - Saturday, December 7tio. Bells open from 3.30. Tea $5.45^{\prime}$ (Red Spider Rooms). Cheap tickets from all stations. Number for tea by 3rd, please.-C. H. Horton, 53, Aldenham Road, Bushey (City 4270).

DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.-The quarterly meeting will be held at St. Andrew's, Netherton, on Saturday, December 7 th. Bells available $30^{\circ}$ clock. Service in Church at 4.30 . Tea will be provided for those who notify me not later than Tuesday, December 3rd. A good muster is reguired. Business meeting afterwards.Herbert Sheppard, if3, Himley Road, Dudley.

HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held at Cheshunt on December 7th. The bells will be open during the afternoon and evening. Tea at 5 , business meeting after. Service at 6.30, address by the Vicar. All are heartily invited. W. H. Lawrence, Hon. Dis. Sec., Little Munden.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GU11.D.-Christchurch, Hants.-The annual meeting of this district will be held at Christehurch on Saturday, December 7th. Bells ( 10 ) available from 2.30 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at the King's Arms, P.R.H.A., ${ }^{\text {at }} 4.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. , followed by business meeting.-G. Preston, Dis. Sec., 3, Waterioo Place, Christchurch, Hants.
gloucester and bristol diocesan asso-CIATION.-Forest Branch.-Meeting will be held at Ruardean on December 7th. Bells (8) open at 3.30 p.m. (rehung) . Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., Bell Hotel, at 10 d , per head. All ringers who intend having tea kindly let me know by December 4th.-Oliver Thomas, Branch Hon. Sec., 44, Newerne Street, Lydney, Glos.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-Devizes Branch. -The monthly meeting will be held at Holt on Saturday, December 7th. Bells (6) ready at 3 p.m. Guilc service at 4.40. Tea 5. Short business meeting follows tea. All ringers welcome.-F. Green, Branch Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-St. Albans District.-A meeting will be held at St. Albans on Sarurday, December 7th. St. Peter's bells available at 2.45 uniil $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. , the Cathedrals bells after tea. A service will be held at St. Peter's at 5 p.m. Tea arrangements are beiny made. All are welcome-W. Nash, District See, North Mimms, Hatield.

ANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch. -A meeting will be held at Oldham Parish Church on Saturday, December 7th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. Business: Nominations for two representatives on committee.-William Horam, 2, Greenhirst Hey, Todmorden.
gUII.DFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Leatherhead District.-A district meeting will be held at Ashtead on Saturday, December 7th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m2. Service 4.30 . Tea 5.15 at Evelyn's Tea Rooms, Ashtead. Those requiring tea should send their names to Mr, George Cook, Lavender Cottage, Crampshaw L.ine, Ashtead, by Wednesclay, December 4th. Please note that all nominations for district officers for the ensuing year must be handed in at this meeting.-Alan R. Tink, Hon. Sec.
DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-A joint meeting of the Eastern and Southern Districts will be held at West Hartlepool, Saturday, December 7th. Meet St. Oswald's 2.30 p.m. Bells available at three churches. Tea in St. Oswald's Mission Room, Dale Street, 5 p.m. Please inform Mr. F. Robson, 6, Water Street, West Hartlepool, by December 5th. A good attendance requested.-F. Robson and J. T. Titt, Joint Secs.

DEVON GUILD.-The annual meeting of the Exeter Branch will be heid at St. Sidwell's, Exeter, on Saturday, December 7th. Service 4.15. Tea (free to branch members) and business meeting 5, at St. Sidwell's Institute. Bells available: St. Sidwell's (10), St. David's (8), St. Thomas' (8), Heavitree (8), St. Petrock's (6) All ringers welcome.-E. Lomas (Miss), Hon. Sec., Whimple, Devon.
BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bedford Dis-trict.- The annual meeting of this district will be feld at Clapham on December '7th, for the election of officers for the coming year, etc. Bells (6) available at 2.30. Tea and business meeting "at 5 . Service at 4.30. It is hoped every member of the district will make an effort to attend.-Percy C. Bonnett, Dis. Sec., Stagsden, Beds.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. Oundle District.-A meeting will be held at Cotterstock on December 7th. Bells (5) 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea at 5 p.m., 1s. per head. Those who wish to have tea kindly let me know as soon as possible.-Rev. L. S. Clark, Polebrooke Rectory, Peterborough.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Furness and Lake District Branch.-A meeting for ringing only will be held at the Parish Church, Bowness-on-Windermere, on Saturday, December 7th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.-W. T. Clark, Branch Sec., Broughton-inFurness.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GULD.-North Bucks Branch. - A quarterly meeting of above branch will be held at Newport Pagnell on Saturday, December 7th. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. Service 3.30 p.m. Those requiring tea please send along in good time. All ringers welcome.-W. Sear, 19, Albert Street, Bletchley.
LADIES' GUILD.-Western District.-The nest quarterly meeting will be held at St. Philip's, Bristol, on Saturday, December 14th. Bells available from 3 n'clock. Service at 4.30. Tea and meeting in Church Room at 5 p.m. Will those desiring tea kindly let me know by December 11th? -N. G. Williams, Hon. Sec. Weston House, Weston, Bath.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch - A meeting will be held at Garston, on Saturday, Dec. 14th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 5.30. Tea 6. Those intending being present please inform Mr. W. Hughes, 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston, not later than Wednesday, December ith. A good muster is especially requested. Canon Elsee will be present.-Claude I. Davies, Branch Sec.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Southern Division. - A joint meeting of the Doncaster and District Society, the Sheffeld and District Society, the Barnsley and District Society and the Southern Division of the Yorkshire Association will be held at Rawmarsh, near Rotherham, on Saturday, December 14th. Bells (8) ready at 3 . Shoft service at 4.30. Tea at 5 at 1 s . 3d. each. Will those requiring same please notify Mr. E. Pammenter, 110, Goosebutt Street, Parkgate, near Rotherhan, by December t1th ? -F. Clark, Hon. Ser.

YORESHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Western Division. -A meeting will be held at St. Michael's, Headingley, Leeds, on Saturday, December 14th. Bells availatile from $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea will be provided at 1 s . per head to all those who send in their names to Mr . S. Sadler, 16 , Greenthow Place, Burley, Leeds, not later than Tuesdav morning, Decemiser 10th.-F. Hutchinson, District Sec.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-North Dorset Branch.-The annual meeting of the above branch will be held at Gillingham ( 8 bells), on Saturday, December 14th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea 5 (6d. for members). Meeting to follow. Please inform me how many will attend by December 6 th at the latest. Towers available: Gillingham (8), Mere (8), Bourton (6), Notcombe (6), Silton (5), and Kington Magna (5).-A. E. Nedham, Compton Abbas Rectory, Shaftesbury, Dorset.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD OF RINGERS.West Dorset Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at Bridport on Saturday, December 14th. Bells available from $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Preacher, Rev. B. J. Langham, of Maiden Newton. Tea at $5.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. at Greyhound Hotel, followed by meeting. Those requiring tea kindly send names to T. Hervey Beams, Bradpole, Bridport, not later than Dec. 12th.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rossendale Branch. -The next meeling will be held at St. Saviour's, Bacup, on Saturday, December 14 th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. A good attendance is earnestly re-quested.-John H. Haydock, Branch Seç., 8, Oaklands Road, Edenfield.

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THOMAS.-On behalf of my spors and self, I desire to thank all ringing friends who so kindly tendered words of sympathy and help in our great trial.-William H. Thomas.

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## CLERGY AND RINGERS.

The appeal, which appeared in our last issue, for a closer interest in their ringers on the part of the clergy, particularly, and their fellow churchworkers, generally, is one which, althoughi often made in various quarters, will stand reiteration. Big advances in this direction have been made during the present century, but there is, frankly, still much to be desirec. There was a time, as we all know, when, in the vast majority of parishes, the tower was a place entirely apart from the church, and the ringers were looked uporn as a body of men whose acquaintance was not to be encouraged by 'respectable ' people. That state of things has happily gone for ever, thanks in the first place to the reforming zeal of the various associations and guilds, which have placed ringing on a higher plane and brought into the belfries a totally different type of ringer. Many of the clergy thankfully recognise this, and many others, when occasion arises, do lip service to the labours of the ringers. But a large number of clergy still take no interest, either in ringing, as one of the arts of the church, or in ringers as churchworkers and part of the church organisation. There is probably no section of church life in which the clergy as a whole take so little personal interest as in the bell ringers and anything which can be done to improve matters in this direction is well worth the eflort. It is quite true that if the ringers saw more of the parsons in the belfry, the parsons would see more of the ringers in the church, and this point is well emphasized in the appeal to which we have referred.

Good in every direction would accrue from a more sympathetic relationship between ringers and clergy. Fortunately the persistent activities of our associations have brought about this better understanding in numerous instances, but much remains to be done. There are churches where the ringers seem to be merely 'tolerated ' by the incumbent; there are others where, if the parson realises their existence, he entirely ignores them, except in the exercise of his veto to stop peal ringing. We do not say that there are never faults on the other side. There constantly are; but we do say that it is the duty of the incumbent to show the same consideration for and the same interest in the work of the ringers as he displays in that of any other body of workers. The interest of the clergy in the activities of the ringers helps to maintain the company at full strength, by making the ringers realise that their services are really appreciated. This, in turn, ensures the regular ringing of the bells Sunday by Sunday, and also secures the maintenance of the belis in an (Continued on page 770. )

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## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

IPSWICH.
THE SUFFOLK GULLD.
(St. Mary-le-Tower Society.)
On Saturday, November 30. 1929, in Thect Hoursand Fifty. One Minutes,
Ai tre Chorch of St. Mary-le-Tower.

## A PEAL OF YORKSHIRE SURPRISE HAXIHU8, 5280 CHANGES;

 Tenor 32 cwt.Harold E. Symonds ...Treble Grorgh Fleming ... ... 7
Cearles J. Sbdgley ... 2 Willam J. G. Brown ... 8 William Tillett ... ... 3 Charles A. Catchiole ... 9 -Harry R. Roper ... ... 4 William P. Garreyt... ... io Robert EI. Brondle ... 5 Georgr E. Symonds... ... if Alebrt Fleming ... ... 6 Frederick J. Tileett ...Tbmy Conducted by Charees J Sedgery.

* 50th peal. First peal of Yorkshire Surprise Masimus ever rung, and first attempt.


## TEN BELL PEAL.

WALTHAMSTOW, ESSEX.
TKE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sathyday, Novenber 30, 1929, in Three Hous and Seven Minutes,
At ter Cedrch of St. Mary.

## A PEAL OF 8TEDMAN CATERS, b081 EHANGESI

 Tonor $19{ }^{4} \mathrm{cmt}$.*William J. Ellis ... ...Treble Ernket E. Holmar.... ... 6
Cearles T, Colhs ... ... 2 †John H. Crampion ... ... 7
Harold A. Edwards ... 3 *P.S.Albrit Lawrince ... 8
Johm T. Kentisar ... ... 4 Fred C. Maymard ... ... 9 -Jobn G. Nase ... ... ... 5 Robert Maynard, 5en. ...Temor Composed by George T. Dartry. Conducted by Charles T. Coles * First peal on ten bells. $\dagger$ First pesl. A birthdey peal for W. J. Ellia.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), CHESHIRE. THE CEESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. (Stockport Brance.)
On Monday, November 25, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,
At tae Choreg of St. Tbomas,
A PEAL OF BRISTOE 8URPRISE MAJOR, 5066 CHANGES; Tenor 14 cwt. I qr. 22 lb . in F.
Riceard E. Jones ... ...Treble William Fbrnley ... ... 5 Ernest Bennett ... ... 2 Walter W. Wolstancrofi 6 James Ferniey, Jun....... James Fernley, sen. ... ... 4 Jobn W. Hartley ... ....Tonoy
Composed by Henry Dains, Conducted by Tom Wilde,
First peal in tho method by all tho band except the conductor. First peal of Bristol as conductor. First peal of Bristol on the bells. The band wish to associate the name of Harry Langley with this penf. Fe was prevented from ringing by illness. He was int two previous attempts, each of which was lost in the last coursc, once through the breaking of a rope, and once through tha failure of the 'human element.'
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On Mouday, November 25. 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes, Aitge Chorch of St. Micgael and All Angels,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, $\quad$ GOGO CHANGES। Tenor 18 cwt I q r. in E flat.

 | Grorge H. Archard | $\cdots$ | 3 | William C. West |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | Arthor J. West ... ... 4 †Herbert F. Cockell ...Tehoy Composed by Rev. E. Bankes James. Conducted by Wm. C. West * First peal inside. $f$ First peal. All the above are members of the local band.

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THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GULLD.
On Wednesdry, Novenber 27, 1929, in Two Hours and Fitty-Nine Minutes, At the Chorch of St. George, Sodthwark,

- HeAl ef mouble monwich court mol madon, coas chanerss Tenor 16 ewt.
 Composed by Charirs W, Roberis, Conducted by James E. Davis SCUNTHORPE, LINCS.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GULLD. (Northern Branch.)
On Wednesiday, November 27, 7929, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes, At the Church of St. Joan-the-Evangrlist,


## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGE8;

Parger's Six-part
Tenar $58 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

- Brrnard Gillatt, jun. Treble George O. Dixon ... ... 5

Mrs. J. Bray ... ... ... 2 . Wieliam Gartry ... ... 6

Charles H. Bird ... ... 4 Cegil Pye ... ... ... ... 4 Tmoy
Conducted by Jack Bray.

* First perl in the method.

DERBY.
THE MIDLAND COUNTEE ASSOCIATION
On Weanesday, November 27, 7929, in Two Hoursand Fifty-Three Minutes At the Chdrch of St. Peter,

## A PEAL DF STEDMAN TRIPLES, ह040 GHANGES;

J. J. Pazker's Ten-Part. No. 7+ Tenor it cwt. I qr. 4 lb. joen H. Swinfigld ... ...Tyeble Charles Draprr .... | W. Richardson Drage | ... | 2 | Ernest W. Beadsmore | ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Matice Swingield | 6 |  |  |  |



Conducted by M. Swinfield,
This composition was published in 'The Ringing Warid' of October 11th. It was rung as a compliment to Mr. James George on his 76th birthday.

## LEWISHAM, KENT.

THE KENT GOUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thurday, November 28, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minules,
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 6040 GHANGESI

Thorstans' Fodr-fart
Harry Warnett, sen. ...Tichl James Benneit
Joan J. Lambi
Gen lin ... $\quad .$.
George H. Dayners ... ... 4

Tenor 224 cwt, Frederick W. Thornton... 5 Jack Dafters ... ... ... 6 Charles W. Roberts ... 7

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At the Chorch of St. Andrew.
A peal of grandsire triples, 5040 Changes; Tenor 202 cwt.
 Composed by J. ]. Parrer. Conducted by R. Hasted. * First peal. + First peal in the mathod on an "inside" bell. * Firat peal in the melhod. Rung in honour of St. Andrew's Day. The first pesl on the bolls since they were oferhauled and rehung on ball bearings by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank in Janary last, and rung by a local band.

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On Saturday, Navember 30, 1929, in Three Hours and Fowr Minutes,

## At the Chorch of St. Lawrence,

A MEAL DF DOUDLE NORWICH COURT BOE MAJOR, 5024 GHAREES: Tenor I2 cwt. in F .
William Bibby ... ... ...Twbie George R. Newton ... ... $50 .^{5}$
Thomas Hammond ... ... 2 Lester L. Grey ......
*G. Ronald Edwards ... 3 Harry Smale ... ... ... 7
-John Brown ... ... ... 4 Edward Caunce ... ... ... Tenor
Composed byG. Wileiams. Conducted by George R, Newton.

* First peal in the method. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringers of 2ad, 3 rd and 5 th. The ringers of 5 th and tenor bave now rung 200 peals together. Mr. Smafe bails from Harlow Common.


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'IHE ST. MARIIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Salwray, Nowember 30, 1929, in Tuo Howrs and Fifty-Nime Minutes, At the Cherch of St. John,
A PEAL OF GAMERIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 605日 CHANEERI Johnson's Varjation

Tenor $3^{\frac{3}{4}} \mathrm{cwt}$.

Grorge F. Garibison
..Tyebis
Grorge F. Swann...
... 2

- fosble W. Pemberton

Christopiler Wablatbr. ... Conducted by

Morris ]. Morris ... ... 5 †Rigeard C. Ingram ... ... 6 Frederick W. Rishworie 7 Acpred Hackett ... ...Tenor Acgred Hacket
gwann.
Grorge F. SWann.
*Tirst peal of Major in the method. $\dagger$ First peal of Cambridege Major away from the treble.

## PORTSMOUTH, HAMPSHIRE

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTE DIOGESAN GUILD. On Saikray, Nowember 30, 1929, in Three Hours ard Sewenteen Minuter, At the Charce of St. Mary, Porisea,

## A PEAL OF YORKSHIRE SUAPRISE MAJOR, $50 B 8$ CHANGES:

Tenor $16 \frac{1}{3}$ cwt. in $\mathbf{F}$.
Josian D. Harris
...Treble Tower R. Taylor
George Williams
...Treble
$\ldots$
Frhberice S. Baycey Alfred T, Greenwoos .7
$\cdots$
$\cdots$ Composed by Arthor Craven.

Tirst peal in the method in the county, by the Guild, by all the band, find rung at the first attompt.

GREAT BADDOW, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCTATION.
On Satrraday, Novmber 30, 1929, in Thye Hoursand Ten Minates,
At the Chorch of St. Mary.

## A PEAL DF BOUBLE MORWIGN COURT BOE MAJDR, 6024 CHAREES

 Tenor 14 cwt.| Percy Green | Treble | Dr. Spencer Phillips | 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Wiluiam Iiguble | 2 | Grorgr Grebn | 6 |
| Wilciabi J. Nevard | 3 | Wicliam Lincoln | $\ldots 7$ | Thomas Lincoln......

Composed hy N. J. Pitsiow. Conducted by William Lincoln.
Firat peal in the mothod on the belle since the recasting aud rehasping. Thanls aro given to Mr. G. Green who kindly provided ten for the bund at the finish of the peal.

WYRARDISBURY, BUGKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD AND
THE MTDDEESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Satwyday, Novembey 30, 1929, in Three Hours and Six Minuter,
At the Chorch of Si. Andrew,
A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 10 cwt.
Frane Corfe
...Treble William Wecling
William Wecling ... ... 5
Willias H. Fossell
... 2
Charles W. Roberts
William H. Hewett
… 3

The ringer of the tenor was proposed a member of the Oxford Guild before starting for the peal.

## BUXTED, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday. Noventher 30, 1929, in Thyee How's and Two Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Margarei,

- PEAL OF DOUBLE MORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 GNAMEES Tenor 16 cwt.
Albert D. Stonz ... ...Tyeble Jack M. Cripps ... ... ... 5
William Collison $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2 \quad$ Herbert Markwell...... Frederick C. J. Turner ...
Alfred W, Groves ... ... 4
Composed by Henry Dains.
Keita Hart ... ... $. . . \quad . . .7$
Conducte $\begin{aligned} & \text { by Jofn Deariove. }\end{aligned}$


## SIX BELL PEALS.

EYE, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE BEREFORD DIOGESAN GUILD.
(Leominster District.)
On Tiursday, Nowanber 14, 7929. in Twa Hours and Fifty-Two Minuter At the Churge of SS. Peter and Pade,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Boing I,200 Canterbury Pleasure, 1,200 Plain Bob, and 2,640 Grandsire.
-George Williams

- Walter Adams ...
... ...Trabla
Thomas $G$. Coome $\qquad$
Richard Coome
Tenor 10 ewt.
Thomas C. Gwilliam ... 5 Conducted by Trank Everit
* First peal. First peal as conductor. First peal of the bells by a purely local band.

BRETEORTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOGIATION.
(Soushern Brang.)
On Saturday, Novanber 23, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifiy-Two Minutax, At the Church of St. Leonard,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES:

Being 720 each of Cambridgo Surpise, Kent and Orford Treble Bob, Double Oxford, and Plain Bob, snd twa 720's of Oxford Bob. John C. Perkins ... ... ....Treble fann Hale
James Hrmaing ... ... .. 2 Raymond Jelfs
 Conducted by John Halz.
Rung in honour of the wedding of Mr. Phillip Fall, en eateemed nember of the locad band, who was married on this day.

## HIGHAM-ON-THE-HTLL, LEICESTERSHIRE. <br> THE MDDLAND COUNTIES ASBOCIATION. <br> (Hinckley District.)

On Saturàay, Novender 23, 1929, in Two Howrs and Thirty-Seven Minutes At the Cherch of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF HINOR, BOFD CHANGESE

Being two extents of Single Court, three of Oxford Bob and two af Plain Bob.
*R. Dodglas Rowley ...Tyeble Tenor 10 cut. 3 9r. 8 Wilfred h I Hooton a Horace V. Rowley ... ... 4 $\dagger$ †abdel A. Martin ... ... 3 . $\quad$ Whllam Martin... Couducted by Artadr E. Rowley.

* First peal and elected a member previous to the attempt. f Firat peal inside.

MELBOURN, CAMBS.
TAE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, November 25, 1929, in Two Fours and Fifly-One Minutes, At the Cevrch of All' Saints,
A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANEES;
Being 720 each of London, Wells, York, Durham, Cambridge, Bever ley and Surfleet.
Beriram Pilgrim
Mise Kitty Wielers

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\ldots \text { Treble }
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& \ldots 7 \text { yobr } \\
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Edant E. Austin

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\cdots 3
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Rung as a birthday complimeat to Mr. Frank Harper, and on the anniwersary of his wedding.

> FARMBOROUGH, SOMERSET,

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, Nowenber 26, 1929. in Tue Hours and Twenty Minutes,
At the Cgurch of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 6040 CHANGES;

## Being forty-two six-scares.

Tenor 10 owt.
Albert Chntle... ... ....Trebie Arthor Godld... ... ... 4
*Dennis Flower $\quad . . \quad . . . \quad 2 \quad$ William Shore...... Wieliam Rosewell... ... 3 -Frederice Homperies ...Temor Conducted by Wileiam Rosewell.

* First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to the Rev. L. J. Foster, Ficer of this church.

RAWMARSF, YORKSHTRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOGIATION.
On Saturday, November 30, 1929, in Twa Hoursand Fifiy-Four Minutes, At tee Chorch of St. Mary.

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 50A CHANGES;

Being two 720's each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and one of Plain Bob.

Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt
William A. Wooler... ...Tyeble
Wieliam Green... ... ... 2 Artior Gill ... ....... Agthor Ftrte... Conducted by A. Nash.

* Firet peal of Minor. Rung in honour of the wedding of Mr . George Tuke, a ringer, and Miss Eidith Wright, both of Rawmarsh, which took place earlier in the day, and of the birlbday of the 3rd ringer's motber.

HANLEY CASTLE, WORGESTMRSEREE.
THF WOROESTERSHIKE AND DISTRIGYS ASSOCLATION. (Western Branch.)
On Satorday, November 30, 1929, in T Wrathours and Thivty-Two Minutes, At ter Chorce of St. Gabriez.

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 12 six-scores of Plain Bob, each called differently, and 30 sixfeores of Grendsive, ten different callings. Tenor 101 cwt.
Charees Young
Treble Erank Lawrence
... ... 4

| Albert Hartland | ... | .. | 2 | Charles Camm | .. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Fred Hawhes | ... | ... | 5 |  |  |
| Henry Bishof | ... | .. | .... Tenor |  |  |

Conducted by F. Hawkes.

* First pend of Doubles. First peal as conductor. BETTERWICK, LINCS.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Eastern Branch.)
On Saturday, Nowmber 30. 1929, in Thred Hours,
At the Charch of Si. Andrew.
A PEAL OF MINOR, EO40 CHANGES;
Being 720 Single Court, 720 Oxford Treble Bob, two 720 's Kent Treble Bob, 720 Canterbury Pleasure, and two 720 's Plain Bob. Tenor 10 emb.
-Grorge W. Hodghton ...Treble | Frank P. Harwood... ... 4
 Conducted by W. E. Clarke.
* First peal in five methods. + First peal in five methods away from treble. Rung on the oceasion of the Patronal Festival.


## PEAL CORRECTION.

The ringer of the second in the peal at Widford last week was A. Tarbun, jun. (not Turban). It wes the first peal of Grandsire Triples on an insicie bell for Percy Grcen and Edward Kemp. Both have rung Tveble Bob on working bells.

## GLINTON, NORTEANIS

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, November 30, 7929, in Two Hours and Fiffy-Six Minntes, At tee Chdreh of Sx. Benedict.
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Trebla Bob, Double Oxford, Double Court, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 16 ewt.
Stanley W. Thompson Treble| Willtam Rose ... John J. Joison ... ... ... 2 Joserf Langinon ... ... ... घ William H. Waldron ... 3 Horace M. Day ... .... ... ... Témo Conducted by William Rose.

* First peal.


## BELTON, RUTLAND. <br> THE MIDLAND GODNTIES ASSOCIATION.

 (Leigester District.)On Saturday, Novenber 30, 1929, in 7wo Hotis and Forty-Fioe Minutes,
At tag Cerach of St. Peter
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHARGES;
Being seven different extents.
Joserf Norton ... .... ...Treble Ernest H. Bagwortfi ... 4

Conducted by Norman S. Bagworth.

* First peal of Minor 'inside."


## SANDRIDGE, HERTS.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, November 30, 1929, in Two Hoits and Fifty Minules,
At the Cherge of St. Leonard

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 6040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's, each called riliferently. Tenor 8 owt.
Jobn Malyan .... ... ... Treble Thomas IIuli
Bert Halsey....
 Conducted by Jogn Malyan.

* First peal in the method.

BROGKENHURST, HMNTS.
THE WIKCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Nouthber 30, 1929, in Twa Hours and Fifty Minules,
At the Parish Chorch of St. Nicholas.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 GHANGES,
Ten different callings.
Fenor 4 cwt. 1 qr. 12 b .
Charlzs W. Tocker
Miss ...Treble Stanley E. Armstrong... 4 *Fprderi..... 2 Frank Hood ... ... ... 5 Frederick O. Teckra .. 3 "Jack Holl ... ... .n ...Tehor Conducted by Charles W. Tecrer.
First peal. First peal of Doubles on the bella. All the abovo boslong to the locel band.

STONE, NEAR EIDDERMINSTER, WORGESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSFIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
(Northern Branch.)
On Saturday, November 30, 1929, in Two Howrs and Fifty Mintles,
At the Cgerch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES; Being seven exteuts.

Tenor 6! cwt.

Teomas J. Salitga
Robert Matinews
Jons Bass
...Treble
$\begin{array}{ll}. . . & 2 \\ . . & 3\end{array}$
William Seort ...
Conducted by R. Matrhews.
First Surprise peal on the bells and also the quarterly peal for this Branch. The band wish to take this opportunity of thanking the Vicar for kindly entertaining them to tea rifter tha peal.

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## HANDBELL PEALS.

## STOCKPORT

THE CEESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Tuesday, Navember 20, 1929, in Two Hours and Twenty Minutes, At 23, Greef Sirert,

## A PEAL OF 8TEDMAN TRIPLE8, 5040 CHANGES;

 Tenor size 17 in A.Harold Jackson
... 1-2 1 Aclen F. Baicey.
. .
$3-4 \mid P_{B}$
eter Laflin
7-8
Composed by J. W. Washbrook. Conducted by Aclen F. Balley

* First adtempt for a peal of Stedman Triples on handbells. GOSFORTH, NORTHUMBERLAND.
THE DURHAM E NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOOIATION (Newcastle Cathedral Goild.)
On Wedmesday, Nownider 27, 7929, in Two Hatrs and Eighteen Minutes, At No. i, Salter's Road.


## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, B120 CHANGES;

john andrrson ......$\quad \ldots \quad$ i-z
Willam H. Barber .
3-4 Robert Anderson
... 5-6

Composed by James Gborge Conducted by iv. H. Barbrr
Kung as a compliment to the composer on his 76 th birthday. STOOKPORT.

## THE OHESTER DIOCESAN GULLD.

Un Thuysday, Novenber 28, 1929, in Two Hours ard Thiyty-Fony Minutes, At 23, Grebk Street,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, EO21 GHANGES;

## Trenor size 20 in J.居

Algred Barnes

- William Jackson … .... 3-4

F
Frederick Page
.... ... ... $9-\mathrm{IO}$
Composed by J. W. Whshbroor, Conducted by Frrderick Page Umpire: Harold jaceson.

- First peal of Guandito Caters.


## AMERICAN NEWSPAPER AND ENGLISH BELLS,

SUGQESTED PUROHASE WHERE THERE ARE NO RINGERS.
'The 'S.O.S.' which went out from Ehalesworth, Sufolk, for ringera las baen "pickeil up" iti nll parle of tho world. Many of the English newspaners copied it, nnd it alco found its way into Americen journale. Here is what a Aaltimaro newspaper had to say about it under the healing of 'Old Fuglaud's Bells '-and if any Engligh parish oannot find xingeis, the oppartanity apparently offers to sell the bells to the Amerisans, who are aut to buy anything with a real old Engliah flavour about $\mathbf{j t}$ :-

A briof diapateh from Halesworth, a little village deep in Suffolk, tells of the lack of inkerest among the young Falesworthians in tho time-honoured art of bellinging. The ten ringers now practising tatal mare" than 700 years in nge, and they have no suecesbors in sight. Thut is to say, one of England'a finestr traditions is in danger of remes. y .

This clisis, if it be one, doce not affect Americs directly. Belgian curillons, operatey froms u keyboard by a single player, aro becoming poparlar in this counlry, but the English bell ringing by bands of from fivo to ten ment is not kwown. To its advocated thie is sad, for they claim r. finer performance by hand then is possible through the use of any machincur. The pure tonte is beard, so they say, when the clapper and boll ruing together by gravity. And certainly there is a epirit of good fellowship in a band of hellringers which a carillon operator canant devalup in himself. To be sure, boll ringing in England at one tinsk served as an raljunct of the nearest pothouse, but in recont yeare it has regained ital higher standing, and tho alien who hears a "I'reble Bob Major" on a fine Sunday morning lias gained a memory whinh whan his double about the narme cannot weaken. Or a "plain course" of "Grandsica Triples"-the nomenclature is charmingly antiquo and correspondingly abscuro to the uminitiated.

Cals "thofficient Americe taka np this highly technicel art? It is pessithle. If bell ringing in roally lapsing in England, the bells will remain ancl ean perthas be haught for the edification of the New World. In fact, thas suggestion ahould be mado serionaly to Hajedworth. II, ufter that, they camot get voluntears to halp out their serex ringers, thay havo no right to the bells.

EALING, MIDDLESEX. On Saturday, November 30th, for Con firmalion scrvice, at Christ Glureh, a guarter-poal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) in 45 mins. : L. H. Wilson (Girsl quarter-peal) 1, H. Falkard 2, J. A. D. Webb (first quarter-poal inside) 3, E. C. S. I'rurner (conductor) 4 , W. G. Wilson 5, J. A. Trollope 6, A. Harding

## THE BERKSHIRE 12 -BELL FUND

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## MUFFLED BELLS

On Saturday last a helf-muffleti quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1,260 changes) was rung on the hells of Si. George's, Doncaster, as a last tribute to the memory of the late Dr. Heary Joy Clarke, M.D., J.P., some time churchwarden at St. George's, wha was laid to rest on the previous Tuesday; H. Bradley (Campsall) (first quartor-
peal) 1, 0 . Holmos 2, F. C. Newsome 3, J. Thorley (Thorne) 4, W. peal) 1, $\mathbb{C}$. Holmes 2, F. C. Newsome 3, J. Thorley (Thorne) 4, W.
Liloyd $5, ~ R$. Thompson 6, H. Walker (Lincoin Cathedral) (conductor) 7, H. Balduwin 8.
At All Saints' Church, Ryde, Isle of Wight, on Sunday, November 10th, prior to evensong, a half-muffled quarter peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1,260 changes) was rung in 50 mins. by: A. Jackson (lirst quarter-peal) 1, H. Dowden 2, A. K. Ward (oonductor) 3, A. Brading 4, P. Long 5, B. J. Snow 6, E. Hatcher 7, W. Kemp 8. This quarter-peal was rung as a last foken of respect to the late MrCharles Grenves Vincent, aged 91, who was elected honorary treasurer of the ringers in 1886, when the belis were dedicated, and held this office continuously for many yeare, when, owing to his ripe sge, his son, Major C. W. Vincent, took over the duties of treasurer.

## PETERBOROUGE DIOCESAN GUILD.

A very enjoyable meating of the Peterborough Branch of the Peterborougl Diocesan Guild was held at Doeping St. Jamea on Saturduy, November 2nd, and was well attended by mombers and ringing friends from Northampton, Peterbereugh, Market Deeping, West Deoping, Deeping St. Nicholag, Spalding, Bourne, Edmonthorpe, Wymondham and the local bend. Ringing commenced about 3 p.m. on this fine peal of bells, and warious methods were rung prior to the Guild service, which was taken by the Vicar (the Rev. Pain).
An excellent tea was provided by Mrs. Patworth, 15 sitting down. Afterwards the Master of the Guild (Mr. F. Wilford) pregided over the short business meeting.
It was left to the seeretary to liry aud arrange a joint meeting with the Ely Diocesar Association at March carly in the new year. A vote of thanks was accorder to the Vicar for the use of the bells, and also to the organist for presiding at the organ.
The methodg rung during the aflernoon ond evening Were Plain Bob, Court Bob, Double Oxfort, Owford and Konl Treble Bob, Cambridge, London, Primrose and Ipswich Surprise.

## SPLICED DOUBLE OXFORD \& ST. CLEMENT'S TRIPLES BY A. J. PITMAN. <br> 234567 Start Double Oxford.



## SEVEN DIFFERENT 720＇s．

## To the Editor．

Dear Sir，－Our band is just getting well enough advanced to ring peals on six bells．Will some reader of your paper kincly tell us what exactly is＇seven different 720 ＇s＇？Daes it mean that there must be seven different compositions，or could the same composition be used，making a different bell the observation，which would thus produce the 720 changes in a different order ${ }^{\text {P }}$

Also，is it permissible to ring six 720 ＇s of Bob Mipor and 720 of Grandsire Doubles and call it a peal？Recently a peal was rung at Brierley Hill，which was a mixture of Bob Major and Grandsire Triples．Is it permissinle to do the same thing on six bells？Our band would be interested to know．－Yours，efe．，

TYRO．

## ST．MARY＇S，DOVER．

To the Editor．
Dear Sir，－I wonder whether any of your readers can furnish in－ formation regarding one of the carlicst peals which the College Youtlis rang，and some books state took place，at St．Mary＇s Church， Dover，the ringers afterwards crossing the Channel to France．I have tried to find out locally of any history attached to the above， but can trace nothing．I believe＇Campanologia＇has some refer－ ence to it，but perhaps some of our researah ringers oan enlighten $\mathrm{me}_{\text {，}}$ if any recorl is obtainable，as to thu petal and names of the ringers who took part．－Yours faithiully，

CHARLES TURNER，
Captain，St．Mary＇s Ringers．

## DOUBLE TRIPLES METHODS．

To the Edztor．
Dear Sir，－I congratulate Mr．A．Craven on－his twe double methods of Triples，bolh of which，so far as I know，are original，and if peals can be produeed in them should prove very interesting（as Mr． Craven says）to tingors，conductors，find composers．－Yours faith－ fully，

GEORGE BAKER．
P．S．－When＇Silchester＇（P）was published with two other similar methods in the＇Bell News＇in Juge，1900，I gave then only as examples，in illustration of the old saw：＂What is sauce for the goose is sauce for the gander．＂
2，North Street，Quadrank，Brighton， November 29th， 1929.

## APPEAL FOR A LANCASHIRE RINGER．

The following contributions have been received in connection willt the appeal made by the Blackburn Branch of the Lancashire Asso－ ciation，on helalf af Mr．Harry Tomlinson，of Burnley，who is totaly imoapacitated and las a daughter entirely dependent upon him：－

Ringers of St．Philip＂Nelson，e1 ls．；ringers of St．Mary＇s and All Saints＇，Whalley，Ils．；ringers of St．Mary Magdalene，Clitheroc， 5s．；ringers of St．Mary＇s，Rawtensiall，5s，；ringer＇s of the Cathedral， Blachburn，7s．；W．H．Shuker，Clayton，Manchester， 5 s ；Maurice Smith，Banbury，2s．6d．；P．Crook，Boltou，2s．6n．；＇l＇hos．Fitzuohn， Grimsby，2s．；Minor Ringer，＇Tuxford，2s．；J．ILindle，Accrington， $13 . ;$ Walter Idle，Dewshury，2s．；Lotal，E3 6s．Any further donations will be gratefully received by F．Himdle，hon．secretary，Blackburn Branch，58，Anvil Street，Blackburin，Laves．

## PEAL TABLET UNVEILED AT BISHOP＇S STORTFORD．

A very pleasing function took place at Bishopis Startford on Thursday，November 2 㭥，when a tablet was unveiled in the town by the Vicar（Rev．W．MeCartly）．The tablet records the peal of Grandsire Triples rung by the local band，the report of which was published in The Ringing World＇of October 25th．The proceedings opened with a short prayer，after which the Viear gave a brief ad－ di＇ess and expressed the pleasure it gave him ta unveil the lablat． The Master（Mr．F．Bird）thanked the Vicar for tha intercst he took in the tower，and hoped they watild soon be ahe ta．record a loeat peal of stedmant

## MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION．

A meetine of the Chesterfield District of the M．C．A．was held at tho Parish Church at Alfreton on Saturdny，November $16 \mathrm{Ch}^{2}$ ，and was attended by ringers from Creswell，Morton，North Wimglield，St． Mary＇s，Notte，Sutton，Swanwick，Staveley，Warsop and members of the local company
The bells were kept going until eight oclock，good practice being obtained in Superlative，Cambridge，Double Norwich，Kent Treble Bob，Bob Major，Stedman Triples and Grandsire Triples．
It was decided to bold the next meeting at Norton on Saturday， December 2lst，thus accepting the invitation from the Norton com－ pany．
FEERING，ESSEX．－On Monday，October 21st， 1,264 Bob Major： S Fisher 1，W．Keeble（enuductor）2，S．Pye 3，C．J．Rogers 4，J． C．Newman 5，G．Hayward 6，F．Fludder 7，C．Button 8．First yuarter－peal by treble and 3rd．
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Obviously, of course, all the pictures cannot be published at once, the object of getting a collection being that the photographs may be ready at hand for use when fitting opportunity occurs.

Will each tower secretary be good enough to send a photograph of his own tower? It should be forwarded in an envelope for protection, and addressed to The Editor, 'The Ringing World,' Woking, Surrey, and the sender should enclose his name and address.

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

At Howden, Yorks, a mau has been committed for trial, charged, on his own confessiou, with having set fire to the church. The fire destroyed the magnificent tower and bells, as well as the chancel, and damage estimated at over 10,000 was cone.
The first peal of Yorkshire Surprise Major rung by the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild at Portsmouth was rumg on Saturday last, and the band wish to associate with it the name of Mr. F. A. Burbett, who, although taking part in the practices, was tuable, through indisposition, to take part in the peal.
It was on this day in the year 1731 that a peal of Stedman Triples was rung at St. Michanl at Coslany, Norwich, by the rivals of the St. Peter Manoroft company, who had rung the first peal in the melhod about six weeks earlier. There was a great deal of local feeling zbout these performances, and it is evident that the Coslany rimgers doubted the truth of the Mancroft peal.
The tablet in St, Michael's belfry states: 'In this steejple, on the sixth of December, 1731, was Rung that most Incomparable as well es Intricate Peal of Stedman Triples, which had been long ye Study of many well skilled in the Art of Ringing, but without success, till Edwatd Crane, one of the company, with much prins and application brought it to perfection with two Doubles. This peal contailus 5,040 Triple changes, 2 Doubles only excepted, and is allowed by all Judges of the Art to be the most Ingenious Peal that till now has been composed.'
On December 8th, 1883, the ' five onos' of Stedman Caters (11,111 changes) was rung at Fulharin by tho College Youths. Youth as well as experience took part in that peal of 47 years ago, for there arc still several of that band alive, ineluding Frank Dawe, Jack Rowbotham, Challis Winaey and Walter Prime. The two latter regularly take their place at St. Paul's Cathedral every Gunday, and Walter Prime, who rang the tenor at Fulham, is stifl to be seen an the tenor box at St. Paul's.
By contrast, it was only two years earlier, viz, on Decemher 10th, 1881, that the first peal was rung ad St. Paul's Cathedral, yet all the 13 men who took part in that memorable performance lave gone from us. Jim Petit (who alled both), George Mash, Ted Horrex and Jack Hayes took part in the two peals.
Painswick, which is shorlly to be the scene of anotiner recorchbreaking peal attempt, hold the Trehle Bob Maximus record for nearly eighty years with a peal of 10,224 rung on December 9th, 1833.

In the paragraph which we printed in our issue of Novewber 22 nd with regard to peals rugg at Southwell Cathedral, one peal was omitted. Mr. E. H. Lewis writes that the Cambridge Eniversity Guild rang a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major there in 3 hrs. 30 mins. on August 3ist, 1906, conducted by H. G. T. Richardson (now the Rew.).

The peal of Spliced Oxford and Kent Treble Bob at, Neweastle-onTyne, and recorded last week, was rung on Wednesday, Novernbr 20th, not Tuesday, the 19th, as reported.

## SURREY ASSOCIATION.

NORTH-WESTERN DISTRICT AT BANSTEAD.
A very pleasant meeting of the North-Western District was held at Banstead on Saturday, when, despite the unsettled weather, thirty members and friends attended during the afternoon and evening from Banstead, Beddington, Croydon (St. John's and St. Peter's), Epsom, London, Merstham, Mitcham, Rickmansworth, Wandsworth and Watford. Ringing commenced at 4 o'clock, and good use was made of the lells until service time. Service was conducted by the Vicar (Rev. Canon F. N. Skene). Tea followed in the View Tea Rooass, where 26 sat down to a very enjoyable meal. The Vicar presided at the business meeting afler tea, supported by the Master of the Association (Mr. D. K. C. Birt) and the District Master (Mr. A. W. Clarke).

The election of Mr. A. J. Smith, of Leatherhead, previous to a peal atternpt was ratifed
It was decided if Camberwell bells were not available for the district annusi meeting that the secretary try and arrange it at Kingston on the fourth Saturday in January if possible.


BANSTEAD CHURCH.
A very heaply vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar for the use of the bolls and for conducting the service, Mr. F. N. Pitstow for kindly playing the organ, and Mr. F. G. Woodiss for the help he gave in arranging the meeting.
The Vicar suitahly replied, saying how plensed he would bo to wel come the associatian at Banstend at any time. The tower was again wisited, end ringing continued until 7.30, when to everybody's regret xinging land to cense owing to a concert in the Parisl Room. Methods practised during the meeting ranged from Grandsire 'Lriples to Bristol Surprise Major.
Banstead belis are a ring of eigit recast, from a mixed octave, by Mesgrs. Gillett and Johnston in 1921, and they are rung from the ground floor. The former trebles were by Warner in 1892, but the others were ancient castings, one of them, the 6th, baving come from the Whitechapel Fountry in 1585, and being the work of Mot: It was inseribed 'Robertus Mot me fecit, 1585.' The other bells were as follow: 3rd, B.E., Gloria Deo in Excelsis, IG38 (cast by Fldridge) ; 4th, William Carter made me, 1613: 5th, Thomas Mears, Fecit 1791: 7tll, Lester and Pack, of London, fecit, 1756: tenor, Williaz Eldridge made mee, 1661 , I.L., S.L., Churchwardens. There were 'V belles in the steple' as long ago as Edward VI.'s reign.

## SURPRISE MAXIMUS.

IPSWICH BAND RING YET ANOTHER 'FRST.'
The peal of Xorkshire Surprise Maximus rung at Ipswich on November 30 th is the first peal of Maximus ever rung in this raethod. The figures were published by Mr. Arthur Craven in 'The Iinging World.' It is very musical, as the bells work in their correct coursing order, both before and belind, with very little exception.
St. Mary-le-Tower Society thank a well-known East Anglian ringer, now resident in Loudon, for bringing the methol to their notice. They heve now rung peals in len different Maximus methods since 1921.
It is worthy of note that the first peals of the only four Surprise Maximus methods practised have been rung at St. Mary-le-Tower, Ipswich, viz.:-

August 15th, 1908: Cambridge Surprise Maximus,
April 30tb: 1927: Superlative Surprise Maximus.
December 8th, 1928: New Cambridge Surprise Maximus.
November 30th, 1929: Yorkshire Surprise Meximus.

## THE BELLS IN NORWICH DIOCESE.

## MANY UNRTYGABLE PEALS

In an article which he has contributed to the 'Norwich Diocesan Gazette,' Mr. Arthur L. Colemau, hon. secretary of the Norwich Diocesau Association, has taken the opportunity of explaining the deceutralisation scheme which the association has just put into operation, and points out that the object is to strengthen the work of che organisation in the diocese by getting into closer touch with the clergy and the young men of the parishes as recruits for the belfries. Xoung ringers, he says, are much needed at flre present time for the regular ringing of our bells for Sundny services. There are in the diocese eighty-eight rings of five bells, seventy-two riags of six bells, thirty-five rings of eight bells, three rings of ten bells, and two rings of twelve bells, making a total of 200 rings, whict would require 1,206 ringers. It is a very deplorable fact that a very large percentage of those rings of bells are unringable. Even such being the case there is a great shortage of ringers. Although our total membership of all grades numbers 806, less than half that number reside in Norfolk. Of recent yoars the membership of the clergy has greatly fallen off, not one-third of what it once was; hut for the good feeling and help received from the clergy the association could not exist, and without ringers our church bells could not he rung to summon the people to divine morship.
The relationship between clergy and ringers is a vital and mutual one; they stand and fali togeher, in this particular hrancla of Cburch work. On the matter of so many unringalle peals of bells in the diocese, it is too often assumed that chureh bolls, once hong, require little attention. Up in the windy heiglats of lowers they hang, unvisited by Chureh autharities and Church officiels. Who caro little to keep such valuable property in repair and in good order for ringing. Too often our bells and belfries are found to be the dirtiest place in our parishes-a veritable disgrace that it should be so in a consecrated portion of the church. It woukd he an excellent way for Archdeacons and Rural Deans at their periodic visitations to inspect the bells and belfrics, and to see that the clergy and churchwardens ac least keep them in a presentahle state.
One of the surest safeguards for keeping a ring of bells in permanent repair is to organise a good company of change ringers, who will in their own interest and love for the bells look aftor them, and with the co-operation of the clergy and clurchwardens mecet the little expenses yearly needed to keep a peal of bells in excollent condition for long periods. It would be 110 difftenit maiter for a secretary of a diocesme or county nssociation to state cases of rings of bells, restored, say, fifty years ago-ane with $n$ company of change ringers, the other without any ringers. In the former case the ring of bells would be found in as good a state of repair as when re-stored-the latter case, with never a bund of ringers to see aftor the bells and so left unattented, unvisited by the Church authorities, and thus left for fifiy years, would become unringable and in need of restoration at heary expense to put them in ringable order. We would commend the work of the nssociation to the clergy and churchwardens of tho diocese, and in theing so appoal for thoir cooperation in manning our belfries with young ringers and for tha care of our boautiful bells. To many of tho clergy we owe a deep delot of gratitude, who have always on overy occasion at our meetings so kindly granted us the use of their bells and, whenever pojsible, co-operated with us by being present at the association mentings.
Finally, we would bring before the clergy and laity that change ringing is an art and a science well worthy of their attention and interest.

## NEW DOUBLES EXTENSION.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir,-Mr. Guise is wrong. The methot has never been rund at St. Stephea's by the St. Stephen's Ginild.- Yours truly
W. A. CAVE.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

 GLOUCESTER BRANCH AFFAIRS.'lhe annual meeting of the Gloweoter Branch was held on SaturHay, November 18th, at St. Mary de Lode, 24 members atteoding, nnd visitors from Fairford and Rass being also present. Service was conducted by the Fiear (Rev. W. G. Prildhard), assisted hy the Rev. Wyndman Jones and Mr, G. Jackson (Vionu's warden), Miss Workman presiding at the organ. Artor sorwiec, lea was partaken of in the parish eflawhom. The usual businest riecting followed, Mr. Gea. ifackson presiding in tho absence of the Vicar, who had another enEagement, and the brawh chairmal \{Rev. EI. G. Hadow , who algo thas olbervisc erngaged.

Wr. W. H. Harris (bratheh secrefary) presented his report, which shawed that during the pasl year nime meetinge lad been held, with a total attendance of 154 mombers, aus average of 17 per neecting. 'I'se britheh had now 110 ringing members ugaius 121 last year, owing t. Lhe dishanding of ringers at Gandlurst and Upton St. Leonard's, whare it is hoped to make an improvement during the next yenr. 'llere were 27 hon. members, as against 24 last year, making a net decreuse of eight in total memherstip. Thanks were extended to the imambents in the district for the courtesy shown to the members whou visiting their towere.

Mr. d. Austin was unabimously eleched branch chaiman for the densuing year, and Mr. W. H. Harris hon, branch secretaty twith Mr. '「. Hatdwyn as vepresentative on Management Committee. Darmwood Was aclected as the next place of meeting, the secretary to fix the date.

Discussion took place on a proposal to put a amall tablet in St. Mary's Clumels, Hartpury, to the menory of the late Mr. C. H. Anstin, as wis way tho last peal of hells which he hung in the comnty: 任 was left to Mr. G. L. Brunsdon to get an estimate to present at tho next thecting.
'INe Seeretary informed the mombers that at the last wo mectinge held at Tfartpury und Ardinglam fis Os. Gil. had been collected fol the Ruarden Clureh bell flime
Neasis. Austin, Brunsdon and Romane were appointed, with the branch secretary, as a simall commite to arrange the annual dinner of the buncl, with Mr. Balduyn ns a co-optad member. The date of the dinner' will be published in 'The Ringing World.
Mr. J. Austin proposed a liearty vote of thanks to Mr. Geo. Jackson for presiding at the mooking, to the Rev. W. G. Pritehard for the use of the bolls, also for his oxeellent address, to Miss Workmay, file organist, and to Miss E. Stephens and otler ladies who looked after the wants of the members at tho tea Lables. This was seonded by Mr. J. Williams and carried with applanme.
Mr. Jackson, in replying, satel het was always glad, as churchwarAleti of the parisht, io welcome the memhers of the associntion to St. Mary de Lode, and he would convey the vote of thanks to the Vicnu. IMhe Chairman saicl he was sure all piesent were extremely sorry to hear of the dealh of Miss Gardmer, who had done the cateriug for tea for the mermbers during the past four years that tho animual meeting hat been held at St. Murys. He world, therefore, asle the brancli secretary to write a fetter of condolence to Mr . Gutdiner the deceased lady's brother', and also ask the members to stand in silence ns a matk of respect to the deceased,
Miss Workinati also responded lo the vote of thanks, and informed the members she would bo quite willing to offer her services as a pianist at their anmual dimuel:- Tlis offer was much appreciated

There boine no ather business, touchos of Triptes an handbells, anci tumes by ex-Sorgt. Williams and Mr. is. Austia bronght a very pirastat nad lieppy mooting to nu emil.

## NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

## SOUTH NORFOLF BRANCH INAUGURATED

A gemersl meeting of the Solath Norfolk Brameh of the assaciation, the third of a series ander the new conslitution, was, by kind perthission of the Rector (the Rev. Ralpli L. Whytehead) held in the Vnshar of the Parish Church of St. Mary, Diss, on Saturday, Noremther 23 rud, for the electian of afleers and commitae. Thie Rector [ntesided, and supportiag lim wore Mr. Arthur L. Colemen (gencral Aectetaty and tireasurerl, Mr. William Trelnurl (distriet secretary for Dissi, and members from Diss, Dicklelnugh, Garboldisham, Noich Lupham, Palgrive, Wymondham, etc.
The Gencral Sceretary, in Ais intraductory vemarks, said the decantralising scheme by the formation of forn branches was a move in the right direction. It lud one vary great ndvantage, that it wotad give to many more menubers an opportunity for active work or thr committee of their respestive branches, with full liberty to curry on the basiness of their branches for the welfare of the associntion. It was for the memberg to precect to eleet chaimant, secrethrs, and committee for the Soulh Nortulk Bramelt of the association. IMe Rev. Ralph L. Whytehend was olected chairman, Mr, F. Nolan Gohken Jon. secrohny, Mesirs. Eric: George Benmett, Fredorick $\mathbb{R}$, Therett, Charles T. Goommnn, Clement J. More, and William Steggelis, mumbers of the commitee.
A vote of thanks was passed to the Kev. Ralph L. Whytelead for die use of the vesiry, and also for the use of the bells. "The Reetor The mumbers thes atjaumed to the beltey for riaging.

## BALL BEARINGS FOR BELLS.

Deav Sir,-In reply to "Northern President"s" query re bearings for chureh bells, I am of firm opimion that ball races of the selfaligning radial type, with two rows of balls, of proper diameters to deul with the lodd, are far superiou to plain bearings.

The use of ball beariags is rapidly growing to nearly every class of machinery, and their durability has been put to severe tests. For charch bell work, lowaver, they seen to be spceially suifed.
A few points, in lawour may be acceptable. In a swinging bell the load is without shock, the dificultieg of lubricetion are entirely overcome, ns when once packed with grease the bearing neads mo sttention for years, the bearing is about half the width of a plain bearing (space is often precious in the belfry), the bearing is always in aecurate alignment, so that, if woodwork is used, a small shrinkage dives not upset matters. In case of renewal they can be fitted at a small cost by an unskilled man, and can be easily obtained.
From a ringer's point of view, the perfect going bell is that without friotion or any ather force acting on the bel! other than that put on the end of the rope. The co-efficient of friction is much less for a ball cace thati for a welt lubricated plain bearing.
I may add that I ara in 130 way connected with any bell founders, but am speaking entirely from the stanchoint of int engimear, who happens to be ituterested, and who is a vinger. - Yours iaftifully,

GNGINEER.

## TOO COSTLY?

Dear" Sir,-In your issue of November 22nd, "Northern Prejident' inquires about the "merits' of ball bearings, i.e., "guls metal or others, the hells in question having a 12 cwt tenor. My answer to this is that bells of this weight do not require wall bearings; they go quite ensily ewough if hung properly in the old style. Bells of, say, 17 cot. and over may racelve thege bearings witl advanture, I whs recently ghown a "ball bearing" (nol gun mekal), opinion this is too exponsive, and they are quite unnecesary for light bells.- Yours fuithfully, ANON. Bath and Wells Association.

## SILENT' HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

To the Sdityr.
Dear Sir', A weok or so ago you pulblistred in 'Belfy Gossip recond of a silent peai of Grandsire Tripleg rung al West Bromwich on Noveraber Enth, 1909. I took part in a silent peal af Crandsire Triples (Holt's Original) eleven years previausly an umer :Waterloo Society-Silent peal. Or Satitrday, Jume 4th, 1898, in 2 hrs. 55 mins.g at the Church of Sb. Joln, Waterloo Roan, G.E., John Holt's Origiual one-part peal of Grandsire Triples: Aithur R. Davis treble, George W. Wild 2, Harry Barton 3, George E. Symouds 4, Harak N. Davis 5, James E. Davis 6, Thomas Langdon 7, William S. Langdon tenor, Fredericle G. Perriu umpire.

I believe all the alowe are still with us, excepting the umpire, ant this after $31 \frac{1}{2}$ years.
G. E. STMONDS.

## Ipswich.

## FOUR ASSOCIATIONS MEET.

## COMBINED GATHERING A'I CLAVERLEY.

The picturesque village of Claverley, situtated in bive county of Salo, on the border of Starordshirc, was the place chosen for a Shropshire Association, the Worcestervhire and Districts Association and the Stafiord Archdeaconry Society. The following towers were represented: Coalbrookdale, Ironbridge, Broseley, Bricgnorth, "Brierley Hin, Fradley, Walsall, Wolwerhampton, Tettealall, Swindon (Stafs), Brewood, Coventry, Croydon and the local tower. Apologies for absence were received from Mr. A. J. Skelding (hov. secretary of the Worcestershite and Districts, Northern Branch), and Mr. F. Baker (lon. secretary of the Shropshire Association, Bridgnorth Branch), who had returned from hospital only two days before.
The ancient church now possegses a fine zing of eight bells which hava recently been augmented from sis, four of the old ones bawiug hoen reluned, two recast, and two new ones added, the whole beines hung, on ball bearings in an iron frame, by Messre. Gilleti and Jolnston. Hoth the tone nnd "go of the hells gave great setisfaction, the general apinian being that it was an admirable splice. Tho muthods rung inchaded Grandsive Doubles and Triples, Stedmant Triples, Prain Fobland Keut Trehle Bob Major, Double Norwich and Cambridge Supprise, us well as rounds and call changes for the local learners.

Tea whs served et the Crown Hotel, which was greatly enjoyed
'Ithe Vicar Rev. Ralph Guy), after giving the company a warm welcome, delighted his hearers with some humorous tales, fresh from the Mint. Handbeil ringing followed, including Grandsire Caters, Stedman Triples and Oaters, those taking part heing R. Pickering, H. Knight, F. W. Pervens, J. Perry, E, F. Mitchell, and W. Saunders. A return to the town for an trour ar so concluded what might well be termed a sucessful venture.

## GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUHLD.

## COMPETITION FOR OFEICES IN CHERTSEY DISTRECT.

The Chertaey District of the Guildford Diocesas Guild held a meeting at Esher on Salurday. Some very useful six-bell practice was pht in by the two dazen ar so vingers who attended and who came from Hersham, Walton, Ottershaw, Thames Ditton, Oaflands Park, Fisher, Cobham, Guidfford (S. Nicolas'), Loatherbead, Alecshot, Woking and St. Peter's, Croydon.
The service was conducted by the Rector ( $\mathrm{Dr}_{\mathrm{r}}$. Floyer), who also played the organ, and gave an address, in which he pointed out that suctess in the work for the chureh needed the sane qualities of enthusiasm, concentration and co-operation that were required for success in the belfry.
The busimess mating was held after tea, when Admiral T. P. Walker presided. Nominations were receiven for the officers for next year. Mr. H. Hancock was again Honsinated for the post of bow. sireretory. The District Ringing Master (Mr. F. J. Chaffeg) was renominated, and, at his own suggestion, in ordet to give members a choiee, Mr. F. E. Hawthome was also nominated, although, the latter was reluctant to let his uame go forward
Thero is to be competition for the two places on the Exective Committee, four names being put forward in addition to thoge of the two rehing members. The Rev. W. N. Willis (Ottershaw) was renominated as the represenlative of the hon members.

A vote of thanks was accorded, on the motion of the chairmen, to [Jr. Floyer for the use of tho bells and for the service, and to Mr. Fifistowe of the Esher band for his share in the successful arrangements.
A short but juteresting discussion afterwards took place on the best means of altainumg good strikimg.
The ringing during the dity incluted Grandsire and Stedmar Doubles, Plain Bob, Treble Bob and Cambridge Surprise Minor, while, yielding to the pressure of the progressuists, some of the amateurs tried their prentice hands at Oxford Bob, Double Oxford and Double Bob.
Esher Pas"ish Church is a comparatively aew struature, and stands in a perfectly kept churchyard, which tas an unusual number of handsome memorials to the dead. In the tall spire there is a light ring of six belis, which were put in in 1853 . In the now dismantled oid charch there were, at the time of the Edward YI. Inventory, "iij belles iu the steplo and a land bell." There was also a tradition liat there was in the tower at one time a bell said to heve been brought from San Domingo hy Sir Francis Drake. It bave no inscription. It was probahly only fahle; it was mueh more likely to lave been a bell given to the chureh, sayg at Surrey historian, by a Mr. Francis Drake who owned the manor in James L's time.

## SEVEN-BELL METHODS.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir,-I do nat think that Mr. Craven is quite accurate in his remarks aboul Triple Methods. It is quite true that a section of the Exercise has all along held that seven-bell ringing should be continuous triple changes. It is quite true, also, that some of our leading authorities inotably Rev. C. D. P. Davies and, I think, Sir Authur Feywood) have maintained lhat seven-bell methods which are not continuous triple changes are not legilimate. But the Exercise, as a whole, has ouver said so. Nor did the Methods Committee or the Centra! Council ever say so. The Methorl Report says that a seven-bell method which has not cantinuous triple clanges cannot be considered 'perfect.' This was a concession to the abore opinion. $\mathrm{N}_{\mathrm{y}}$ own view, arrived at after examining several thousands of methods, is that the regular suecession of the nature of the rowe $j$ sometimes of great importance in gelting true peals, but otherwfsc of no importance at all. The only real teat of a method's value is its suitability for minging in the tower. Judged by that gtandard, Waterloo Reverac Bob (which is the correct namo for Silehester) is an excellent mettod, decidedly better than Stedman. You mey judge of this matter by asking yourgelf this question: Is Oxford Treble Bob so very much better than Kent, or Superlative so very mach betber than Cambridge, or Norfolk Stu'prise so very much hetter than Bristol?-Yours,

> J. A. TROLLOPE.

## A FRIEND OF WENHASTON RINGERS

On Thursday afternoon, November 21st, there was haid to rest in the quiet churelygard of St. Peter's, Wenhastom, Sufolk, the remains of the late Mr. E. Hardingliam, father of the Viear, and an honorary member of the Suffols Guild of Beliringers, who had reached the ripe old age of 87 years.
Tha deceased gentleman took a grea! interest in all matlers connected with the church, especially the choir and bellringers, and was beloverl and estcomed by all with whom he came in contact.
The bells of the Parish: Church were ring nuffled in the afternoon, and again in the eveming, seretal 360 's and ather touches of Bob Minor being, rung by: Messrs. Bnm Ellis, A. Leech, G. and E. Stockdale, R. Roberts, R. Pearce Hum G. Pearce, of the local conspany; F. G. Lambert (district sectetary), A. H. Took (Halesworth), sud J. Puncherd (of Bramfield).

## A PARISH CLERK OF 1710.

BY ' CASCABLE.'
The following is a skit -political, of caurse-by Jonathan Ewift, the famous Dean. It, however, throws some very intereating sidelights on pariah life of the period.

Yot, be it acknowledged that at the age of sixteen I became a company-keeper, being led into idle cotuversation by my extraordinary love to ringing: ingumuch that in a shart lime fisa mequainted with every eet (sic) of bells in the whole country; neithor could I bo prevailed upon to absent myself from wakes, being called thercunto by the harmony of the etecple.

While I was in these societies I gave myself up to unspirituri! pastimes, wuch as wresting, dancing, mud cudgel-playing, so that $r$ often returned to my father's house with a broken pate. .. "What man is there, howsonvor dexterous in any craft, who is for aye on his guard "?"

This outspokon individual also took the tenor to a peal on one momentous occasion, followed by $\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{c}}$ 'beano' over whose details we will draw a veil.
To procesd: 'No sooner was I elected into mine affice parish clerky but I laid asido the powdered gatautries of my youth, and became a mew man. . . I was deternined to refarm the manifold corruptiona and abuses which had crept into the church. Firgt, I was epecially sevore in whipping fortli doge from the temple, axcepting the lap-dog of the good widow Moward, which folped not, not was thero offence in his mouth. Secondly, I did even proceed to morogencse, thougl oore agninet my heart, unto poor habes, in toaring from them the apples which they privity munched at church. Thirdly, with the sweat of my own hands I did mako plain end smooth the doge-ears throughout our great Bible.

Ho appeared to be a nan of many parta. Tisten to this: *Sinons did I make, and if entreated mend, with good approbation; faces alas did I shave, and I clipped the hair. Chinurgery I also practised in the worming of dogs; but ta bleed adventared I not; except tha poor. I once han the honour of tumming gir Thomas bimself without feteling blood. Furthermore I was sought unto to geld the indy Frences her spaniel, whidh was wont to go astray; he was colled Toby, that is to say, Tohias.... We Had London singing-masters
 pariahioners in titis mew manner of worghip. What though they eccuse me of humaning through the nestril as a sackbut; yet would I not forego that harmony, it having been agreed ly the worthy parish clerks of London ta proserve the same. I tutored the young men and maidens to tune their voices, $n s$ it were, with a pailtery, and the church on the Sunday was filled with these new hallelujalis."
Finally, he is overpowered with vanity. He firgt attempta to give hinta to young curates low to preach, following on to higher game nntil ha finaliy lets himself go on Dr. Selioverell and politics generally.

Although the biter Denil has used this fictitious charneter to vilify a great and good man, wa can, newertheless, casily deduca from hik general and vivid description what the life of a perish clerk must have been in Queen Anne's reign.
Says Swift: 'In the chumbard (no unmo mentioned) I read tbis epitaph, said to be written by himalf (i.e., thes

O reader, if that thou canse, rea
Look down upon this stone:
Do all we can, Dealh is a man
That never spareth none.'
If this epitaph is not fictitious, then it belonga to an individual named Paul Phillips. Other parishes mentioned in the full narrative aro Milton, Yelverton and Wayhrook.
Can readers bay, please?

## BROADCAST RINGING AND CHIMING.

The following appeared in inst weck's issue of 'The Rndio Tines":
"As a regular reader of "The Radio Times," may I make a suggestion thet when Sunday serwees are relayed from various churchus and ave preceded by bells, some distinction might be made in the anmouncensent, so that listeners maty know beforchant if the bells are to be scientifically ruug or mochanically chimed? Trke, for example, serwices relayed from St. Martin-in-the-Fields, London, and also trom St. Mavtin's Pealish Clurch, Birninglam, buth amnancements are liended in the same way, viz., "Tho Bells," and yet the formet consist of one maus "clanging" out hynith tuhes, etc., on th chiming mathime, whilst the latter is proper change ringing by a competent band of fingers. The two performances do mot begr cont parison. Might the word "olamen " or ${ }^{44}$ rung" be inserted naxher "The Bells" (as the exse may be) in order tliat listeners mayt bo forewarned ${ }^{\circ}-F$. C. T.'
Bravo! F. C. T., writes 'F. W. T.,' and se say all of us! And might not the 'chimer' at St. Martin-in-the-Fields, Landon, be asked to canfino his efforts to the playing of hymu Lumes only, and to kindly tofrain from inflicting his atfenpts ot "changes" upors ibe sensilive cet's of charge ringers?

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

MARYLEBONE.-At St. Andrew's Church, on Sunday, December 1st, for eventag service, it quarter-peal of Stedman Triples in 45 mins. : Miss M. White 1, F. G. Newman 2, F. Dyas 3, C. T. Wimmey 4, A. Cutrore 5, A. Waddington 6, G. B. Cole 7, G. F. Fdwards 8 . It being Advent Sunday, also the amiversary of the birth of the-late Queen Mother, "De profundis' was recited in place of 'Gloria, Patri." Rest eternal grant, to her, o J urd, and let perpetual light shine upan her. 'May she rest in peace."
NORTIH STLIFLDS.-For evening service, on December ist, at Christ Church, $n$ gtarter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1,260 changes) : R. Gray 1, A. Tully 2, J. J. Scott 3, E. A. Hern 4, ©. Dix 5, J. L. Gisty (conductor) 6, A. Tugwood 7, A. Skeoch 8. First attempt as coniluctor.
SHOREEAM, SUSSEX.-At. St. Mary's Chureh, on Sunday, December 1gt, for evening servioe, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 chnages) by members of the local band, in 44 mins.: F. Green 1, F. W. Cripps 2, R. H. Noakes 3, C. Thomas 4, T. Burtenshaw 5, L. E. Sears 6, J. M. Cripps (contuctor) 7, J. Green 8.

FINEDON, NOR'HANTS.-On Sunday, December 1st, for evening service, quartor-peal of Treble Eob Major (1,280 chauges): 'I'. Abbott 1, G. Clupliam 2, G. BasTord 3, C. Richardson 4, G. Ette 5, A. W. Boddington 6, T. R. Henslier 7, J. R. Main (conductor) 8. A birthday compliment to the ringer of the sixth. - For Condirmation service, on Noverber 29th, aturrter-peal of Stedman Triples: G. Claplam 1, T. Abbott 2, H. Tomapkins 3, A. W. Boddiogton 4, J. R. Maill 5, T. R. Hensher 6, G. Basford (conductor) 7, C. Richardson 8. WITHAM, ESSEX.-At the Church of St. Nicholas, on Sunday December lst, for morning service, 720 Oxford Treble Bob: W. Butler (conductor) 1, W. Mellin 2, B. Rawlinson (first peal in method) 3, A. Evers 4, W. S. Butler 5, E. Bright 6. For evening service, 720 Woodbine Treble Bob: W. Butler (conductor) 1, W. Melifa 2, V. Glass 3, E. Bripht 4, A. Evers 5, W. S. Butler 6.

FOLKLSTONE, KENT.-On Sunday, December Ist, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 46 mins.: C. Piddock 1 , F , Slingsby 2, E. Bridges 3, S. Baker 4, S. Binfeld (conductor) 5, W. Kitclin 6, F. Farley 7, T. Anderson 8. C. Piddock and S. Baker bail from Cherition.

ARFSFY, YORKS.-At the Parish Church, on Sunday, December Ist, $\pi$ quarter-poal of Grandsire Triples ( 1,260 changes) in 43 mins. F. Garuer 1, H, Arrand 2, E. Clarke 3, C. Otter 4, E. Cooper (conductar') 5, James McCluskey 6, T. Revill 7, T. Bysouth 8. A birthday campliment lo Mr. F. Gapner and Mr. J. MeCluskey.

GIRENOFSTER, GLOS.-On Sunday, November 24th, a quarterpeat of Stedman Triples ( 1,260 donnges, Brooks' variation) ; F. Edwarts 1, F. J. Luwis, sen. (conductor') 2, J. L. Cook 3, F. J. Lewis, jun., 4, W. H. Hnyward 5, H. C. Bond 6, H. S. Parsons 7, J. Talbot Qarliner (Sonth Cerney) (first quarter-pen] of Triples) 8. For evening service, at the Draish Church, 547 Stedman Caters: F. W. Bond 1, F. J. Lewis, jum., 2, F. L. Cook 3, F. J. Lewis, sen. (conductor) 4, F. S. Ehargons 5, F. Rdwards 6, F. G. Bond 7, H. Lewis 8, W. H. Trimity Chnrels, Watermoor, for morning service, a quarter-peal of
 sen., 2, A. W. Boud 3, H. C. Bond 4, H. S. Parsons 5, H. Lewis 6, W. H. Haywurd (eonductor) 7, F. Edwards 8 .

MELBOURN, CAMBS.-For evensong, November $24 t h$, in 23 mins. 720 Cambridge Surprise Mingr: B. Pilgrim 1, R. King 2, C. Gouldthorp 3, S. Reed 4, J. W. Ward (conductor) 5, F. Harper 6.

ERDINGTON, RTRXINGEAM.-On Sunday evening, November 24 th, fow divine service, a. quarter-peal of Stedmen Triples in 45 mins, F. Sauders 1, C. Cothrell 2, Miss O. Sanders 3, G. F. Swarn 4, J. Preston 5, W. J. Meer's (eanductor') 6, W. J. Davies 7, J. W. Pemherton 8. Runf as ebirthday compliment to Mr. J. Preston. Miss O. Sunders hnile from Guildford and Canterbury, and this was her first querter-peal.

OVER, GAMBS.-On Sunday, November 24th, for evening service, a guarter-penl (1,296 changes) of Cambridge Surprise Minor: H. Robinson 1, C. Robinson 2, A. W. T. Ginn 3, F. G. Gleaves 4, A. J. Gims 5, F. Warrington (conductor') 6 . Rung as a complinent to Mr . I. Ginu (local captain for 15 years) on his 53 rd birihday.

LLANDAFF-On Sunday, November 24ih, at the Gathedral, for evening service, a quarter-pend of Grandsire Triples (1,260 chauges): W. Heath I, F, Coomhes 2, A. Rowley 3, 1. Heath 4, R. Addis 5, T. Onrier 6, J. एhilips (conductor) 7, T. Bovey 8.
SWINDON.-At St. Mark's Cliuren, for evensonc, on Sunday, Novmaber 17th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples ( 1,260 clanges) H. EnLton 1, T, Ricketts 2, J. Penny 3, S. Hopper 4, J. Woodroff 5, J. Roberts (conductor) 6, N. Anatt 7, G. Lawrence B. All are Sundav service ringers, and belong to St. Mark's band.
'IOTMENHAM, At $A 11$ Hallows', on Sunday, October 13th, for morning service, 1,260 Grandsire friples in 43 mins.: F. G. Symonds 1, H. A. Barnett 2, W. J. Elis 3, W. Dickinson 4, H. W. Suthekan 5, H. Fllis 6, J. G, Nasli (first quneter of Triples as conductor) 7, E. A. Hull 8.-On Sunday, November 3rd, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples ( 1,260 changes) in 42 mins. : H. Ellis 1, Miss P. A. Upsher 2 , W. J. Eillis 3, H. A. Bmrnett 4, E. A. Hull 5, N. A. Tomlinsen 6, J. G. Nash (tirst fuarter of Sledman as conductor) 7, H. W. Stricisland 8 .

## NOTICES.

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GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - The annual meeting of the Cheltenham Branch will be held at Charlton Kings on Saturday, Dec. 7 th. Beils open at 3 o'clock. Service 4.30 . Tea, by kind invitation of the Vicar (Rev. Edgar Neale), 5.30. Business meeting after tea.-Walter Yeend, Branch Sec., Millfield, Tewkesbury Road, Chelten ham.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis-trict.-The next bye-meeting will be held at Ospringe on Saturday, Dec. 7 th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Ser-vice.-Percy W. Smith, Hon. Dis. Sec., Fair View, Littlebourne, Canterbury.

SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD. Southern Branch.-A meeting will be held at Gorseinon on Saturday, December 7 th. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 . Tea and meeting to follow. All ringers welcome. Bassetts or S.W. Transport Bus, return fare $1 /-$ from Swansea or Llanelly.-E. Stitch, Hon. Dis. Sec., 21 , Cambrian Place, Port Talbot, Glam.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West District.A meeting will be held at Heston on Saturday, Dec. 7 th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Tea arranged as usual. Cheap tickets issued on District Railway to Central Hounslow, then bus to church.-Wm. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.
NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-A general meeting of the North Norfolk Brancb will be held in the belfry of St. Peter Mancroft, Norwich, on Saturday, Dec. 7 th, at 4 p.m., for the election of officers and committee. The ring of bells (12) of St. Peter Mancroft will, by kind permission of the Reverend H. McMullen (Vicar), be available after the meeting. A good attendance of nembers is ktndly requested at this first meeting of the branch.Arthur L. Coleman, General Secretary and Treasurer.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Church Kirk on Sat., December 7th. Beils (8) available 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30. Business : Questions on Central Council. A good attendance requested.-F. Hindie, Hon. Sec., 58, Anvil Street,

## Blackburn.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-North and East District. -Next meeting at St. Mathew's, Upper Clapton, on Saturday, December 7 th. Bells from 3 to 7.30 . Service at 5. Tea at usual terms 5.30. Meeting to follow. All members and friends cordially invited. Please advise me for tea.-C. T. Coles, 21 , Vincent Road, E.4.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Christchurch, Hants.-The annual meeting of this district will be held at Christchurch on Saturday, December 7th. Bells (10) available from 2.30 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at the King's Arms, P.R.H.A., at $4.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., followed by business meeting. - G. Preston, Dis. Sec., 3, Waterloo Place, Christchurch, Hants.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Div. ision.-A quarterly meeting will be held at kotherfield on Saturday, December 7th. Tower open at 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5 . Business meeting to follow.G. W. Stokes, 22, Melbourne Road, Eastbourne.

SURREY ASSOCIATION. - Southern District. - A meeting will be held at St. John's, Redhill, on Saturday, December 7 th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 5 . Tea at 5.30 , at the Parish Hall. All ringers welcome.A. J. $B$ li, Hon. Sec., Jesmond, Queen's Road, Horley.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Sonning Deanery Branch.-Combined practice, All Saints', Wokingham, Saturday, Dccember 7th, 6 till 9 p.m. Committee meeting, Church House, 4.30 p.m.-W. J. Paice, Branch Sec.

DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.-The quarterly meeting wil! be held at St. Andrew's, Netherton, on Saturday, December 7 th. Bells available 3 o'clock. Service in Church at 4.30 . A good muster is required. Business meeting afterwards. - Herbert Sheppard, in3, Himley Road, Dudley.

HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Dis-trict.-A meeting will be held at Cheshunt on December 7th. The bells will be open during the afternoon and evening. Tea at 5 , business mecting after. Service at 6.30 , address by the Vicar. All are heartily invited. W. H. Lawrence, Hon. Dis. Sec., Little Munden.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-St. Albans District.-A meeting will be held at St. Albans on Saturcay, December 7th. St. Peter's bells available at 2.45 until 5 p.m., the Cathedral bells after tea. A service will be held at St. Peter's at 5 p.m. Tea arrangements are being made. All are welcome.-W. Nash, District Sec., North Mimms, Hatfield.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rochdale Branch. -A mecting will be held at Oldham Parish Church on Saturday, December 7th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. Business: Nominations for two representatives on committee.-William Horam, 2, Gireenhirst Hey, Todmorden.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Leatherhead District.-A district meeting will be held at Ashtead on Saturday, December 7th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 at Evelyn's Tea Rooms, Ashtead. Please note that all nominations for district officers for the ensuing year must be handed in at this meeting.-Alan R. Pink, Hon. Sec.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-A joint meeting of the Eastern and Southern Districts will be held at West Hartlepool, Saturday, December 7th. Meet St. Oswald's 2.30 p.m. Bells available at three churches. Tea in St. Oswald's Mission Room, Dale Street, 5 p.m. A grood attendance requested. - F. Robson and J. T. Titt, Joint Secs.

DEVON GUILD.-The annual meeting of the Exeter Branch will be held at St. Sidwell's, Exeter, on Saturday, December 7th. Service 4.i5. Tea (free to branch members) and business meeting 5 , at $S t$. Sidwell's Institute. Bells available: St. Sidwell's (10), St. David's (8), St. Thomas' (8), Heavitree (8), St. Petrock's (6). All ringers welcome.-E. Lomas (Miss), Hon. Sec., Whimple, Devon.

RICKMANSWORTH, ringing at, on Saturday, Dec. $7^{\text {thi }}$, from 3.30. Tea (Red Spider) 5.45. Cheap tickets from stations. - C. H. Horton, 53, Aldenham Road, Bushey. (Tel. City 4270.)

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Bedford Dis-trict.--The annual meeting of this district will be held at Clapham on December 7 th, for the election of officers for the coming year, etc. Bells (6) available at 2.30. Tea and business meeting at 5. Service at 4.30 . It is hoped every member of the district will make an effort to attend.-Percy C. Bonnett, Dis. Sec., Stagsden, Beds.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Furness and Lake District Branch.-A meeting for ringing only will be held at the Parish Church, Bowness-on-Windermere, on Saturday, December 7th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.-W. T. Clark, Branch Sec., Broughton-inFurness

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-North Bucks Branch.-A quarterly meeting of above branch will be held at Newport Pagnell on Saturday, December 7 th. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. Service 3.30 p.m. Those requiring tea please send along in good time. All ringers welcome.-W. Sear, 19, Albert Street, Bletchley,

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Wirral Branch. The next meeting will be held at St. Saviour's, Oxton ( 8 bells) on Saturday, Dec. 7th. Tower open at 3 o'clock. Service at St. Thomas' Chapel at 6 o'clock. Tea and meeting afterwards.-H. S: Brocklebank, Hon. Sec., 3 : Ridley Street, Birkenhead.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637 ). -The subscription of is. 8d. whiclit entitles members who have not met twenty times in the past year, to vote on matters of finance, is now due. Meetings for practice will be held at *St. Michael's, Cornhill, on December woth; St. Andrew's, Holbort, on the Izth (at S p.m.) ; *St. Paul's Cathedral on the 17 th; St. Magnus' on the 19th, at 7.30 p.m. "Business meeting afterwards.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

GORING, OXON.-The recast peal of bells (augmented from 6 to 8 ) will be dedicated on Wednesday evening, Dec. ith, at 6 o'clock by Bishop Shaw, after Confirmation.-I. Bower.

LADIES' GUILD.-Western District.-The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. Philip's, Bristol, on Saturday, December 14th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30. Tea and meeting in Church Roon at 5 p.m. Will those desiring tea kindly bet me know by December 11 th? -N. G. Williams, Hon. Sec., Weston House, Weston, Bath.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch - A meeting will be held at Garston, on Saturday, Dec. I4th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service $5 \cdot 30$. Tea 6. Those intending being present please inform Mr. W. Hughes, 3. Shrewsbury Place, Garston, not later than Wednesday, December IIth. A good muster is especially requested. Canon Elsee will be present.-Claude I. Davies. Rranch Sec.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Daventry Branch.-A quarterly mecting will be held at Daventry (8) on Saturday, Dec. 14th, when it is hoped members will make an effort to be present. Usual arrangements. W. C. Moore, Braunston Road, Daventry.

ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD. - The next meeting of the above Guild will be held at Bethersden on Saturday, Dec. I4th. Bells available at 2.30 p.m. All ringers weicome. A card for tea by Dec. Inth will oblige. - A. I. Battin, Hon. Sec., Heronden Hill Gardens, Tenterden.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Southern Division. -A joint meeting of the Doncaster and District Society, the Sheffield and District Society, the Barnsley and District Society and the Southern Division of the Yorkshire Association will be held at Rawmarsh, near Rotherham, on Saturday, December 14th. Bells (8) ready at 3 . Short service at 4.30 . Tea at 5 at 1 s . 3d. each. Will those requiring same please notify Mr. E. Pammenter, 110, Goosebutt Street, Parkgate, near Rotherham, by December 14th?-F. Clark, Hon. Sec.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Western Division. -A meeting wili be held at St. Michael's, Headingley, Leeds, on Saturday, December 14th. Bells available from $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. 'Tea will be provided at 1s. per head to all those who send in their names to Mr. S. Sadler, 16, Greenhow Place, Burley, Leeds, not later than Tuesday morning, December f0th.-F. Hutchinson, District Sec.
SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-North Dorset Branch.-The annual meeting of the above branch will be held at Gillingham ( 8 bells), on Saturday, December 14th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 . Tea 5 ( dd . for members). Meeting to follow. Please inform me how many will attend by December 6th at the latest. Towers available: Gillingham (8), Mere (8), Bourton (6), Motcombe (6), Silton (5), and Kington Magna (5).-A. E. Nedham, Compton Abbas Rectory, Shaltesdury, Dorset.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD OF RINGERS. West Dorset Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at Bridport on Saturday, December 1 th. Bells available from 2.30 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Preacher, Rev. B. J. Langham, of Maiden Newton. Tea at $5.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. at Greyhound Hotel, followed by meeting. Those requiring tea kindly send names to T. Hervey Beams, Bradpole, Bridport, not later than Dec. 12th.

NORTH STAFFS AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. -A meeting will be held at Newcastle on Saturday, Dec. Ifth. Bells (ro) available from 3 p.m. Business meeting at 4.30 p.m. Members are requested to make their own arrangements for tea.-C. S. Ryles, Hon. Sec.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUIDD. - Central Bucks' Branch. -The meeting on Dec. 14th, at Wotton Underwood ( 6 bells). Ringing 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. llease reply to the hon. sec., Rev. J. F. Ansies, iidgecote Rectory, Aylesbury. Wotton Station, Metropolitan Railway; near the church. Trains few, but convenient.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Nottingham District.-The next monthly meeting of the above district will be held at Long Eaton on Saturday, Dec. 14th. Bells (8) available from 3.30 p.m. Tea can be obtained at the Co-operative Tea Rooms, close to the church.-F. W. Bailey, Local Sec, $4^{2}$, Rupert Street, Nottingham.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District.-A meeting will be held at Arlesey on Saturday, December 14th. Bells (6) available 3 o'clock. Tea 5. Will all who intend to come let me know not later than Wednesday, December itth? All ringers welcome.--C. J. Ball, 2, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Bolton Branch. The next meeting will be held at St. Paui's, Walkden, on Saturday, Dec. I4 th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Mecting at 7 pom.-Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., 203, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD,--The next meeting wilt be held at Newbold-on-Avon, near Rugby, on Saturday, Dec. I 4 th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Tea at 5 o'clock, is. each. Midland Red buses leave Central Hotel, Rugby, at $3.15,4.20,4.45$, and may be caught near the L.M.S. station at the junction of Railway Terrace and Wood Street.-D. E. Lewis, Gen. Hon. Sec., Firholm, King Edward Road, Nuneaton.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rossendale Branch. -The next meeting will be held at St. Saviour's, Bacup, on Saturday, December 14 th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. A good aftendance is earnestly re-quested.-John H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 8, Oaklands Road, Edenfield.

A JOJNT MEETING of the Oxford Guild and the Gloucester and Bristol Associations will be -held at Shrivenham on Dec. 14th, by kind permission of the Vicar. Bells available at 3 p.n. Tea 5 p.m., for those who notify me or Mr. G.: Webley, Union Street, Faringdon, Berks.-S. Hopper, 79, Edinburgh Street, Gorse Hill, Swindon.

MIDLAND COLNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Loughborough District.-The annual general meeting will be freld at Loughborough on Saturday; Dee. 14th. The Bellfoundry Campanile and Bellfoundry will be open from 3 D'clock. A good attendance is requested. Arrangements will be made for tea for those who notify the secretary by Dec. 8 th .-D. S. Collins, Hon. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch. The next meeting will be held at Samlesbury on Saturday, Dec. 14th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea, rs. 6 d. a head, to all who notify Mr. J. Bailey, Roach Bridge, Samlesbury, not later than Wednesday, Dec. Irth. A grood attendance is requested.-F. Rigby, Hon. Sec., 8, Carrington Road, Chorley.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Easteris Division. The next quarterly mecting will be held at Beverley on Saturday, Dec. ${ }^{1} 4^{\text {th }}$. Minster bells (ro) available from 2.30 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea in Parish Room, 5 p.m., to those who notify Mr. W. Gibson, Long Lane, Beverley, not later than Wednesday, Dec. Iith.-A. B. Cook, Hon. Dis. Sce., 5 S, Wyndham Street, Hull.
DEVON GUILD. - North-East Branch. - The amual meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Tiverton, on Dec. ${ }^{14}$ th. Bells available 2.30 . Service 4.30 . Tea is. Al! requiring tea please inform me by Dec. roth. - A. G. Selley, The Square, Silverton.
-ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North-Western Division.The ammal meeting will be held at Bishop's Stortford on Saturday, Dec. I4th, at 3 p.m. Service at 4.15 p.m. Tea in the Parish Room at 5 p.m. Business meeting follows. Those requiring tea kindly advise me. - C . Beeston, 5, King Street, Bishop's Stortford, Herts.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester Branch.-The next meeting will be held at the Town Hall, Manchester, on Saturday, December 2Ist. Bells ready 3.15. Meeting 7 o'clock.-J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting.

LONDON COLNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD. - Southerr District. - Next meeting, All Saints', Wandsworth, Dec. 2 rst. Bells (8) available 3 to 8.30 . Service 5. Tea and meeting 5.30. All ringers welcome. A postcard? Rood! Social hour if possible.-]. Herbert, 7 , Grimston Road, S.W. 6 .

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION, -Fylde Branch. - A meeting will be held at Holy Trinity, South Shore ( 6 bells) on Saturday, Dec. 2 st. Bells ready 3 p.m.-C. Sharpies, Branch Sec., 10, Warbeck Road, Blackpool.

LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - The annual meeting will be held at St. Woolos' (Pro-Cathedral), Newport, Mon., on Boxing Day, Dec. 26th. Service at 4 o'clock. Tea at 5 o'clock in Waters Lane Mission Room. Business meeting to follow. Belts of both St. Woolos' and All Saints' Churches available before and after the meeting.-J. W. Jones, Hon. Sec., Cartref, Barrack Road, Newport, Mon.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS. -Mr. P. C. Williams, hon. treasurer, Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association, has removed to 34, Victoria Parl, Fishponds, Bristol.

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## LINCOLNSHIRE RINGERS DEATH

The death occurrence on November 11th of Mr. F. Mervison, a memher of the Burion-on-Stather, Lines, company. He joined the band at this church when the bells were opened, and gave valuable assistane to the band of learners. He was for many years previously a member of the bund at Hols Trinity Church, Full, and rang between forty and fifty pals for the Yorkshire Association.
On November $19 t h$, at Burton-oa-Stather, a 720 of Bob Minor was ring with the leelis half muffled, in memory of the deceased, by: A. Rowbotiom 1, A. Thornton 2, A. Tomlinsou 3, G, Hobthirs 4, J. Coles 5, J. Bray (conductor) 6.

## MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

ROTHERFIELD, SUSSEX. -At St Deny's Church, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major ( 1,152 changes) jut 48 mans. : F. Hammood 1, R. Collins 2, E. Bishop, jun., 3, T. Holder 4, E. Bishop, sea. 5, S. Russell 5, C. Brasier (conductor) 7, H. Hammond 8.
CARHAMPTON, SOMERSET -At the Parish Church, on Novemher and, after an attempt for a peal, a quarter-peal of Oxford Treble Bob Minor in 43 mints.: M. Parker 1 , $J$. Grattan 2, A. Bryant 3 , H. Parker 4, 1. Farmer (conductor) 5, B. Stevens 6.

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## CONDITIONS FOR PEALS.

When a departure is made fron a well-defined practice in ringing, complications inevilably arise, often in a direction which the originators of the innovation did not anticipate. During the last three or four years, there have occasionally been rung peals on eight bells, in which Triples and Major have been spliced together and on ten bells in which Caters and Royal have been spliced. Now the question has been asked, Is it permissible to ring a mixture of Doubles and Minor and call it a peal? It is a pertinent question, and one which requires a definite ruling. There will doubtless be divergent views held on this question, but as things stand, it is difficult to see how any differentiation can be made between the practice on eight and ten bells and the application of similar prin ciples on six bells. If Bob Royal and Grandsire Caters can be combined in a peal; and Bob Major and Grandsire Triples, why not Bob Minor and Grandsire Doubles? But if this last is to be admitted, it is going to add further complications to the definition of what shall constitute a six bell peal?

The present rules of the Central Council, although they have been amended to provide for the splicing of methods when they are of like nature, for instance, all Major, as in the ten method Surprise peal recently rung, or all Triples, did not contemplate the splicing together of odd and even bell methods, and it is open to question whether such performances are strictly entitled to be recognised under 'the conditions required for peals.' There is certainly no provision for ringing both Minor and Doubles in the same peal. In the case of Triples combined with Major it would seem to depend on whether the definition of a peal on seven bells (with or without a covering bell) applies to such a performance. At present the rule requires, in a peal on seven bells (and when it was framed it was doubtless intended to apply to all peals in which Triples are rung), that ' the number of changes be not less than 5,040 rung . . . without interval, being the extent of the changes in the method or methods chosen. . . .' The definition of a peal on eight is wider-4 that there be not less than $5 ; 000$ true changes rung without interval '-and it is only if this rule can be construed into including Triples, and if Triples, spliced into a peal with Major is excluded from the other definition, that Spliced Triples and Major can be strictly recognised as a peal. The position with regard to Caters and Royal is, perhaps, a little less questionable, for the rule as to Caters states that there shall be not less than 5,000 true changes . . . with the addition of a covering bell,' while that relating to Royal is exactly the same as for Major.
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Undoubtedly the whole question requires clarifying. Either the Council must discourage the splicing of odd and even bell methods in peals, or they must amend the rules so that this new development in ringing is ' legalised.' The definition of a peal of Minor is likely to be again in the melting pot; it might, therefore, be a good thing if the whole of the 'conditions' for peals were overhauled. It seems rather obvious that the position cannot remain as it is, otherwise the whole of the rules governing peals might as well be scrapped, and that would be a distinctly retrograde step to take.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

WOLVERHAMPTON.
THE 5T. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Siturday, Detentbey 7, 1929, in Four Hours and One Minute, At the Collegiate Chorch of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF RAMBRIDCE SURPRISE MAXIHUS, 5280 CHAHCES; Tenor 33 cwt.
Ggorge F. Swann ... ...Tyeble †Frank Haynes ... ... ... 7
Frank W. Perrens... ... 2 J. Frank Smallwood ... 8
Frane E. Prrvin ... ... 3 Stareord H. Green... ... 9
Alberi Walker ... ... 4 Samoef Grove ... ... ... 10
Herbrat Kniget ... ... 5 Albert E. Norman ... ... it Fred Price... ... ... ... 6 |Robert Matibews ... ...Temut Composed by John Carter. Conducted by Albrat Walker.

* First peal of Cambridge Maximus, $\dagger$ First peal of Maximus.


## TEN BELL PEALS.

## HULL.

 THE YORESHIRE ASSOCIATION.On Thuysay, Nowember 28, 1929, in Three Hours and Nineteen Mindes, At tge Cberch of the Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 6021 CHANEES;
Tenor $25 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Cbgil 5. Corrick ... ...Treble Jack E. Constable ... ... 6 George F. Williams ... 2 John W. Hobson ... ... 7 Cgarles P. Bradiry... ... 3 Albert E. Selibrs ... ... 8 Jack Bray .... ... ... ... 4 Leonard Rodmble ... ... 9 Harry Rodmele... ... ... 5 Edwin Wood ... ... ...Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Geo. F. Bicliams.
BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday, Derember 7, 7929, ia Three Fours and Twenty-Eight Minutes, At the Charge of St. Peser,
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Albert D. Stone KeIth Hari... ... $\quad .$. William Hlleman...$\quad$... 3 Henry J. Tecker ... ... 4 Jack M. Crippl ... ... .... 5
Composed by Williab Willson.

Alfred T. Grrenwood ... 5 Richard J. Stone $\quad . .$. Fredrrick W. Rogers ... 8 EDwiN ]. Harding, sen. ... 9 Jobn Dharlove ... ... ....Tenor Conducted by Frbdk. W. Rogers

## LEEDS, KENTP.

THE KENT GOUNTY ASEOCIATION.
On Saturday, December 7, 7929, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,
At tee Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF CANTERBURY PLEASURE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

## Tenor 20 cwt .

-Charlms H. Sone ... ...Treble | Samoel E. Taylor ... ... 6
Mrs. H. Baker ... ... .... 2 Harry Baker ... ... ... 7 William E. Pitman... ... 3 Charles W. Player.... ... 8 Thomas E. Sone ... .... 4 Kennetg Patienden ... 9 William Spice ... .... ... 5 Albert Relfe ... ... ...Temor
Composed by Caaregs H. Sone. Conducted by Thomas E. Sone * I50ih peat. First peal of Canterbury Pleasure Royal for all the band and the association.

MANCHESTER．
THE LANCASHIRE AESOGIATION．
On Sathriay，Degenber 7，1929，in Thres Hours and Twenty－Eight Misutes， Ay the Catbedral and Colleglate Churca of SS．Mary， Danys and Grorge，

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS； 5 b2t CHANGES；

Tenor $27 \frac{7}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$ ．
Donald Brown．．．．．．．．．Tybble Arthur Ridyard ．．．．．． 6 Bha Thorp．．．．．．．．．．．．$\quad$ a Willitam Saunders ．．．．．． 7 Harold B．Wilson．．．．．． 3 fF．Ralpa Williams．．． －Wileiam H．Oqens ．．．．．． 4 Fred Page ．．．．．．．．．．．． 9 Ralph Ravinscroft，jon， 5 Josbpe Wilson ．．．．．．．．．．Tehoy Composed by A．Knighis． Conducted by 13．Thorp．
Ruag in honour of the golden wedding of Mr．and Mrs．W．O． Bridgford．Mr．Bridgford has been conductor of the Caihedrai band and a workbr in the Sunday School for many years．F．Page＇s 100 th peal for the association．＊First peal．† First peal of Caters away from the tenor．Ringers of treble，8， 9 and tenor are members of Man－ chester City Yolice，B．Thorp is from Asliton－under－Lyne，the re－ mainder belong to the Cathedral band．

## EIGHT BELL PEALS．

GRAVESEND，EENT．
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION．
On Saturday，November 30，1929，in Two Houss and Fifty－Fiwe Minutes， At ine Parish Church，
M PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES， 5040 CHANGES；
Heywood＇s Transposition of Thurstans＇Four－part． Tenor 18 量 cwt ．

Edivard J．Beer．．．．．．．．．．．Treble $|$| Edward A．G．Aleen | ．．． 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |

| Edward W．Spice | $\ldots$ | ... | 2 | Edward G．Morrad ．．． |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Edward E．Rock | $\ldots$ | ... | 3 | 6 |




This is believed to be the dist＇Edward＇peal ever rung．Mr． Edward D．Gmith was elected a member of the Kent County Asso－ ciation previous to starting for the peal．

GHISLEHURST，KENT．
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIAIION．
On Monday，Decenber 2． 1929 ，in Two Hours and Forty－Six Mintes， At the Church of St．Nicholas，
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES，5040 GHANGES； Groves＇Transposition of Parmer＇s Twelve－pari Tenor $17{ }^{3} \mathrm{c}$ cwt．
Retben S．Goodchild
．．Treble Cyril Brett－Smith WilliamJ．Rawlings ．．Trebu John Lyddiard ．．．．．．
．．． 3 Thomas Emsden ．．． 6 John LydDiard ．．．．．．．．．． 3 Tgomat Groombridgs，SEN． 7 Hereery Nevilze Jim Hurrec．e … Conducted by Thos．Groombridge，sen．
This peal was rung with the hearty congratulations and best wishes of the band to the Rev．F．J．O．Felmore，on attaining his 78th birthday．

DISE，NORFOLK．
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION．
On Tuesday，Decmber 3，1929，in Thet Fouys aud Tathty Minhtes，
Ay tee Cugrch of St．Mary－the－Virgin，

Tenor $2_{4}$ cwt．in D．

 Composed and Conducted by Nolan Gocnen．
This peal was rung as a compliment to Messrs．William Musk and George Archer，whose birthdays occurred on that and the following rlay reapectively．The 50 －course composition，containing the 6th the exient at course－ends in 5－6 without the second in 6th＇s or the 6th in 2nd＇s，is now rung for the first time．

[^80]REDDISE，LANCASHIRE．
THE OEESTER DIOCESAN GULD．
（Stockport \＆Bowdon Brangh．）
On Tuestay，December 3．1929，in Three Hours and Three Minates，
Ai the Chorch of St．Elisabeth，
A PLAL EF BoUBLE MONWIEN COURT BOD MAJOR， 6120 GNANEEU Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~cm}$.
 Composed by Edward Jenhins．Conducted by Tom Wilde．
＊First touch of Double Norvich．Rung on the twenty－first anni－ versary of the dedieation of the daughter church of St．Agnes．It was also a birthday compliment to the Rov．A．T．Beeston，the ringers of the treble and thitd，and the youngest daghter of the ringer of the sixth．

UXBRDGE，MDDLESEX．
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GULLD．
On Wednesday，Decmber 4，1929，in Fro Forrsamd Fify－T tero Mintutos
Ai the Church of St．Margaret．
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES， 8040 CHANEES』
Thorstans＇Foor－part．
Tenor 12 d cwt．
Grorge H．Gquierides
Edgar G．Swift
Treble
Jahes H．Locas
2
Prrcy E．Jones ．．．．．．．．． 5

Joseph J．Pratt ．．．．
．．．．．． 4 Charles A．Niceolls
6

Conducted by Frank Corke．
First peal of Stedman as conduchor．
NORTH STONEHAM，HAMPSEIRE．
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD．
On Thursday，December 5．1929，in Two Hows and Fifty Minutes，
At ine Church of St．Nicolas，
A PEAL OF BOB MASOR， 5040 CHANGES；
Tenor 9 cwt 25 lb ．
Frederick G．Grifeen ．．．Tyehic｜Charles J．Fray ．．．．．． 5
 D．Cecil Williams $\cdots \cdots \begin{array}{lll} & \cdots & \cdots \\ \text { Filliam T．Tocker．．．} & \cdots & 7\end{array}$ Fredertck G．Coez ．．．．．． 4 Oweh H．Giles．．．．．．．．．Tenoy Composed and Conducted by George Williams．
First peal of Bob Major．Rung on the evo of St．Nicolas，and the twentieth anniversary of the opening of the eiglat bells．

## LONDON．

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOGIATION AND NORTH
SOGTHWARE DIOGESAN GUKLD．
On Satweday，Decomber 7，1929，in Two Honvs and Fifiy－Five Mintes，
At the Chtreh of St．Mary．Battersea．
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES， 5040 CHANGES；
Groves＇Transposition op Pafker＇s Twelve－part． Tenor i 4 cwt．
Frederick W．Bdse
Harry Mance．．．
．Trehle｜Wicilam J．Dean
－Walter H．Coe
Ralpf Makrill ＊Henry J．Martyn －Harold E．Werrs ．．．．．．． 7 Wilfiam Essery ．．．．．．．Texor Conducted by Haray Mance．
＊First peal．Rung as a birthday compliment to W．Essery． ROCHDALE，LANCASFIRE．
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION．
（Rochdale Branch．）
On Saturay，Detmber 7，1929．in Thee Hours and Ten Minutes，

> At the Parish Cerorg.

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR，B1日\＆CHANGES； Joun Ficion＇
Miss Rose Bell．．．．
Harold Hemar
Walter Stafe
．．．Treble

Composed by A．Knights
Conducter by H．Davenport． est from Pareh Church Milurow prume as a hirtiday peat for the trehle ringet＂，who atrained his 75tls birthday an the previons day． The band atso extend thoir bearliost eongratulations to the mother in－law of the captain of the Rochdale Purish Church band，who that day attained her 75in ycar－The peal also conmemorafed the 21st antimereary of the Rochlale Puritl Church Dramelic Sowety．

## HERSHAM, SURRTY

'LHE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Detember 7, 1929. in Three Howrs and Seven Minutes,
At the Chorce of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF DUBLIH SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES; Tenor 8\% cwt.


Willam J. Robinson ... 4 | Alfred H. Pellinga.. ... enor Composed by Arthor Knights. Conducted by Alfred H. Polling

* First Surprise peal. + First peal in the method. First peal in the method by the Guild. C. E. Smith's 50th peal.

IOUGHBOROUGE.
THE MDDLAND COUNTIES ASSOMIATION.
On Satwday, Decmber 7, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minwtes, At the Bell Foundry Campanile,
A PEAL OF STEDHAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Heywood's Transposition of Thurstans' Fodr-part. Tenor 6 cwt .2 qr . 13 lb . in B .
Fredrrick S. Price ... ...Treble Jambs S. Hotcery ... ... 5
Leonard H. Whitrbead... 2 Harry L. Smith... ... ... E

Alban Disney
Conducted by E. Reader.
UPTON-ON-SEVERN, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WOROESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOQIATION.
(Western Branch.)
On Saturday, Drember 7, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes, Ai the Cburch of SS. Peter and Pade,
A PEAL OF PUD8EY SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tener $17 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

 | 4Frank Lawrence | ... | ... | 2 | Sidney T. Holt | .. | .. | ... | 6 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Robrrt G. Knowles | .. | 3 | Cyric Tansbll | .. | .. | .. | 7 |  | William C. Jonhs ..... $.4 \quad 4 \quad 4 \quad$ Cearles Camm... Composed by George Letwis. Conducted by Sidney T. Holt.

* First peal in the method. $\dagger$ First peal in the method inside. First in the method on the bells.

BURTON LATMMER, NORTHANTS.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturalay, December 7, 1929, in Three Hours and Six Minutes, At rae Cherch of St. Mary-the-Virgina

## A PEAL OF BUPERLATIVE 8URPRISE MAJOR. 5152 CHAMEEA

## Tener 10t ewt.

Rohert G. Black

- Archie Henman
... . ...Tyeble | $\dagger$ Jabes T. Ward.. . . 2 Jorn R Mines... Grorgr Basford $\quad . .$. Composed by York Green. Conducted by Andrrson Y. Tyerr,
* Firat peal of Superlative. 中 First paal on an 'inside' bell. This peal wat arranged to mark the completion of thirty years' service as a regular rigger at thia church by Mr. George Lines. NORTHAMPTON.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCEFAN GULLD. (Northampion Branch.)
On Saturday, Decenber 7, 1929, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,
At xer Ceroreh of St. Edmund,


## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;

## 1. J. Parker's Six-part.

Tenor 18 cwt .

- Eraderick Browning, Branch Committee
+William Atierefry, Branch Ringing Master ...
Arthor Robinson, Branch Committee
Sidney J. Lawrence, Central Committee
L3ratif O. Sonen, Central Committee
tHarry England, Branch Committee
Tom Tebrottr Branch Secretary
Thomas Lay Branch Treasurer


## Conducted by Ton Tebrdit.

* First peal. $\dagger$ First peal of Grandsire Triples. $\ddagger$ First peal on gight bells. All the above ringers are officers of the Northamption Branch, and it is the first offers" peal to be rung for the Guild.


## TETTENHALL, STAFTORDSHTEE.

THE SOCETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Saturday, December 7, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifiy-Seven Minutes, At refe Cerreg of Si. Migeael and All Angels,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Groves' Transposition of Parker's Twzlye-part. Tenor 44 cwt .

| Grorgr A, Baker | ...Tyeble | Jobn W. Taylor... |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Roberi Prickring | 2 | Sidney Elton | . ... 6 |
| Edward F. Mitcerll |  | John Prrry ... | 7 |
| Kenneth C. Taylor |  | Tно |  |

Conducted by Joan Perry.
Ruvg as a birthday compliment both to the ringer of the treble and to Mr. Herbert Knight.

KNIGHTON, RADNORSEIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GULLD.
On Suturday, Decomber 7, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,
At the Chorgh of St. Edward,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANEES;
Holx's Ten-part.
Tenor so cwt.
Habert jones
… ...
.Tyeble Jobn J. Price
William Satnders ... ... 2 Edward V. Rodenatrsi ... 6
William R. Nash ... ... 3 Francis Evans ... ..... .8
Wilitam J. Beniams... ... 4 Arthor C. Nason ... .... ...Tenor
Conducted by Francis Evans.
GREAT BARDFIELD, ESSEX. THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Decmber 7. 1929, in Three Hours and Tvelve Minutes. Att the Cedreh of Sr. Mafy,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES; 5040 CHANGES;
Groves' Transposition of Parker's Twhlye-part.
Tenor 16 cwt.

- Wilziam Pipgr ... ... ...Tyable William Lincoln ... ... 5

Percy Green...
*Ernest Townsend ... ... 3 George Green ...
 Conducted by Grorge Grern.

* First peal in the method and the frst peal of Grandsire on the bella. Rung to celebrate the birthday of F. Suckling, a member of the local band. G. Green, P. Green and Dr. S. Phillips from Great Baddow, and W. Lincoln from Chelmsford. The rest belong to the local band.

WEST WYCOMBE, BUCKS.
THE ANGIENT SOCLETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Saturday, December 7, 1920, in Two Hoursand Fifty-Two Minutes.
At tee Church of St. Lawrence,
A PEAL OF HOB HAJOR, 5058 CHANGES; Tenor 16 cwt .

Joserb S. Hawkins ... .... 2 Jesse Eldridgr ...

F. Donald Boreham... ... 4 Ernesi Breti $\quad$... ... ...Tenoy
Composed by J. R. Pritceard. Conducted by E. Bretr.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

BRINDLE, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCARHIRE ABBOCIATION.
(Preston Branch.)
On Wednesday, Nowember 27,1929, in Three Hours,
At the Parish Chorch,
A PEAL OF BOR MINOR, EOSO CHANGES;
geven different 720's. Tenor $12_{2}$ crive
-John Powzr ... ... ....Treble $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{ll}\text { William Sharples } & . . . \\ \text { Hobn Chabnock } & . . . \\ 4\end{array}\right.$
fforn Charnock... ... ... $\quad$... Hereert Blacelidge $\quad . .$.
Fred Blacklioge ... ... 3 William Fowler ... ....Tenor
Conducted by H. Blacklidge.
Rung with bells fully mufled as a last token of respect to Mr . Joseph Greaves, churchwardon at the above church for 54 years, who was interred here the amme daj. First peal, and proposed a member of the association previons to starting for peal. + First peal of Minor. First peal as conductor.

NORTH CRAWLEY, BUCKS.
TEE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Nowember 23, 1929, in Three Hours, At the Parise Chorce,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 ench of Cambridge Surprise, College Exercise, Woodbine
Oxford, and Kent Troble-Bob, Oxford Bob, and Plain Bob.
"George Weite... ... ...Treble "Pbrcy Bonnett... ... ... 4

 Conducted by Pbarl Inskip.

* First peal in seven methods

BRINDLE, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Preston Branch.)'
On Saturday, Novomber 30,1929 , in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutos, At the Parish Сhorch,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of London and Cambudge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob. Tenor $12 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
 Conducted by W. Syarples
Rung witlu bells half-muffled as a last tribute of respect to John \#H. Gartside, of Chorley, who was a rimger at Chorley Parish Church for a large number of jears.

OLD WARDEN, BEDFORDSHIRE
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, November 30, 1929, in Two Hows and Fifty-One Minutes,
At the Ceurca of St. Leonard,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGESI

Being seven $720^{\prime}$ s, each called diferently.


* First peal.

Conducted by Pearl Inship.

RICKINGHALL SUPERIOR, SUFFOLK. THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Sunăa, December 1 , 1929, in Two Hoursand Forty Minutes,
At the Chorch of Sx. Mary,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5090 CHANGES;

Consistiag of seven aliferent extents, viz., two each of Oxford and Eent Trehle Bob and three of Plain Bob. Tenor $10 \mathrm{cwt}$. in G . Raymond Grant ... ...Treble Alphede J. Berry ... ... 4 - Percy I. Johnson ... .... 2 Arthor Cook ... .... 5 Eric G. Benneit ... ... 3 Garnham A. Blaxcell ...Tenor Coaducted by Garnham A. Rlaxcell.

* First peal of Minor.

SOUTH NORMANTON, DERBYSHIRE,
EAST DERBTSHIRE AND NOTTINGEAMSHIRE ASSOGIATION. On Satnrday, December 7. 1929, in Two Hours and Fitty-Eight Minutes,

At tee Cgurch of St. Micgael,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES; Being four 720's of Kent and three 720's of Oxford Tyeble Bob. Teдor 8 cwt 3 qr .

- Ernest W. Riley ... ...Tieble Cornelius J. Partridge ... 4 4Harold Dongety ... ... 2 Harold Fradgley ... ... 5 Wilson Alelin

3 John W. Evotand
3 John W. England
Conducted by John W. England

* Tirst peal of Minor. $\dagger$ First peal on an inside bell. Rung as a birthday complimeat to Mr. Harold Fradgley.


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GOSBERTON, LINCOLNSHIRE. THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Saturday, December 7, 1929, in Three Hours and Taenly Minutes.
At the Cherchgof SS. Petrr and Padi,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES:
Being seven 720's. Fiz., Cambridge Surprise, Kent and Oxford Troble Bob, St. Clement's, Double and Single Oxford, Plain Bob, Single Court and Double Court. Tenor 17 ewt. 3 qr. 7 lb .
Arther J. Farr ... ... ... Tyeble | Horace M. Day... ... ... 4 Artatr Riggall ... ... 2 John Curry... ... ... ... 5 George Ladd ... ... ... 3 John G. Ames ... ... ... Tenor Conducted by H. M. Day.
First peal in nine methods by ringers of 3 and 5 . ORSTON, NOTTINGHAMSEIRE.
THE LENCOLN DIOCESAN GUELD.
On Saturday, Decomber 7. 7929, in Three Hours,
At the Chorch of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, EOAO CHANGES;

Being two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and three $720^{\prime} \mathrm{s}$ of Plain Bob.

Tenor 9 cwt.
Miss Giadys Nicholson ...Tyeile Sydney Whaley... ... ... 2 Rev. C. J. Stdrton ... ... 3 Erthorrics Ward ... Conducted by Freferick WV. Siofes.
Rung to commemorate the sixth anniversary of the dedication of the bells by the Dean of Lincoln.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

SHLEER END, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Decmber 7, 1929, in $7^{\text {w }}$ wo Hours and Nincteen Minutes, At 33. Valentine Way,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 505s CHANGES;

George Wiffen ... ... ... i-2
William Keebly .... ... $3-4$ Albert Wiefen ... 5-6 Composed by Waiter Aqre. Conducted by William Keebiz. Rung ufter meeting short for Bob Royal. FEERING, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION
On Sunday, Decouber 8, 1929. in Two Fours and Eleven Minutes. At Rye Misl,

## A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANEESq

 Lewis W. Wiffen ... ... 3 3-4 Gejrge Wiffen ... ... ... 7 7-8 Composed by W. H. Inglesint. Conducted by William Keeble First peal in the method on handbells by all except the conductor.

## BUSY LOUGHBOROUGH BELL FOUNDRY.

It will wo dondt be of interest to many of our readers to note the wonderful capacity which the Loughborough Bell Foundry has for turning out work, their bell haggers being engaged on no less than ten different jobs, all of which ale to be compleied this month. The following list gives details of these particular restorations, etc:
Shirley, Warwickshire, augmenting peal of five to six and banging, in a new iron frame, with moderw littings.
Bradden, Northants, reasting the riug of five and hanging wits modern fittings in the existing framework.
Whimple, Devon, rehanging peal of six with nodern fittiags in new casli-iron frame.
Claybrooke, Leicestershire, recasting the treble of four and adding four new trebles to complete the ring of eight, and hanging, with modern filtings, in new cast-iron framework.
Yatesbury, Wilts, adding new treblo to ring of four and banging, wich modern fitimgs, in a now iron framework designed for six bells.
Radstock, Somerset, adding new tenor to make ring of six, and hanging with modem littings in oak bell frame.
Tilsworth, Beds, recnsting ring of five into peal of six, and hanging, with modern fittings, in new cast-iron framework.
Thatcham, Berks, adding two trebles to complete the ring of eight, and hanging, with modern fittings, ill new cast-iron iramework.
Goole, Yorks, rehanging peal of eight, with modern fitings, in existing rramework.
Glastonbury, Somerset, rehanging peal of eight.
'lhe dates of the openings of the above will be advertised in our notices columns, and those of the first fire will be found in this jesue.

## GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

## MELTING AT ASHTEAD

The Leatherlaead District held ita Inst district mecting for the year at Ashtend on Saturday, and ghod progress was made in Heveral directions, The attendance was small, only 16 ringers putting in an appearance from the following towers: Ashtead, Banstead, Epson (St. Martin's), Haslomere, Dorking, Leatherhead, Woking and Guldford (Cathedral). Actually only 12 district members were present. "This is not gonl enough, and does not vepay the efforts of the men who try to make these meetings a success,

Mothods ranging from Girandsire Doubles to Bristol Surprise Major wore proctiseri wilh var ying degvees of suctess. Some nseful 'spade work " was accomplished, and all enjoged itheir practice on this handy ring of bells, which lave probably been mote "worked" by peal fiende than any other tower in the diocese.
The Rector, Rer. IE. J. Austin, conducted the service, and in an impromptu talk welcomed tho ringers to Ashtead. Ha mentioned the fact that he had never before been in charge of a church which possessed a pea! of pells, and said that he bad grown to love them, ats alan had his parishioners (a remarle which will doubtless delight the siad "peal fiends'). He outlined the work of ringers and its value to the Clucch, and his address was much enjoyed by all.
Tea followed the service, and was partaken of at Evelyn's Tea Room. The lables presented quite a festive appiearance, and emch one harl to Christmas eracker, some of which, appropriately enough, contained bells.
The ter and following business metting was quite g jolly affair, and Llie spiril of comaradeslip, so necessary to a ringing meetieg, was much in ovidence. Three new honorary members were elected, viz., Miss J. A. Gleeve, of Dorking, Mus Y', P. Walker, wife of Admiral Walker, дз an hou. life member, and the Rev. E. J. Austin. These elections were carried unanjmously amidst great applame.

At this point the Rector had to leave, and Admiral T. P. Walker proposcd e very hearty rote of thanks to him for all lie had done to malse the meeting a success, and also to all those who lad contributed their services in various waya. In reply, the Rev. E. J. Ausfin said how greatly honoured he felt in being made a momber of an organisation which was doing such goonl work for the church, and promised to further its interests as and when he could. He said he folt he mirst rpologise for refusing to grant the bells for a peal on ono occasion, but be wonderet whether the bells would annoy some fresll parishioners of bis. He felt the riugers would understand his point of view, bat there was now no need for apprebeasion in that directions.
Fo left the meeting amidst applatise, and the Leatinerhead District feels that it has made another friend among the incumbents.
The next item on the azenda was the nomination of distriet officers for 1930 . The Loatherlhead District must be fairly satisfied widn its puesent officers, as few changes were reparted. Mr. Albert firman that no rivals for the posilion of Ringing Master, and
neilher had Mit. Alan R. Pink as district secretary. Fhe two representalives oin the Fxecutive Committee (Mr. Alfred F. Winch and Mr. George Marriner) wore again nominated, and one other, Mr. Willinen Jrmes, of Cohham, tho idea being that the str-bell towert hatald have a representative.
Rev. Gi. H. B. Coleridge was again nominated as the representative of the honorary membors. This was the extent of the business, mand line megting eloserf with a vote of thanks to the chairman (Major J. H. B, Hesse). The mombers then retumed to the tower ol furdré ringing, which ended at 9 p.m. by letting the bells down in poft. This latter we feel would hare met with Whe approval of
*he: 'West Country' experts.
A. R. P.

## FORMER SALISBURY RINGER'S DEȦTH

Mbure pasim away at Bassett, Sauthampton, on November 24th, Mr. H. D. Adams, who, about io years ngo was an active member of the imnd at St. Marlia's Churdh, Salishary, in the palmy days of Wise, S. Lawrence, Macey and others, including J . W . Waslibronk. Tfo liad rung nearly forty peals for the Salisbury Diocesan Guild on lownr am? haudlella, but ho laa been ont of ringing for some years. Mr. Alams wis fomerly in colleague of the late Mr. Gifford in Lhe Wilts and Dorset Bank at Salishury, He liad retired and settled
 yents of age.

## Ladies' guild.

A quarterty meeting of the Northern District of the Ladies' Guild wat hald at Dore on Aaturday, Nowember 30th, when two menbers the Lincolnghite Distrieb also allonden. An exedent tea was prepared ty Mrs. Jolsisson.
Whe Vicarts warden gave an interesting speech of welcome in the belfry, mid Mrs. Scott proposed a vote of thanks to the Vicar, the churclawindelss and the gentlomen present. After the ringing had chash, the moatiog was held in the restry, Mrs. Scott being voled tr line whatr. The place and date of nex itmeeting were left in the

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

 JOINT MEETING OF DISTRICTS.A joint meeting of the Eastern and Southern Districts of the Dur ham and Newcaslle Diocesan Associntion was hekd at West Hartlepool on Saturday. There waz only a fair aftendanse of memberg present, in fer of whom urrived at St. Oswald's Chureh at 2.30, and rang a well-stratck 720 of Oxford Minol. More members then turning up, the bells were soon going to Grandsire Triples and Caters and Stedman Caters.
Ter was the nest important item, and a good spread awaited the ringers in St. Oswald's Miesion Room.
After tea a short meeting was helct, presided over by the Rer. T. H. Lilburn (Vicar of St. Oswald's).

Mr. Burnett, vice-president, mover a vote of coadolence with the relatives of Canon Knowlden, of St. Aidan's Churel (who passed away in November after a long iliness), the ringers standing in silence for a few moments.
Mr. Titt moved a vote of thanks to the clergy for the use of the bells, and Mr. Lilburu, in reply, weleomed the ringers to West, Hartlepool, where, he said, they would always be assured of a hearty welcome when they came. The bells of St. Oswald's would also be available for them at any time. The Vicar referred to those people who objected to the bells, and said they should be ignored, as the balls watd certainly be missed by a great majority of the people.
Mr. Metcalfe proposed a vote of thanks to the ladies for the ex cellent tea, and Miss Stophenson suitably replied.
Gateshead will be the place of meeting to be held some lime in Trnuary.

After tea the ringers weat to All Saints', Stranton, but owing to some misunderstanding the church was locked up. Thoy therefore proceeded to St. Aidan's Church, where touches af Bob Major, Grandsire Triples, Stedman Triples, Kent Treble Bob, Double Norwich and Superlative Surprise Majar were rung until nine octock.
The ringers all agreed that this was an enjoyable meeting, but the presence of a few more ringers would have been welcomed.

## COLLEGE YOUTHS' MASTER'S BADGE

A silver replica of the badge wom by the Master of the Ancient Society of College Fouths has been presented to the London Museum by Mr. W. H. Fenton, of Heston House, Heston, Midelesex. This medal was struck in 1837 to celobrate the bicentenary of ilhe society, and that worn by the Master as a badge of afice was formerly the property of James Mash.
The one now presented to the London Museum was the property of H. Mills, and recently came into the possession of Mr. Fenton, whe has given it to the metropolitan collection at fhe suggestion of Mr E. A. Young.

## TIMBERSCOMBE RINGER'S DEATH

A quarter-peal of Grandsire 7riples (1,260 clanges) was rung mith the bells half-muffled, in 50 mins., for monning service at the Parigh Church, Timberscombe, Somerset, on Sunday week, in mentory of the late Mr. E. J. V. Thorne, who died on the previons Friday week, and who was a member of the tower band. The ringers were: G. Stacey 1, S. Grabham 2, J. Pugsley (conductor) 3, F. Date 4. F. Houd (first quarter-peal) 5, I. Farmer 6, E. GouId 7, W. Yeandle 8. During the course of his sermon, the Vicar, Protb, the Rep. H. H. Bell,
alluded to Mr. Thorme as a good sportsroan, and referver in felicitous alluded to Mr . Thorne as a good sportsnan, and referred in felicitous
lerms to his devoted service to tho churdi as a ringer and member of the cloor.

## BELLS IN A COAL MINE.

Three hutudred and sixty yards dawn in the bowels of the earth handbells were rang on Sunday week. Fous members of the Midand Connties Association descended on conl mine in the North Midands and at the bottom rang a course of Boh Major and a course of Grandsire Triples. It was a strange experience for the little company, who would like to know if landbells have been rang underground before. The ringers liad to undergo the usual search for matches and cigarettes before going down

## TILEHURST RINGER'S DEATH

The derth oceurred on November 30 th of Mr. E. M. Shepherd, who was a ringer at Tilehurs! Church, nuar Reading, for a considerahle number of years. He whs 48 yoars of age. J'lie funetal took place on Thursday week, fund in the evening the local compant of ringors rang the 'whole parl and siand " and a 504 Gitnodsine Triples with the beils half-mulfled, ns a token of the estechn in which the deceased was held by his collaagues. The ringing was done by A. Haines 1, H. Hant 2, R. Runhan 3, E. Chapman 4, J. Barnes 5, C. Wratts 6, 耳. Goodyear (conductor) 7, R. Fatmes 8 .

WFARE, SOMERSET-On Saturday, November gth, a quarterpeal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changesi in 45 mins.: A. Hunt

'GODFATHERS' FOR EAST DEVON TOWERS.
AN INTERESTING PROPOSAL.
The annual meeting of the Exeter Branch of the Devon Guild was held ar St. Sidwell's, Exeter, an December 7th. Although a large nunher were present, many others were prevented from attendigy by the ravages of thie storm. A hearty service was held in St. Sidwell's Church, the Rector officiating and giving an interesting address
At the husiness meeting which followed the tea, at St. Sidwell'g Institute, the Rev. E. V. Cox, chairman of the branch, presided, and was supported by the Rev. E. S. Powell (presidert) and Mrs. Powell, the Rev. Lanyon Owen, the Rev. E. A. Jullyan and others.
A vote of thanks to the Rector, the organist and the local ringers was carried with acclamation.
The hon. secrebary and treasurer's report on the year's progress and linance of the branch was adopled, and showed a slight decrease in the membership.
A resoiution was carried that the committee should take stens to evolve a scheme whereby one or two experienced ringers should act as 'godfathers,' so to speak, of each of the various towers, with a riew to maintaining the interest of members, improving the standard of the ringing, and farthering the progress made in now methods, ete.

It was decided that the spring meeting should bo beld at Whimple on Warch lst. Messrs. Taylor and Co. have rehung the bells there, and they are to be dedicated to-morrow
Several new members were elected, and some change ringing certifieates presented by the president.
The Rer. E. V. Cox was re-elceted chairman for the ensuing year, and Miss E. Lonas hon. secretary and treasurer.
The bells, of the Catiedral, St. Sidwell's, Heavitree, St. David's, St. Thomas' and St. Petrock's were availsble for vinging by kind permission of the Dean and the respective incumbents.

## BROADCAST RINGING AND CHIMING

To the Editor.
Dear Sir:-As a ringer and listener, I wholeheartedly support the Eutegestion made by ' F.C.T.' that some distinction might be made ir the announcement in the B.B.C. programme witi regard to scientifcally rung changes or mechanically chimed hym tunes, by inserting the word 'Chimed " or "Rung" in the announcement in both "The Ranio Times' and the daily Press, for the beneft of those who are not aware of the difference. The two performances (if not the performers) do not bear comparison.-Yours truly,
E. I.

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Pictures should, for preference, be photographic postcards, and, where there is any choice, the tower should be a feature.

Obviously, of course, all the pictures cannot be published at once, the object of getting a collection being that the photographs may be ready at hand for use when fitting opportunity occurs.

Will each tower secretary be good enough to send a photograph of his own tower? It should be forwarded in an envelope for protection, and addressed to The Editor, 'The Ringing World,' Woking, Surrey, and the sender sloould enclose his name and address.

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Cambridge Universily Guild has received some seven or eight recruits this tern who are very keen and have learned to manage a bell Change ringing instruction is going on on handbells, and in this the reteran president (Rev. A. IF. F. Boughey) continues to give valuable help.
Berkshire's new ring of twelve, at St. Laurence's Church, Reading, will be dedicated at 8 p.m. on December ROth. Owing to the lateness of the hour there will be wo general ringing, but, as announced in our rotice columus, the tower will be open for ringing on the aftermoon of Boxing Day.

One of Benjamin Annable's many great performances was conductiug a peal of 8,008 Graudsirc Cinques at St. Saviour's, Southwark, on December $15 \mathrm{~h}, 1735$. He rang the 10 h on this occasion, and three men rang the tenor. In February of the previous year Annable called a 7,018 in the same method, and on that occasion assisted two others in tlie ringing of the tenor.
Twenty-five years ago next Sunday the first peal was rung in South Africa-a peal of Grandsire Triples at Woodstock.

We record ihis week a peal of Canterbury Pleasmre Royal rung at Leeds, in Kent. It is interesting to reall that the first peal of Canterbuty Pleasure Major was rung at Warnham, Sussex, on December 17th, 1888.
In reference to last weok's letier, lieaded "Silent Holt's Original, another of the band, writing from the Isle of Wight, affirms that so far as he is concerned he feels still capable of taking his part in a Lepent performance.
Fioday, Mi. Franeis E. Duwe celebrates the fiftieth anniversary of bis first peal, Grandsire Triples at St. John's, Wilton Road, London, called by James Pettit. Mr. F. T. Gover, of Paignton, Devon, is the ouly ofher survivor of that hand.

The ringer of the 4 th in the peal at Bottesford on November 30th was Clarenee F. Briggs, not Bird, as printed.
At the special invitation of the Dean of Worcester, a large party of Rirminglam ringers and friends visited Worcester Cathedral on Sunday, and rang for an hour aid a half' for the cvening service. The visitors made up a party of 17 , and tonches of Stedman Cinques and Cambridge Maximus were rung.

## THE EXTENSION OF NEW DOUBLES,

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir-I have rend Mr. Cave's letier, and to make cerdain that I am not wrong (it was very unlakely in this instance), I have interviewed the officers of St. Stephen's Guik of Ringers, and they carroborate my siatement that New Dorbles extended to Caters was rung apon at least two occasions, at St. Stephen's Church, Bristol. This was bofore May, 1926 . At Chester or Ipswich, it is difficult to reucuber, I esked a Ceniral Council member's opinion about it; theuce my statement, namaly, about three years ago. 'The member's opiaion was that it was irregular, and that is perliaps why no more was rumg at Si. James or St. Stephen's.-Yonrs faithfully,

EDGAR GUISE.

## A PEAL BY EIGHT EDWARDS

At Gravesend, on Saturkiay week, a band of eight Edwards pulled off a peal of Sterman Triples. Other 'name' bands, lerl by the Williams of Shipway's day, have rung peals, but this is believed to be the first time that the Edwarts have accomplished such a performance. Six of them were residents of Kent, and the other two came from across the Thames. The onductor was Mr. Edward $P$. Duftield, of Colchestor (who rang the 11th in tho record peal of Cambidge Maximus at Ashou-unden-Lyne), and the others in the band were Messrs. E. Hadlow, E. Beer, E. Spice and E. Morrad (all of Graresend), E. Allen (Rochester Cathedral), E. Smith (Stratford) and E. Huck (Ashrord).


## HE EIGRT EDWARDS

 E. J. Beer.E. D. Smith lal.
E. A. G. Allen.
E. E. Ruck.

## E. G. Morrad

E. Hadlow,

## THE TWELVE BELL RECORD

TO-MORROW'S LONG PEAL ATTEMPT AT PAESWWICE.
All being well, an atterapt will be made at Painswick, Gloucesterblire, to-gorrow, for a new record twelvebell penl. The prosent Iongest leagth is the 15,312 Cambridge Surprise Maximus, rung at Ashton-under-Lyae on August Banls Hoblay Jo-moryow's aitempt is fo: 16,565 Gimudsire Cingues, and ringing will begin alyout 8.30 a.m. Good wishes for suceess will go out to Mr. Albert Wright ithe conductor) and his hame.

From the earliest klays of ringing, Irainswick las been famous for long lengths, and several rocords lave been set up there. Among the long peals in his famous tower lave heen the following:-

12, 0 CC 6 Grandsire Caters, ir 7 Hrs .55 mins., on April $18 \mathrm{th}, 1737$.
12,312 Girandsire Caters, in $7 \mathrm{hrs}, 44$ mins., of May $5 \mathrm{th}, 1817$.
10,224 Treble Bob Maximas, in 6 hrs. 50 mins, on December 9tl, 1833.

13,001 Grandsire Cinques, in 8 hrs. 45 mins., on February 14th, 1920.

## BELLS REOPENED AT WOOLTON HILL.

## A HAMPSETRE RING REEUNG

On Sunday, December lst, the bells at St. Thomas' Church were reopencd afier being rehung with moderm improvenents, including ball bearings, by Messrs. Mears and Stahbank. The vesult is flat the balls now ga perfectly
To mark this occasion, special mention of tha bells anu change ringing was made by the Viear (Rey. E. E. Utterton) in his sermon. He spoke of the various uses of hells and of the great art of tinging. He told bis congregation that it was far more difficult to learn change ringing than many people imagined. He also spoke of the position of the bells and wingers, saying, that as the bells were hung in the highest part of the ehureh, one naturally had to look up to the bells and singers, and he himself looked up to any "inger who mastered this great ant.

After the service, he said the bells walld be rung in variaus meihons, and he asked the congregation to stay to listen to the ringing, and many did so. Some good ringiag was done by the local band nal visitors from Highelere and Newbury in the following methods: Grandsire and Stedman, and Plain Bob.
Change ringing las flowrished somewhat at Woolton Hill during the past few yerrs, and it is hoped to get back to the original standard of Surprise ringing in the near future. Tho ringing included 720 of Bols Minor by: H. Curtis 1, J. Scott 2, J. Ber'y 3, F. Knapp 4, L. Robhins 5. R. Rex (conductor) 6, followed by 360 in the Eame method by J. Robhins 1, A. Challis 2, F. Kinapp 3, J. Berry 4 , 5. Beaven 5, F. Curtis (conductor) 6 .

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

## CHELTENHAM BRANCH

The anmual meeting of the Chelienham Branch of the Gloucestor and Bristol Diocesan Association wes lield at Charlton Kings $4 \pi$ Sraturday, in fine weather. The rageful peal of eight, with tenol at 20 awt., were sel going ai three o'clock, and made good use of. 'Ilie gervice was conducted by the Ficar (Rev. Edgar Neale), assisted by the curate. The address, given by Rev. E. G. Beuson, of Tewkesbury, was listened to very engerly, ino preacher bimself being an expert clange ringer.
Tea followed in the Parish Room, where all were the guests of the Vicar, who had a baud of willing lady helpers.
Tlae business meeting was held in the same room, and the Vicar, on being roted to the chair, expressed his pleasure at, seeing so man, present. He was, he said, always willing to do all he could for tibe pingerg at any time.
The ehairman was supported by Cnnon F. W, Sear (Leckhampton), Rev. Smith (curate), Rev. E. G. Bernon (Tewkesbury Abbey), and over 40 members, inchading a number of visitars from Bourton-on-the-Water, Fairford, Minchinlampton, ete
A letter was read fron the Rev. A. J. Pemington, who has gane south on retirenent, saying how he regretted having to sever his conuection with the branch.
The following officers were elected: Branch chairman, Canon T. W. Bears (Leckhampton) ; brach represontative, G. H. Walters (Prestibury) ; branch fon, secretary, W. Feend (Swindon). The two latier were thanked for their past services.

At the invitation of the Rev. W. Downes, Balgworth was selecter for the next meeting in Match
'like secretary was instructed to send the following message to Mr. Albert Wright: "Thai the members of the Chelteaham Branols gailiered at Charlon Kitrga for their aumual meeting seud their best wishes for the success of the band in their record long peal attempr at Panswick on Saturday next.
$\mathrm{O}_{\mathrm{n}}$ the proposition of Mr. F. Clements, seconded by Mr. G. Noch, a hearty vole of thanks was aworded the Vicar for all he had done to make the meeting such at surcess, atso Rev. E. G. Benson for his able address, and tho laty helpers.-Rev. E. Neale and the Rev. E. G. Benson responded, and his coneltuled the business.

The tower was gigain wisited, and much useful practice obtained.

## RRISTOI, BRANCH,

A very stuecessful meeting of the Bristol Tranch was held at. SS. Philip and Jacob's Churelt, Bristol, an Saturday, November 30th, 16 towers being represented, togelher will the local band. The bells, a nice peal of eight, were raised soon after 3 p.m., and some good touches of Grandsire, Stedman and Cambridge Surprise Major were brouglit round. Rounds and Queens were also rung for the beginmers.
The servinc was taken by the Yiear (Rev. M. E. Thorold), a vice president of the association, who gave $\pi$ very interesting address.
Tea followed, and there were over 40 memhers present an the husinoss meeting.
Mr. J. Gould (chaiman) asked the mombers to stand in silance as a token of respect and sympathy for the late Mrs. W. H. Thomas. Deceased was very popular in the Bristol Braneh, and will be grently missed at these meetings. She was pressant as recently as ibe last monthly meeting of the branch at St. Mathew's.

The Secretary read a letter from Mr. W. H. Thomas, the president of tha Bristol United Ringing Guids, in which he thanked the nembers for their letters of sympatiy and flowal tribute

The naxt meeting, as is the nisual custom, will be held at frislington.

## THE AMERICANS. AND HALESWORTH BELLS.

Dear Sir,-I expect i know Falesworth and its ringers as well as anyone living et a distance. In ease nuy of your ceaders should be led to the erroneous conelusion by your last; week's paragraph, that. our brethren there hobble up to the church with a pair of walking sticks of anything like that, I moula like to mention that this is dy no means so. If is mercly a case of there being not much young blood in the band, but I venfure to say the present company whu (D.V.) carry on with Grandsire Triples and Bub Major under their enthusiastic conductor for many a year yet:
Haleswortit can by no streleh of thia imagination be callet 'a bittle willage deep in Sufolk.' It is a fair-sizerl market town, with a station on the direct Londan-Yarmouth line, and a fine Parish Ghureh with a melodious peal of eight. The drawback to ringing is that the ropes hang something like this: I 82464357 , which is rather puzating to beginners. The Halesworth men are of the right sorl. A visiting ringer would be sure of a herntg welcome, and, intcen, would be an inspiration. The bells merely want rehanging, and, who knows, perhaps some day a fresh eight will came along flife, and then things wotld go ahent. As for ithe Americans wanting the bells-I shofld say, let thera keep their money. - Xours truly,

HARRY BARTON.

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## ST. STEPHEN'S GUILD

ANCIENT RULES FOR TLE ORDERING OF RINGERS.
In an article in these columna a fortnight age we briefly outlined 1, he history of the Antient fruild of SL. Stephen's Ringers, an old Bristol Socinety which, while it is not now connected with riugitrg, had its origin in the ringers of that charch move than three hundred yenris ago. Ta-day the Guild devotes its energies largely to raising funds tor tine preservation and restoration of the chureh.
There las recently been pulsished on belialf of the Antient Society ia handiome volume. 'Ille author is Mr. II. F. Roslyn, a momber of tho Guild, who has compiled an exhaustive history of the Guild, fo fin' ha is can be traced, hased mainly on the minute books which, with ung exception, arc intact from 1882 . An interesting hislory of the charch is also given, as well as a deaeription of the handsome tower.
Tha churcla was founded between 1247 and 1291, and was athached to Cilastonbury Abbey, this connection Iasting until the dissofution of the monasteries, when the patronage passed to the Crown, in whom it is sill vested. The chureh was robrilt about 1470, the tower heing erected at tho sole cost of Master Jobna Slipwatd, who aiso gave the great enst window. Slipward wats one of the most impurtant citizens of Bristol of his day. He was a wealthy merchant, and wrs the secoud of his family to fill the highest office in the city. His fatier was Mayor in 1444 and 1453 , nud he hinaself served as Muyor in 1463 and again in 1469. He also represented Bristol in Parlimment in 1450.
He left directions for a most elaborato funcral, as was the eustom of rich men in those days, and also for the observance of the anniverbary of his death. He charged fis property with tho maintonance of two chaplains for twenty-five years, aud after that one chaplain in prrpetuity to celebrale fiaily at the high altar of SL. Stephen's for the good of his soul nald the souls of his parents. A solemn rectuiom mats whs wi be eclebrated every yenr on August 3rd, in connection with which there ware a number of bequests, inelading twentypence for tolling the bells.
In the records of the Antient Guild, however, probably the most interesting portion lo ringers is "The Ordinnces," sometimes known a. the "charler." Tliese ordinances have been transerihed at various dates, but they are directly traceatie to 1620, and it is supposed that even those of this date wero a transcription of an even earlier copy. The ordinances, which are real every year, as a part of the rithal ubserved at the annual banqutel, begit with the following pramble:

It is afteed and delermined that everyone that is or shall be of the Compatuy or Socioty of St. Stophon's Ringers, shall keep Orclunsy eoncerning the good government and Peaceable Society of the said Company, and that none shall be of the said Society hut those ihat shall be of Honest, Peaceable and Good ConversaLion, and stuch that shail be at all time and times ready to defered whatsoever slanll be alleged againsl the said Company as well in regard to any Challenge ns of nny other Wrong or In juty that shall he offered nod done by nyyone of what estate or s" those that would or shall exasperale themselves arainst us. Hisl alsa gain eredit nud Reputation by our Musieal Exercise Chut ollhors of our rich meighbours hearing these lond Cymbals with their oars may by the Sweet Harmony thereof be enlarged
 Heso that other catoses Wo lave procived this Ordinary and do sontine oursolves to these Articles following.
THer follow llac twenty-six Articlen as nuder: -
Thprituis. For the choosing of every Mnstert you shal! put theer loonesi men into the Election, sudd the thai hath most voices to pass on his side shatl be Master of the Company of Ringers for the ycar enstuing.
2.-Item. For the choosing of Wardene you slall put four honest mun ints the Election, and those two of the four that have most voier a shan he Wardens of the said Company for the year ensuing.
$\overline{\mathrm{J}} .-\mathrm{Fl} \mathrm{m}$. suy). the first, St. Stenhen the Martyr; the seeond, the Annuncintion uf the Blessed Yirgin Mary: the third, St. Jolin the Baptist; and the fourth, St. Miohat the Archangel.
4.-Item. Tpon everyone of the said Quniter Days everyone that is a Fremonn of the siid Comprny slanll pry to the Master for the lime being for his quarterage one penny, and if he dotll or shall deny or Eeplect to nay the samo he shall pay for such his oftence Alircpence, ane penny thereaf to the Sextom and the other two pence th the Cumpany.
5. - Itwa. Every Master for tho time being slanll settle up his accolut on the sevenfenth tay of November all Quarteridges and fines ns he shall revgive in his year, rnd if he shall dony or neglect be sitall
puy for his offence the sum of twenty shilling to the Compauy of his puy for his offence the sum of twenty shillings to the Conpany of his
6.-l|em. Fivery Mnster shal! be chosen on Michaolmas Day betwoon fite and cight of the clock in the morniag. If the Master shall neylect to gond the Wardens to warb the Company so that by that menns the day tho deferred, lie shatl pay for lis offence the sum of
7.-Item. There shall be none made free of the said Company unless he give the Company a Brakfasl or pay the sum of three slailings and fourpeuce in money.
8.-Itera. If the Master for the time being shall send to the Wardens to warm the Company, and if they neglect the same shall pay for their offevee fourpence apiece, one penuy thereof to the sexton and the other threcpinco to the Company.
G.-Item. If the Master for the time being shall neglect or forget to warn the Company once within every fourteen days for to ring a Bissit sett peale lie shall pay for his offence one shilling to he divided amongst the Compary
10.-Item. If The Master for the time being shall send to the Sexton conceming a peale that shall be bung either at might or in the moming or at any other time that the Master slafll please to ring, if he ghall deny or neglect to come at the every hour that the Master cloth appoint him he shall pay for his offence twopence to be clivided among the Gompany.
11.-Iten. Everyone that is made free of the said Company shall pry to the Sexton fourpence for his fee.
12.-Item. If anyone of the said Company after the time that he shall come into the Chureh to ring shall curse of swear or make any noise or disturbance either in scoffing or unseemly jesting that the party so offending shall pay for his offence threepence to be divided as nforesaid.
13,-Item. If any of the aaid Company after the time that he shall como into the Church to ring shall be so saucy as to take a rope to ring before the Master for the time heing and the eldest of the said Company who have beon Masters shall be gettled where they please to ring, the party so offending shall pay for such his offenca twonence, one penny thereof to the Scxtan and the other peuny to the Company.
I4.-Item. If any of the said Company shall miss to strike his bell ot the second sway in the rising of a peale he shall for his offence pay one pemy to the Compsny.
15.-Itom. If any of the said Company shall speak or make any mantier of noise when the Bells do ring so that the riugers or any of them by that means may make a fault, the party so oftending shall pay for his offence threepence, to be divided rmong the Company.
16.-Item. If any at the said Company stall take a rope out of a fellow's lanad when the bells do ving well and do make a fault to Ay off or come too near, lic shall pay for his offeuce one penny to the Company.
17.-Iten, If any of the said Company do or shall after they have come together guarrell or misuse any of the said Company before they do depart, the party so offending shall pay for the offence sixpence to the use of the said Comptny.
18.-Item. It is agreet that everyone that shall be chosen Master of the said Company slall spend of his own proper money the stum of two shillings lowards a loreakiast, and the rest of the Company to pay the rest of the reckaning.
19.-Item. It is agreal hat the persons who shatl be chosen Wardens shall give unto the Master for the time being a pint of Wine apiece
20.-Item. If any of the said Company shall he chosen Master and he shall refuse the same contrary to our Ordinary, he shall pay unto the Company three shillings and fourpence.
21.-Item. If any ane of the said Company shall be chosen a Warden and shall refuse the same, he shall pay unto the said Company one slilling and sixpence.
22. -Item. If any of the said Company shall be so rude as to run into the Belfrey before he do kneel down and pray as etery Christion ought to do, lie shall pay for the first offonco sirpeace and for the second he shall be cast out of the Cumpany.
23.-Item. If any one of the said Company slanll deny to pay any fine or fines that shall be imposed on him br the Master and shall perempterely stand and contend in the same, he shall for his offence pay the sum of two shillings or else to be utterly excluded for ever without Bail or Mainprize.
24.-Ttem. It is agreed that yearly there shall bo a peale rung upon the eighth day of Octoher in remembrance of Mr. William Eyton denarsed, wha grve a legacy of Four Pounds unto the said Company, and if any shall refuse to assist to ring the same peal warning being given by the Master, he shall pay fourpence, and if the Master and Wardems for the time being slatll fail to give warning they shall for their neglect pay one shilling apiece to the saft company (who deceased in the yeat 1656)
Items 25 and 26, couched in the same terms, relato to the kyells of George Witherly and William Nicholls.

## APPEAL FOR A LANCASHIRE RINGER

Previously acknowledged 23 Gs., ringerg of Imananuel, Oswaldtwistle, $10 \mathrm{~s} ., \mathrm{Mr}$. J. Bentley, Foylake 5s. Any further donations to this fund for assisting Mr. Hary Tomlinson, who is totally inorpacitated, and has a daumhter entirely dependent upon him, will be mpatefilly received by Mr. F. Hindle, hoa. secretary, Blackbure Brancla, 58, Anvil Sureet; Blackburn, Lances.

## BELLRINGERS AND CLERGY.

## To the Editor.

Sir,-My attention hass been drasen to the Ficar of Measham's lotiter in your issue of November 29th. It may intereat your readers to know that Holy 'l'rinity Churels, Liandudino, is an illustration and a confirmaifon of the puint with wheh he deals in Jis admirable lebter:

Some time ngo the conductor of our bellringers approached me with e. view to the clorgy visiling the helfry on Sundays.
I gladly welcomed live suggeskion, and now before every servite (at which the bells are rung', either 1 or one of my clerical staf! climh up to the ringing chamber and hald a sloort service there.
We say the Lord's Proger together, and pray for the blessing of God upor the worle of our bellingers, emphasising the value of the service rendered by thens to the gioty of God.
This eustorn (which I trust will never be discontinued) is already bearing frut, and is bringing lome to the hearts of the ringers that they are regarded as an imporrant group of churehworkers. -Yours faitifully,

## F. P. WATKIN-DAVIS,

 Rector of Llandudno.
## The Rectory, Llaududno, North Wales,

## A TASK FOR RINGERS TO DO.

Dear Sir,-Thu letter headed 'Clergy and Riogers' in your issue of November 29th, atnd your leading article under the same title in last weak's issue brings out what is, indeed, a main object of practically all our ringing societies.
Will either help in bringing about this mueh desired ideal? Directly, I hardly think so. It is a caso of preaching to the couverted. The ringers who read these two items will concur that it is to be desired. The incumbents who read 'The Ringing World' are, in the majority, ringers themselves, aud, of course, haring the interest of ringers at heart, will also concur.

This is not enough. How many ringers who, as I have alleady stated, agree to this ideal, will approach their own ineumbent and bring these two items ho his notice? How many iacumbents will approach their cierical hrethren, or thein Archdeacons, or even their Bishops, and do likewise?

In this way only-again a case of spade wart for the enthusiastcan the appeal be sproad on to new ground, and if we, as ringers, consider this idea to be an ideal, it is up to us to arouse the interest of those whom wa desire to be interested.-Yours faithfully,

LAYMAN."

## SWANSEA AND BRECON GUILD

A meoring of the Swnosea and Brecon Guitr was held at Gorscinon on Sammday last, when about 30 members atonded from Aberavon, Gadoxton, Monviston, Swansea, Llanelly, and the local baud. The bells (eight) were kept going until 4.50 p.m., when a short service was conduoted by the Vicar (Rev. W. J. Thomas), and the curate (Ruw. D. T. Price) presided at the organ. A meat tea was then partaken of in the schoolroom, most generonsly provided by the Picar and wifly a willing hand of ladies to look after ilie wants of everyonc, this was very mucis enjoyed by all present. Unforbunately the Vicar had to lave when tea was over, but before departing he gave the Guild a hearty welcome bo the parish, wighed it continued suceess in the futura, and he hoped ail had enjoyed themselves.
The business meeting followed, when the Master (Mi. A. J. Piiman) was voted to the clatir. The clection of officers for 1930 took placa. Mr. E. Stitch was re-elected gevereary, and Mr. G. W. Hollis was re-elected auditor. Baglan was choson as the place of next mecting.
Two new members were electec. It wns decided to have a practice at St. Wary's, Swansea, on Jamuny llah, it 5 p.m., for Stedman Triples and Ficat Tueble Bob Major". A hearty vote of thanks was accerded the Rev. W. J. Thomas for the use of the bells, for conclurling the service, and for the tea, to the Rep. D. T, Price for presiding fat the orgnn, and to the ladies for their kindmess in waiting at the tea tables.
The lower was again wisited, when Stedman and Grandsire Triples ant Bob Major were rang, and the bells Iowered in peal about 8 p.m., hringing to a close a most successful meeting.

## SERIOUS ACCIDENT TO CHISLEHURST RINGER

Mr. Thomas Emsden, of Chisiehurst, Jas met with a severe motor accilent. Fes was returwing from Bromley on Wednesday evening of last week on $n$ motor-cycle, when he was run into by another maclino. No one saw the wecident, bat, both riders were found unconscinns in the road. Mr. Emsden had a functured skull and a broken leg, while his right lamd was badly lacerated. Roth were removed to lonspital, and it was two days before Mr. Emsden regained conscionsmes. His condition ran Mominy was still gerious, after a restless nigh". Two days before the nccident Mr. Emsden took part in a peal of Slodman Triples at Chislelinvat, rung in liotour uf the 78 h birliaday of tive Rev. F. I. O. Helmore.

## SECRETARIES PLEASE NOTE!

Owing to the necessity for going to press mucin earlien in Cluristrnas week than usual, notices of metings for our issue of December 27th must reach us at latest by first post Monday, December $23 r d$.

## CENTRAL COUNCIL'S CONSTITUTION AND POLICY.

## DISCUSSION AT A LANCASHIRE MEETING.

A well-abended meeting of the Bhathourn Branch of the Eamonslaive Association was held at Churchhirk on Saturday, December Gth. Members were present from Blackbura (Cathedral and St. Michael's), Burnley, Acorington, Helmshore, Riahton, Oswaldwistie, and a full master of the local comprny. Ringing during the day consisted of Grandzire Triples, Stedman Triplas, Rob Major, Kent Treble Boh Major and Double Norwich Major.
During the meeting a short paper was read by one of the members on 'The Constitution and Pohey of the Central Council' aud the suggested alteration to its rules, as coutributed to *The Ringing World of October 18th. The members werc unanimously of the opiṇion that the time had come when the Central Council should be the real hean of the Exercise in pratice as well as in name, and that the societies comprising the Council should loyally accept its rulings and decisidis.
A long discussion tonk place on the relative merits of the triennial nuf annual election of representatives, and in the and the majority frvoured the existing system of tricnnial elections, it being urged that it takes some time for a person newly olected to the Gouncil to settle down to the ways and menns of his new surroundings, and therefore before he becomes a really useful member lie may be displaced.
It was agreed by all that the sacioties ought to pay their fuil quota of subsoriptions on all representatives they are entitilen to send. It was also thought that a notice of anotion coning from a society through its secreary or other official would carry more weight ant receive greater nonsideration from the other bodies
Mr.. W. H. Hunter, of Buraler, occupied the chair, and a very successful meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Rector and wardens for the use of the bells, and to the local ringers for their usual kindy welcome and their good example to other towers in atleuding ell bloc at fheir own loeal meting.

## BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION

## BEDEORD DISTRTOT'S ACRIVITILS.

The anaual menting of the Betford Disbict was held athe churols of St. Thomas of Canterloury, Claplam, on Saturday, Decemther 7th fowing to the hells of St. Peter's, Bedford, not being available). In spite of the stormy day, about 28 members were present, and rimging on this liglit peal of six (tenor 5ide cwt.l cammenced nhout 2.45 p.m. At 4.30 a short service was held in the church, conducted by the Rev, J. K. Cowburn (Vicar), who gave an interesting address, in the course of which he spoke of the early uses of bells, and also set forth his idea of the ideal ringer-one whose heart and soul was behind every blow of the clapper, one who was regular and punctarl for Sunday ringing. We generally fall short of the ideal, he said, but if we got nearer to it the message the beils rang out on Sunday would have greater effect on those they suminoned.
An excellent ten, prepared by the wives of the local ringers, was served in the kchoolroon, alter which the business meeting was held. The Res. J. K. Cowburm dook the chait. The secretary rear a brief
review of the year's autities. Twelve mectings larl been hend at the
 Milton Ernest, Willingion, Trominan, Elstow, Kempston, Widelen, Turver, Biddenlam and Clapham, and all were well attended. During thg jear if new menibers lind been elected, clisefy through th, enorgies of the late secretary, Mr. T. T. Newington, who, ninfortunately, bad to resign that office owing to business taking hinn to Peterborough. Fnut nom-tesident members had been elected. Ther was a total of 83 ringing mrmbers in the distriet. Ten penis had heen rung, two members ringing their first peal, and one conducting his first peal
The secretary also presented the balanee sheet, slowing of balance in hand of 25 18s 8 de, which was considered satisfactory and ac. cepled.
The fallowing officers were elected: Districh sccretary, Mu. P. C. Bonnet, distriek committee, Mr. F. Staplotin, ML: P. Inskip, Mr. E. Freman, WI". Wrighe and Mr. E. Wilianms. charge of the ringing at the meetings in turn.
Votes of thanks to the Fican for the nse of the bells and conducling the service, to Mus. T. Barker for presiding at the organ, and to the local ringers aud their wives concluded bine meeting.
linging was carried an in methods rangiog from Hob Doublas to Cambridge Surprise until 8 p.m.
Members present represented the following towers: Bedford. Bromham, Clayham. Harrold, Kenpston, Witden, Eeysoe, Tlurfieigh ant Stagadelt.
The next menting is arranged for St. Peter's Chureh, Tharleigli on Janhary 14ik.

## SUNDAT SERVICE TOUCHES.

SOUTHGATY:- On Sunday, December 8th, for morning service, 1,155 Stedman Caters in 48 mins,: A. R. Glasscock 1, J. Armstrong (eonductor) 2, G. Slater 3, D. Ovingtion 4, W. Pickworth 5, J. Miller 6, S. Watle 7, H. Miller 8, N. Tomlinson 9, A. G. Cuane 10. This was the first visit in this churcla af the Right Rev. Guy Vernon Smith, Fiskop of willeaten. Longest lenglih on an insite bell in Stedman Chters ly ringers of 3rd and 4 th.
BROMLEY.-Dn Sunday, December 8 th , at the Church of SS. Peter find Paul, for evensong, 1,280 Cambridgo Surptise Major: T. Flint 1, 0. Gilbey 2, W. H. Hewett 3, 6. T3. Cole 4, E. F. Pike 5, J. Emery 6, P. Spice 7, C. W, Roberts (conductor) 8.
WANETEAD, ESSEX.-At Christ Church, ou Sunday, December 81 h, for evening servieo, 720 Dlain Bob Minor: A. Petty 1, A. Recve 2. F. Conney 3, C. Polty 4, J. Petty 5, C. Morss (conductor) 6. First 720 by A. Petty, aged 14 yoars, and rung at first attempt.

LONDON.-ALSt. Gabriel's Churcls, Warwict Square, on Sunday evening, December $8 \mathrm{th}, 1,260$ Sledman Triples, in 48 mins.: A. B. l'eck 1, E. J Walsom 2, G. N. Price 3, A. A. Huglues 4, P. E. Clark 5 , J. Ramey 6, A. R. Macdonald (conductor) 7, A. H. Gamble 8. Arraged as a birthday compliment to E. J. Walsom.
STAMFORD HILL, LONDON-On Sunday, Dcember 8th, for morning servico, at St. Ana's Church, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor (15 bobs) in 26 mins. : E. G. Hibble 1, J. G. Nash (inst 720 Kent Minor us conduclor) 2, F. G. Symonds 3', F. Fensom 4, F. E. Ringrose , M. Fensom 6.
CLRENCLSTIER, GLOS.-On Sunday, Decamber 8til, for morning sorvice, at Holy Trinity Church, Watermoor, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1,260 changes) : F. Edwards 1, F. J. Lewis, sen., 2 , F. J. Lewis, jun. (firsi quarler-peal of Grandsive insirle nud first at. (enpt) 3, H. L. Cook 4, II. Lewis 5, H. C. Bona 6, W. H. Hayward (conductor) 7, HI. I. J. Roberts 8.
WALTHAMS'OWW,-At St. Saviour's Church, for Comfimation service, on Sunday, December lst, a quarter-peal of Grandisire Priples in 45 mins. : R. I). Warit (first quarter-peal) 1, A. Reeve 2, W. Lititie, sen., 3, E. D. Lillywhite 4, H. A. Edwards (couductor) 5, H. F. Hall 6, J. I. Crampion 7, C. Whellnms (first quarter-peal) 8.

FARNHAM, SURIREY.-On Sunday, December 1st, at St, Andrew's Church, for, morning service, 1,120 clanges of Kent Treble Bob Mendows 4, E. Heagley 5, $\mathrm{F}^{2}$, Kemp B, R . Fasted (conductor) 7 , T, Upshall 8 . Longest length in the miethod by ringers of $2,4,5$ and 6 . All are members of the locn band.
SOUTH NORMANTON.-At St. Michael's Church, on Sundey, December 1st, ror morning service, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor in 27 mins.: E. W. Riley 1, H. Doughty 2, M. Slater 3, J. W. England (conducior) 4, A. B. Iudge 5, Harold Fradgley 6. First 720 of Kent lyy all except the comluctor. For evenitg yervice 720 Ozford Treble Boll Mivor hy the same ringers in 26 minins.
EDGBASTON.-At the Old Chureh, on December 1st, for evensorg, a quarler'-peal of Double Norwieh Major (1,280 changes), first cquarter of Double Norwieh on the bells: F. B. Yates 1, W. Cartwright 2 H. Willians 3, A. Chambers 4, J. Eaton 5, H. Stanley 6, C. Welbl 7,

HILLINGDON, MIfDDLESEX.-On Advent Sumfry, for marming service, at St. John's Churh, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters, in 51. Ming: W. H. Guiteridge 1, A. G. Twim 2, G. J. Gulteridge 3, Niclyolls (Inst inside in the method) 8, F. W. Goodfellow (conductor) 9, W, Honer 10 .
SOUTHOATE,On Sundny, Docmber lit, for evening sorvice, a quarter-pent of Bols Minjor (1,280 changes) in 49 mins.: D. Pink 1 , A. R. Glasscock 2, G. Shater 3, D. Ovneton 4, J. $\Delta$ rmastrong (conductor) 5, F. Miller 6. J. Wh. Miller 7, W. Pickworth 8. First quar-ter-peal in the method by ringers of the treble, 3rd and thi bells.
ABMRAVON, GLAM.-On Sunday, December 1 st, for evenirg serwitu nal to woleome ibe new Vicar, Rev. William Herbert Jones B.A., who was inducled on Thursday, November 28th, a quavter-peal al Conadsire Irriples ( 1,260 changes) in 45 mins. : C. Kughes 1, W, Williams 2, C. Mathers 3 , W. J. Nurton 4, C. Jones 5, A. J. Pitman (conductor) 6, E. Stitch 7, J. Weathershy 8.
FRYERNING, ESSHX - On Thurslay, December 1st, at St. Mary's Church, the following 720 's were rung: Before $11 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. matims, 720 York Surprise, 720 London Surprise; before 6.30 p .m. evensong, 720 Sonthwell Surprise, 720 Beveriey Surprise, The ringers were $F$. Wright, L. Camp, C. Harrington, H. Wright, G. Oamp, E. Sitch and A. litralloy (enutinetor)

MARKEL' DRAYTON, SFIROPSHIRE.-On Sunday, December 1st, for crening service, a gtatter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) in 46 mins. : H. Nagbgton (first quarter-peal) 1 , H. Waiker 2, S. Hughes 3. W. J. Chesters (Hish quarter in the method) 4 , 3 . Clark 5 , A. M. Fickninn 6, W. Weatherby (conductar) 7, E. V. Redenhurat 8. W. 1. Chesters is late of Lois Weedon, Northants.
HOLBOTN -On Sundry, December 1st, at St. Andrew's, for evening scrvice, a minater-pend of Grandsire Iriples in 45 mins: J. $S$. Hawkins 1, H. C. Alford 2, W. T. Norton 3, R. W. Green (conduc(tor) 4, C. J. Choost 5, ©. W. Pipe 6, E. Brett 7, C. Vitler 8.

FOLKINGFAM, LINGS.-On Advent Sunday, December lst, at St. Andrew's Chureh, for the Church Army Mission service evensong, 720 Plain Bob Minor: N, Sharpe 1, P. Humphrey 2, L. Pell 3, J. H. Musson 4, O. T. H. Bradiey (conductor) 5, C. Wilkinsan 6.
GRIMLEY, WORCESTERSHERE.On Sunday, November 24th, for erening service, a quarter-peal of Giandsire Doubles ( 1,260 changes) iti 50 mins. : A. Reyuolds 1, W. Sherp 2, L. Clay 3, T. Bulock (oondnetor) 4, A. Morgan 5, P. Wainwright 6. Ruanc with the bells half-mufled, as a token of great iespect, for the late Ficar (Rev. T. lRobinson).
GORSEINON, -At St. Catherime's, for evening service, on Sunday, Novernber 24th, a quarter-peal of Grandside Triples: A. Jones 1, R. Baird 2, R. Dobbins 3, J. Williams 4, W. Dobbins 5, J. T. Williams (conduetor) 6, W. 'Г. Dobbins 7, T. J. Hanson 8. A birtliday compliment to the ringer of the 4th.

HOOLE, CHESIER,-On Nov. 24th, for moming service, a quarterpeal of Bob Minor ( 1,260 changes) in 48 gins., with bells half-muffled, for memorial service to the late Mr. M. W. Loam, who was Vicar's warden and headmaster of All Saints' School: A. Millson 1, W. Weatman 2, J. Benyon 3, H. Cousins 4, A. Newell (couductor) 5, J. Benyon, jun., 6.

HANDSWORTH, YORKSHIRE.-At the Chureln of St. Mary, on Sunday evening, November 24th, for Confirmation service, a quarterpeal of Little Bob Major ( 1,344 changes) in 48 mins.: A. Pashley 1 , Miss Doris Tunner 2, A. Bassford 3, Miss Eqa Hoplkins 4, Miss Noel Cawthorne 5, F. Gardwell 6ib, H. Taylor 7, F. Watkimson (eomductor) 8.
STOURBRIDGE.-On Smmiay, November 24th, at St. Thomas ${ }^{3}$ Church, a quarter-pead of Grandsire Triples for evening service in 49 mins. : A. Reynolds 1, A. Dimn 2, J. W. Smith 3, A. E. Whatmore 4, H. Amphletit 5, A. Greenfield (condactor) 6, C. Wm. Cooper 7, H. Lameon 8.

KENSINGTON.-At the Ohunch of St. Mary Abbots, on Sunday, November 24th, for evening service, a quartor-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes) : E. R. Mackrill 1, J. A. Dart 2, C. F. Winney (conductor) 3, W. W. Thorme 4, A. Waddington 5, A. Cutmore 6 , W. E. Jucd 7, C. Wamer 8.

ISIINGTON, On Suaday, November 24th, at the Church of St. Mary, Istington, for ovensong, 1,280 London Surprise Major: F, Belcher 1, G. W. Roberts (concluctor) 2, W. H. Hewett 3, W. Williams 4, C. WT. R. Grimwood 5, A. Diserens 6, J. E. Dayis 7, J. Bullock 8. Longest length of London by ringers of 4 th and 6th.

IXBRIDGE-On Sunday, November 24th, at the Church of St. Margaret, for Confirmation service, a quarter-peal of Oxford Bob Triples in 44 mins. : J. H. Incas 1, A. G. Twinn 2, R. Warnett 3, F. Baldwin 4, F. Corke (conductor) 5, W. Home 6, R. Carter 7, C. Nicholls

FULHAM.-At All Snints' Church, for evening service on Sumday, November 24 th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Twiples: H. C. Page 1 , W. H. Hollier 2, C. Hunt 3 , $\mathrm{F}^{2}$. Rivers 4, H. Cook 5, F. Skevington (conductor') $\delta$, A. Harding $7, G$. Block 8 .
ROTHENFAM, MIDDLESMX.-On Sunday, Nowember 24th, for moming serviee, 1,248 Bob Majol in 45 mins. : Dr. W. P. Roe 1 , H. Barnett 2, W., J. Eliss 3, D. T. Coles (conductor' 4, W. Wh. Dickinson 5, II. W. H. Strickland 6, H. Ellis 7, E. A. Hull 8.
HOLBORN.-Oa Sunday, Noverber 24th, "at Sti. Andrew's, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Double Norwich Gourt Bob Major (1,280 changes) in 48 mins.: C. J. Chooet 1, J. S. Hawkins 2, E. G. Garrard 3, R. W. Green 4, George Cole 5, A. C. Dminell 6. Ernest Bratt 7, Cecil W. Pipe (conductor) 8. Composen by C. W. Roberts. DORCHESTER.-On Sunday evening, Nov. 24th, at St. Peter's Church, a guarber-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) in 49 mins. : S. House (first quarter-peal) 1, R. Hayward 2, G. T. White 3, F. C. Benget (conductor) 4, W. J. Simons 5, J. Syuire 6, W. J. Renger 7, J. W. Smilis. Rung as a farewell to the Rer. Dr. G. G. Niyen, who has been Rector of the above church since Nowember,
1919 , and who is now learing for Torquay, All the band are lacal 1919, and who is now learing for Torquay, All the band are loc Sunday service ringers.
RYE, S[TSSEX.-On Sindny, Noverber 17k, for eronsong, cuarter-peal of Grandsire Douhles (1,260 changes) in 46 mins.: Vincent (first quarter-pcal) 1, K. Pritenden (comductorl 2, G. Farm 3, F. Tryant 4, G. Hodson 5, T. Lay 6, E. Curd 7, A. Britit 8 (7-6-8 covering).
PAINSWICK, GLOUCESTERSHIRE-On Sanday Octobor 20th, for ovening service, a quarter-peal of Grandire Cinques 1,29 changes) : $\boldsymbol{R}$. G. Knowles 1 , T. Lewis 2, W. Ireland $\overline{3}, \mathrm{~F}$. Cole 4, D. Morkis $5, A$. Wright (conductor) 6, W. Ranford 7 , W,
Checketes 9 , Wage 10, C. Tansell 11 , W. Lems iE.

BAREING, ESSEX.-On Sunday, October 3 Ith, for rvening ser vice, a quarter-peal of Bob Major ( 1,264 changes) in 47 mine.: $R$. Multon (first quartel in the method) 2, W. Beard 2, G. E. Cottis 3 F. G. Newnan $f_{1}$ G. W. Fanlkner 5, T. Frulkner 6, R. Fenn 7 Fenn (conductor) 8.

LSIGFTCON BUZZARTD.-For evensong at All Saints' Churels, on Sunclay, October Gth, the derlichtion festival, 1,315 of Curndsire Triples in 50 mins. : J. Lee 1, R. Butcher 2, .E. B. Whitney 3, W. Botsford 4 J. E. Arnold (conductor') 5, T. Plummer 6, J. Nicholls 7, J. Shepherx 8. First gunter-pea! by treble ringer aud first inside by ringer of the 3ril.

## NOTICES.

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LADIES' GUILD.-Western District.-The next quarterly meeting will be heid at St. Philip's, Bristol, on Saturday, December 14th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30. Tea and meeting in Church Room at $5^{\circ} \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m} .-\mathrm{N} . \mathrm{G}$. Williams, Hon. Sec., Weston House, Weston, Bath.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Liverpool Branch -A meeting will be held at Garston, on Saturday, Dec. ${ }^{14}$ th. Bells $\left({ }^{8}\right)$ available 3 p.m. Service $5 \cdot 30$. Tea 6. A goorl muster is especially requested. Canon Elsee will be present.-Claude I. Davies, Branch Sec.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Daventry Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Daventry (8) on Saturday, Dec. 14th, when it is hoped members will make an effort to be present. Usual arrangements.W. C. Moore, Braunston Road, Daventry.

ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD. - The next meeting of the above Guild will be held at Bethersden on Saturday, Dec. 14th. Bells available at $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. All ringers welcome.-A. J. Battin, Hon. Sec., Heronden Hill Gardens, Tenterden.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Southern Dirision. -A joint meeting of the Doncaster and District Society, the Sheffield and District Society, the Barnsley and District Society and the Southern Division of the Yorkshire Association will be held at Rawmarsh, near Rotherham, on Saturday, Decernber 14th. Bells (8) ready at 3 . Short service at 4.30 . Tea at 5 at is. 3 d. each. - $F$. Clark, Hon. Sec.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Western Division. -A meeting wili be held at St. Michael's, Headingley, Leeds, on Saturday, December 14th. Bells available from 2.30 p.m.-Tea will be provided at is. per head.F. Hutchinson, District Sec.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.-North Dorset Branch.-The annual meeting of the above branch will be held at Gillingham ( 8 bells), on Saturday, December 14th. Ringing from $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service at 4.30 . Tea 5 (6d. for members). Meeting to follow. Towers available: Gillingham (8), Mere (8), Bourton (6), Motcombe (6), Silton (5), and Kington Magna (5).-A. E. Nediam, Compton Abbas Rectory, Shaftesbury, Dorset.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD OF RINGERS.West Dorset Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at Bridport on Saturday, December 14 th . Bells available from $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Preacher, Rev. B. J. Langham, of Maiden Newton. Tea at 5.15 p.m. at Greyhound Hotel, followed by meeting. -T. Hervey Beams, Bradpole, Bridport.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Central Bucks Branch.-The meeting on Dec. 14th, at Wotton Linderwood ( 6 bells). Ringing $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service 4 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Please reply to the hon. sec., Rev. J. F. Amies, Edgecote Rectory, Aylesbury. Wotton Station. Metropolitan Railway; near the church. Trains few, but convenient.

NORTH STAFFS AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. -A meeting will be held at Newcastle on Saturday, Dec. 14th. Bells (io) available from 3 p.m. Business meeting at $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Members are requested to make their own arrangements for tea.-C. S. Ryles, Hon. Sec.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Nottingham District.-The next monthly meeting of the above district will be held at Long Eaton on Saturday, Dec. 14th. Bells (8) available from $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea can be obtained at the Co-operative Tea Rooms, close to the church.-F. W. Bailey, Local Sec., 42, Rupert Street, Nottingham.
BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Biggleswade District.-A meeting will be held at Arlesey on Saturday. December 14th. Bells (5) available 3 o'clock. Tea 5 . All ringers welcome.-C. J. Ball, 2, Tempsford Road, Sandy.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Bolton Branch. The next meeting will be held at St. Paul's, Walkden, on Saturday, Dec. I4th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting at 7 p.m.-Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., zo3, Devonshire Road, Bolton.
WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.-The next meeting will be held at Newbold-on-Avon, near Rugby, on Saturday, Dec. 14th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Tea at 5 o'clock, is. each. Midland Red buses leave Central Hotel, Rugby, at $3.15,4.20,4.45$, and may be caught near the L.M.S. station at the junction of Railway Terrace and Wood Street.-D. E. Lewis, Gen. Hon. Sec., Firholn, King Edward Road, Nuneaton.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rossendale Branch. -The next meeting will be held at St. Saviour's, Bacup, on Saturday, December 14th. Bells ready at 3 p.on. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. A good attendance is earnestly te-quested.-John H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 8, Oaklands Road, Edenfield.

A JOINT MEETING of the Oxford Guild and theGloucester and Bristol Associations will be held at Shrivenham on Dec. 14th, by kind permission of the Vicar. Bells available at 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., for those who notify me or Mr. G. Webley, Union Street, Faringdon, Berks.-S. Hopper, 79, Edinburgh Street, Gorse Hill, Swindon.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Preston Branch. The next meeting will be held at Samlesbury on Saturday, Dec. 14th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea, is. 6d. a head. A good attendance is requested.-F. Rigby. Hon. Sec., 8, Carrington Road, Chorley.
YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Eastern Division. The next quarterly meeting will be held at Beverley on Saturday, Dec. 14th. Minster bells (io) available from 2.30 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea in Parish Room, 5 p.m.-A. B. Cook, Hon. Dis. Sec., 58 , Wyndilam Sireei, Hull.
DEVON GUILD.-North-East Branch.-The annual meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Tiverton, on Dec. 14th. Bells available 2.30. Service 4.3 . Tea is. A. G. Selley, The Square, Silverton.

BRADDEN, Northants.-The 5 bells, recast by Taylors, of Loughborough, will be rededicated on Saturday, Dec. r4th, at 2.30 p.m.

SHIRLEY, Warwks.-The peal of 6, augmented and relung with new fittings in new cast iron framework, bs Taylors, of Loughborough, will be opened on Saturday. Dec. 14th, at 3 p.m.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Loughborough District.-The annual general meeting will be held at Loughborough on Saturday, Dec. I4th. The Bellfoundry Campanile and Bellfoundry will be open from 3 o'clock. A good attendance is requested. - D. S. Collins, Hon. Sec.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-North-Western Division.The annual meeting will be held at Bislop's Stortford on Saturday, Dec. Ifth, at 3 p.m. Service at 4 -I 5 p.m. Tea in the Parish Room at 5 p.m. Bosiness meeting follows. Those requiring tea kindly advise me. - C. Beeston, 5, King Strect, Bishop's Stortford, Herts.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLEEGE YOUTHS (Established i637)-The subscription of 15 . 8d. which entitles members who have not met twenty times in the past year, to vote on matters of finance, is now due. Meetings for practice will be held at *St. Patli's Cathedral on the 17 th; St. Magnus' on the 19th, at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards. - William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

YATESBURY, Wilts.-Dedication of new treble on Wednesday, Dec. 18th, at 7 p.m. Peal of 5 hung with modern fittings in new iron framework by Taylors, of Loughborough.

S"'. LAURENCE'S CHURCH, READING. - The ring of 12 bells will be dedicated by the Rr. Rev. Bishop Shatw on Friday, Dec. 2oth, at $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. The bells will be rung on this occasion by a selected band, and owing to the lateness of the hour there will be no other ringing that evening. The tower will be open for ringing on Thursday, Dec. 26 th, from 2.30 p.m. to 6 p.m., when visitors will be welcomed. Will those interested please accept this, the only, intimation?-R. T. Hibbert, Foreman of Tower.

CLAYBROOKE, Leics.-Ring of 4 , augmented to peal of 8 and hung with modern fittings in new cast iron frame by Taylors, of Loughborough, will be opened on Saturday, Dec. 2rst.

WHIMPLE, Devon. -The rededication of the peal of 6, rchung with modern fittings in new iron frame by Taylors, of Loughborough, is to take place on Saturday, Dec. 2 ist.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.-Crewe Branch. The next meeting will be held at Sandbach ( 8 bells) on Saturday, Dec. 2Ist. Bells ready at 2 o'clock. Tea at t. Meeting to follow. Those intending to be present please inform me on or before Wednesday, Dec. 18th.R. D. Langford, Hon. Sec., 6, Laura Street, Crewe.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester Branch.-The next meeting will be held at the Town Hall, Manchester, on Saturday, December 2 Ist. Bells ready 3.15. Meeting 7 o'clock.-J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - East Berks and South Bucks Branch. - The next practice has been arranged on Saturday, Dec. 2ist. Bells available: Stoke Poges (6) 3-30 p.m. Slough (8) 7 p.m.-A. D. Barker, Branch Sec, and Treasurer, Cambridgre, Wexham, Slough.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Fylde Branch. - A meeting will be held at Holy Trinity, South Shore ( 6 bells) nn Saturday, Dec. 2 Ist. Bells ready 3 p.m.-C. Sharples; Branch Sec., 10, Warbreck Road, Blackpool.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWWRK DIOCESAN GUILD. - Souther District. - Next meeting, All Saints', Wandsworth, Dec. 21st. Bells (8) available 3 to 8.30 . Service 5. Tea and meeting 5.30. All ringers welcome. A postcard? Good! Social hour if possible.-J. Herbert, i7, Grimston Road, S.W. 6.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCJATION. - Bristol Brancli.--The quarterly meeting of the above branch will be held on Saturlay, Dec. 2 ist, at Bristington. Ringing from 3 p.m. until 4.15 p.m. Tea in Scouts' Hall, nr, tram terminus, 4 -30, followed by short business meeting. Service 6 p.m., followed by further ringing. Numbers for tea, please, by the previous Monday. All ringers welcome.-Harry Bennett, Branch Hon. Sec., Highfield, Runswick Road, Brislington.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckley District. -The next meeting of this district will be at Earl Shilton on Saturday, Dec. 21st. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea provided at 5 p.m., in the Schools, for those who notify Mr. G. Newton, 6, Carr's Row, Earl Shilton, near Leicester, of their intention to be present by Thursday, the 19th. A grood meeting is hoped for, all ringers being welcome.-W. A. Cope, Smockington, Hinckley.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Newbury Branch.Thatcham bells (8) will be dedicated on Sunday, Dec. 22nd, at I I a.m. Open for ringing at 3.30 p.m. Tea at is., at 4.30 . All ringers welcome. Intending visitors please notify Mr. H. Smith, 22, High Street, Thatcham, near Newbury, not later than Wednesday, Dec. 18th, for rea.-H. W. Curtis, Hon. Sec., Church Road, Shaw, Newbury, Berks.
I.LANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - The annual meeting will be held at St. Woolos' (Pro-Cathedral), Newport', Mon., on Boxing Day, Dec. 26th. Service at + o'clock. Tea at 5 o'clock in Waters Lane Mission Roon. Business meeting to follow. Bells of both St. Woolos' and All Saints' Churches available before and after the meeting.-J. W. Jones, Hon. Sec., Cartref, Barrack Road, Newport, Mon.

BRISTOL UNITED RINGING GUILD'S Ninth Annual Dinner will be held at the Grand Hotel on Saturday, Jan. I8th, at 6 p.m. Tickets, 5 s. 6d., now available from Messrs. Walker (Birmingham), Tanner (Weston), Hawkins (London), Grant (Bath), Austin (Gloucester), all Bristol tower officials, or direct from the hon. sec., Edgar Guise, 39, Tankard's Close, at Michael's, Bristol.

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BISHOP'S STORTFORD, HERTS.-On Monday evening, December 9th, at 8it. Michael's Parish Church, for Confirmatiou service by the Bishop of St. Albans, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes! in 46 mins. : Miss D. Wacey 1, H. A. Wacey 2, R. Hayden 3. W. T. Prior 4, F. Bird (conductor) 5, W. W. Tucker: 6, H. M. White 7 , W. Wilkinson 8. This was the first attempt for a quarterpeal by Miss Wacey, who is the first local lady ringer to riag a tiunarter-peal on the bells.
MORTON, LINOS.-On Saturday, December 7th, as the Parish Church, $720^{\prime}$ Double Court as a birth day compliment to the daughter of the ringer of the 4 th; $G$. Booth 1, E. Barron 2, A. Scott $\frac{3}{3}$, H. Gibhard 4, J. Fowler 5, J. Machin (conductor) 6.
PRESTBERY.-On Monday evening, December End, on the oceasion of the induction of the new Vicar (Rep, A. Itstob) by the Bishop of Chester, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) 1133 mins.: J. Bowers 1, W. Gayes 2, F. L. Roban 3, W. Stevenson 4, ,. Tipper 5, J. Worth' (conductor) 6, W. Majers 7, A. E. Hough 8. First quarter-peal by treble and tenor ringers, who, with the 7th ringer, are local men. The rest are from Christ Church, Macclesfeld.

## RINGERS' DIRECTORY.

Deal Sir,-The Bristol Tuited Rivging Guilds' second edition of Church Bellringers' Directory will be forwarded to all subscriluers in the course of a few days.
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Hon. Secretary.
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To the Editor.
Sir,--The peal of Grandsire Triples rung at Widford, Essex, on Saturday, November 23 Z , was not the first in the method 'inside' by Mr. Kemp. He ragg the 7th in a peal in the same method in the same tower on Saturday, Nowember 11th, 1922, conducted by yours truly,
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## ORIGINAL COMPOSITIONS.

Time and again we have urged the need of some kind of register of compositions, and time and again there arise incidents which demonstrate how needful such a register really is. Not infrequently there is open dispute as to the rights of authorship; often, we are convinced, compositions are attributed to composers who have no right to them according to the recognised practice of the Exercise. In the latter categoiy there are many instances, of course, in which the composers have obtained their figures by perfectly independent work, but they have no right to authorship, because earlier composers had secured the same peals, and it has to be borne in mind that even variations of a previous composition cannot always be allowed to claim " riginality.

We are prompted to return to this subject again by the appearance in the Lancashire Association's annual report of a composition of Double Norwich in five parts, with bobs at 1 and 6 only, except for cne solitary bob at 4 in the first course of each part. We thought it was a pretty well recognised fact that anything new on this plan was out of the question. The peal under notice has probably been composed at least a hundred times, in different methods, and we have consigned it to the wastepaper basket at least a score of times. Probably Herry Hubbard, who composed an exactiy similar peal of Double Norwich to this 70 years ago, has the best title to it, and none of the variations that have appeared since have been any improvement upon it. Even so, it is more than likely that this simple nine course plan was rung to Bob Major long before Hubbard's time; indeed, we should not be surprised to learn that old Ben Annable himself had discovered it.

It may be disappointing to a composer, after a genuinely independent effort, to find that he is not the first, but the last of many in the field, but that does not alter the fact that a composition, appearing in a widely circulated medium such as the Lancashire Association's report, is likely to be rung and the record passed on to posterity as according credit to someone not actually entitled to it. The difficulty, as we have so often pointed ont, is that the new composer has no means ready to hand by which he can ascertain if his work is really original or not. The Central Council has in its possession a large nucleus for a register of compositions such as we suggest ; but, while the register is already badly needed, and as time progresses, will become more and more necessary, it will not be easy to find those who would be able to undertake the task. In our view, however, it is a matter of sufficient importance to demand attention, and, in necessary, the Council should pay for the work to be done.

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PAINSWICK, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOGESAN ASBOCIATION. AND THE ANCLENT SOCLETY OF PAINSWICK YOUTHS.
Un Satwrday, Decomber 74, 1929. in Three Howrs and Forly Minutes, At the Charch of Sr. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CINQUES, 6147 CHANGES;
Tom Price ... ... ... ...Treble Arifigr Prince ... ... ... $^{\text {... }}$
Thomas Baldwyn $. . . \quad . . . \quad 2$ Williab Staite ......
Wieliam Ireland ... ... 3 Alfred Hannis ... ... ... 9
james Gegrge ... ... ... 4 George D. Harris ... ...
Charles J. Gardiner ... 5 Jobn Ballinger... ... ... il
Alberi Wriget ... ... .... 6 Harry Boswell ... ... ... 7 enor Composed and Conducted by Albrrt Wrigat.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

LEICESTER:
THE MDDLAND COUNTIES ASSOGIATION.
On Saturday, Deconber 7, 1929, in Three Hours and 7 wenty-Sis Minutes At the Cathrdral Cberch of St. Martin,
A. PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, bOTG CHANGES:

Tenor 2 I 总 cwt. in E flat.
Erederick H, Dexter ...Tyeble William Willson ... ... 6
Samorl Cotton... ... ... 2 William H. Clarke ... 7
Percy H. Harrison ... ... 3 "J. Riceard Grant ... ... 8
Cyril Howitt ... ... ... 4 Richard F. Deal ... ... 9
E. Harry Stoneley ... ... 5 John T. Grant ... ... ... Tenoy Composed by H. W. Haley. Conducted by Ricbard F. Deac.

* First peal in the metbod. STOOKPORT, CHESHDRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Satwrday, December 14, 1929, in Three Hours and Thirty-Threc Minutes At the Chorce of St. George,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANGES;
Tenor zo cwt. in D flat.
Harold Jackson... ... ...T Treble

Albert J. Hoghes ... .... 4 Artadr E. Pgglar ... ... 9
Williab Horan ... ... ... 5 Peter Lafin ... ... ... Temoy
Composed by G. Lindoff.
Conducted by E. Jenkins.
Arranged and rung as a 78 th birtinday compliment to Mrs. Lailin, mother of the ringer of the tenor.


## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

OLD WINDSOR, BERKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, Decenber 9, 1929, in Tiwo Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,
At the Cedrce of St. Peter,
A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holi's Original.
Wigliam H. Fusseld ...Treble Walter P. Cross ... ... 2
Thomas Smith ... ... ... 3 William Wgleing...
Frederick Tindall ... ... 4 Leonard Stilwele ... ...Tcmar
Conducted by Wileiam Welcing.
Arranged in bonour of the $38 t h$ anniversary of the wedding of Mr. T. Smith and the 13th of the wedding of the conductor.

CRAWIEY, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOOIATION.
On Wednesday, Deembay IT, 1929, in Thye Fours and ne Mintile At the Chorch of St. Jogn-ter-Baptisi,
A PEAL OF NORFOLK SURPRISE NAJOR, 5248 CHANRES; Tenor $55^{\frac{5}{2}}$ cwt. in $F$.

- Robert Swift ... ... ...Treble Reginald V. Johnson ... $^{-}$.
-George Olliver ... ... 2 "Cecil Nick... ... ... ... 6
- Nelson Elliott ... ... 3 †Alfred J. Bull... ... ... $\quad 7$
-Kenneth Snelling ... ... 4 Oliver Sippeixs ... ... Tenor
Composed by C. H. Marin. Conducted by O. Sippetts
* First peal in the method. +First peal "inside" in the mothod.

BRADFORD, YORES.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, December 3, 1929. in Three Hours and Twenty-Tao Minutes, At the Cathedral Chorch of St. Peter.
A PEAL CF BOB MAJOR, 6056 CHANGES; Tenor $25{ }^{3} \mathrm{cw}$. in D flat.
Mrs. J. Cotirrill
.Trebla Thomas B. Kendal...
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { Thomas E. Kendal.... } & 5 \\ \text { Wiciam R. Madgwicf } & \text {.. } & 6\end{array}$
George Titteringiton
1 Wicliam R. Madgwich
James Cotterill Joseph Broadley
Composed by J. R. Prischard. - Frederice Srager ... ...Taror Conducted by E. Jenkins.

* First peal of Bob Major. Arranged and rung, aiter meeting short for Royal, to celebrate 51 years' ringing association between Mesers. G. Titterington and J. Broadley.

NEWCASTLE-ON.TYNE.
THE DURHAM \& NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION Os Wednesday, December 11, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes, At the Cerrce of St. John-tge-Baptist,
 Tenor in cwt. 5 lb. in A Hat.
Wilelan H. Jehnson ...Treble Stepaen W. Stratpord ... 5
*Robert Anderson ... ... 2 Adam Deas... ... ... ... 6
John Anderson ......$\quad$... 3 -Fienry B. Taylor ...... ?
William J. Davidson ... 4 William H. Barber ...Tero Composed by Wm. Willson. Conducted by Wieliam H. Barbrr
" Firet peal in the method.
TEETVENHALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONHY OF STAFFORD. On Wednesday, Decentber $1 F_{i}$, 1929, in Ttwo Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes, At the Collegiate Cborch of St. Michael and All Angels,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Groves' Transposifion of Parker's Twelve-part. Tenor 15 cwt .
Robert Pickrring ... ..Tyeble $\mid$ 'Harold J. Lockley ... ... 5
Thomas E. Taylor...$\quad$... 2 Abthor Bennett...
Kenneth C. Taylor..... .3 Benjamin Daliton $\quad . .$.
Jack W. Taylor ... ... ... 4 Thomas W. Bate ... ...Tenoy Conducted by Robert Pickering.

* First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to H. J. Lockieg, also on the anniversarg of A. Bennett's wedding. All are Sunday service ringers at the above church. STALYBRIDGE, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GULDD. (Stockpori \& Bowdon Brange.)
On Thursday, Decentier 12, 1929, in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At the Churce of St. Pade.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Bangs' No. i.


Samubl Fiblding ... ... 4 Alfred Roberts... ... ...Tenoy Conducted by W. W. Wolsiencroft. ROMFORD, ESSEX.
THE EESEX ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, Decenter 12, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minktes, At the Chorch of St. Edward,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRIEE MAJOR, 50B CHANEES; Tenor 15 cws .
Ernest J. Butler ... ...Trebie $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{ll}\text { Erasit W. Furbank... ... } & 5\end{array}\right.$
Charles T. Coles ... ... 2 Gborge R. Pye ... ... ... 6
Jobn G. Nash ......
Cbarles W. Bird ... ... 4 Wilelam Pye ... .... .... Tenor
Composed by Gabriel Lindoff. Concucted by Williak Pye.
blackburn, lancashire.
the lancashire association.
(Blackborn Brance.)
On Thursday, Dicember 12.1929, in Thyer Hous sand Fouy Minutes,
At the Cereqce of St. Micgael and All Angrle,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 Changes;
Holt's Ten-part.
Tenor inf cwt.
-Jobn Marsden ...
. ..Tpeble
Tbomal Chambras
Norman Kinyon $\quad . .$. ?
Jom … ... 3 John Samdersom ... ..... .9
Jon hadrield ........... 4 Josbpb A. Tomlimson.- ...Tenor
Conducted by Thomas Camprers.
* Firat pbal. First peal as conductor. HEDON, YORES. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, Deamher 12, 1929, in Three Fours and Sixteen Minufes. At rife Church of St. Augustine,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES Tenor 17 cwt. I gr. 19 lb .
Jack E. Constable ... ...Tybbie Grorge Dowling
Harby Rodmele... ... .... 2 John W. Hobson..
... 3 Arthor E. West ... ... 7
Albert E. Sbllers ... ... 4 Leonard Rodmell ... ...Tenor Composed by Heary Dains. Conducted by George f. Williams First peal in the method on the bells.

FRTTH, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIALION.
Un Thupsäay, Dethber 12, 1929, in Two Howrs and Fifty-Fiue Minktes.
At the Cborch of St. Јohn-thr-Baptisi,

## A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJDR, E184 CHANGES;

- Frederick A. Coley Tenor 15 cwt .
Cbarles W. Roberts $\ldots . .{ }^{2}$ Tyeble Frederick J. Cidlom, jdn. 5

Jobn H. Cbersman ... ... 4 Thos. Groombridgi, sem. Temoy Composed by F. Denca. Thns. Groombridge, Sen. Tent
Conducted by C. W. Robarts.
* First peal in the mathod. First peal in the method as conductor. WOOBURN, BUCES.
THE OKFORD DIOCESAN GULDD. On Saturday, December 14, 1929, in Thre Hours, At the Cgerch of St. Patl.
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Groves' Transposition of Parker's Twelve-pari. Tenor 18 cwt .

Fred Biggs...

-Prrcy Newton ... ... ... ${ }^{4}$ Frank Wrst... ... ... ...Tenor Conducted by Gzo. Gilberay.
* First peal and first attempt. This was the conductor's 200th peal. DRAYTON, BERES.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GULD.
On Saturday. Desember 14, 1929, in Two Hours ind Fifty Five Minkles,
At the Chorch of St. Peter,


## A PEAL OF stedman triples, soad changes;

## Brooks' Variation.

-Nblgon Sargent ... ...Tyeble Jorn Tenorgcwt. Iqt. 20 lb .
Mrs. Alebri E. Lock ...Tyeble John Nobrs ... ... ... 5
 Jomathan Honey

Conducted by Gozdon Ca onweri.
First peal of Stedman Triples. + First pead of Triples. First peal of Stedman Triples as conductor.

BUSHEY, HERTS
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, December 14, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Thres Minutes, At ing Cedrch of St. James,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANEES:

Heywood's Three-part, No 2.
Stephen H. Hoare ... ...Tyebie Joserf J. Allen..
Capt. J. H. R. Frerborn 3
Percy Parseow ... ... ...

Tenor 13 cwt . Francis A. Smith ... ... 5 Wicliam Seeley ... ... 6 Madrice F.R. Hiberert... 7 - William Cross... ... ...Tenor

Condacted by Mavice F. R. Hisarat.

* Firsl prat. The conductor has now called peals of Stedmar Triples of from one to seron parts, inclusive, and is the first to do so. CREWE, CHESHIRE.
TEE CHESTER DIOGESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, December T4, 1029, in 7hree Hours and Fifteen Minttes, Ax Christ Chorce,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANEEA Tenor 20 cit.
William Saunders ... ...Tyeble Richard T. Holding... ... 5 Harry F. Holding ... ... 2 Edward V. Rodenhurst ... 5 Harry Overton ... $. . . \quad . . . \quad 3 \quad$ Wilelam Edgr... Harold Edwards ... ... 4 James H. Riding... ... .... Temor

Composed by A. Knighis. Conducted by J. H. Riding.
H. F. Holding's 100 th peal, 83 of which have been rung with the conciuctor.

LETCEST'ER
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION,
On Saturday, Decomber 14, 1929, in Thyer Howrs and Fiften Mintites,
At tee Ceorce of the Holy Saviour
A PEAL DF SUPERLATIYE SURPRIEE MAJOR, EO5G CNANETE, Tenor 35 cwt 3 gr .12 Ib . in E flat.
Norman S. Bagworth ...Treble | Harold Jenney ... ... ... 5
-CyRil F. Howiti ... ... 2 Richard F. Deal ... ... 6
Percy Harrison .... .... 3 Harry Broughzon ... ... 7
Wicliam Wilcson, sen.... 4 Harold J. Poole ... ... Temo
Composed by Fred H. Dextea, Conducted by Harold J Poole

* First peal in the malhorl 'inside.' Arranged for Mr. Richard F. leal, of Lontion.


## SOU'ERPORT.

TEIE LANOASHIEE ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday, Decomber 74, 7929, in Three Honys and Three Minates, At Christ Cerref,

- PEAL BF DOUELE NDRWICN GOURT EOE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGEE; Tenor 10 ewt.

Janrs March
John Bootr.
Arthoa Hague
Ladrence J. Williams Composed hy H W. Wildr. Conducted by Arthor Tomlinson.
Rumg with the ionlla half-mulfled as a token of respact to the late
Mr. James Hesketh, for many years churchwarden at the above
church, who was interred the sunte day.
YTTTOXłT'ER, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE MIDILAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Decenber If, 1929, in Thyee Hours and Eight Minures,
At the Chorch of St. Mary,
A PEAL BF BEURLE KORWICN COURT DOL MAJOR, 5024 CMAMEEA, Tonor 20 awt.
Cbarlas Draper Treble | W. Richardson Drage
John H. Swinfirld . Albert H. Whad
Josbrh Bailey ..
Composed, by H. W. Wilde.

Afthor Brains ..
Edward C. Gorey
Edwis H. Stovaley ... ...Tenor Conducted by Acbert H. Ward.

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On Saturday, December 74, 1929, in Two Howls and Fifly-Eight-and-a-Half Minutes,
At the Parish Cagreh,

## A PEAL OF YONKSHIRE 8URPRISE MAJOR, EO56 EHANEE8;

Tenor 14 cwt.
Edward Robsins ... ...Treble Harold Kgnt ... ... ... 5
John Holman $. . . \quad . . . \quad . . . \quad 2$ Јoba A. Brearley ...
Charles Mason... ......$\quad 3 \quad$ John H. Brotewell ... 7
Thomas Bettison
John Flint... ..........Tenoн
Conducted by John Flins.
Compased by Gearge Lewis.

PRESTBURY.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Macclesfield Brance.)
On Saturday, Deamber 14, 1929, in Tiree Howrs and Nine Minutes,
At the Cetrice of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 GHANGES;
Parker's Twelve.part.
"James Bowers "...
Tenor 58 cwt . in F sharp.
... ...Treble
Arthor Challinor ...
Frank L. Ronan
... 2
Wilfred Stevenson
Conducted by John Worthe.

* First peal. † First peal of Triples. First peal of Tripies as conductor. Treble ringer was alecter a member before starting.

GORTON, LANCASHIRE
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCLATION.
On Satwrday, December 14, 1929, in Thyee Howrs and Seven Minutes,
At Brookfield Church,

## A PEAL DF STEDMAN TRIPLES, BQ40 GHANGEB!

Heywoodis Transposition of Thdrstans' Fodr-part.
Tenor $\mathrm{I}_{4} \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.


* First peai. First pal of Stedman by all except the conituctor. J. Carter was elected an member of the associntion prior to starting for the peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to E. Mawby.

EALING, MIDDLESEX.
THE MIDDLESEX GOUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Seturday, Decmber T4, 1929, in Three Hours and Five Minntes,
At the Chorge of St. Mary.
 Tegor 197 cwt .
Horace Brlcher
William Weleina
...Trebie
William Henley

 Composed and Conducted by C. W. Ronerts.
This peal was arranged and rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Harding an the accmsion of their silver wedding, and the band wish to thank them for their kind hospitality after the peal. This is believen to be the tirat peal of Double Norwioh on the bells.

GALNE, WELTS.
THE GALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturbay, Decomber 14, 1929, in Throb Hours and Sizturs Minutes,
At tee Church of St. Mafy,

Tenor 26 cut. (approx.).


| Sidney Wiltshire | $\cdots$ | ... | 3 | James H. Shefherd | ... | .. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | Ernest Bishop ... ... ... 4 Fred Lambeth ... ... ... ...tenor Compased by William Willson. Conducted by Fred Lambrte Ruag as a birthday compliment to Mr. F. Burry, captain of the local ringers. First peal of Major on the bells. The compositiou contains all the $746^{\prime} s_{s}$ 756's, Tittum's, Queen's, and Whitangton's elanges, and tho 6th its extent home. Mr. and Mrs. Burry kivdiy ontertained the band and local ringers to tea after the peal.

## CRESWELL, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND OOUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, December 14, 1929, in Three Howrs and Fiffeen Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGE8;
Frederick E. Parsons ...Treble $\mid$ Herbert T. Ronke ... ... 5 Grorgr L. Chambers ... 2 Erslie W. Bacon... - Alfred H. Whitr ... ... 3 John L. Blaby ... ... ... 7 William T. Palmar ... 4 I. William Jacgoeb... ...Tekoy Composed by Williay Willson. Conducted by L. W. Jacgurs.

* First pual and first attempt, and eleoted a member previous to starting the peal.


## LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK. <br> THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sasurday, Deiember 14, 1929, in Thyee Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes At ter Capreg of SS. Prter and Paul,
A PEAL OF BO日 MAJOR, 5058 CHANQES;
Frederick F. Mortlock Tyeble $\mid$ Friderick A. Podlson William R. I. Poullson... 2 Lawrence Podlson... Stedman H. Symonds ... 3 - Wilprad Jarvis ... ... 4 Abther Symonds ... ... 7 Composed by J. R. Prirckarin Conducted by S. H. Symonds

* First peal on tower bells. Rung in honour of the birthday of H.R.H. the Duke of York. This peal contains thic 6 th its extent home throughout, Queen's, Whitlinglon's, and most of the 4-6-8 and 5-6-8 music.


## GRAVESEND, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCLATION.

On Saturday, Ducember 14, 1929, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
At fhe Chorch of St. Gegrge,
A PEAL OF dOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANEES;

## Herbert E. Audsley

- Richard A. Constant

 Tenor $18 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.

Composed by J. H Chersman. Conducted by E. Barnett sex.

* First peal 'inside' in the method. Birthday peal for H.R. H. the Duke of York, also for Gordon Alec, the son of the ringer of the tenar and Mrs. Mitchell.


## BRAINTREE, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Saturdav, Decanbey 74. 1929. in Three Hours and Two Minutes, At the Church of St. Michabl-the-Archangel.
A PEAL OF DOUBLE MORWIGH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES।
Tenor ind cwt. in A
Samibl Warne ... ... ...Tyeble William Kbrble ... ... 5
Basil Redgwell ... ... 2 Georgr Grrbn ... ... .... 6
 Alerrt Wifran ... ... ... 4 Lewis W. Wipfen ... ...Temar

Composed by N. J. Pitstow. Conducted by Lewis W. Wiffen.
Rung as a compliment to Mr. G. T'. Batram, the 'G.O.M.' of Braintree, who was presented the previous evening with a testimonial in recognition of 50 yegrs' continuous public हervices.

STONEY STANTON, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE MIDLAND COUNTIRS ABBOCIATION.
On Saturday, December 74, 1929, in Two Hours ard Forty-Six Minutes, At the Church of St. Micharl.
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, G120 CHANGES; Tenor $\mathrm{I}_{4} \mathrm{cwt}$. in F .

 Composed and Conducted by Ernest Morris.
Specially arranged as a 21st birthday compliment ta Alfred Ballard. The ringer of 7 th has now rung each bell in this tower to a peal. The 25th peal together this year by ringers of 1-2-5.

OVER, CAMBS.-At the Parish Church, on Monday, December 9th, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: H. Robinson 1, Wm. Bavin (first inside) 2, A. W. T. Ginu 3, F. C. Gina 4, F. Warrington (conductor) 5, F. G. Gleaves 6. In a 720 of Kent, G. Whylrow and D. Adams scored their first of Treble Bob.

## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

SHREWTON, WHIS.
TEE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUXLD.
On Sunada, Nowember 17, 1929, in Two Hours and Foyty Minutes,
Ax the Cgirch of St. Mary
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 GHANGES;
Seven different 720's.
Tenor 8 an $^{\prime \prime} \mathrm{crt}$ t.
William R. Baxtra ...Trebie $\mid$ Samgel J. Hrcior ... ...
Williak Loud ... ... ... $\quad$ a Norman V. Andrews... ... 5
-Frederick Precey ... ... 3 Cgarles F. Andrews ...Tmor
Conducted by C. F. Andrews,

* First peal of Minor. First peal on the belis. Rung as a birtinday compliment to the son of the ringer of the 3rd.

> THORNBAM MAGNA.
> THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Wednesday, November 27, 1929, in Two Hours and Thiviy-Two Minates,
At the Ceurch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 50A CHANGES:
Being two 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bobs and three 720's of Plain Bob.
Nolan Goldrn ... $\qquad$ ..Treble Eric Bennatt

| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 4 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | 5 |
| LE | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | Tenor | Conducted by W. Strggale.

## KIRKBY, NOTTS.

THE MDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Novenber 30,1929 , in Two Hours and Thirty-Two Minutes, Ai ibe Chorch of St. Wilpred,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, $\operatorname{bog}$ C CHANGES;
Being 3,600 changes of Grandsire and 1,440 Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt . Fred W. Knowles ... ...Tyeble | Hubert Balley ...
Fred W. Knowles ... ...T Trik husbrt balley ... ... ... 3 Arther Smithion ... ... ${ }^{2}$ | Bernard Balley... ... ... 4 Whfred Riley ..Tenay
Conducted by Fred W. Knowles.
The peal was rung as a birthday compliment to the tenor ringer. BLACKWELL, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Satarday, December 7. 1929 , in Tivo Fours and Thirty-Six Minutts,
At the Church or St. Wergurgh,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 GHANGES;

Being 1,440 changes of St. Simon's, 2,400 Grandsire and 1,200 Plain Bob.

- Harry Peat -.. ... ...Treble Erngst Mallender ... ... 3 Arther Smitason ... .... 2 Bernard Porter..

Fred W. Knowles ... ... 「eror
Conducted by Fred W. Knowles.

* First peal. The treble and 4 th ringers were elected members of above assacintion previous to starting.


## KISLINGBURY, NORTHANTS.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GULLD.
On Wednesday, December 11. 1929, in Two Hours and Fifly-Three Minutes,
At fee Chorch of SS. Peibr and Pagl,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 6040 CHANGE8;
With ten different callings.
Frank Burgess... ... ...Irehte Isame Bennett

- Fred Browning ... ... 2 Tbomas Wisr Gborge Parkbr ... ... ...Tenoy Conducted by Thomas Wise.
* First peal on a working hell. First peal on the bells since being rehung by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston.


## HUISH CHAMPFLOWER, SOMERSET.

On Saturday, December 14, 1929, in Two Hours and Farty-Five Mintles,
At the Parisi Chorch,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A. Tout ... ... ... ...Treble Jesse Tout ... .. .. ... 4
H. Purcbase
-F. Begr ......

* First attempt. First peal as conductor.


## SUTTON-IN-ASHFJELID, NOTTINGIAMSHIRE <br> THE MIDIAND COUNTIES ASSOCLATION.

(Nottingham District.)
On Sadurday, Decomber 74, 1929, in Tiwo Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,
At the Cherch de St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL DF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Heing seven $720^{\circ}$ s of Oxford and Kent, each called differently, the 4th 720 being splicen at thas 360.

Teror 154 cwi.
Wilion Mlein
Ernest Wilson
Sampel Hidrdee
..Treble
2
Geqrge E. Allin
Cornklios J. Pabtridge ... 5 John W. England

Conducted by Grorge E. Alidn.
Ithig with tho bells balf-muffled, as a token of respoct to the late Ganon F. J. Adams, who passed ilway enrlier in the week, and was formerly Vicar of Suttom-in-Ashfield. This peal is believed to be now rung for the first time for the M.C.A. C. J. Partridge has now rung $a$ peal on every bell in the tower.

## COLNE ENGAINE, ESSEX. <br> THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Suturday. December Tr, 1929. in Two Hours and Forty Minutes.

## At the Chorch of St. Andrew.

## A PEAL OF MINOR, En40 CHANGES:

Being 720 wach of Gambriage Sururise, Douthle Court, ant Plain Bob, and bwa $720^{\circ}$ s eacli of Ktint and Oxford. Tleaor $10 \mathrm{cwt}$. in G.
James Fleoty
Artbor Satinders
Frederick Ridgwell
-... 3
Frank Ceaydon
Jambs French
Conducted by W. AnnoLd.
Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringers of the treble and 5 tla.
GRAFTON . UNDERWOOD, NORTHANTS:-
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOOESAN GETMD.
On Saturday, Decomber 14, 1929, in Two Fours and Foriy-Seven Minutes,
At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, b0a0 CHANGES;
Being Iwelve six-scores of Platir Rob, and thirty six-scores of Gundsire. Tenor 7 ewt. 1 gr

- Frank Robinson ... ...Treble Irobert G. Black
†Leonard Tośeland... ... a *Frederict Tooley
†Resinald Butcher... ...Temor
Conducted by Reginald Butcher
* First peal.

First peal ou tha 'inside' bell. First peal as conductor.

## handbell peal

STOCKPORT
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GULLD.
On Thursday. December 12, 7929, in Two Hours and Twelic Minutes,
At 23. Greek Staret
A PEAL OF GTEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor sizo 17 in $A$.

Harold Jackson. Frbderick Page. Composed by J. W. Washeroox. Conducted by Allen F. Batley Witness-Peter Laflin

## broadcast ringing "And chiming.

## To the Edilar.

Dear, Sir-- ann pleased to ste that iny letter to the 'Radio Tlimes, on the above subject has been noliced nind approved of by listening ringers. I doubt, however, whether the B.B.C. will trouble to act an my suggestion, which I made with the sole object of trying to poini out to the many listoners, uninitinted in ringing, that what they so of hen hent ou Sundays brondeast from St. Mntin's-in-theFields is not ringing, wherens that from other towers generally is; they can then be their own judges of the difference.
White on this sutrject ! should be glat to know if the beils of St. Martin's ever do ring? If so, I shoukd like to hear them in peal, through the" madium of my sol, as the hack eight appear to be of good tone, but the strange weird toones of the trebles, that one hears an the wireless, make min thitik a little 'Simpson turning' would be an adynnage. Has any wher listence naticed this peculiarity? Yours,
Newnarket

## DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD <br> ENTHUSLASTIC MEECTNG AT NETHERTON

The quavterly meeting of the Dudley and District Guild was held on Saturday, December 7th, al St: Andrew"s Cliurch, Nethertion, Wores, and was very well attended. The bells wele placed at the disposal of the mambers from three o'clock, and were kept going merrily until service, which was held in the Parjsh Cliurch. The Guild's special form was used, the service being conducted by the Vicar of Netherton (Rev. H. C. Kemp), who also gave a very interesting address. At the close of the serwice an adjourament was made to the School House, where an excellent tea was in roadiness, and, needless to say, full justice was done to the gond things provided. The funds for the ted were obtained by subseriptions from St. Andrew's parishioners, collected by Mr. Albert Prestidge, sen.
The business meeting followed, at which the chair was occupied by the Vicar, who was supported by Messrs. W. S. Sidaway (Vicar's warden) and E. Baker (people's warden). The Chaiman said how pleased he was to meet thern, and on behalf of himself, the wardens and Church Council he grve them a hoariy welcome to Nethertion.
After business of a routine claracter had been disposed of, several new members were added to the roll, inciuding the charchwardens, who readily consented to their mames to be added to the list of honorary members.
It was resolved to hold the next meeting, which is the amnual one, at Dudley, on Saturday, March Ist.
It was also decided to attempt the quarlerly peal at Netherton, the date and other arrangements being left in the hands of the Ringing Master (Mr. Jobn Goodman, jun.). Trhe question of the Guild's monthly practice was again discussed, and it was raranged that the practice be again proceeded with on the firgt Monday in each month, meeting at 7.45 p.m., at Dudley Parisin Church.
On the motion of Mr. Price, scconded by Mr. James George, a weleome was extended to ME. Harry Masom after a long absence.Mr. Mason feelingly replied. He said he had received many Ietters from his ringing friendis, and he very much apprectated their kindness. He had written to a few, but at the moment be had been unable to reply to all, and he hoped they would aceept his appreciation and thazks. Mr. Mason proposen that compliments and congratulations be given to Mr. James George on having recently attaiaed his 76th birthday, also to Mr. Joln Goodman, sen., 'falher' of the Dudiey band, with the hope that they might be spared for many years yet to come.-Mr. Geolge briely thanked the menibers for their congratulations, and Mr. Johu Goodman, jun., replied on behalf of his fatlier, wha was unable to be present.

The semetary mentioned that since their last meeting the Rev. Dr. Swindell, the veuerable Vicar of Sedgley, had passed on, and on behalf of the memberg he had sent a letter of sympathy and respeci ta the family of the degeasen gentleman. The Chairman proposed that the secretary's action tin endorsed, and the motion was carried in silance, the members standing.

At the close of the meeting, on the proposition of Mr. Mason, seconded by Mr. S. J. Huglies, and supported by Mr. J. Gearge, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Ficar of Nethertan for his kindness in granting permission to hold the meeting at his church, also for conducting the service and for his admirable and interesting address, for the use of the tower and bells, and the School Hanse in which to hold the meeting, also to the wardens for their attendance and interest, and to the organist for the musical part of the service. A special vote of thanks was giver to Mr. Albert Prestidge for his worlk in making the necessary mrallgements for the tea and meeting, and to Mrys. Prestidge and the Indjes who assisted her in preparing and serving the tra and who looked after the comfort of alt present. Thanks are also added to those who subseribed to the tea fund, and to all who had in nuy way assisted in making the meeting a happy and suceessful oue. - Mr. Erestidge thanked the members for their vote of thanks, anki suid that it wai a pleasure for him to he of sorvice. Mr. Chureliwarden Sidaway also thanked the memhers, and said what a pleasure it luat heen for him to be with them thal afternoon. - Mr. Churchwarden Baker briefly thanked the members, and said people missed a lot by not knowing anything ahout their hells or bellringers. It was a pleasume to thim to be with them that afternoon, and he wrold look forward to meeting thom againThe Vicar also resnonded. Afterwards same of the members again returned to the belfry and kept the hills going in various methods, and so codet a happy and enjoyable meeling.

## WEDDING BELLS

On Salurday last, al Holy Trinity Clurel, Old Hill, Staffs, an attempt was made for a peal of Gramdsire Triples, but owing to the bad " go of some of the tells, it was hrought round at half-way (2,520 clanges): R. Gough 1, P. Hackett 2, G. Swallow 3, J. Price 4, W. Green 5, H. Goodman 6, T. Gnodman (conductor) 7, G. Guest 8. This was rang to celeborate the wedding of Miss B. Price, daughter of Mr. J. Price, the esteemed leader of the Old Hill rilogerg, to Mr. J. Cox, alsa of Ola Fili. After the ringing, the ringers were kindly entortained to tea by Mr. and Mrs. Cox, to whom the ringers extend their thanks, and wish them every lappiness in their future life.

Tlie bells need the attention of expert bell hangers.

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

NORIE TUCKS BRANCH＇S GLANG TO 12BTLL EUND．
A very successful quartorly mueting of the North Bueks Brazeh was hold at Newport Pagneil or Saturday，Deweraber 7th，when the attenchanen was larger than really had been expected．The following trwers were represented：Bletchley，Beachampton，Bradwell， Clichuley，Finberton，Fenay Stratford，SLouy Stratiford，Simpson， Stoke Goldington，with visitons from Bedford，Husbands Orawley and Linsiade．The bells were going in various methods during the aficmoon，and the choral．Service was condacted by the chatrman of（ho branch（tho Rev．L．Noxoly．Tea was served in the sehool－ room，when about 28 sat down．Very welcorve，but unexpected， visitions pat in an appearance in the mersons of the Master and the Guilr secretary（Rev．C．W．O．Jenkyr and Mr．R．（．Hibbert）， and it very condial reception was given them．

The：Secretary（Mr．W．Sear）announcert lbat there was mothing special in connection witli branch lusimess to discuss，but he would Jike to propose that a grand of fs be givor La tie Berkshire 12 －Ball Fund．This was cartied unarimously．

Boill the Mastier and secretary addressed the meeting，and thanked North Bucks for their gencious support of the twelve－bell scheme．
the usua］votes of thanks were given to the preacher，choir and orgnaist，and to the ladies for providing tan．

Shis brought a very pleasant mocting to a alose．The methods rung during the aftermon ranged from Grandsine and Stedman Triplos to Superlative and Cambvidge Surprise Majar．

## QIICK PEALS．

## To the Editar．

Dent Sir，－I have wondered why no one has raised a query，re－ gateling the extraordinarily quick peal rung at Crayford some time ntso．

I can understand why such times $a=2$ luts． 20 mins，are consifered ordinary at the Loughborough Bell Foundry，when the weight of motal，ete．，is taken into consideration，but for a quicker peal to be rung on a peal of bells，with a teoor double the weight，is，to put it middly，remarkable．I should like to see it repeated，because if it can he accomplishod once it can be done again，or，possibly，it could be shortened still further．
In noncluding，I might say that my firsi peal of Major（Treble bok method）took 2 hrs． 22 mins，und I latye also rung in the quiekest peal yet on tower hells，which would hawe been faster still if lluy had just put on a bit more speed as I asked them to．

TYRO II．

## SURREY ASSOCIATION．

A meeting of the Southerm District of the Surrey Association was helit at St．John＇s，Redhill，on Saturday，December 7th．The follow－ ing towers were represented：Godstone，Reigate，Limpsfiela Chart， Horley，Merstham，Burstow and the local baud，with wisitors from Crawley，Groydon and East Grinstead．The bells were well utilised during the aftermoon．
T＇ea and business followed the ustall service．Mr．F．Goodwin and Mi．H．Slielley，of St．John＇s，Redhili，were elected members，and the election of Mr．Geo．Oliver，of Crawley，prior to a peal at Hor－ ley，was ratified．
It was proposed to hold the annual district neeting at Godstone on January 18tlı．
Votes of thanks were accorded the Rev．L．G．Manmering for his address at the service，and for the use of the bells；also Mr．A． Gear for absisting in making the arrangements；and to the ladies who waited at the table．
Ringint⿳亠口冋阝 was then resumed，and the bells lowered about 8.30 ．

## THE FIRST PEAL AT AMBROSDEN，OXFORDSHIRE．

 DEDICATION OF COMMEMORATION TABLET．On Sunday evening，December 8th，a peal tahlet of polished nak， recording the first peal on the bells，which was rung（as reported in ＇The Ringing World＇）on Saturday，November 16 l ，by a mixed band of members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild，was dedicated daring the evening earvice by the Vicar（Tiev．C．C．David Oake）．

After the third collect，the ringers and clergy proceeded from the chancel to the ringing chamber，which is situated on the ground floor at the west end of，and open to，the church．Here，with whe Vicar and special preacher（Rev．Capt．Sharp，of Oxford）standing in the centre，and with the ringers in a circle，cach mat by his re－ spective rope，the Vicar pronomed the customary dedicatory prayers， immediately after which some well－struck rounds were rung by the following members of the Ambrosden Sociefy and Oxford Diocesan Guild：Frederick Slarpe，Marcus Tumer，Sidney Taylor，Joseph Turner，jun．，Mervyı Harry Tuft＇ey，Joseph Turuer，sen．，Alfred Turner and Arthur Turner
During the service the Vicar made special reference to the bells， remarkiog that Saturday，December 7th，was the first anniversary of their dedication，and saying how pleased le was that，within a year，the first peal lind beeu rung，and the peal tahet erected which they had just dedjeated．
The serwice closed with further ringing．

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The photographs should be accompanied by brief particulars of the bells, with their inscriptions and dates if possible, and any other interesting information about them.

Pictures should, for preference, be photographic postcards, and, where there is any choice, the tower should be a feature.

Obviously, of course, all the pictures cannot be published at nnce, the object of getting a collection being that the photographs may be ready at hand for use when fitting opportunity occurs.
Will each tower secretary be good enough to send a photograph of his own tower? It should be forwarded in an envelope for protection, and addressed to The Editor, 'The Ringing World,' Woking, Surrey, and the sender should enclose his name and address.

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

'A Merry Christmas to all our readers.
Whimple, Devon, bells are to be dedicated to-morrow. By a slip, it was gitated in one part of our last issue that the dedication was so take place last Saturday.
The City Corporation has contributed one thousand guineas to the restoration of Bow Church, Cheapside, and, we understand, a definite portion of this is 'earmarked' for the bells. It is to be laoped that this very necessary part of the work will now soon be taken in hand, and that a really comprehensive scheme will be carried out.
Anong the earliest peals of Stedman Cinques was one of $5,334 \mathrm{rmug}$ at Christ Church, Spitalfields, by the Cumberland Youths on Deemaber 20th, 1806. The same band on December 13th had rung over 5,500 clanges in an unsuccessful attempt for the same peal, and in the interim, viz, on Decernler 15th, the Junior Society of Cumberlands had rung a peal of 5,886 . That was in the 'good old days.
Join Cox called the first peal of Stedman Caters rung at st. Saviour's, Southwark, on December 20th, 1836.
The opening of the new ring of eight bells at Claybrooke, Leiestershire, which was to have taken place to-morrow, las been postponed until January 18th. The augmentation of the four old bells into an oclave has been carried out by Mossre. Taylor and Co.
The members of St. Mary-le-Tower Society, having received many letiers of congratulation upon ringing the first peal of Yorkshire Surprise: Maximus, wish, through 'The Ringing World,' to thank all the writers for their kina and encouraging ramarks.

The first peal by the Lancashire Association was Grandive Triples at Bolton on December $22 \mathrm{nc}, 1877$. The last survivor of the company that scored this peal was Mr. H. W. Jackson, who diet in Jantary last.

The Christmas holidays have been a favourite time for recordmaking, and we have not space to mention all the long lenglins accompligbed. They have included the 11,111 Stedman Cinques at Birmingham on Boxing Day, 1901 , the 15,168 Kent Treble Boh Major a1 Elland in 1831, and the 10,440 Cambridge Surprise Royal at Walthamsiow in 1923. Two Superlative records (sinee surpassed) wore also made on Boxing Day, 9,312 at Crawley, Sussex, in 1894, and 9,728 at Clent, Worcestershive, in 1910.
The record length of Double Norwich (17,104) was makie at Soudlu Wigston on December 27th, 1904, and the Double Oxford Major record $(10,176)$ was rung at Brierley Fill on December 27th, 1909.
Two other interesting performances of a bygone age may also be mentioned. On December 26th, 1782, 5,040 'London Union Trefbles ${ }^{2}$ was rung at Si. Giles-in-Lhe-Fieldis by the Society of Londion Youthe, - being fine first peal in that methofl. Whal was the method!

Sauire Proctor and his band of village residents rang a peal of 6,048 London Surprise Major at Bennington, Ferts, on December 26th. 1871, "being the greatest scientific performance ever achieved in change ringing.
The late Sir Arthur Heywond, who died in 1918, was born on Christmas Day eighty years ago.
Mr. Perkins, of Hemingford Abhotis, Hunts, has had the misfor: une ta break his ankle, and will be kept from ringing for a time.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

## DEVIZES BRANCH AT HOET

A meeting of the Devizes Branch was held at St. Katherine's Church, Holt, on Saturday, Decemher 7th, Ringing commenced about 3 p.rn., and later on a peal hoard, recording the two peals of Grandsire Doubles rung by the local ringers, under the conductorship of Mr. W. C. West, of Melkshatn, was unveiled lyy Mrs. Seoti, of Stanbridge House, Holt, and dedicoted by the Vieas, the Rev. T. Roberts. This was followed by the Guild service, which was conducted by the Vicar, the lesson being read by the chairman of the branci (Mr. C. D. Feginhotham), Mr. Wicks, of Devizes, being the -organist.

In a few well-chosen remarks, the Fion welcomed the branch to Holt, and referred to the interest the local ringers were taking in their work, ats shown by the hoard which had been unveiled. People


THE CHURCH OF ST, KATHERINE, HOLT, WILTS.
who hat never taken any interest in ringing were now begining to do so. Ringers, he said, should make the first object of their ringing the glory of God, and then they would get greater pleasure from their ringing.

Tea followed in the schoolroon, $\mathbf{M}$ rs. Scott honouring the company with her presence.

A short business meeting followed, M1. C. D. Heginhothom presid ing. The Sucretary (Mr. F. Green) reparted the receipt of 222 . from the Parochial Ghurch Couthel of Holy Trinity Bradford-onAvons, and 2145 . from the Parochial Church Council of St. James'-the-Great, Bratton.-A vote of thanks was passed to those Councils

Rev. Iudor Jefteries, Vicar of St. James, Southbroom, was elected an han member, and Mr. W. Bolwelt, of Hounslow, late of Devizess a life tinging member

On the motion of the chairman, a vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar for the use of the bells and conducting the service, to the argnuist and to those who prepared the tea.

Ringers, including Mr. W. J. Prescott, of Batli, were present from Alclhournc, Bradford-on-Avor 'Holy Trinity', Bratton, Devizes, St. Johns and St. Mary, Soutlı $\rightarrow$ m, Holt, Rowde, Trowbridge and Melksham.
Thouches of Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, Plain Bob and Keut Treble Boly were rung during the afternon and evening. No douht mote riugers would have been present but for the flooded state of the roatis.
Folt Church, dedieated to St. Katherine, was restored during the year 1880-91, when the clerestory and chancol were added to the church. The tower dates between 1450 and 1500 , the fond is late Norman, with herring-bone ormamentalion. The east wandow is a memorial to Miss Fdith, Mackey, daughter of Mr. Alexarrder Mackey, who at that time resided at Holt Manor, sud afterwards at the Giange, Irowbridge. Fe was one of the first vice-presidents of the Salisbury Guild, aud a great friend to the Trowbridge ringers of his day. The eentral light of the window slows St. Katleatime, the patron saint, with the spiked wheel.

The bells at St. Katherine's Churelz, Holt, Wilts, are a ring of six, with tenor of 9 cwt. F tha, and the most. interesting of them is the 5 th, a preReformation belf from the Bristal Foumdry about the year 1500. It bears the usual Bristol cross and a bince medallion, which is also found म屯 Clarchill, Somerset. This bell ( 362 inches in diameter) has the inseription, 'Sancte Micrel ora pro nobis.' Up io the year 1905 there were five hells-tlar present 5 th being then the 4 th-all of different dates. 'Ilrey bore the following fuscriptions:-
Treble: Willian Earle: Williant BG bie: Benctuclors 108 ad: Thomas Sartaim, Curato. Roger Gomy, Clurchwarden of Foll (star)
3rd: TAMSES BAILEY, C.W., 1716. W (bell) C.
4th: Present 5th.
5Eh: THHO CARINGTON: C.W. (belf) C. 1898.

Of these, the 3rd was by William Cucker, of frome, and the tenor by Lewis Cockey, of Brisiol, who is also foum at Sufton Weuey-
In 1905 the first three and the 5 th were recast by Warner, aft a treble added. 'flhe treble had the following inseription on the waist: 'I'o the Glory of God and in Memory of the Rev. H. H. Hoseley, B.A., Vicar 1865-1901. This bell was given and the faclls re-cnst by the People of Folt, 1905'; and the 'enor', George A.S. Metfort, Viear; William Deverill, Waller Buckland, Charchwardens.'
These bells were a wory poot lot, especially the lencil, und consequently they were recently recast (exteptithe 5fili) hy Mesirs. Monts and Stainhank.
At the time of the Edward IV. Inventory (1553), it was recorded that there were at 'Hoitte, 3 ij hells.'
The belfry doar, made by a parishome is interesting. Carved an th are six bells, surmanted by the date, 1475 , which is supposed to an the year in which the tower was erected, and below, ${ }^{4} 1914$, Vicar, Rev. T. Roberts, M.A., ${ }^{\text {a }}$ and a St. Katherine's wlieel.

## BELLS UNDERGROUND. <br> To the Editor.

Sir,-In reply to tho query in this week's 'Ringing World' as to whether handbelis have been rung underground hefore, geveral attempts were made for a peal of Stedman Triples in Chislełurst Caves by in College Youths band in 1904. These caves certainly bear no resemblance to a coal mine, bat are completely underground, the spot where the attempts were mude being about 80 to 100 feet down. -Yours faithfully,

T'. GROOMBRIDGE, JUN.

## IN A COAL MiNE.

Dear Sir,-It may be of interest to our Leicestershise fricuds to know that a 336 Grandsire Triples and a course of Stedman Triples was rung in the West Pit, Cramlington, some years ago, by B. C. Dizon, 士. E. R. Keen, O. Simm and yours sinecrely,
H. HARBET.

Dear Sir,-As far back as 1904, a party of Yorkshire ringers, including the late Mr. Gharles Jackson, of Hull, rang a atoutse of Grandsire Gaters down a colliery at Gildersome, near Moriey, Yorkshire. Trusting this will be of interest to the elluirer, l remain, on behalf of some of the Yorkshire party, yours sincerely,

WM. AMBLER.

## WEEKLY PEAL AT'TEMPT FOR TWO YEARS.

JERSEVERANCE OF RINGERS A CENTURY AGO.
On Deember 22nd, 1828, ' The Times,' then price 7at, recordnd the following: 'On Thursday, the I8th inst., eight members af the Amior College Society, members of St. Saviour" © Solatiawark anm Trinity Church, Newington, rang on the bells at the latter place a true and excellent peal of grandsire triples on Steadman's prineiple, containing 5,040 changes, which was completed in three hours and four minutes, and is the greatest pertormance ever achieved upon any peal of bells in the Kingdom. The above peal contains 598 bobs and 122 singles, and is the most perfect of the kind over produced, hul has never been rung until the present occasion, when cwery boh and single was regularly called and made.
Now, however, comes the most illuminating part of the story. "lle patagrapl goes on: ' Two years have elopsed since the Society first attempted to rimg this peal, during which time they have assembled every Thursday evenitrg to perform it, and in ilte vavious unsuccessful attempts which have been made, they have rung upuards of 200,000 changes in this most difficulit of all the systems in the art of ringing. This system of ritging was invented by Mr. Fohian Steadman, a native of Cambridge, about the middle of the 17th century.'

## THE 12-BELL PEAL RECORD.

PAINSWICK ATLEMPJ COMFS TO GRIEF.
The abternpt to set up a new record lenglo on twelve bells at Painswick on Saturday was unsucergstin.
After it rather late start, and with new ropes, the ringing came to grief ufler two hours. It is hoped to make another altempt early in the new year.
In the afternoon a peal of ordinary length was rung.

## NEW RING OF EIGHT AT GORINC

PRE-REFORMATION BELDS PRESERVED.
Iflere were probably few happier and prouder people in the counIry in Wrdncsday of last week than Johm Bower, the foreman of the lioring tower, when, after their kedication hy Bishop Shaw, he was "ntrusted by his Viear with the ropes of a ring of eight bells.
for upwards of forty years lie has kept a Minor hand together at (foring, and together with his old Eriendi, James Abery, las done his best to trach change ringing in the Bradlield Deanery Branch of the Oxford Guild.
The old ring of six at Goring was, from a musical point of wiew, a poor lot, but it contained two pre-Reformation bells, one of which bears the uame of Riclard Wymbis, who was casting at the end of the thirieenth century, and mist surely hold an almost unique place nameng church bella. There must be few bells that have done duty for six handied years, including half a century of Minor ringing, as this has done.
Illese old bells have now been taken oul of the ring to be handed as treasures of the church to sutceeding generations of Goring folk. "Ihe wher four have been broken up and have gone towards making as delightful a ring of cight as good ringers love to handle and as hell lowers like to listen to.
Al the close of the service the hells were rung in Grandsire, Siedtuan, Kent, Double Norwich and Cumbridge.
Many and hearty were the congratulations received hy Mr. Bower from his old friends who were present at the realising of a dream of almost a lifetime.
The entire cost of the bells and necessary work was met by the pious benefaction of one who of late worshimped in and loved Goxing Chanch, and who left in his will a sum of moncy for this specific purpose. The work has been excellently carried out by Messts. Mears mul Staiphanke.
The ringers present were the Rev. C. W. O. Jenky (Master of the Oxford Dlocegan Guild), Messis. R. T'. Hibburt, A. A. Itughes, G. (tilheyt, J. Shepherd, H. Tucker, J. Aleery, A. Tyler, amI Miss S . Dovis and the local ringers. Tonches of Cambridge Surpnise, Double Norwich, Kont Treble Bob Major und Grandsire Triples were rung.

## NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

## NEW ORGANISATION COMPLETED.

A peneral meating of the North Norfolk Branch of the association, the fintha and last of a series under the new constitution, was, by kimi permission of the Vicar (the Rew. H. McMallen), held in the halfiry of St. Peter Mancroft, Norwich, on Saturday, December 7th, for the election of officers and commitlee. The president of the nssumintion (the Archdeason of Norwich) presided, and supporting lim were Mr. Arthur I. Coleman (genergl secetary and trensurer), Mensirs. (i. 12. Burton, W. C. Duffield, I. J. Borrett (Ringing Master, Si. Joter Mancroft Guidd), W. B. Duncau, B. S. Thonpson and R. W. Conke (district secrelaries), fund members from Buxton, Derelan, Fakenhum, Gresscuhall, Houingham, Norwich, Reepham and Wy inumdhurı.
'Tlo general secretary gave a brief review with anew scheme under whirb four turanches had been formed, nnd said thast the special businuss leffore the mecting was the election of chairman, hon. secreMisw lwifore the meeting was the election of chairn
The President refertod to an artiele which had heen contributed by Iheir general secretary (Mr. Arthur L. Coleman) to ibe 'Norwich Dibeesan Gazette,' and said as editor of the 'Gazette' he was glad to lave had the opportunity of publishing it, and thus bringing such an impurtant matter as thint of church hells and ringers before the clergy of the diocese. The President then asked the memhers to proeend to elect their chairman, hon. secretaly and committee.
\$1. Grorge P. Rurton was elected chairman, Mr. Wiltiam D. Dumcan hon. secretary, Messus. Willian Clover, Robert w. Cooke, Willimm o. Duffielit, Rens A. Thompson and Bertie Whiteside members of ine commiltee.
Mr.: G. A. Cooko moved, and Mr. Coleman seconded, the clection of the Rev. Ermest F. Morison, Rector of Fakenharn, M.A., an hon. menter of the association.
11 was rnsolved that a meeting of the North Norfolk Branch be held "1 Wymondham in Janurry, 1930 .
St pote of thanks was nassed to thr Rux. H. McMullen (Vicar of St. Peter Muncroft) for the use of the leeliry, for holding the meeting, nud also for the use of the bells after the meeting.
The meeling then elosed, and the menhers rang some short tonches upon the bmils, but being Saturday and market fay the ringing was
strielly limited.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

Owing to the Christmas holidays, 'The Ringing World' will have to go to press much earlier than usual next week.

Reports of events which have already taken place during this week should be sent in at once, and reports of peals rung and meetings held to-morrow (Saturday) should be forwarded in order to reach us not later than first post on Monday. Nothing received after that time can be inserted in the next issue.

Secretaries are particularly requested to note that Monday, first post, is the latest time for receiving notices for next week's ' Ringing World.'

## ANOTHER SURPRISE MAJOR METHOD. To the Editar.

Sir,-We shall soon have as many Surprise Major as Surprise Minor methods-mostly wariations of each other.
However, before this happens, would these enterprising constructors oblige by giving the Exercise a new Triple method-one veally worthe ringing? Moreover, if composers of peals would try their hand at producing a freala penl of Grandsire Triples, the space occupied in your columns would not be taken up.-Yours faithfully,
D. GEGLL-WLLLIAMS.

Shirley, Southampton
[It may interost onr correspondent to know that Mr. J. A. Trollope, who is working on Surprise methods, has got over 2,000 of them, and they are still coming.-En. 'R.W.']

## THE EXTENSION OF NEW DOUBLES,

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir,-[ am sorry to have to write you again on this matter, but I think you will agree necessity demands it. I, also, interviewed on Saturday, November 30th, two of the officers of the St. Stephen's (Bristol) Ringing Guild, lo give it its correct title, ayd this is their evidente reprorluced as faibfully as possible, although not ver-batim:-
The Hon. Secretary: 'I don't remember ringing any new method of Caters, unless it was one of those easily explained, such as Frin (from Stedman) or Double Norwich (from the Major). I know nothing of any other:
The Conductor: ' I believe we did have a "go " at it one night, but we did not ring a course. We did not have a second
The Sul-Conductor (myself) says: 'If it was rung at St. Steppen's it must have been on a practice night when I was not present.
It is just possible that (the method being rung at St. James') some of the St. James' band came to St. Stephen's one evening and tried the extension with some of our memiters standing it. I must confess I have never rung even a course of New Doubles, nor laye I been in at tower while it was being rung. In fact the only person who has ever mentioned the method to-me (previous to November 30th) was Mr. Guise, when he told me thoy were ringing it at St. James', and asked if I would stand in a peal of it. He mentioned the extension to Caters and Cinquus, and said that two working bells would be on the front dodging together from the time the troble left till she returned. On this account I disapproved of the method, and heard nothing more of it until less than a montlu ago in 'The Ringing World,
With regatel to my possible absence on the occasion of the method being rung, I would poinl out that (previous to Whit Monday, 1928) 'ibsent' marks against my name, either for practice or Sunday ringing, were conspicuous for their rarity.
This morring (December 15th) I interviewed that most excellent servant of our Guikl, the steeplekeeper, with regard to the above, and he says: I know nothing about it. I Jave nerer rung it, and don't want to. He also said that the hoth. secretary (who, I take it, is one of the officials Mr. Guise interviewed) repudiates the state ment that be corroborated the assertion, and also repeated, in effect, the words given in my lefter above (December 13th, 1929).
This evening a momber uf the committee also disclaimed all knowledge of the nethod or its being rung at St. Stephen's. In view of his position as the holder of the keys, the cvideace of the steeplekeeper is most valuable, und emboldens me to again say: 'Mr. Guise is wrong. 'The method has never bcen rung at St. Steplen's by the St. Stephen"s Guild." I will go further nod say that, without the four I lave mentioned, and the 'non-effective' members, we could not ring it
Mr. Guise's last letter was pare bluff, not to call it by an uglier name-Yours truly,
w. A. GAVE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

 A REVIEW.The Lancashire Association's quntal report is always an interestijng as well as an informative one. Established in 1876, the association has grown from very small beginnings to a total of mearly 1,500 members. At the end of 1879 there were 11 honotary and 90 ruging members, at the end of 1929 iheme are 80 honorary and 1,406 ringing members. These lasi ligures are not the highest totals reached, as in 1927 they were 98 and 1,451 respeotively, but Lameashire is suffering hadly from the goneral alepression in trade, and this doubtless easily acoounts for the falling-off in membership. There is now a total of 1,144 resident tinging members, of whom 99 were elected in the period eovered by the report. The year's ineome amounted to e7i 13 . Gd., and the ordinary expenditure to fer 16 s . fid., leaving a net gain on the year of $£ 717 \mathrm{~s}$. It is pointed out, however, that the amount received only represents 820 ringers.

NOTEWORTHY PERFORMANCES
'Iliere weve 104 peals rung during the year mader review, the outstanding porformance being the 15,312 Cambridge Surprise Maximus at Ashton-under-Lyne, and the heartiest congratulations of the association go out to the ringers eoncerned on the accomplishment of such forvellous performance. Grandsire Triples (23) beaded the peal list, and these contained a good percentage of first pacals. The report singles out for special mention several of the performances.

We are glad to note, it says, the steady progress madis in our Preston Branch, and offer to them our congratulations on their twa recent successes, Camhridge Surprise Major at Hoghton and Fent Royal at Blackburta Cathedral, loth these poals being the first rung by that branch. It is our pleasure to record a peal of Superlative Surprise Major rung by the local company at Newchurch, near Warrington, in honour of the 400 th anniversary of the parish and the silver jubilee of the present clsurch. Peals of Double Norwich Court Boh Major have been accomplished at Standish and Churehkirk by the local ringers there. Our Lircrpool Buanch is again to the fore with peals of Stedman Cinques, Kent Maximus and Camlridge Surprise Maximus, rung at St. Nicholas', the peal of Cambridge along wilh a peal of Grandsire Triples at Bolton being rung in connection with the Natioual Tlamksgiving for the King's recovery, Bolton Brameh bas provided us with a very youthiul conductor, and we congratulate Mr. P. Crook, jun., on his excellent performance.

A noteworthy feature is agan the large number of peals rutag by
al companes, and we look forward to the time when all our towers local companies, and we look forward to the time when all our towers wild attempt that very worthy wilh their own local band." It is always a pleasure to record the footnote, "Firsi peal by all the band," htit when this is accompanied also with "All service ringers at the above dharch," the pleasures is even greater. One such cones fram ont Wigan Branch at Rainford, amm we extent to the fingers there onr hearty engratulations.

Great credit is also due to our ringers in Manchester for their handtoll performances, the peals of Oxford Royal and Oxford Major being the firsi in that method by our assaciation on landbells. Daring the year Mr. 13. Lafliu, of Perdletorn, andi Mr. A. Potter, of Walkden, rang their $100 \mathrm{H}_{3}$ peal, whilst their 50 th was accomplisheri by Mr. S. Holt, of Middefon, Mc. W. Horsn, of Todmorden, and M1. W. Taylor, of Penworliam.

Fifty-four members rany their first peal, 128 their first peai in some particular method, whilst eight members couducted their first Peal. PEAL BOARDS PRESERVED.
'During the year the cing of eight at Leyland las been rehurg and increased to ten, but unfortunately the association lias not been allowed to hold a meeting there. The ring of eight formerly in St. John's, Deansgate, Manchester, has been removed to Eccles Parish Cliurch. With the exception of the tenor the bells lave been recast, and Eccles fow proud to possess a ring which in tone and weight is worthy of that ancient church. The peal boards formerly in St . Joln's tower ate now preserved at Eceles. The ring of eight at Milnow has been relung in a new frame, and the ring of eight at Halewood lias also been recast and rehung.

The report adds: We have suffered a great loss by the passing away in January of Mr. H. W. Jackson, of Bolton, who had been treasurer of the association alnost, if not quite, frm the beginning, He lad reached a good old age, but lis interest was mablated and his genial presence at our meetings will be mudy missed. It is proposed that a memorial to him shonld be placed in the Church of Holy Trinity, Bolton, near to that of his old friend, Joel Redford, th furmer secretary of the association. We lave also regreffully to reentri the death of three other ringing menbers, $M$. Oldfield and E. Oldfich, of Eccles, and W. H. Harrison, of Colne, and of several honorary members. Among them we rocall with gratitude the names of Canon Rowntree, iato Rector of Stretford; the Rev. T. Taydor Evans, late Viear of Holy 'l'mity, Bolton Dr'. A. J. Wilson, late Vicar of St. Mary's, Oldham, who was largely concerned with getting the great ring there recast and rehaug; and My. A. Fi. Folme, of Dewsbury, a former viec-president of on asseciation.

- Our best thanks are always due to the hranel secretaries on whose labours in regularly attending branch meetings and keeping in touch with ringers in their districts, the practicel working of the association chiefly depends.


## WARWICKSHERE GUILD.

A very enjoyable mecting of the Warwiekshive Guild was held at Newhold-an-Avob, metr Rugby, on Saturday lasf. Members were present fram Alesley, Chilvers Coton, Exhall, Inubandis Mosworth, Leamington, Jilljngtor, Mank's Kirby, Nuncatan, Shilton, Rugby and Wolvey, together with the local band. The Vichr "Rur Noel Preatice) extented + hearty welcome to all the ringers, a number of whom wore paying their lirst visit to Newhold to try the ring of six recently rehung on ball bearings by Messrs. Thylor and Co. Tourhes of Plair, Bob, Grandsira, Cambridge and Latinn wore rumg turing the afternom. At five o'clock the Viegr escerted the members to the Parish Room, whore a splendid tea was provided. At the olose of the tea Mr. A. Wilkerson (Numeaton) proposed a heravy wute of thanks, to the Vienr for his kindly weloome, adding that il made a great difference to the success of a meeting when the incumbent took an interest in the ringers.
The Ficar invited the mombers to stay in the room ats lang as they pleased, and ats the room was a cosy ode, and a box of handbells had been brought in, the ringers needed no secand invitation. Wellatruck courses of Grantlive Gatere, Bob Major and Stedmat Triples were rung by Messis. T. W. Chupman (Nuncaton), J. A. Fenton (Rugby): J. B. Fentan (Rughy). I. White (Alfesley), ]. Hunt Allesley), T. Beale (Wolvor)
A return was made to the belfuy later, when ringing in vations the last and containly one of about eight a'clock, bringing to s elose

## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION

EASTERN DIVISION.
A quarterly meeting of the Eastern District was held at Rotherfeld an Saturlay, December 7th. Owing to the inclement weather there was rather a poor attendance, abont 15 members being presert from the following towers: Eastbourne (St. Saviours), East Griastead, Heathlicld, Mayfield, Lewes, and Sevenoaks, together with some members of the locrl eompany. Following the service, the members parcook of tea at the King's Antis Hotel, at whints the Redtor' (Rev. H. E. Collins) presided

At the business meeting which followed, tha Rector oecupied the chair, and in the absence of the hon. secretary, throngh illucss, Mr A. R. Miles took over these duties. The following mentuors were elected: Messys. R. C. Mitchell, J. G. L. Mitehell, E. B. Wilson, R Filtness, E. F. Brazier, H. S. Hineon, all of Rotherficld: Mr. E. L. 'qaylor, of Sevenoaks, Kent, nou-resident life nember; and Rev, $H$. E. Collins, Rector of Rotherfeld, hou. life member.

Mr. R. J. Dawe proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Rector for his address at the serviee, for presiding at the ten, and also for Laking the ehair at the meeting. This was supported by Mir. A. R. Miles, and carried
The Rector, in responding, saitl how very pleased he was to be prescnt, and loped that another mbebing would be arranged in the near future, and further, he hoped that the wisit could be made in the summer, when Rotherfield would be more attractite
Mr. W. Booth proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. Brazier and to the local ringers for making the arrangempnts for the mereting This was also put to the meeting and carried.
The members then retumed to the tower and indulger, in further ringing until about 8 p.m.

## OLD 'WAR HORSE' RETURNS.

At Canterbury Cathedral, on Tuesday, Deomber 10ils, as a last shor't touch for practice, 700 of Grandsire Triples (part of Foll's Origiual): P. J. Paime 1, C. W. Brett 2, W. E. Pitman, Mins.Bac, 3, F. G. Brett 4, F. R. Weller S, H. G. Fairbrass 6, G. G. Jenkins 7, M. W. Pierce 8.

As Mr. H. G. Fairbrass eonducted his first 5,040, Holt's Original, at Hernc Hill, near Faversham, on May 30th, 1887, it being ine first peal on the bells after augmentation to eight, it was suggesterf that he should call 700 of that peal, but he declined witl thanks. Howover, Mr. W. E. Pitman came to the rescue, and volumtened to con-
duct it, which lie did in a masterly manner, while the ringer of fhe duct it, which lie did in a masterly manner, while the ringer of the
$6 \mathrm{th}_{\mathrm{a}}$ took ho it like an old warge at the sound of the frumpet.

## MR. J LOWE APPEAL FUND.

The amount received for this fund was 838 4s. 7,d. The expenses were 17 s . 7de, and tha. halanse has been pairl to Mr. J. Lowe, who desires to thank all ringer's and friends wha so kindy eame to his assistince. Thee accombs were andifed by Mr. W. H. Shuker
In the last list it should lase been stated that el 12s. was collected t the Kont County Association Lawisham Dishich meeting at Depl ford, and 22s. scut by Huly Trimily, Darlomi, rugers aud fuimds.

## A PARISH CLERK OF 1710.

Denw Sir,-In answer to 'Caseable's' enquiry re ' A parish alom of 1710 , I would refer him to "The Parish Glerh,' by P. H. Ditehfieln, M.A.. F.S.A., pp. 75-78- Yours faithfully,

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

## WESTERN DIVISION

A meeling of the Westera Division of the Yortshire Association was lield at St. Michuel's, Headingley, on Saturday. There was a good atturdanets of members, the following towers being represented Armloy, Linaley, Guiseloy, Rothwell, Domhalme, Gafocrley, Bradford, Hinslel, Quecosbury, Birstal, Bramley, Marsden, Pudsey, Shipley, Keighley, Batley, Far Hendingley, and the local company. During Whe aflermoon the bells were kept going ith various methods, and at fivn ofloek Lea was partaken of in the Paroctial Institute.
Mr. I. Cotterall (vice-prosideat) prosided over the business meeting:

Two mertbers were elected, viz., Mr. J. I. Robertshaw (Keighley) fud Mr. D. Snowball (Lindiey). For the ennual meeting, Calverley was suggested, and Mr. C. Pratt said he would be pleased to gee the Yorkshire Aesocintion at Calverley. He wotld put the matter before the whurehwardens (there heing no Vicar at present) to see if a meetitg cotald bo arranged.
hention was made of the regretlable absence of Mr. F. Lindsay owing to jliness, and the secretary was requested to write to him expreseing the sorrow of tho members, and wishing him a speedy yocorcery.
Vutes of hanks were passed to the Vicar and chnrehwardens for the ube of tha thells, and to lilse local comprny for the anangements mutle. 'Ilvest were responded to by Canon R. H. Malden and Mr. P T. dolinsen.

Kinging on lower bolls aud handbells was afterwards indtulged in.

## SUCCESSTILI, JOINT GATHERING AT RAWMARSH

A joint mecting of the Doncastor and District Socicty, the Barnsley ami Bistrict Society, the Sheffirlai and District Society and the Southern Division of the Yorkshire Association was held at Rawmarsh, near Rotherham, on Saturday, and proved a great success. Ilir majority of towers in the verious districts were represented, snd mearly 40 members were prescni at the serviec conducted by Canon Suvell, Rector of Rawmursh. Tea in the Clurch Room was followerf by tho business meeting, at which the Rector was woted to the Chair anll was supported by Mr. Lewis, vice-president, Yorkshive Assomiation, Mr. Nasli, president, Barasley and District Socioty, Mr. filerlstane, hom. secratary, Donenstor and District Socicty, and Mir. IR. Tarrison, jutn., lan. socretary, Shefficla and District Society
Brfore business eommenced, Mr. Lewis made sympathetic referwhee to the loss the association had sustanad by the death of Mr . li. Wilicy, of Shefficid, a vice-prosident for many years, and the members staod a fow moments in silence as a last mark of respect. The sneprelary's explanation of the meoling not being held at All Saints", Slimflielil, was acceptecl.

Mr. A. Tate, of Wakefield Cativedral, was elected a new member of the association.
As no invitalion was forthcoming for the anuual meeting of the
Tho Secrefary inavo was left to Llie committee to arrange.
Tho Secrefary gavo a hearty welcome to the kindred associations, anul spuke of the very lappy relations Eutween them all and the good freling which existed in the area covered by the Shuthern Division, Mr. Nash replied in his usuaj falicitous manner. He hopod that more joint matinge would be held, as they all tended to britug them more logether, and were helpful in every way.-Mr. Cledstone and Mr: Harrison supported Mr. Nash's senayks, and expressen the thanks of Hoir associations for the invitation cxiended to them by the Southern Division.

Voles of ihanks to the Rector, thic churchwardens, the ladies for The splondid tea provided, and to the local company for the arrangeruents made wore heartily carried, and replied to by the Rector in his cuslanury lappy manner. [t is hoped this will be the forerunner of many such suceessful gatierings.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. <br> 'HE WEDNLSDAY AFTERNOON GURLD

The hast anmand meeting of the Wednesday Afternoon Guild was held at. Claster-le-Street on December 11 th, wher a good "beat up" efl' 14 linget's githerecl. Who bells were kept gaing until tica time, and after enjoyitg a really splendial repast a short meeting was held.
"lhe president of the rssociation wished the Guild a long life, as it fillent a grp hy enabling ringers who could not, owing to their businew, whand Saturday meetings, to jing.
M1: (ieo. Fidde (Cliester-ic-Streeb) was umanimously re-elected serrotary, and tho nest meoling was lixed at Houghtom-le-Spring on The: ringers then rotumed going morrily timoughout the evening. The methorls rung were Kent Trebt Hob Minor, Grandsire 'Jriples, Stednan Triples, Bols Major, Kint Troble boh Major and Oxfard Treble Bob Major

HNNER, MIDDLESEX-On Monday evening, December 9th, a quarter-peal at Grandsire Triples in 44 mins. R R. Colyer 1, H. Ive 2 , $\mathrm{l}^{\text {2 }}$ Whift 3, W. Bunce 4, G. M. Kilby (conductor') 5 , 'ti. Collins 6, H.
Kilhy 7, T. Humplereys 8 .

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A mecting of the South and Weat District of the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild was held at Heston on Satur. day, Decenaber 7th, when, in defiance of the boisterous elements, 36 signed the roll. The bells pealed forth at 3.30 prompt, and methods from Grandsire "'riples up to and including Superlative and Oambridge Surprise Major were practised, and rounds for the probationers were rung.
The company were entotamed to tea in the Parish. Fall by the Rev. George Craggs (Vicar) and Mrs. Craggs. The Vicar presided, supported by Mi. C. Dirt (vice-president of the association), Mr. J. A. Trollope (han trasurer), WL. F. W' Goodfellow (Ragint Master') and Mrs. Goodfellow, and the hon. secvetary (Mr. W. H. Hollier).
The Vicul gave the Guild a most hearty welcome to Heston, and expressed the pleasure of $\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{s}$. Craggs and himself to meet them thers that afternoon.
A social, as well as the business meeting, followed tea. Messts. F" W. Goodfeliow, J. A. Troilope, E. S. Turner, W. G. Wilson, and ij R. Mackman rine a touch on the liandbelle

Mr. Mackman and his son Howard renderod some finc solections on Their handbells, which were greatly appreciated by the company.
The following nembers were clected: Mr. Th. Getter, to St. Anarew's, Fillingdon; Mr. Wm. Bolwell and Master Brian Rose, ta Heston; and Mry. Crages an honorary menber.
St. Andrew's was selected for Lhe nest meeting on Saturday, January Ilth, of mbich dwe notice will appear in 'The Ringing World.
Further ringing on handbells in several methods took place, after which a most hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar and Mrs. Crages for their kind hospitality and for the hearty welcome given to the guild. The Vicar, on rising to respond ou bebalf of himself and Mrs. Crages, was received with acclamation.
Thanks were accorded to Mis. Spackman (hostess) and ber Assistant, to Mr. and Master Maekman, to Mr. Wm. Lewis, of the local band, and to all who assisterl in making the last meeting of the year 1929 successful and enjoyable
The tower was then again visited, and rimging resumed notid nime p.m., and all agreed that a most enjoyble afternoon and evening liad been spent.

## WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUIED.

CHRISTCHURCF DISTRTCT SECRETARY'S LONG SERVICE
The annual meeting of the Cliristchtuch District of the Winchester and Portsmoutll Diocesan Guild took mace on Saturday. Deember 7th. The ringers attenderd aspecial service in the choir of the Priory 4 p.m., the Guild form being used
The Fiev. H. N. Larner, Viene of Milford-on-Sca, gave the address, The other clergy present were the Rew. Canom W. H. Gay, Rev. A. B. Bennett, Rev. Dr. M. C. Potiter and Rev. C. A. Pbillips, secretary of the East Dorset Branch of the Salisbury Guild, ard members from Rournemouth, Brockenliurst, Lymington, Lyndhurst, Christchurch, Ringwood, Poole, Soplcy, Milford-on-Sea, wyke Regis, aud Mr. R. H. Dove, of Croyclon. 'lea was provided at the King's Arms Hotel, fol lowed by a business meeting.

Apologics were received from Mr. (i. Willinms, Master of the Guild, Mr. G. Pullinger, general secretary of the Guid, Mr. Bennett, Bournemoutli, Mr. Ravenscroft, Mr. Hardman and Mr: England.

The balance sheet showed the receipts to he $£ 1417 \mathrm{~s}$, and the expencliture $£ 613 \mathrm{~s}$, including 83 for instruction given, leaving E 46 s . 7 d . to the general fund and $£ 316 \mathrm{~s}$, Tal. as balance to the district. The following officers were elected for 1930: Mr. T. C. Ellintt, clabiman; Mr. G. Preston, hon, secretary and linging master; Mr. F. Sparshott, representalive to the Central Committer and Mr. A. N. Wooff, auditor. Mr. Preston thatiked the meeting for re-recting him as their secretary for the twenty-sixth time, and said that during that time the district hat grown from 25 membors to over 100.
It was decided to hold meetings daring 1930 at St. Peter's, Bournemouth, Brockenhurst, Ringwood and Lymington, and Cluistchurch for the annual meeting. it was resolved to hold a combined practice with the Wimborme Braneh of the Salisbury Guild at Ringwood in Februnry. It was also decided to attempt the first quarterly peal at Milford-on-Sea. Five new nemhers were elected to the Guild.

## APPEAL FOR A LANCASHIRE RINGER

Previously acknowledged, £4.1s.; M1. William Willson, Leicester, £1 1s.; Sympathiser, Gainshorough, 2s. 6d. Any farther donations to this fund for assisting Mr. Harry Tomtinson, who is totally incapkeitated and las a daughter endirely dependent upon him, will he gratefully received by Mu. F. Findle, hon. sectetary, Blackburn Branch, 58, Anvil Street, Blackhum, Lanus.

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## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES

HOUNSLOW.-On Sunday, December 15th, for evening service, 1,260 Stedman Triples in 45 mins.: $\mathrm{C} . \mathrm{F}$. Winney (conductor) 1, F . G. Goddard 2, H. Dyas 3, W. H. Stevens 4, W. F. Ellirgham 5, F. E. Hawthorme 6, C. J. Tricker 7, C. Gash 8.

DALSTON.-On Sunday, December 15th, at the Church of St. Mark, after evensang, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Miss E. E. Hardcastle 1, Miss F. E. Orr 2, W. H. Hewett 3, E. F. Pike 4, A. Diserens 5, J. F. Davis (contuctor) 6, C. W. Roberts 7, C. Randall 8.

LINSLADE, BUCKS.-At St. Barnabas' Church, on Sunday, December 15th, for evening service, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor in 25 mins. : R. Oliver 1, W. Insley 2, F. Viekers 3, F. Dedman 4, F. JeEs 5, W. J. Jefls 6, W. Jefts, jun., 7. First 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor by all.

PUDSEY, YORKSHIRE.-On Sunday, December 15th, at St. Laurence's Church, for evensong, a quarter-peal of London Surprise Major (1,344 changes) in 47 mins. : J. W. Baxendale 1, L. W. G. Morris 2, J. G. Hooth 3, R. Myers 4, W. Bartan (conductor) 5, W. R. Madgwick 6, J. Ambler 7, J. W. Cordingley 8. Arranged for, and rung as, a birthday compliment to Mr. W. R. Madgwick.

DEEPING ST JAMES, LINCOLNSHIRE-On Sunday, December 15th, for evenoogg, 720 College Single Minor: R. Bennett 1, E. A. Sneath 2, W. Clark 3, W. Y. Bennett 4, F. M. Day (conductor) 5, T. O. Landan 6 . First in the method by all except 5 and 6.

CARDIFF.-On Sunday, December 15th, for the ovening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters, in 55 mins., rung also as a birthday compliment to the ringers of the treble and tenor: W. Evans 1 , Miss D. Richards 2, J. Phillips 3, F. Hannington 4, J. Davies 5, E. Funt 6, P. Heatl 7. A. Parnell 8, F. Ghamberlain (conductor) 9, R. Barker 10 .

HESTON, MIDDLESEX.-At St. Leonard's Church, on Sunday morning, December 1st, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples in 46 wins. : H. C. Chandler 1, W. Bowell 2, W. A. Lewia 3, H. Belcher 4, C. S. Bird 5, E. Gladman 6, W. H. Hollier (conductor) 7, F. Humphries 8.
CALNE, WLIPS-On Sunday, November 17 th, for morning service, quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles: R. Horton 1, I. J. P. Taylor 2, E. L. Box 3, S. Wiltshire (conductor) 4, H. Bury 5, H. King 6, W. Patul 7, W. Haines B. First quarter-peal by all the band except the ringers of the 3 rd and 4 th. All are Sunday service ringers, except Mr. S. Wiltshire, who has been their instructor for the last six months. Througl his efforts and the enthusiasm of Areludeacen Colter and the local company, the bells are now vung regularly for Gunday service.

SALISBURY.-At St. Martin's Church, on Sunday, November loth (St. Martin's Eve), for festal evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 53 mins. : Miss M. E. Romaine $1, \mathrm{C}$. F. Bnith 2 , $\mathbb{S}$. Macey, 3, L. Harris 4, W. A. Romaine 5, A. Bennett 6, F. W Romaine (conductor) 7, A. Fry 8. First quarter-peal by ringers of treble, 2nd and 5th, also first as condtetor. The ringer of the treble is the first lady ringer to learn change ringing in Salisbury. BELTON, RUTLAND.-At St. Pefer's Church, on Sunday, Nopenaber 10th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles in 44 mins.: J. Norton 1, J. G. Geary. (conductor) 2, R. Russell 3, A. E. Kitchin 4, A. N. Geary 5, F. Bennett (first quarter-peal) 6. Rung half-mulfied on the eve of Armiatice Day anniversary.
WEDNESBURY.-On Sunday morning, November 10th, for civic service, at St. Bartholomew's Church, a quarter peal of Stedman Triples, in 43 mins.: T. Burkitt 1, G. Fughes 2, W. E. Brittan 3, J. Barber 4, T. Palfreyman 5, L. S. Griffiths 6, A. Mincher (conductor) 7, A. J. Hubble 8. First quarter-peal of Stedmati Triples for ringers of the 5 th, 7 th and tenor.
HILIINGDON, MIDDLESEX.-On Sunday, Novernber Jrd, at St. John's Chureh, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Tripleb ( 1,260 changesi izt 47 mins.: G. H. Gutteridge 1, F. G. Baldwin (conductor) 2, W. E. Gutteridge (first quarler-peal inside) 3, A. Twinn 4, W. Hanor 5, J. J. Pratt G, F. W. Goodfellow 7, E. Hughes s.-Also on Sunday, November l0th, for morming service, a quarter-peal of Bob Major ( 1,264 changes) in 51 mins. : W. E. Gutleridge 1 , ATwinn 2, J. J. Pratt 3, F. G. Baldwin 4, J. H. Lioas 5, G. H. Gutteridge 6, W. Honor 7, F. W. Goodfellow (condumtar) 8. Also for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1,260 changes) in 47 mins.: G. N. Mitchell 1, F. G. Baldwin 2, W. E. Gutteridge 3, A. Twing 4, J. H. Lucas 5, G. H. Gutteridge 6, F. W. Goodfellow (conductor) 7 . W. Honor 8.
GONGRESBURY.-On Sunday, November 3rd, 504 Stedman Triples: F. Fisher 1, A. E. Standen 2, F. Gosling' 3 , L. Pulling 4, J. E. Lilley 5, G. Fisher 6, C. R. Lilley (conductor) 7, G. James \& Longest length of Stedman by all except ringers of 5th and 7th. On Noverober 29th, on the eve of the dediostion festival, 504 Stedman Triples: F. Fisher 1, F. Gosling 2, J. E. Lilley 3, C. R. Lilley (canductor) 4, A. E. Standen 5, G. Fisher 6, R. Fisher (first 504) \%, G. Jones 8.

STAVELEY, YORKS.-For evensong, by the local band, who are all Sunday service ringers, a quarter-peal of Bob Major: A. Markwell $I_{3}$ A. White (first quarter-peal) 2, W. T. Palmer $3_{3}, S$. Smedley $4, F$. Parsons, sen., 5, J. Knott 6, A. E. Parsons (conductor) 7, L. G. Talmer' 8.

## NOTICES.

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CLAYBROOKE, Leics.-Ring of 4, augnented to peal of 8 and hang with modern fittings in new cast iron frame by Taylors, of Loughborough, will be opened on Saturday, Jan. 18th, and not Dec. 21 st, as previonsly advertised.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).-The subscription of is. 8d. which entitles members who have not met twenty times in the past year, to vote on matters of finance, is now due. -William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodinghan, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

ST. LAURENCE'S CHURCH, READING. - The ring of 12 bells will be dedicated by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Shaw on Friday, Dec. 2oth, at 8 p.m. The bells will be rung on this occasion by a selected band, and owing to the lateness of the hour there will be no other ringing that evening. The tower will be open for ringing on Thursday, Dec: 26 th, from 2.30 p.m. to 6 p.m., when visitors will be welcomed. Will those interested please accept this, the only, intimation?-R. T. Hibbert, Foreman of Tower

WHIMPLE, Devon.-The rededication of the peal of 6, rehung with modern fittings in new iron frame by Taytors, of Loughborough, is to take place on Saturday, Dec. 21st.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester Branch.-The next meeting will be held at the Towa Hall, Manchester, on Saturday, December 21st. Bells ready 3.15. Meeting 7 o'clock.-J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUYLD. - East Berks and South Bucks Branch. - The next practice has been arranged on Saturday, Dec. 2 ist. Bells available: Stoke Poges (6) 3.30 p.m. Slough (8) 7 p.m.-A. D. Barker, Branch Sec. and Treasurer, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Fylde Branch. - A meeting will be held at Holy Trinity, South Shore ( 6 bells) on Saturday, Dec. 2 Ist. Bells ready 3 p.m.-C. Sharples, Brancil Sec., 10, Warbreck Road, Blackpool.

IONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD. - Southern District. - Next meeting, All Saints', Wandsworth, Dec. 21st. Bells (8) available 3 to 8.30 . Service 5. Tea and meeting 5.3 . All ringers welcome. A postcard? Good! Social hour if possible.-J. Herbert, 17, Grimston Road, S.W.6.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Bristol Branch.-The quarterly meeting of the above branch will be held on Saturday, Dec. 21 ist, at Brislington. Ringing from 3 p.m. until $4.15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea in Scouts' Hall, nr. tram terminus, $4 \cdot 30$, followed by short business meeting. Service 6 p.m., followed by further ringing. All ringers welcome.-Harry Bennelt, Branch Hon. Sec., Highfeid, Runswiçk Road, Brislington.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Hinckley District.-The next meeting of this district will be at Earl Shilton on Saturday, Dec. 2Ist. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea provided at 5 p.m., in the Schools. A grood meeting is hoped for, all ringers being welcome.-W. A. Cope, Smockington, Hincliley.

OXIORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Newbury Branch.Thatcham belis (8) will be dedicated on Sunday, Dec. 22 nd , at $11 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Short service at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Open for ringing at $3 \cdot 30$ p.m. T'eal at is., at 4.30 . All ringers wel-rome.-H. W. Curtis, Hon. See., Church Road, Shaw, Newbury, Berks.

THATCHAM, Berks. -The dedication of the two new trebles to make 8 , the completed peal having been hung in a new iron frame, with modern fittings, by Taylors, of loughborough, will take place on Sunday morming next, Dec. 22nd.

RADSTOCK, Somt.-The dedication, by Archbishop Fearrar, of the new tenor bell is to take place on Sunday, Dec. $22 n \mathrm{n}$, at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. The peal-now a ring of 6 -has Jeen hung with modern fittings in a new oak bell frame by Taylors, of Loughborough. Ringers' opening day, Saturday, Dec. 28 th .

WHITSTONE, CORNWALL.-The peal of 6, rehung with new fittings in a new frame and augmented by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, will be re-opened at the Midnight Mass on Tuesday, Dec. 24th. Ringing from 11.30 p.m: to midnight, and after the service. All ringers welcone.
LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - The annual meeting will be held at St. Woolos' (Pro-Cathedral), Newport, Mon., on Boxing Day, Dec. 26th. Service at 4 o'clock, Tea at 5 o'clock in Waters Lane Mission Room. Business meeting to follow. Bells of both St. Woolos' and All Saints' Churches available before and after the meeting.-J. W. Jones, Hon. Sec., Cartref, Barrack Road, Newport, Mon.

BATY AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.frome and Midsomer Norton Deanery Branch. - A special meeting, following the augmentation, will be held at Radstock on Saturday, Dec. 28th. Bells (6) available at 2 p.m. Divine service at 4 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Will all 1hose reguiring tea please notify me by the 25 th? ? R. T. Clark, Hon. Sec., Higlt Street, Timsbury, Bath.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -A quarterly meeting will lee held at Long Ashiton on satucliy, Jan, 4 th. Belle 2.30 p.m. Evensong 4 p.m. Tea and business meeting 5 p.m. - J. T. Dyke, Hon. Sec., Chilcompton.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch. -The next meeting will be held at Padiham on Saturday,
 pxim. A good attendance requested. - $F$. Hindle, Hon. Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Derby District.-The annual meeting for the election of officers ling the ensuing year will be held on Saturday, Jan. $4^{\text {th }}$, at the Cathedral, Derby. Bells (ro) available from 2 p.m. till 4 p.m, and 6 p.m. till 8 p.m. Business meeting at 4 p. on. in belfry. A good attendance is desired. Seats can de reserved and tea obtained at King's Café, St. Peter's Street, on notice being given in the belfry during the alternomi. - George Frecbrey, loocal Sec., 81, Ras Sireet.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established r755).-The annual meeting will be held on Saturday, Jan, fth, in the belfry of St. Martin's Church. Barsiness to commence punctually at $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Bells available later. Thomas H. Reeves, I-Ion. Sec., ${ }^{136}$, Newton Road, Sparkhill, Birmingham.

SUFFOLK GUILD.-A general meeting will be held at Framlington on Jan. Inth. Beils available 2.30. Tea in Church Room at 4.30 . Meeting follows. - Drake, Ufford, Woodbridge.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. - The annual general meeting will be held at St. Martin-in-the-Fields on Saturday, Jan. 1 ith, at 4 o'clock. Linveiling of peal tablet by Rev. P. McCormick at 4.30. Meeting in Church House at 7. Tea will be provided to all who send me a postcard not later than Jan. 6th.-J. Sparrow, Sec., 5, Bandon Rise, Walington, Surrey.

BRISTOL UNITED RINGING GUILD'S Ninth Annual Dinner will be held at the Grand Hotel on Saturday, Jan. 18th, at 6 p.mn. Tickets, 5s. 6d., now available from Messrs. Waiker (Birmingham), Tanner (Weston), Hawkins (London), Grant (Bath), Austin (Gloucester), all Bristol tower officials, or direct from the hon. sec., Edgar Guise, 39, Tankard's Close, St. Michael's, Bristol.

## GREETINGS.

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to members of the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild and all ringing friends is the sincere wish of

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## POSTMAN RINGER'S RETIREMENT

Mr. George Taylor, of Ringmer, Sussex, has recently retired from the service of the Fost Ofice, after nearly forty years as rural postman. In that time he walked about 100,000 miles and cycled about 200,000 miles in the exercise of his duties, and he bas been presented with a medal in recognition of his long and faithful service.
Mr. Thaylor was for many years a ringer at Ringmer Parisly Church, and was a very efficient tenor man. He rang a few peals, one of whici, a peal of Grandsire Triples, in the year 1894, was the fastest on the beils. It was rung in 2 hrs. 32 mins-mot bad geing with a $14 \frac{\mathrm{cwt}}{} \mathbf{t}$ teror.
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## FAREWELLS

At St. Andrew's Churchi, Wickbembreaux, for the farewell services of Rev. W. Horne, on November 17th, in the morning, 720 Oxford Treble Boh: W. Maytime 1, W. Maxted 2, S. Walter 3, J. Wulter 4, H. Smith 5, S. Waite 6. And in the evening, 720 Keat Treble Bob: W. Maytime 1, W. Maxted 2, S. Walter 3, E. Wood 4, H. Smith 5, S. White 6. Both condricted by Etanley White.

At Adermaston. Berks, on Sunday, November 17th, for evansong, as a farewell to the Ficar, who has rasigned through ill-health, 504 Hnd 336 of Grandsire Triples: E. Richardson 1, J. Abrey 2, W. Clark 3, A Arlott 4, H. Smith 5, R. Frankum 6, A. J. Frankum (eonduetor) 7, A. Cox 8 .

## MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

WICKHANBREAUX.-As a birthday coropliment to the Rev. Canon F. J. O. Helmore, on Monday, Decernber 2nd, at St. Andrew's Church, 720 Kent Treble Bob in 23 mins. : W. Maytone 1, W. Maxted 2, S. Walter 3, J. Walter 4, H. Smith 5, S. Wiite (conductor) 6. TENBY.-A querter-peal of Granisire Triples was rung at the Harish Church on Saturday, November Qth, to commemorate the election of the new Mayor:' H. Lillycrop (first quarter-peal) $1, T$. Yeomans 2, R. H. Jenkins 3, T. W. Griffits 4, G. G. Jenkins 5, Rev. F. A. Oswett 6, H. L. Jenkins (conductor) 7, J. H. Williems 8.

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The growth in the number of twelve-bell rings has been really remarkable since the war. In the last eleven years there have been as many rings added as there were in the previous fifty years. A century ago there were just fourteen peals of twelve, in 1878 they had grown to 25 , and now there are 47 . York Minster was the first to possess twelve bells, the augmentation being made in 168 r , but there was a considerable interval afterwards, when there were only ten bells there, and the famous church of St. Bride, Fleet Street, can claim the largest unbroken history for a twelve-bell peal, the trebles being added to the then existing ten in 1719. At one time the practice of change ringing on twelve bells was conifned to the privileged few, and except perhaps in London, Birmingham and Norwich, there were no twelve-bell companies that lasted for any length of time, until the latter half of the nineteenth century. To-day, of course, the position is much different, and twelve-bell companies can be found in many places, but, what is more, the number of competent twelve-bell ringers has vastly increased, thanks to the additional facilities for practice which are now enjoyed. There is every reason to hope that Reading will provide an active centre, where twelve-bell ringing will be encouraged on an ample scale. The Berkshire twelvebell scheme was launched as a venture of faith; it has (Continued on page 818.)

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Composed by H. Dains. Conducted by R. Maitrews.

* First peal in a Surprise method. The 100th peal by C. Skidmore and the 50th peal by H. G. Bird for this association.

SHAROW, YORKS.
CLEVELAND AND NORTF YORKSHIRE ASSOGIATION. On Salurday, Decembey 14, 1929, it Three Hours,

Ay the Churce of St. John.
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, EOEG CHANEES:
Tenor 16 cwt .
Edward Hudson ... ...Treble $\mid$ Robert Lancaster... Wifliam Broadley ... .... 2 Hrrbrrt E. Pickering ... 6
Thomas Metcalfe $. . . \quad . . . \quad 3 \quad$ Henry Clayton... John Harrison ... ... ... 4 Frrd E. Addisox ... .... Temor

Composed by J. A. Trollope. Conđucted by Fred E. Addison.
First peal of Bob Major on the bells and first peal since 1911. Treble ringer Belongs to Slarow, 2ad to Darlington, 3rd to Middlesbrough, and rest to Tadcaster.

LOWESTOFT, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION.
On Saturday, Decombey 14, 1929, in Thet Hours and Seven Minates, At the Church of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANEES; Tenor 3 年 cwt.
Stanley Sopling ... ...Treble Arthor G. King... ... ... 5
Edwin R. Goate ... ... 2 James Spalding ......
John C. Dicken .... ... 3 William Lee ...

- Robrra Spalding ... ... 4 Charles F. Sayer ... ...Tenor

Composed by H. Hogsard. Condacted by E. R. Goatr.

* First peal of Major, and in his 80th year.

BRENTWOOD, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ABSOOIATION.
On Monday. December 16, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,
At the Chorch of St. Thomas-tge-Mariyr,

## A PEAL OF 8TEDMAN TRIPLES, BO40 CHANEESI

Hgywoon's Variation.
Tenor 20 cwt .

- Robert Hzazel ... ...Tyeble Ernest I. Botler ... .. 5

Grorgr E. Pye... .... ... 2 Frank G. Ringr... .... ...
Frederick W. Richardson 3 Harry Turnbr ... ... ... 7
-Albert Prybe ... ... ... 4 Ernest W. Furbank ... ...Teho* Conducted by G. R. Pyp.

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A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; Tenor $\sqrt{7} \frac{1}{c} \mathrm{cwt}$.

- Wieliam Brours ... ... ireble | Edward A. Hern ... ... 5 | - Robert S. Strathord | $\ldots .$. | 2 | Ik. Alder Gopton | ... | ... | 6 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Richard A. Gorton... | ... | 3 | Strphen W. Stratrord | .. | 7 |  |

 Composed hy G. Lindorf. Conducted by Thomas T. Gorion. * First peal of London.

ORAWLEY, SUSGEX
TEE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thurgav, December 19. 1929, in I wo Hows sund Fifty-two Mirwtes, At the Churce of St. John-the-Baftist,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES: Tenor 13 量 cwt. in $F$.
Mies Florrie Wyman
..Treble $\mid$ Nhlson Elliori..
Rrginald V. Johnson ... 5 Robert Switt .... 3 Jack M. Cripps... ... .... 7 Kenneth Sneleing ... ... 4 Oelver Sippetis... ... ...Tamay

Composed by C. Midoleton.
GRAYFORD, KENT
THE EENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
Om Friday, December 20, 1929, in Two Hours and Thinty-Nine Menetes, At the Ceurch of St, Paclines,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 50a0 CHANGES

Holt's Ten-pari.
-Edwin A. Barnett Edwin Barnett, fon. Ewin Sarnett. f0N. ... Harry Hoverd ... ... ... 3 Herbert E. Aodslay ... a John Wheranon ... .....Tenor Conducted by Edwin Barnett, sen

* First peal and first attempt (age 11 ycars). The rincers of 1,2 and 7 aro thre gencrations.


## SIX BELL PEALS.

## MORTON, DERBYSHIRE

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATTON.
On Monday, December 16, 1929, in Two Hours and Thiriy-Nine Minutes.
Az the Ceurch of the Holy Cross,

## M PEAL DF HIMOR, 50ta CHANGES:

Being four 720 's of Oxford Treble Boh and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 4 cwt. 3 qr. 7 lb.
Hobert Balley
... ...Theble Arthur Smithson
Efingst Mallender... ... 2 Bernard Bailey...

- Bernard Porter ... ... 3 Fred Knowles ... ... ....................... Conducted by Fred Knowles
* First peal of Minol. Treble, 4ht and 5th ringers hail froms Blackwell, 3rd from Teversall and the others belong to the local hand. WORTH, SUSEEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOGIATION.
On Wednesday, Deumber 18, T929, in Two Hours and Foyty-Thre Minates At mhe Choreh of St. Niceolas,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MINDR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven $720^{\prime}$ s.
Tenor gl cut.
- Walter Cbarman
... ...Trebi
*Robert Swift ... ... ... 2 "Cbcil Nics ...
*Kenneth Snglling... .... 3 Oliver Sifperis ... ...teror Conducted by O. Sippetts.
* Tirst peal in the mehod.

THRANDESTON, SUFEOLE,
THE SUFFOLK GULLD.
Or Thursday. December 19, 1929, in Two Honrs and Forty-Five Minurs,
At tha Chorce of St. Margaret,
A PEAL OF MIHOR, 50a0 CHANGES 7
Heing threu 700's of Pren Boly and two 720's cach of Kent and Oxiont Treble Bob.
 Conducted by Wallam C. Rumsey.

BROMHAM, BEDFORDSHIRE.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
Om Saturiar, Decamber 21, 1929, in Chyee Hours and I menty-fue Minwtes, At the Church of St, Owen.
A PEAL OF MINOR, EOCO CHANGES;
Heing 720 of Woodbine, two 720 's of OxFord and Kent Treible 13ob, each 720 called differently, 720 each of Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 23 ent.
Georgr White ... .... ...Tyeble Percy C. Bonnett ... ... 4
Francis Borne ... ... ... 2 Herbert L. Hablow... .... 5
Frank C. Tysor ....... 3 |Charles W. Clarke ... ...t Tengr
Condacted by Charirs W Clarke

* Firsif peal foside. Riogers of 1,2 and 3 are members of the local company


## HANDBELL PEAL

STOCKPORT.
THF CHESTER DIOGESAN GUILD.
On Thursday. Decomber 19, 1929, in Two Hours and Thirty-Fowr Minutes,
At 23, Greek Street,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, sO7SCHANGES!
Tenor size 17 in A.
Harold Jacrson ... .... ... $\operatorname{t-z} \mid$ Allen F. Bailey .... ... 5 -G
Frederick Pafri ... .... .... $3-4$ Alfrpd Barnes ... ......
Pbitr Laflin .... ... ... 9-10
Composed by Gabriel Lindorf. Conducted by Alien F. Bailey

## A GREEK DISAPPROVAL. <br> To the Editor.

Dear Sir, - Apropos of your recent learling article, a young fimek at my hotel was enlarging a few day̧ ago on his objection to bells. The illustration on the front page of 'The Ringing World' harl aroused his ctiriosity, and coining a new Greek word for the purpose I explajued that it was "a joumal for lovers of bells.", At hat he queried how I could find eithen "necessity or beauty" in bells, and proceeded to tell in quaint lingligh how they hat disturbed his slumbers at Locarno. He was slinying af an botel near the Chureli of Madonna del Sasso, 'and the monk,' he seid, 'belled ai 5 otheck. Oh!' (At this point he jumperl in hia seat to indicale the efteet that it had on him. 'And then be bellod it agaiu every half-hour lial eight o'clock.'
As the young gentleman in question makes a practioe of coming to breakfast in lis night attire just beiore 10 a.mı, one can readily undelsfind hat the good monk's efforts to neonsge carly rising did not secure his npproval!-Yours trulg, F. LL. EDWARDS.

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## THE MAKING OF A BELL

## LEOTURE JBY A BELT FOUNDER.

A locture on the lechnical side of bell founding was given by Mr. A. A. Hughes, of the Whitechapel Bell Foundry, before the Now cemen Society for the Study of the Histary of Engineering and T'echnology, at a meeting held at Prince Fenryts Room, Fleet Street dondon, on Deemiter 18th.
In the course of an interesting lecture Mr. Hughes pointed aut that fundamentally the actunl processes of moulding and casting have altered only slightly during the last six or seven conturies. The firsti step in the founding of a hell was to design the slape, and the making of this fesign was perhaps the most imporlant part of the whole work, for the satisfactory qualily of tone depended apon cor reel shape and forrect proportions of thickness al various points The quality of metal, whilsi of importance, was secondary to design. Mr. Fughes wezt on to degeribe in detail the process of mould ing, and contrasted the enre necessary in this part of the work compured with that for commercinl castings, in which it is eustomary to add a percentage of thickness to allow for nachining. In the case al bells there was no machining in the accepted sense of the word, and the founder designed lis bell to produce the note required. It whs for this renson that such particular care was taken with the monaling, as the limits for correction by the tumiag machine were tery amall. The moulds of botll core and cope are subjected to drying at several stages in order to reduee sluninkge to the lowest possible point, nud are finally given a dressins of plumbago and polished to produce a clearl, smooth surface on the casting, also to prevent hilo metal from luyning jnto the mould and to aliow of easy stripping' after casting.

## QUALITY AND TONE

Bell metal, continued Mr. Hughes, was an alloy of copper and in, ami, for church bells, the bixture was ahaut 76 per cent. copper and 23 per cont. tim. Many experiments had been macle, but this copper and tin alloy had been proved to bo the best for profucing a clear, pure tone. The note of a bell depended upon its diameter at the mouth and its thickness at the soundbow. Two bells of the same size, but of different thicknesses, would therefore lave different rotes, the thimber of the two being the lower in pitcin. A peal of cight in the diatonic scale were calculated from the following proportions: Taking the tenor as 1, the diameter of the others from the 7 th to the treble would be $8-9$ ths, 45 ths, ${ }^{4}, 2$-3rds, $3-5$ ths, $8-15$ ths, , and each boll would, of course, bo east on the same seale of thickness. As, however, weights varied at the cubes of the diameters, in the case of bells to be hung for change ringing the weights obtained in a peal cast exaclly to this natural scale, would not be satisfacrory, and the smaller anes would be overpowered by the larger ones. It was, tharefore, necessary to depart by calculation from the natimal scale mad gradually to facrease tile weights from, generally spesking, the 6 ih. This naturally necessitated making them larger and, in order to retain the desired note, the thickness muse be proportionately increased. The result was ilat the treble would be ahoul 30 per cent. of the weight of the tenor instead of, accorting fo the natural formula, I咅 per cont

## EXACT TUNING.

modem tuning, the note and harmonic tones were recorded by - tans of special Luning forks, registering the rate whrations per serond for ereli note. Bath bell was troated on the jintle, until its note responded exactly to the desired forks, and a ring of bells so toused could he gunranteed to be absolutely perfect in tune. It was in designing and tuving that the great advance had been made Fin first tuning machines constructed were laid down at the Glounesber Foundry of the renowned Rudhall family, and at the Whitechapel Foundry abont 100 years ago. From deseriptions handed down, these machines were worked by horse or donkey, and it was he madine which repolved, not the bell, as on modem lathes. With hese cally madhines, it was only possible to tune a bell in one zone, l.t., the soundbow, and he hamonic tones were, therefare, neg
fictecd. Previous to these first machines, turing was offeeter by land-chipping metal from the soundhow. Sometimes a hell wotuld lu: sharpened by chipping metal from the exineme adee, the reduced liameler and retention of the ofiginal sourdbow thickness resulting in lesser mmplitude, and, therefore, quicker vibration, giving the higher note.
It had been stated that a few of the early Tinglish fonnders harl sane knowledge of the theory of carrect design. The examples were unosty tomme in the eastern Counties, and one could caly contact will the Flemish founders, or by loaving paid wis to the Continent. One of the most remowned bells in Dast Anflia was tho tenor at Laverlam, Suftell, cast hy Mileg Graye, of Golchester, II 1625 and wnighing abouf 24 cwt. " chi is bell was almost perfectly corvent ir its toncs. The curious thing, however, was that, as good "Fomace as Miles Graye was, his bells wore not consistend in qualily, and one could, therefore, only assume that his knowledge was linitud. Mr. Hughas said his own opinion was that these eerly (unnfers, like their successors, beliewed that atl bells, irrespective of size or scale of thickness, conld be dosigned on exactly the same lines. (Continued in next columa.)

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

WEST DORSET BRANOH: APPRECIATION OF HON. SECRETARY'S WORK
The anmual mecting of the West Dorget Branch was held at Brid + port an Saturday, December 14th, about 60 ringers attending. Service was lield in the Parish Church, conducted by the Rev. S. H. Viggars (Rector), aud an address was given by the Rev. B. J. Langhani, Rector of Maiden Newton.
The usual meat tea followed at the Greylound Hotel, presided ower by the Rev. C. Carew Cox, chairman of the branch, supported by tle Revs. B. Langhnnı, B. Hutton, O. H. d'Ombrain, Messrs. F. Bugler (Ringing Master), W. E. B. Northover (Depaty Ringing Master'), and Mr. T. Hervey Beams (hon. secretary).
At the tusimess meeting, the president, Ringing Master and Deputy Ringing Master were all umanmously re-glected to office.
The unweleome anotncement lrad then to be made that Mr. Beams felt unable, on mecount of his ill-health, ta earry on all the duties required of the secretary and treasurer. Mr. Beams spoke an his own helaalf, regretting his mability, but offeriug whatever counsel and direction be could to whosoever was appointed to succeed him.
It was unanimously felt tiat the branch was auxious to retain Mr Beams upon its list of officers as long as' possible, and the warm sympathy of the members was expressed to him. He was, thelefore, re-elected formally as secretary and treasurer, and Mr. F. Brooks, of Beaminster, was appointed hon. Assistant secretary, with the tuderstanding that he would shoulder all the active work.
The Chairman then spoke of Mr. Beams' association with the Guild during the twenty-three years since his coming to Bradpole, of his untiring devotion to the cause of bells and ringing, and of his persistenee which had resulted in the established position of the branch to-day and in the existence of ohange ringing over a wide area where it was previousiy unknown. He asked Mr. Beams to accept the gratitude of the branch, which owed all its progress to Mr. Beams
On behalf of the members, the Chairman then presented to Mr Beams a framert address, accompanied by some uscful gifts, towards which every towor affiliated to the branch had sent a subseription.
Mr. Beams, in expressing his thanks, hoped that the member: would assist his successor in every way.
Bradpole, Maiden Newton, Whitchureh, Netherbury and Beaminster were chosen for the quarterly meetings, and it was resolved to hold a bye-meeting at Litton Cheney.

A comprehensive vote of thanks was accorded the Rector of Brid port, the preacher, the organist, and all the incumbents who lad wolcomed the Guild at their towers during the year
A strong recommendation was passed that the Diocesan Guild should press for the inclusion of a practical ringer on the Diocesan Advisory Committee.
The towers in the neighbourhood were available for ringing, and many young ringers enjoyed some good practice.

THE MAKING OF A BELL (continued from previous column). It was, of course, now koown that this was not the case. With alf these early founders' products, it was noticeable that one or two bolls were better than others, and he (Mr. Hughes) thought there was no doubt that they worked largely by rule offthumb methods. It should not be inferred, coneluted Mr. Fughes, that aIl the old rings of bells in the country should be recast. There were still many old rings throughout the country which, despite technical faults, were regarded favourably, and the general effect in ringing was pleasing. It was also possible to retune many old peals, getting their fundamental notes correct and their harmonic lones as meaily m line as possible, with satisfactory results.
Mr. Eucless lecture, which was much appreciated, and followed with elose interest, was illustrated by lantern slides and models.

## NOTES BY THE WAY (cantinued from page 821).

The fortheoring Minor Methods Collection contains an appendix which is both an opportunity and a cliallenge-an opportunity for the Extrise to see if it has any use for a new style of peal camposition in Minor and Doubles, and a challenge to those who think that only What has always been done should still be done.
Let us remember that ringing is aus art based on a mathematical science, a science so exact and rigid tbat it makes its own rulos. You cannol get very far from them, Its loner histol'y and its many developments have left ringiug substantially the same thing as when it starled, and we need bave no fear that it will ever be spoilt by lawless innovations. So I an all in fovotr of experiments, and the more the people who make them maderstand the nature of ringing the better chance they liave of being successful.

UXBRIDGE, MIDDLESEX.-At St. Andrew'g Chureh, on Wedues day, December $18 \mathrm{th}_{1,}$ a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 45 mins. G. Mitchell 1, P. E. Jones 2, J. H. Lueas 3, F. G. Baldwin 4 C Nicholls 5, F. Corke 6, E. 1 G Swift (Grst quarter-peal is conductor and first attempt). 7, T. Setter 8.

## NOTES BY THE WAY

RULES FOR PEALS-A TTME OF EXPERIMENT. BY J. ARMIGER TROLLORE
The recont editorial in 'The Ringing World" on the subject of Conditions for Peals, saises a rather interesting problem. We are deminded that spliced ringing has fuecome a fairly common practice in late years, and that not only have peals been rung in several Major methods, but Triples and Major and Caters and Royal have been rung in the same peal. And we are asked, 'What about Minor and Doubles? May they, too, be rung in the same peal p. Well, the auswer depends, 1 suppose, largely upon how you are going to mix them. You might ring six camplete 720 's of Minor, followen by six complete 120's of Doubles, and although such a performanec cannot be said to be covered by the accepled rules, it is hardly likely that anyone (save, perhaps, a few purists who are not six-bell ringers) would seriously object. But you could not eall it spliced ringing any more than you could call a complete touch of 2,520 Bob Major followed by a complete touch of 2,520 Grandsive Triples spliced ringing. And there bardly scems to be any sufficicnt reason for ringing such a peal. The essence of spliced ringing is that two or more methads are employed in the same composition, and in ringing you pass from one to the ollier in the middle of the touch, and with no more notice than you get at a hob. It is one thing to start a fresin method from rounds, and quite another to pick ap the work for a new method at any odd lead-end. In proper spliced Doubles and Minor ringing you must have a true 720 made up of the two. Such a thing is no doubt possible, but it would involve making each of the bells in turn a covering tenor, a thing which for obvious reasons is not to be recommended. Apgrt from ihe detestable musical result, it would, I think, violate the sound rule of the Exercise that no bell should strike in any one position more than two consecutive blows
One other way, perhaps, you might do it. You could start a 720 of Minor, then in the middle at it switch over into Doubles, ring a whole or part of a six-score and pick up your Minor again, and so by Ghifting from one to the ohber ring a complete 720 and a complete 120. It would not be true spliced ringing, but it might be interesting as an experiment. But would if be worth while? The band that wants to ring it are the only people who can really answer that ques tion, but I should say, sceing that the scope of real spliced Minor ringing is so wide, that it would not be worth while.

But then comes the question, What about the Central Council rules for peal rivging? Camot we settle this question by seeing what they say and loyally abiding by it? 1 should say that they liave nothing to do with it at all. They were drawn up at a time when nobody thought of spliced ringing, and they do not contemplate these things in any way. True, they do not allow them, but it is not fair to say that they forbid them. Nor do I think that we need worry, it present, about hringing our rules up to date. We are passing through a time of development in peal ringing, and experiments are being made. We want to seo what is going to come out of them, and when we know that wo can rewrite our rules. We do not want to legalise formally all these experiments, hut we certainly do not want to stop them being made.

But people suy, 'That won't do. If we have got rules we must keep them, otherwise better to do away wilh them altogether. And do we want to have a state of lawlessness in the Exercise, where overythat argument is that you must undergand what the nature and use of rules in ringing are. And on this point there is a good deal of misunderstanding, People think ihat our yules are like ile rules in such things as cricket and football, which are necessary to the game, And which, if tayer breaks, lie is yuilty of unfaimess. But they are mot. When the essence of a gatme is competition between two people or two sides, you mast liave rates to hold the proper halance between them, and if one side breaks then it is guilty of unfairness. For instance, the bowler who throws in cricket is unfais to the batsman. But in ringing there is nothing of that sort. Competition only enters into it as a side isscte. Orar culcs are not restrictive. They are not intended to provent people from doing things. They are really directions how to get the hes out of ringing. They are the result of the exporience of the Exercise turing conturies, and they say to ringers, "Tf you want to get the best ouf of ringing, to this and do not do that. But if a band chooses to do otherwise, they are quite within their rights, and are guilty of no unfaimess. It follows that if sufficient reason oceurs any hand may break any of these rales and be justified in doing so. Nor will these exceptions alter the fact that for nearly every case the wule is good and should be observed. No rules should stand in the way of the legitimate and naiural development of ringing. The final test must be whether the novelty is a legitimate and nataral development. And that, 1 think, time alone can solve. Fifty years ago (much less than fifty years ago) a representalive body of ringers would have condemned out of hand such things as Little Mothods, or spliced peals. The time was not ripe for them. But now they have fitted themselves into our scheme of things, and we feel they are right and proper and a gain to our art. Novelty just for novelty's sake and things that are freaks are to be stemly discouraged, but if ringing is to live and flowish it must develop.
(Continued in previous column.)

## READING'S RING OF TWELVE

DEDICATION* AT ST. LAERENCE'S, READING.
It is remarkable what results may be achieved when everyone cancerned does his hest, and at the same time makes its possibleand attractive-for others to do theirs. This is practically, the story of the St. Laurence Twelve, which were ciedicated by Bishop Shaw on Friday, December 20th. The matter was only taken in liand at the end of dune, and some time before six months had clapsed the money was assured. The result ja also a witness to the fact that you can have a ving of twelve possessing beauty, body and halance with a tenor of under 24 cwt . Every bell is henrd distinctly in the ringing room, and all are restrained. The 'go' is all that could be desired.
Besides adding two trebles, the treble of the ald ten has been recest and the whole ring taned and lung with new fitting in a cast-iron and steel freme. The work has been carried oul by Messry, Mears and Stainbank, whose representative in clarge of the work in the tower was Mr. Frank Smith.
It was the wish of the church autionities that the ringing at the dedication should be carricd out by experienced twelve-bell zingers, so the foreman of tower, Mr. R. T. Hibbert, applied to Mr. H. Langdon, of the College Youths, who brought down for the occasion some of the St. Paul's Cathedrai band, most of whom are also members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild, and the bells wore heard to good advantrge in a 504 of Stedman Ginques rung at the close of the service.

The original ten hells were a ving by Robert Catlin, which were estored in 1882, when some of the hells were yecast.

## TWELVE-BELL TOWERS

## A COMPLETE LISM

The practice of having twelve bells, lung for ringing, iu a tower goes back to the earliest riays of change ringing. Youk Minstev possessed the first, set up in 1681, but these were recast into a peal of ten in 1765, and there was nok twelve in the towcr again until 1844. It was at St. Bride's, Fleet Strect, that the first twelve-belf peal was rung, and the bells here were made twelve in 1719. Cirencester followed in 1722, St. Martin's-in-Hhe-Fields (1726), St. Michael's, Cornhill (1728), and St. Saviour's, Southwark (1735) cane next, but it was not until 1770 that anolhel' wing af twelve appeared in the provinces. In that year the twelve was completed at St. Mary's, Cambridge, but in the meantime, as mentioned above, the twelve at York had disappeared. Two famons peals followed soon after-Birmingham in 1772 and Norwicis in 1775.

It is interesting to mote that two rings of twelve of former days are no longer iu existence, That at Christ Church, Spitalifelds, was destroyed by fre in 1836, and the ring of twelve at St. Peter's, Sti. Albans, completed in 1868, was afterwarda reduced again to ten.
Here is the list of fings of twelve in Grat Bridam and Ireland, with the approximate weights of the respective tenors:-

## London:

St. Paul's
St. Bride's
St. Martin's
Southwark
Cornlill
Bow
Sharediteh
Cripplegate
Ashton-under-Lyne
Birmingham
Bristol
liuckfast Abbey
Cambridge
Canterbury
Chelmsford
Cheltenlarn
Cironeester
Dublin
Vxeter
Great Yarmouth
Halifax
High Wy"combe
Tpswich
Leeds

|  | Approx welght tenor uwt. |
| :---: | :---: |
|  | 62 |
|  | 28 |
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OVER, CAMBS.-On Monday, November 18il, a 720 İlain Bob Manstield Ginn (first 720 on tower helis) 1, D. Adams 2, A. W. T Ginn 3, C. Robinson 4, A. J. Ginn (eonductor) 5, F. Warrington 6. Alsa 720 Woodbine Treble Boh: $H$, Fobinson 1, C. Robinson \& , B. Wayman 3, F. C. Gimn 4, A. J. Gin 5 , F. Warrington (coaductor) 6. First 720 in the method by 1st, and and 3rd ringers, and the first by the Over Socioty.

## SPLiCING PLAIN MAjOR METHODS

## PEALS IN 15 MLTHODS.

BY STEPHEN H. WOOD.
'Ihis article is really a contimuntion of or at seguel to, one which appeared in ' T'lie Hinging World' of August 30th, 1929. In that Hetinle I was dealing musinly with the first 15 methods in the C.C. Collection, mamely, all those whieh are produced by adding one or
 broble,' 5 th's and 6 tin's round the troble, ' 2 nd's plate," "7th's place.
Wi: succecderl in splicing seven of thern into a peal, and, later, sthded six " Lititle 'methods to this number: In doing this wo himited curselves to the ase ol' bolss only, with the exception of two Singlesours at the end of each latri-lis tarn the 'course' of the rows; and I promised to rolum later ami see whather we could get any further by using Singles us well as Molss. I have since investigated this ratiter, and hope to explain in Lhis article how the use of Siugle cunthes us to splice the whole 15 methods into a peal.

In my previous arficle (refored to above) idivided the 15 methods up into four groups and slowed how there are eight false courgeende belween any two of them, namely
$\begin{array}{llll}34256, & 35426, & 63254, & 42635, \\ 42356, & 52436, & 43652, & 35264,\end{array}$
${ }^{H}$ lise problem befote tis now is, therefore, to prodice four sets of buldral couren-ends which are such that no member of one repents with any member of any of the others when trinsposed by any of "tuese eight false course-conds. This sonulds ratier alarming, but in rality it is nett nearly as liand as it sounds. We can at once get in thels-ong id-courbe and onf out-of-course. Wlat we have to do, therrefore, is to wrile down Lwo sets, beth in-course, which salisfy therso couditions; we oan then write down the two correbponding out-of-course sets, making up ille necessary tour.
"Chere ar'e several sulutions to this problem, giving in onch case Lotal of 50 courde-ends-i.e., just half the full number (and, incirimpally, just about earogla to give us a peal).
'llue following is the most oluvious sturl symmeltical solution:-

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| 34256 | 43265 | 34265 | 43256 |
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| 35264 | 46253 | 36254 | 45263 |
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| 45.362 | 36452 | 46352 | 35452 |
| 62534 | 52643 | 526334 | 62543 |
| 64523 | 53624 | 54623 | 63524 |
| 63542 | 54632 | 53642 | 64532 |
| 56837 | 65243 | 65234 | 56243 |
| 56923 | 65.324 | 6.423 | 56324 |
| 56342 | 65432 | 65342 | 56432 |

In the nhowe, $A$ and $B$ are in-course, and it will be found that the raws of 4 am just the rows of $A$ written backwnids. C and $D$ are out-of-conrse, and fre Lie same as a und B with 5 and 6 reversed. 'Ilyse four sets will be foum to satiafy the conditions.
Now, we could liave got as far as, lifis hefore, but our trouble was Lunt, while we were limiter to the uge of bols only, it was impossible lo gre from A to $\mathbf{B}$, or funm G lo D. Tlie Siugles will overcome this diffeulty, und it now remains for us to see low we ean best jain us these 60 courses into ane ronned black.
thero again we are likely to get tempornily stuck; bat jt is obvious that there mist lie fray of doing it, so that if we think about it longe enougla nuti hatd elougla wo shatl probably get an iuspiration ot brato wave, Now it will be ohserved that the 60 couree-ends whth we ford using are rather peculine; in enels of them 5-6 are either It hone (i.e, in 5-6, either the righi way or reversed), or else are cutrsiag ench other: and these 60 course-ends have already been
jothei into an admitable peal of Dauble Nowich some years ago by

I wonld ask any who are interested in these maters to follow flais through very elasely, becanga tho way in which Mr. Bankes Jatnes' pron in Double Norwich is bound up with our present difficulties, and Ifse manmer in which it ovoremes them all wilh one foll swoop, as it were, tum suves us from any further worry about fulsemess, is one of the musi fascinating and beauriful things which I have yet met in fur womp at eomposilions.
The limures of this peal


Filevoll linns repentod, wilti wo similarly-placed Singleg, one in cuch lialf.
This is in itself p very clever poal of Bouble Norwich, but I doubl


geveral years later Lo splico many meliods into a peal of Major with such a maximum of simplicity. To begin with, it contains just the courses which we are dealing with, but it does more titan this; it uses only two oalis, Bohs at 'Home' and Singles at 'Oui.' Now a Single at 'Out' in an 8th's-place method has the same effect as a Singleat 'Right' in a 2nd's-place method, and by making this slight variation we at once make room for our end's-place methonk as well as ofr 8th's-place methods, and, moveover, the calls are wow in both cases right at the end of tho course, 6 , there is no possible chance of bits of one caurse repeating with bits of another, cach onn being an entirely separate and indepeudent unit. In fnet, its is all almost toos good to be true
If we write out the peal in full aud mark $A, B, C$ or $D$ opposite each course according to which of the four groups the previous courseand appears in above, we can find aut at once which methods we may use for exch course; there will in each case be a choice of wo For iustance, I have taken the -

Plain Bob, Double Bob and Revorse Boh group for A
Lavenham, Maidstone, Edmonton and Chestevield for $\mathbf{B}$
Sisipway, Highbury, Winchester and Marlborongli for G, and
Double Norwich, Fershore, Double Oxford and Herewnrd for D.
Suppose we find A marked opposite a course, then if the calling is Bols at Home, the method to be rung is Reverse Boh, and if the calling is 'Single at Right,' we may ring cither Plain Bob or Douthe Bob. Ant again, if $\$$ is marked opposite a course, wo can ring either Dotable Norwich or' Pershore if the calling is 'Bolo oul Home,' and either Double Oxfort or Hereward if it is Single ni Right.
So far thing have been going well for us, but wo now find aurselves up against two smags. The first is fairly easily oxercome; we have got to put in two Singles, one in each half, atnd in doing this we mist he careful about changitig the method. We must always clange from one group to another at a Single, and as in this ease we must make the Singles in the middle of the course, we shall have to change the method in the middle of a course.
The second smat is thore serious; it is this: the the onlling is *Bob at Home* in all the 8ths-place method courses, these courses will in no case contain the full seren leads. The Teverse Boh courses will give six leads and the Double Norwich five, but the others will give only four, three and two, according to where the "Home" position oceurs in the course the restult of this is that although wo have 60 courses (and 45 fuld ones are enough for a peal), aven if we spin out the length of our round hlock as fir as possible by putting in ouly one course of Pershore, Majdstone, , Hud Highatry, wo are alil! noorly four courses short of a 5,000 . Tlis is a tragedy, and soriothing drastic must be done about it, There is no choice; il wo are to gel a peal at all we must splice jot some courses with the tonors soparatod. I have dome lhis as simply as possible (and having dine regard for ' trath') by making three calls ai. 'Sth's' in each linlf, and by noking the first of them in each ease at Single instead of at Bob, we get over our first shag at the same time, that an avoid messine up the composition any more than is absalutely neoessary.
1 will how give the tigures of the peal:-
A SPLICED PEAL OF PIAAN MAJOR IN 15 METHODS 5,008 CHANGES.
(5th's) H. R. 23456

## 43256

42635 Reverse Bob.
64525 Reverse Bob. 675234 P. Bob; Dhl. Oxf 645732 Double Oxford.
S 65243 Douthe Oxford. 26354 Lavenlinm. 32465 Lavenlam. 43526 Maidstone. 54632 Lavenham.
© 56432 Cliesterfield. 45265 Double Norwich 24356 Touble Norwich. 32645 Pershote. 63524 Double Norwich.
S 65324 Herevard. 36452 Lavonham. 43265 Lisvenham. 24536 Latemham. 52643 Lavinliam.
S 56243 Edmonton. 25364 Double Norwich. 32456 Double Norvich. 43625 Doulale Norwich. 64532 Double Norwicl.
\$ 65432 Donble Oxford. 46253 Lavenliam. 24365 Lavenham. 32546 Lavenham. 53624 Lavenham.
S 56324 Edmouton. 35462 Double Norwicl. 4325 Donble Norwich. 23204 Reverse.
The ealling for the zecont half is the same as for the first (Cantinutal in neat columa)

24635 Double Norwictr.
62543 Double Norwich.
675432 Dul. Oxf' - Plaia Bobr.
625734 Plan Bob.
65423 Plain Rol.
46352 Shipway.
23546 Highiour
52634 Shipway.
56234 Mnilborough.
25463 Reverse.
42356 Reverse.
34625 Reverss.
63542 Roverse.
65342 Double Rob.
36254 Shipway.
23465 Shipwny.
42536 Slipway.
54623 Slipway.
56423 Winchester.
45362 Reverse.
34256 Reverse.
2.3645 Reverse.

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65234 Tlain Ionl
264.53 Slipws.:

32365 Shipw:y.
34526 Shipway:
53642 Shipwns.
56342 Wincheste
35264 Reverse.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

## A MEETING AT BEVERLFY

The quatierly meeting of the Eastern Diatrict was held at Beverley oll Saturday, December 14th, and was but poorly attencled. The survice was hold in the choir of the ninster, where the Vicar, the Ris. W. F. Rigg, D.D., delivered an appropriate address, in the conirse of which file demise of the late Vicar, Cenon Nolloth, was Louchad upon in affectionate terms.
llea was serven ial the Minster Parish Roon to members represerting towers at Howden, Hul!, Firk Tlla, Markef Weighton, Selhy, Sutton, Withernsea and the local company. The business meeding followed, the chair being taken by the Yicar.
The anaunl meeting was arranged to he held at Goole in March, and Mr. E. E. Taylor, of Withernsca, was elected a member of the associdation.
A volo of condolence was moved by Mr. F. Cryer and secondel by Mr. W. Gibson, with Mrs. Nolloth on the death of the late Cutran, the merrbers standing a few moments in respectfu] silence.

A amanimous hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Rev. Dr. Rigg for the use of the magnificent peal, service and address, also to the ladies who kindly administored to the wants of the visitors, and t.o Mr. W. Gibson for the excellent arrangements.

This conchded a small but a very enjoyable and harmonious meeting, to which the Vicar contributed in no smatl degree.

## (Ontinued from previous column.)

N.B.-In the 3rd course Plain Bob is rurg till the 'Sth's' pooition comes up (at the gecond leak), and Double Oxford is then rung thll the course-ent, the course cousisting of four leads. In the thir] course of the second half, Double Oxfaud is rung till the ' 5 th's' position conees up (at the 5th lead), and Plain Boh is then rung till the course-end, the course consisting of ten leads. In arranging the melbods I bave as far as possible pul the harder and lesg known methods early, and in this and other ways made the practical performanee of it as ersy as its nature allows.
This peal contains one or two rather unsatisfactory features; to hegin with there are geven methods which only appear once, and in three of these eares only for a short course. There are glso the four coures with the tonors apart, which we had to put in.

I have, however, composed another peal which gets over these diffeulties to s great extent. I will publish it, fud the groups of coursephds $A, B, C, D$ from which it is produced, ita a later issue. It is hased on the game idea, but at the expense of elaborating the calling a liftle bit I have reduced the number of ghort courses, so that the 60 courses, insteal of giving a round block of under 5,000 , now give 6,048 , which is a big improvement.

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## COLLEGE YOUTHS AT DOVER.

To the Erlitar.
Sir,-In reply to the inquiry by Mr. C. Turner in sour issue of December 6th, the College Youtlis rang a peal of Bob Major (5,040 changes) in 3 lus. 2 mins. at Duver (Si. Mary's) in the year 1732.Yours faithfully.
F. WARRINGTON.


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Pictures should, for preference, be photographic postcards, and, where there is any choice, the tower should be a feature.

Obviously, of course, all the pictures cannot be pululished at once, the object of getting a collection being that the photographs may be ready at hand for use when fitting opportunity occurs.
Will each tower secretary be good enough to sead a photograph of his own tower? It should be forwarded in an envelope for protection, and addressed to The Editor, 'The Ringing World,' Woking, Surrey, and the sender should enclose his name and address.

## BELERY GOSSIP.

A happy and prosperous new year to all our friends. May gour fortune always attend them, and their shadows ncver grow less.
The St. James' Socicty (which is now the London County Associafion) was established to give the members of the College and Cumberland Youths the opporturity of meeting and ringing peals hir gether. It was established over a hundred years ago, but it was not the first society that exisfed to meet this particular requirement. As long ago as 1738 there was in London 'the Friendly Society of Ringers. How long it lasted we do not know, but on December $27 \mathrm{th}, 1738$, under its auspices, a peal of 6,180 Bob Majer was rung ut St. Andrew's, Holborn.
A 'John' peal, composed by John Holt, reversed by Jobn Caricr and conducted by John Jaggar, was rung at St. John-the-Baptist 3 Cliurch, Hagley, on December 27th, 1902. The Johns, too, rang it peal of London Surprise at St. Stephon"s, Rochester Row, กu January 2nd, 1904, bat the first Joln peal was rung by the Bromidy Youtbs in 1828.
On hundred and eighty years ago to-morvow the "Twickenham Schollars' raug a peal of 6,000 Hob Major at Twickenham.
A peal of 12,000 Bob Major was rung at Bromsgrove on Decemher $29 t h, 1788$, and on the same day, two years later, a 10,080 was rung at Luceds, Kent.
The 29 ch is also the auniversary of the frrst peal of Double Norwich in Surrey, rung in 1848 at Holy Trinity, Newington, comgosed and conduched by John Cox; and the 35th anniversary of 10,176 Kent Treble Bob Major at Irthlingborough, which was couducted hy Charles W. Clarke.
Two records in their day, set up by the Orford Diocesan Guidd, were made on December 31st, when, in 1881, 15,041 Stedman Caters was rung at Appleton; and in 1892, 12,096 Datuble Norwich at Maidenhead.
James Barham rang his i00th peal on January 1st, 1793. The total
age of the band was 582 years.
On New Year's Day, 1776 a a peal of 8,046 Grabdsire Caters was rung at St. Mary's, Nottinglam, conducted by W. D. Crofts.

The first recorded peal in the belfry of St. George's, Gravesent, was rung on January 1st, 1786, fifty years after the bells had been instailed. The chureh was burnt down im 1727, and the restoration completed in 1736 . The present bells are a fime-toned prat by Messis. Taylor and Co., dedicated in 1923.
Mr. Robert Spalding inust liave created something of a record When on Saturday week lie rang his first paal of Major, for he is in his 80th year. Age is ne bar in ringing. Prior to this peal of Kent Troble Bob, Mr. Spalding liad rung only one other sight-bell peal, namely, a peal of Grandsire Triples, 17 years ago.
If you want to buy or sell handbells, advertise in "The Rinting World.' An advertiser writes: 'I had soven applications from my two adverfisements of set of handbells, and sold then satisfactorily.'
Mr. H. A. Barmett has completed fifty years as a ringer af All Hallows', Tottenham.
The peal of Grondsive Donhles rung at Huish Champflower, December 14th, rud reported in our last issue, should bave been credited to the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association.

## EAST BERGHOLT'S QUAINT BELL HOUSE

The quaintest belfry in this country with a ring of bells is East Bergholt in Suffolk, where at the parish church, dedicated to St. Mary, there is a heavy peal of five bells, the tenor reputed to be about 28 cwt ., hung in a cage in the cluurchyard. They are roofed over, but have neither ropes nor wheels. Each ringer stands on a ledge about two feet from the ground by the side of the bell frame and swings his bell by hand by the stock. The ringers


THE BELL HOUSE.
are guite dexterous in handling their bells and the ringing of them is always an object of interest.

There are various traditions accounting for the strange state of affairs; the least probable being that every time an attempt was made to build a bell tower his satanic majesty, annoyed over something or other, pulled it
down. A more likely explanation is the one that Cardinal Wolsey started the new tower but his 'fall' put a stop to the work. The former nave was taken down in 1520 and a base for a new tower prepared, but this was never completed, and the bells were housed in the cage as it is seen to-day. Some of the bells have been recast.

The church of St. Mary is chielly of the decorated period, with a spacious chancel dating back to 1450 , containing a beautiful marble floor and well carved oak choir stalls. The windows all round are large, and some very


THE BELLS.
beautiful, giving the building a very bright interior. An oaken chest, 1400 A.D., is placed near the organ, whilst an unexploded German bomb, one of forty dropped from an airship in September, 1915, is hung on the south wall. A short distance away from the church is the birthplaw of John Constable, the artist.

## CLERGY AND RINGINC

## To the Editor.

Sir, -May I, as a parson who has recently taken up ringing, join in the correspondence re the above?

First let me say that, while fron the ringers' point of view the ideal thing would be for every parson to be also a ringer, there is another side to it, and one which must not be lost sight of. For it is obvious that to learn ringing absorbs mucin time. Some, it is true, pick it up much more quickly than others, but it requires, say, a year or more to become at all proficient at change ringing. Fow many averwarked clergy and curates in large parishes can give one or two nights $n$ week during that time to learn the art in the midst of n! I their ofher engagements? Even a country parson finds limself much oecupied by evening classes, and many might well argue that his time might be much better spent than in the tower week after week. But if he is not a ringer, how is he to get in touch?

He may visit the ringers on practice nights, if he has time and is not atherwise engaged, but the prubability is that he will not understand what they are fioing, and will feel very much uthe way. On Sundays the bells are ringing before ho gets to church, und if they are having quarter-peals his arrival in the belfry will disconcert tho ringers if he attempts to start conversation with them during the peal. If they ace having change vinging, it is not easy to time one's arrival for the few minutes in between the changes. By the time they stop ringing for tolling in he is probably in the vestry gefting ready limself for the service. And do not forget linat there are often many things he must see to just before the scrvice if all is to go with that smootimess which is so necessary to devoul worship.
It may be said that he should be there early to take the opening prayer. Rut if the parson is single handed, and possibly in the country with fwo chureles some distance part, this may entall a rery early start, and $]$ think there are many of my brethrern who would agroe with me that the last half-hour is a very sacred and precious
prepantion for pinjer and menifation, and not one to be tighty fispensed will. Hiwing for some years lived about a mile and a lagls from my chureh, 1 know sommething of what time and distance meun.
My point is that there is a very real fifficulty in getting in touel with the ringers, even will the best will in the world. It is easy enough for tha ringer to say, 'If parson were different it would he all right, but the question is, " [s it aiways his fault?' I honesty think that if the parson rings himself it helps to bridge the galf, bat, as I have tried to poinl onli, that is not always easy.
But are we not in danger of losing sight of the main crucial point? The office of beltringers should be as zatred an office as that of Sumday School teacher or any ather charchworker. Quite so: thon we must go one step furthor. Spiritual men and women for spiritara work. Aim, pray, work for converted bellvingers. Then there will the no gap between parson and hellringer; both will be one in thatr aims and purpote, they will not only meet in the belfry, but in many other phases in Clureti life aud work. And there will grow up lie: tween them that holy, happy bond of Churstian followslijp whish is only to be found between those who are truly one in the deepest spiritual things. Their bellringing will then be not merely a hobby nor an occasion for sacial intercourse, but it will be a bit of spirithin? work underlaken from the lighest motives. -Yours truly,
F. ARTHER ROUGHTON,

Vitat of Galleywoorl, Essex.
BOURTON-ON-FHE-WATER, GLOS.-On December 16tla, g qumr ter-paral of Grandsire Triples 11,260 thanges) in 43 mins, by the following members of the St. Jsamence Saciety: H. James ${ }^{2}$, Mrs. F. A. Clements 2, A. W. Wrighe 3. H. (rillett (conductor) 4, 'T'. Braning 5, B. T. Pinillips 6, F. A. Clements 7, C. Pratley 8. Mr. Gillett's first quarter as conductur. $\mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{s}}$ is an old and respected mothber of the St. Lawlence's Society

## JOSEPH J. PARKER

## PIONEER IN COMPOSI'IION.

A NOTES SOLTH BLCES RINGFR.

Among the names that will go down to history in ringing is that git Joseph 1. Parker, who, as an investigator of and a pioneer in nsw ideas of anmposilion, was anong the loading composers of a generaliona ago. Mr. Parker lins produced peals which are classics, maf, if only for his famous twolveparl of Giramaire friples-in its nriginal and trunsposed forms it is the most widely rang Grandsire nomposition Lo-day-lig work will always be known in the Exercise. Tant. while ringers have the arivantage of his work, what of the mant One of the most retiring of individuals, one who has nerer songht the limelight, dosepla J. larker', loved by his intimates who ring in and arohid Soutis Buckinglamenshirg, is personally unknown to the larger world outsirle, and it is a delight to us, through the sketch whith follows, from the pens of 'W. F. Fy' to introduce hinu to the ringers of an new genemition. Mr. Parker las just comHated fifty years as steeplekecper at Farmam Royal Clureh, and the present is thorefore a particularly fitting opporfunity for suels ful article.

Turn mear the River Come, in the parish of Hordon, Bucks, on Murch 7th, 1853, Mr. Joseph d. Parker nigrated as a youstg man la Salt Hill, near Silougl, for two years, fund then on to Farmharn Roynl in 1870, where lie was Marmed to an Eton lady, b He Rector, at St. Mary's Churels on April 25th, 1865. Two chiddren (a sou and (inughter) struvive of at fomily of four, the elder san -named Joscph after his Father, and who lad rung a poal or two-passing away in his prime in the year 1920. Early in June this rear Mis. Parker was ealled "way in her 84tll year, athal as troubleg never come alone Mr. 1'arker almost followed her n few days afterwards, having been run down lyy at fast rotor-car while oycling nomy his lome. Fortunately sutous resalts were not ep-perchi-athough his machine was ermmpled up sul] loe was sul about and brused consideriably-for he may yet be seen vecasionaily riding a brand new gle through ilie village. Mr. एarker's trade as a practical boot man shoe maker was carried on at; bwo sloops it the Village
 ocenpiod lou 17 yeurs, the other for 14 years, with the added respranimility of the Post. Ghte work to his mumerous amdertakings.




IN THE HFGINNING.
Farnham Royai Church tower was rebuilt in 1876, and the present back six befls, with now frami, eto, lung by Mears and Stainbank They were made up as II 'six with four old bells, two of which (by Pack and Chapman, dated 1752) were cracked, and two new
 of the restored towne atul hells took phace with open house to noiglohouring bands ol vingers ator thair ederey, from Berks and Harks howers, with sompec in the whuch and a suitable adrlress,

 operate the frolls, fatd the writer las vivid recollections as a young 'Wenthe linml' with that company of daking the second bell in a
 Ifil, inducted Yican io 1877, and his dight-bell band of ringers, Whase lower aml beds had been opeued in 1875 . Daring the speeches refoemare was made ta 'landi-putl' ringing and belfry reform, several lothers howing appeared in Chureh Bells' upon these matters.

Looal dergy were not slow in appreciating the advice of Canor Eilacombe in the eurrent issues of that weakly, whilst the newlyformed West Miedlesest Association end hite Devonshire Guild, both in 1874, followed by Yorks Association, 1875, and Laneashire, 1876, pointed the way ta a Berks and Bucks Asmociation for the utraneement of change ringing in this district.
It took over twelve montis to bring the organisntion into ghape. Drummend was president, Marshall freasurer, and Edwaral Rogers hon, secretary. Rales were drawir un, and the anmual fee fixed at 2s, per head. A mumber of meetings and practices were heled by the ringleaders, Massis. Rogers, Smith \{fvom Drvonporth, Parker, Flarman, Bissley, Allder and F'ussell, during 1878, and on Jamary 1st, 1879, subscriptions were first paid in, the writel treasuring No. 1A receipt of that date, now in his possession.

Mr. 1'sriker is the only survivor of the old Farohans tean-Messrs. Batten (schooimaster'), Beamond, verger, a big man who coulri acarcely climb the old stains, Bavingdon, Crockel, Deadman and Flaxiath-abd with them he dearnct to pull a bell, his assistance having been previonsly secured as a motsician to enahle thens to master haudbell tuye playing for Cluistmas.

## PUBLIC UNDERTAKINGS.

Mr. Parker's appointment as tower formman [ollowed, ant The set about getting new hands, and soon mastered tower bells in Doubles and Minor. Then be tumed his attention to simple compositions on six bells, little dreaning of the mass of figures ho was to wade through in after years. When Quect Victoria's diamond jubilee eame along, it was Mr. Parkel' who urged tle 'trebles' in opposition to other suggestions, and in 1897 the collected the whole of the funds for the new hells and fittings.
With his meighbour, the Iate George Allder, of Burnlamm, he at once set about hanging the new hells in a new frame withont professional linlp, and in Octolser, 1898, with his own band conducted his own composition for the first pal on the octave. On the death of the Rector, the Rev. F. Stirling Barshall, a well-heloved ringers" friend, who lad heen incumbent for 37 years, the parish decided to keep his memory by installing a striking elock in the clurels lower, and the whole of the fands for this wore collected as a labour of love by Mr. Parker, who has ever since 1891 cared Coy and attended to its regular timekeping.
When the Parochial Couneil was formed, under the Local Government Act of 1894, Mr. Parker was one of the first members olected, aud lass served on it ever since. He now holds the pasition of wiceclamiman, with the rdded dignity of heing Fathor of tha Council, As a fire hrigade voluntent he lark on the care of tire hose reel aut lydrants of the parish for some time. Fond of music and a matara? musician, lae early jomed the choir as a lemor singer atad played a great part in concert work in many of the neighbotring parishos, with oceasional violin and Euglish eoncertina performances of raerit, and solo handinell table pieces.
It is la bo hoped my accomat is nol wearying to the readers of "The Ringing Work, but ons camot hold a fremadship witla a follow elaurehman for over hati a century whthont going inta a little detail of his life. How mach slould we appreciabe to-day a similas history of some of the early fommers of the art, suth as Gurtion, of Norwieh, Anable and Holl, of Latndon, and several others of centuries ago?

## HIS PEAL RHNGING

When the Oxford Dincesan Guikl was formed in 1881, ilae Berks aurd Bucks Association was taken over en blow by the diocesan body nad allowed to relain its oft title as a branch. For we Guik, Mr. Parker lins scored over at century of peals, details of which are appended, but it is cloubtfis if he will itd another the the list owing to his recent accident. The writer consoles himself with the fact that he shared in Mr. Yarker's fist (Ealing in 1883) nud last (Kitchin in 1925) performances.

> Grandive Caters
> Grandsire Triples
> Oxford Bob Triples Stedman Triples Bob Major Double Norwiclı Superlative Surprisc Camhricige Suprise Kent Troble Boh Seven methods an six hells Five methods an six bells Futu methods on six bells One method on six bells

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Of these, 101 peals were ruag for the Oxford Diocesan Guild, 19 for the Midalesex Comty Association, find 11 for ohlior sociehies. It will be noticed that "Grandsire' predominates in the list, which shows that the veterat was born too soon, at a tima when half-pull men were searec, and long journeys on foot had to be undertaken
fur an 'atterapt' that was froqueutly repeated. For instance, at Wracsbury Mr. Parker marle nearly a dozen attempis, some of almost three hours' duration, bofore he was rewarded with "That's all. In addition to the Oxford Guild and Middlesex Association, he also joined the College Youths, Sl. Jumes' and Waterloo Societies in London.

## IN TKE REALM OF COMPOSITTON.

Success with his early efforts in Minor led Mr. Parker to plain Thiples' compositions in Union, Court and Oxford Bolm wethods, and severa) new peals were sent to Farry Burstow, of Horsham (an old friend), and were rung by the Warnham company. Indeed, Mr. Parker was so well recognised as an authority on these metiods fhat he was raked by the Rew. Farle Bulwer to classify a collection, but he gave way in favour of the late Dr. A. B. Carpenter, of Croydon. No conposer of note is free from numerons applications from hudiding conriuctors for information, often of an 'impossible nature,' and Mr. Parker's postbag of the pash 40 years would fill a goodsized brax.
He bas produced several peals of value in Double Norwich, Treble Bols and Superlative, hut it is in the development of now ideas from 1889 onwards that J.J.P. surprised the Exercise by his compositions. All leaders in the realms of method building and composition have, ak one time or another, communicatec with him to their mutual satisfaction and the advantage of the Exercise-Snowdon, Bulwer, Dains, Wnslibrook, Pritchard, Carter and Sir Arthur Foywood, all now deceased, as well as J. W. Parter, of Sunderland, G. Bakef, of Brighton, G. Lipdoff, of Dublin, and the Rev. C. D. P. Davies. With the last-mamed, a good deal of the spade worle was done to produce the two modern works on ringing, viz., 'Grandsire' and 'Stedman.' It is on record that Sir Arthur Heywood, on seeing certain productions ty ML. Parker, thiew over a whole pile of work in owler to start afvesh.
During the carly years of the Sussex County Assaciation clatlenge cup era certain of the committee rather fraved for the trath of the peals rung in the Warnham district, not knowing till later who was the actual composer: Quite recently Mr. Lindoff produced a ten-parti peal of Stedman Triples and wished to elaim it, but was refered to the 'Bell News' of 1889. Again, Wra. Sevier, of Gloncester, seni him years-ago a ten-parf peal of Grandsire Triples by the Rev. $H$. L. Tames, which Mr. Tarker converted into an excellent five-part peal. In recent convergation I have nseertained that much of his early work was entirely wasted in midenvouring to 'produce an impossibility, ${ }^{\prime}$ und it was out after elaborate diagrames, with columns of part-ends to correspond with the 'boh sets " of calling, had been prepared that it was possible to answer the question: "Will it go " Garter's ' 20 courses,' with the help of the two Parkers, soon becane 30 , and then 40 courses us wo know them to-day, and, strange fo say, working independently, each man produced them in exactly fly same way
"The Waterlna Society rang Hult's Original reversed br' Carter, and it was questioned by Challis Winnest with lehters to Mr. Parker, who pointer out that by cutting ont the three leards between the Singles, and placing them it the body of the peal, it was quite true. There was at very inferesting half-hour with Carter at the 'Goose and Gridiron" soon afterwards, during a College Youtlis' menting there.
Harcey Reeves, the late editor of "Bell News, had an ambition to call a peal of Stedman Triples at St. Saviour's. Walthamstow. Gartor arranged the conposition-a variation of Thurstans four-part-in suit the 4 th bell as tho observation. This Renwes called. and lad a board erected for it in the belfry. That peal proverl false, but the same composition with the 2nd as observation by Parker runs tuve. When "Bell Nows' started, Harvey, a portiv man, often visited Farmlian Royal foy a week-end, when le woukd engage a pouy and chaise lo drive lhrough the famous Burnham Peeches with Parker, and I ofter heart a cood deal of talking and figuring in various mothods by the pair during onr drive, which ustially finished up at the Dukes Head to moisten the course eads. Mr. Parker had the ptill on him once when Reeves returned his twro ponls of Grandsire Triples on the six-part plan as false, whist they were perfectly fue, a plan which ather composers have since follower up.
What do you consider the most effeotive composition in Grandsircp I asked. 'My 12-part; it is tapable of endless variation, replied Mr. Parker. 'I have it transposed with the second bell as ohservation for a conductor, who is unable to ring at the back end of a ring of eiglat.
This contributions would nat he complete if attention were not Arawn to Mr. Parker's fourfold jubilee, an accomplishment that floes Rerks and Bucks ringer, and, last but not least, fifty years of happy matried life. His many services as a ringer, composer and a committee man for the Ouford Dioceshan Guild were acknowledged by electing him to honomary triembership of 1 he $G$ aikd in 1889, and there is every prospect of his making another jubilee in 1931.
On St. Leonat's Day Four Berks and four Jucks men met at Farmam Church and rang a 'complimentary peal' (as already re-


## THE STANDARD OF STRIKJNG IN PEALS. <br> SOME PCRTINENT REMARKS. <br> To the Editor

Deat Sir,-Far be it from mo to cast animadversious unon ather people's peal ringing. The standard of striking in peals is necessarily arbitrary, for various reasons. However, there is a delfinte minimum of performance below which no ringers should go.

I and moved to these remarks hy what I heard of a penl at Painswiok on Saturday last, by the band which had attempted to regain the twelve-bell recorfl for length. I irust that no one will think I exaggerate, or that I approach the sulygect with anything but an open mind. I say, then, that this performance was no peal, for neither did it start from nor did it end with founds. Not one of the opening rounds was elean, and owing to the careless ringing of two of the litule bels, rounds did not come up where it ought to have done. Of the forty minutes or so of the ringing that I heard, the least said the better. It reminded me of nothing so much as at billiard player jilly knocking the balls about the teble, with no definite ollject in wiew. If a ball goes in a pocket, all well and good. If it doesn't, nohorly cares. And this was from the hand whicly, had it succected in keeping the bolls going for the proposed lengilh, would have taken precedenco, over the band which rang the Sotthwark Stedman, a mugnificent performance, aud ovor the Ashtou Maximus band.
I have just read bluough the foregoing, and see no reason to withdraw one jot of tittle of my remarlis. The two very efficient ringers who were wilh me at the time agreed with me that the ringing was very bad indeed.
I do sincerely trust thai the band, among whicls are some of my very good friands, will take these strictures as Lhey are offerect, i.e.,
spirit of friendly eriticism.
Now, Sir, 1 am not the man to toke an attitude which may be construed as purely destructive. Hence I have a suggestion to nake in regard to all record performances. Is it impossible for the CenEral Council to appoint competent jurges to listen to lhe ringing of these peals? The difliculty which crops up immediately is that were such judges to be appointed, they would have no fixed standiard on which to base their conclusions, but thoy would lave their own vers good selse. and that is not an unreasonahle criterion.-Wours tirals:

Chilcompton, Somerset.

## OLD SLOWE'S GHOST

## A GRAYE WARNING TO YOUNG RINGERS

'Tis oft limes repeated as ' how there's wo ghosts. But, don't you believe it; for lie who sure boasts Upon this moot point-woll, just doenn't know Our long defunct change ringer-Resiman Slowe Mow 'Renjy,' while wearing this ill-fittine coil Whioh poets call mortal, gave much of lig toil To the art of change ringing ; hut always insistod That "sltiking ceme first, the remaindim-existed. 'Tis knows far' at Fnot that old Berrismin 'walks." He was burien seventmat forty, and folks Declare that on practice mights lie"s "nasing " monnd, When yaid thindi he was sefe fueked away undergiound. If the "striking' be had, then an "eura" is sem To materialise nver the elasely eropned green Into "Beujy" himself! u-dancing a jig
In his threcconered lant and his pumb-handed wig. When the belis fall' in peal, and the light are turged nut, It is then that had strikers' fheir fears iry la flout. Quite ugeless, howevor! they just hrve to fane him: If they take to their heels the can nown ontipace him. The end of this race is a Eertiblo flawacle hs a slumed blow poes home eross the hroml of the brek. The striker now stricken, duck-bellows for mercy, And as Harhan wonld say, 'it's now onite wict wersey Rut afterwards, in the smoke-laden saloon Of thak goond honse of cheot, 'The Forkshire Dremoon, It's thon that "mine host," from tho vietinn in pain"
Takes loll, winks, and says, What! olil "Henjy " agan? CASCABEF.

## FHREE GENERATIONS IN A PEAL

Wiwin Barnett the thire las scored lis first posal at the agr of elaven years, and will warn tha hearty congratulations of the Erer
 being one of the very rarer examples of three gramrations trikilag part. We hope the three Edwins may ring many mote peals togethev, and thad some day Edwin Barnett [, and Wiwin Baruots II will ring in a peal conducied by Fawin Pamelt III.

## GLIMPSES OF THE PAST.

## LAVENHAM'S FAMOLIS TENOR

The 'Saturday Magazine' of October 17th, 1832 , lad the following paragraph in praise of Lavenlam tenor, still held to be one of the finest old bells in the country: At Eavenliam, all obsaure little towe in Suffolk, once celebrated for the manufacture of blue cloth and hand-spun yarn, stands a noble monument of ancient munificence, rankerl among the most benutiful Gothe fabrics in the kingrion, hoth for durability and grandenr. In the steeple of this church is a bell, waighing only $2,576 \mathrm{lb}$., with such a melodious note as to be nniversally styled "The Matchless 'Tenor '; and 'Magna Britanaia, treating of Lavenham bells, says: "The tenor hath such an admirable note, as England has none to compare to it.'

- Its weight, its shape, its size alike admir'd,

And tone wharewith each ringer is iuspired,
The merry eight with music fill the ear;
Enlerpe, too, invites from far and near.
And thongh, in floniling, all sounds slowly die,
They're quick revived by Echo's sweet reply
Heavd filrough the woods their soft melodious ring
Inspires the warbling feathoved tribe to sing,
Nestling 'mid laves, or skimming o'er the plain,
Distinct to hail each harmonising strain."
Tradilion says that at the time of casting this tenor bell at Lavenham (1625) somo rich wool staplers there and other gentlemen in the neighbourhood contributed great ganntities of silver, and even gold, to the ustual melal, which may, perliaps, acenunt for the vast sumpriovily of its tanc. Three roods of land were left to the church by some sdmirer oif ringing for the ropair of the bell ropes. Judge Hale, Simon De Fwes (one of the most learnec antiquaries of his titme and lord of the manor of Litvenhum), and William Ceci] [Lord High Treastrer of England) were celebraided bellringers, and no doubt travelierl miles to assist at the rejoicings of village festivals.'

## BOW STEEPLE.

Bow hells, still silend for want of that altention which all ringers are looping will soon be given to them, arm perlaps the most famous in the world, and the stecple is one of Wren's mataterpieces. It is recorded that about the year 1190, one Longbeard, riaglender of a furious mob, sought rafnge in the spire of Bow Church aud refused to surronder himself to the authovities mintil compelled fo alo so by their cotting fire to lis place of retreat. In 1271 part of the sieeple fell, and, says Stow, the historian, 'slewe manie people, men and pomen, that thon were in the clinch, or dwelled neere there or ahout.' The old sleepla was entirely reluilt about 1460, when the Commar Council of the Gity of London oudered that 'Tow gell, should he rung nightly at nihe o'clock in order to release the Londas 'prenlices.' This belt, says, Stow, heing usually rung somewhat late, as saemed to the young men 'prentiees and others in Cheap, they made and set up a rhyme against the elerk as followeth:Clerke of the Bow Boll, with the yellow locks,
For thy late ringing thy had shall have knacks. ${ }^{3}$
Whemeunto tha clerk, replying, wrote
Children of Chenpe, hokd you all still,
For you shall have the Bow Bell rung at your will.'
This Tow staeple suffered in the Great Fire of London, and Wren's gohle giructare is its suceessor.

FORTUNE SEENT ON BELLRINGING.
One of the most notable of the lords of the maner of Cowley (Gleucesilershire) appears th have been Heny Brett. He was an ecentric man, and was remarkable for his fondness for bellringing, which je gratified by constantly travelling abont the comentry with a mampany of ringers. So costly was lhis amusement that in the end he is said Io have thus dissipated a splendid fortune! He gave a $\left.\begin{array}{rl} \\ 7730\end{array}\right)$ of six liells to tho Chutch of St. Mary, at Cowley, in the year 1730.

## WHEN *GREAT PAUL' CAME TO TOWN.

Whan 'Grent Pasal ' was brought from Loughborough Foundry in Lendon in 1881 it mede $\pi$ kind of trimmphal progress through the country. It was drawn on a Irolley by traction engines, the velicle with its loail weighing about 22 toms. Onc day's journey was planned from Leighton Buzand to Dunsiable, hut hetween Fenny Stratford nund Breckhil] the trolley bennme stuek in the mud, and many atleunats hat to be made hefore it could be extricated by janks. The roadway was too soft for the narrow wheels of the heayily-ioaded wagon, and the experiment was made of puling down boiler plates for the velicle to travel ous. This, linwever, met with little success, and naly 100 yards was covered in the day.

The first. 'Thig Ben,' cast at Stockton-on-Tees, also met with misfortune on its journey. TL wns brought by boat to London, and while being mishipped fell into the w'ater. Tt was recovered, only, however, to be Fractured and rendered useless.

HINFD HOR NOT RINGING
Of ringing upan historic oceasions there are many quaint recouds in old parish doctaments, the details laving been preserved because nf tha payments mate by the shurchwartens to the ringers, which were duly elarged up in the parish accounts. At the time of the tivil wars, the barson and the ringers did not apparently always feel safo in their colchrations, and veered from side to aide in iheir
loyalty. At Wrington, Somerget, the ringers were paid to ring when Henrieta Maria rode though the little town ou her way to France, but in 1651 a payment of five ahillings was made to the ringers 'for ringing for joy of the route of Worcester, ${ }^{\dagger}$ and in 1652 the like sum, ' when the Lord Protectar was proclaimed,' with another payment in 1857 for 'God's discovery of the bloody plot against the Lord Jrotector.'
Sometimes the nouringing of bolls brought its penalties. The people of Twiokenham, while husied in reaping neglected to have the bells rung when Charles I. passe, through their town in 1647, and 10 is rocorded that they wern muluted in a penally of 13s. Ad. 'for default of ringing in barrets when the King came by twice." In 1529 Queen Gatherine was at Reading, and in consequence of the bells failing to be rung the sum of eightpence had to be paid to her almoner. Earlier still, in 1410, Arcbhishop Arundel suspended cerlain churches in London, 'with God's holy organs and instruments in the same, becatse when in open daylight, passing on foot througls the cily with his erass borme before him, the bells did not ring outt.

A BUKES RXPERIMEN'TS AT BRISTOL
It is said that tho St. Nichalas' Guild of Ringers, Bristol, owes its charter to a royal wiait which Quecn Elizabeth paid to that city. One of her rictims, Thomas, Duke of Norfolk, whose death warrant was thrice sealed, but only twice effectually revoked, lad some lope of ringing, and experimonted on bells in Bristal. At the Temple Chureh, where thore is the famous laning fower, it is said he had the hells rung tu see whether the tower rocked during the process. It must have been well tested, if it was not more gently tried than was the leelfy of St. John's in the same city, where there is ontered in the church accounts far the same year, Paik for reparation upon the church at the ringing of the Duke of Norfolk, 9s. Ild.,' a sum whinh represents about 810 in modern money.

PEALS AT' GHREWSBURY.
The "Shnewshury Chronicle" has given the following details af peala rung in that town up ta 50 years ago:-

The recorded peals of 5,000 or more clanges, rung on our town church bells within the last 144 rears, amount to 21 or n littlo mone, on an average, than one peal for every seven gants. The first of these peals was rung at the Abbey in 1735, comprising 5,040 Grandsire Triples, and lie same peal was repeated the following year in the samo tower. It is stated that three peals in the same mothod, and containing the same mumber of changes, wers rung at Old St. Chad's in 1702,1769 and 1770 respectively, and, in the same old tower, a peal of Grandsire Catery was successtully performed in 1772. Mr. Holl's celehratod peal of Grandeire Triples seems to lande been rung for the first time in our town at St. Mary's in 1778: a peal of Treble Rob Majar was rung at the Abbey in 1783: in 1798 a prai of Gramelsim (eight-in) was mung at St. Mary'e. Onr local socioty of change riugers must have bren in good forme ot that date, for in the following yeal (1799) they succeeded in completing a peal of Grandsire Cinques at St. Chad's remarkably distinguibhed for its fine striking: and in 1800 they surpassed themselves by the far moro difficult task of ringing a jeal of Oxford Trelsle Bob Maximus in the same tower.'

## THE RINGERS OF CHEW AN OLD RFYME.

Here's a health to John Northeote,
And James Rendall, too,
They arade a new Sconch*
For the ringers of Cliew.
This new sconch was made
For to rise and to fall
And the name of John Northeote
Shall reign above all.
In the year of 1804
This noble fine soonch
Was brought into Chew Tower,
Which made all the tingers
Rejoice and to sing,
Here's a liealth to John Northeate,
And God save our King.
If a Gentleman calls
This new sconcli to see,
There's no harm in treating
Such ringers as we.
We can ring Bohs and Singles,
Fxtremes and true blues.
There's no ringers can compare
With the ringers of Chew.

## Choris:

Twinkle, dillo, Twinkle dillo, 'lwinke dillo, dillo, dillo, dillo, For he that loves a pretty gitl Is a jolly good fellow.

Scomeh = sconce?-a ther-hmanched candlestiok. Chorus reminiseent of the Sussex hlacksmith's song.

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES

TXETER.-On Sunday, December 15th, for evening eervice, at Heavitree Parish Church, a guarter-peal of Stedman Triples: J. Sand over 1, W. Lethbridge 2, J. Oke 3, T. Laver 4, W. Richardson 5 , 6 . Glass 6, F. J. Davoy (contuctor) 7, W. Bedford 8.
STONY STRATFORD.-At the Chureh of St. Giles, on Sunday, Decmmber 15th, for Gonfimation servige, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1,260 changes) in 46 mins. : E. Yates 1, H. E. Tomkins 2, T. C. Tompkins 3, E. C. Lambert 4, W. Neale 5, W. W. Bonham 6, H. O. Edwards (conductor) 7, T. Trazler 8.

BLETCHLEY, BUCKS.-On Sunday, Decomber 15th, for morning snryice, at St. Mary's Clurch, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1,260 clhanges) : F. Vickers 1, F. V. Sear 2, J. Mead 3, A. Crane 4, j. Marks 5, E. Marke 6, H. Sear (conductor) 7, W. Sear 8. Rung on the occasion of Mr. E. Marks' golden wedding.

BEACONSFIELD, BCCKS.-On Sunday, December 15th, at the Parish Church, for Confirmation service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples ( 1,260 clanges) by the local band in 50 mins.: F. W. Buckland 1, Miss K. E. Fletcher 2, Miss D. R. Fletcher 3, Harry Wingrove 4, Jesse Harrison 5, W. H. Fletcher G, R. Buckland (conductor) 7, F. Jamb 8 .

SHERBORNE ABBEY, DORSET-On Sunday, December 15th, for cyening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles in 52 mins, S. Gallop 1, W. Lamher 2, D. Clothier 3, Fi. Price (conductor) 4, C . Vowles 5, J. Ellis 6, P. King 7, H. Pope 8. This was the first quar-Ler-peal ever rung on the Abbey bells by a local band, and it wat rung as a compliment to the Vicar (Canon S. H. Wingfield Digby) upon his election the previous day as chairman of the North Dorset Bratwoh of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild.

WORKSOR.-On Advent Sunday, at the Priory Chureh, for even ing service, a quarter-peal of Boh Major ( 1,264 changes) in 47 mins . W. Brunt 1, Miss Ethel Winvow 2, B. Smith 3, S. Jordan 4, 8. Walker 5, G. Hardwick (conductor) 6, H. Jordan 7, S. Eastland 8.
'HTTENHAM.-At All Hallows' Church, on Sunday, November 24 th , a quarter-peal of Boh Major: Dr. W. P. Roe 1, H. A. Barnett 2, W. J. Ellis 3, C. T. Coles (couductor) 4, W. Dickinson 5, H. W. H. Strickland G, H. Ellis 7, E. A. Hull 8.-On Sunday, December 1st, a quarter-peal of Kent Troble Bob Major: *F. W. H. Strickland 1, *Miss P. Upsher 2, W. J. Ellis 3, H. A. Parnett 4, J. G. Nash (first gun'ter in the method as conductor) 5, M. Fensom 6, N. Tomlinson E. A. Hwll B. * Trirst quarter-peal in method.

FEERING, ESSEX. On Sunday, November $17 \mathrm{th}_{1}$ for Remembrance service, 1,024 Bob Major: © S. Fibler 1, W. Keeble (conductor 2, C. J. Rogers 3, G. Hayward 4, J. C. Newman 5, F. Fludder 6, L. A. Clark 7, C. Button 8
KELVEDON, FSSEX.-On Sunday, November l0th, for alternaou service, 720 Kent Treble Bob: F. Dale 1, W. Keeble (conductor) 2, G. Hayward 3, J. Elliott 4, W. Elliott 5, C. Button E.

MAIDS MORETON, BUOKS.-On Sundey erening November 10th, half-muffled for the Armistice, 720 Bob Minor: C. Everitt 1, E. Nicholls 2, H. Stopp 3, H. Jones, jun., 4, H. Jones, sen., 5, J. Stopp (comtuctor) 6.
COMPTON MARTIN, SOMERSET.-On Sunday, November 10th, for Armistica service, at St. Michael and All Angels' Church, a quar-ter-perl of Grandsire Doubles with the bells half-muffled in 45 mins.: J. House 1, C. Field 2, W. Webb 3, J. Tossel! (conductor) 4, F. Tossell 5, E. Tossell 6.
OYER, CAMBS.-On Sunday, November 3rd, for morning service, 720 Plair Bob: D. Adams 1, H. Robinson $2, W \mathrm{~m}$. Bavin 3, R.「hotigy 4, C. Robinson 5, F. Warrington (conductor) 6.
AVERAVON, GLAM-On Sunday, November 3 Zd , for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1,260 changes) in 45 mins.: G. Hughes 1, W. Williams 2, W. Nurton 3, E. Stitch 4, C. Matliers 5, F. E. Stone 6, A. J. Pitman (conductor) 7, J. Weathersby 8.
CHARING, KENT,- On Sunduy, November \}rd, for evensong, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles in 46 mins. : M. Johnson 1, A. Waddingtou 2, W. Henniker 3, W. Goon 4, F. Good (conductor) 5, A. Foreman 6.

LONDON.-On Sunday, November 3rd, for the festival of 'the harvest of the sear, at Sit. Dunstan's-in-the-East, City, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: T. H. Taffender 1, A. F. Petrie first quarterpeal in the method) 2 E. J. King (conductor) 3, W. D. Grainger 4, T. Wiugh 5, F. W. Thornton 6, W. Rogers 7. E. J. Brown 8. Algo after morning and before and after evening service, touches of Grandsire, Stedman, Treble Bob, Csmbridge and London Surprise Major were rung, in which Messrs. W. Hardy, T. Wyath, E. J. Maye, A. Cutnore, G. Dawson, A. Prior, E. D. Smilh, G. Cross, E. Garrard, W. Bullen, G. Card, G. Gilbert, J. R. Gammon and W. Armstrong took part
CIRENCESTER, GLOS.-On Sundny, October 20th, for morning sorvice, at Faly Trinity Churcl, Wutermoor, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triplos (1,260 changes): F. J. Lowig, jun., 1, F.J. J.ewis, sen., 2, A. W. Bond 3, F. C. Bond 4, H. S. Parsons 5, H. Lewis 6, W. H. Harward (conductor) 7, F. Edwards 8 . For evening lervice at the Parish Clurch, two courses of Grandsire Cincques: F. W. Bond 1, F. 1. Lewis, jun., 2, H. L. Cook 3, A. W. Bond 4, F. J. Lewis, sen, 5, H. S. Parsons 6, J. C. Eden 7, F. T. Collins (Croydon) 8, H. C. Hond 9, H. Lewis 10, w. H. Hayward 11, F. Edwatds 12..

## THE BELLS OF ST. CLEMENT S

RINGING DEFENDED AMONG NOISER OF LONDON.
The bells of St. Clement Danes, London, Have recartly some under the lash of those who object to bellringing. Ono London Hewspeper gave great prominence to the complaint made against them, and the Rector, the Rev. W. Penningtan Bickford, who is ane of the best clerkel friends that ringers have in London, has spiritedly defended the ringing.
The 'Daily Telegraph' las taken up the cudgels on belalf of the bells, and in a leading articles said:-
' The bells of St. Clement's are famatus, not only in the nursery rhyme, but in fact. Seven of the ten date from William IIf.'s clay, and their music is sweet. Yet it sppenrs that some of the few neighbouring residents object to their ringing. Bells, they think, who to be unheard as well as unseen. Barristers poring over thoir briefa by lamplight are disturbed by the pealing from St. Clement's spine. They do not shave Tratty Feck's awed admirntion for the deep, atrong melody that Dickens has described so well iul "The Chimes." They have no sympathy with the ancient aud peculiarly English art of change ringing which the Rector of St. Clement Danes has encouraged at lis church. Grandsires, Treble Bobs, and Plain Hobs are all equally abhorrent to them.

There is no arguing with the indignant Templats who dislike church bells, but accept the roar of the street traffic as a matter of course. It may be suggested, however, that the evening peals which five Guilds of change ringers perform on Sainday afternoons and on occasianal evenings at St. Clement's are so exceptional in motherm London as to deserve encouragement lather than reproof. Travellers who have heard the nightly carillon in the towns of Belgiun and Northern France often regret the silence of our London belfries, save for the Abbey. Many a good peal of bells, hauded down from generations that delighted in their aerial melodies, longs neglected. When there are eathusiasts who like the akilled tenm-work and hard exercise of change ringing, it would be a pity to deter them. London is noisy enough, in all conscience, but it would not willingly part with the bells of St. Clement's.
The Rector, writing to the 'Daily Telegraph, stid: ${ }^{\text {than }}$ Hing regard to what has appeared elsewhere, I think, in all fairness to our beautiful belle and to the public, it is due from me to say that I have had no complaints, written or verbal, from any resident of the J'emple, excepting just one instance, which was settled most amicably, or from any of his Majesty's Judges at the Royal Courts of Justice, during the nineteen yents that I lave been Rector. On the contrary, when the fanous peal was silent, some years before 1919 , I found that these renowned bells had so many admilels, both far and near, that there was no difficully whatever, in a very short space of time, in providing a new steel frame, which had hecome necessary in order that the London publie could hear them again. The late Queen Alexandra set the bells ringitg after this long period of silence, and the subscribers included some of lis Majesty's judges and several residents of the Temple.'

## BISHOP AND RINGERS

A visit by the Bishop of Guildford to Haslemere an Thursday, December 19tiz, for the dedication of an organ, whick an anonymous donor has givea to the Parisil Church, provided an opportunity for a small but happy gathering of ringerg who met there to pay the usual campliment due to a pribec of the Charch whell visiting in his own diocese.
Several touches of Grandsire Gaters were rung befove and after the dedication service, the following ringers being present: Messrs. A. Furlonger, B. Elliot, F. Bowden, R. Overy, J. F. B. Hesse, W. Eldridge and R. Hayes, of the local hand, Messrs. A. J. Bartlett, Chiddingfold, W. and R. Melville, A. FT. Puling and C. Hazelden, Guildford.

After the service, the Bishop visited the ringing chamber and expressed his surprise and pleasure in finding a full company of ringers able to be present for a mid-week function. His Lordship conelutled by wishing the ringers every success and happiness in their wark for the Church.

## MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES

BGRNHAM-ON-CROUCH, ESSEX.-At St. Mary's Cliurch, on November 2lst, a quarter-peal of Bob Minor ( 1,260 changes) in 47 mins.: A. H. Stebbinge 1, T. Ringrose 2, S. Bigmore 3 , W. G. Gridley 4, H. S. Barker (conductor') $5, ~ H$. Stebbings 6 . First quarterpeal on tile belas by a local banc.
ICKLETON, CAMBS.-On Thursday, November 14th, at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples ( 1,280 changes) in 49 mins.: W. Smoothey 1, L. Lilley 2, P. Webl (conductor) 3, L. Flitton 4, R. Clements 5 . G. Lilley 6, W. Flitton 7, A. Lilley 8. First quarter-peal by treble and 2nd ringers
APSLEY END, HERTS.-At Si. Mary's Church, on Wednesday, November 13th, two 720 's Grandsire Doubles, ench in 24 mins. First 720: G. Palmer 1, E. Pictoll (first on a warking bell) 2, A. Y. Good 3. R. Bruce 4, F. Tompkins 5, C. J. Henley (conductor) 6. Second 720 : R. Bruce 1, G. I'almer 2, C. J. Herley 3, A. V. Good 4, F. Tompkins (first 720 as conductor) 5, E. Picton 6.

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637),-The subscription of 1s. 8d. which entitles members who have not met twenty times in the previous year to vote on matters of finance is now due. Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on Jan. 2nd, 16 th, 3 oth; *St. Giles', Cripplegate, or the Coffee Pot on the $7^{\text {th }} ;$ St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the gth (8 p.m.); *St. Paul's Cathedral on the 2ist; Southwark Cathedral on the 23 rd ; at $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. *Business meeting afterwards.-William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Frome and Midsomer Norton Deanery Branch. - A special meeting, following the augmentation, will be held at Radstock on Saturday, Dec. 28th. Bells (6) available al 2 p.m. Divine service at 4 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. -R. T. Clark, Hon. Sec., High Street, Timsbury, Bath.

RADSTOCK, Somt.-Ringers' opening day, Saturday, Dec. 28 th, of the augmented peal of six hung with modern fittings in a new oak bell frame by Taylors, of Loughhorough.

TILSWORTH, Beds.-Dedication of the recast and augmented peal of six peals hung with modern fittings in new cast-iron flamework by Taylors, of Loughborough, is to take place on Sunday, Dec. 2gth, at 6 p.m.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-The next meeting of the Southern District will be held at Stockton-on-Tees on Wednesday, Jan. ist. Bells (ro) available from 2 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. Ringers requiring tea please notify me not later than the 3 oth inst. All ringers welcome.-J. T. Titt, Hon. Dis. Sec., 7 r , Surtees Street, Darlington.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. -A quarterly meeting will be held at Long Ashton on Saturday, Jan. 4 th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Evensong 4 p.m. Tea and business meeting 5 p.m. - J. T. Dyke, Hon. Sec., Chilcompton.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Blackburn Branch.
The next meeting will be held at Padibam on Saturday, Jan. $4^{\text {th. }}$ Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.m. A good attendance requested.-F. Hindle, Hon. Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.

## MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Derby

 District.-The annual meeting for the election of officers for the ensuing year will be held on Saturday, Jan. $4^{\text {th, at }}$ the Cathedral, Derby. Bells (io) available from 2 p.m. till 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. till 8 p.m. Business meeting at 4 p.m. in belfry. A good attendance is desired. Seats can be reserved and tea obtained at King's Café, St. Peter's Street, on notice being given in the belfry during the alternoon. - George Freebrey, Local Sec., 81, Roe Sireet.ST. NARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755).-The annual meeting will be held on Saturday, Jan. 4 th , in the belfry of St. Martin's Church. Business to commence pumctually at 5.30 p.m. Bells available later.-Thomas H. Reeves, Hon. Sec., 136, Newton Road, Sparkhili, Birmingham.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Bedford District. -- The first meeting of the year 1930 will be held at Thurleigh ( 6 bells) on Saturday, Jan. 4 th, at 3 p.m. Teat at 5 p.m. Good bus service from Bedford. Percy C. Bonnett, Stagsden, Beds.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GLTLLD.-Devizes Branch. -The annual meering witl be held at Devizes on Saturday, Jan. 4th. The following bells are available: St. Johir's (8), St. Mary's (6), St. James' (6). Ringing from 2.30 p.m. Guild service at St. James' Church 4-40. Tear at 5 , followed by the business meeting, in St. James' Parish Room. All ringers welcome. -F. Green, Branch Hon. Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. - West Norfolk Branch,-A meeting of the above branch will be held at Dersingham on Saturday, Jan. 4th. Bells (6) available at 3 o'clock. Tea and meeting in I'arish Room. -W. J. Eldred, Hon. Sec., 4, Wellington Street, Kibu's Lynn.

SUFFOLK GUILD.-A general meeting will be held at Framlington on Jan. IIth. Bells available 2.30. Tea in Church Room at 4.30 . Meeting follows. - Drake, Ufford, Woodbridge.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.-South and West District.A meeting will be held at St. Andrew's, Hillingdon, on Saturday, Jan. Inth. Tower open at 3 p.m. The usual arrangements. Trams pass church. Everyone welcome. -Wm. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W. 4.

## SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

 -The annual general meeting will be held at St. Martin-in-the-Fields on Saturday, Jan, irth, at 4 o'clock. Unveiling of peal tablet by Rev. P. McCormick at $4 \cdot 3 \circ$. Meeting in Church House at 7. Tea will be provided to all who send me a postcard not later than Jan. 6th.-J. Sparrow, Sec., 5, Bancion Rise, Wallington, Surrey.BRISTOL UNITED RINGING GUILD'S Ninth Annual Dinner will be held at the Grand Hotel on Saturday, Jan. 18th, at 6 p.m. Tickets, 5s. 6d., now available from Messrs. Walker (Birmingham), Taner (Weston), Hawkins (London), Grant (Bath), Austin (Gloucester), all Bristol tower officials, or direct from the hon. sec., Edgar Guise, 39, Tankard's Close, St. Michael's, Bristoi.

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## MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

IXEETER-At. St. David's, for Confirmation service, on December 11 hh, $n$ quarter-pes! of Grandsire Triples ( 1,260 whanges) by $S$. Thavin's Suciety: W. Webber 1, W. Lethibridge (condnctorl 2, J. Hopkins 3, G. Carter 4, A. W. Scarle 5, F. Garduer 6, F. J. Davey 7, W. Bewes 8.
MAISFYHAMPYON, GLOS -Dn Thursday, Fovember 28th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Douhles $(1,260$ changes) in 45 mins: : E. Smith I, J. Hope (conducton 2, H. Barnlield 3, H. Proplet 4, H. Day 5, G. Peare 6. First quarter-peal since the 5th was recast, aud all six laung will new fittings and ball bearings. Alf are Sunday servite ringers except the cunductor.

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    SWINDON, WILTS.-On Monday, December 24th, at Clurist Ohureh, a guarter-peal of Graudsire Triplea: R. G. Townsend 1, F. J. Danielis (Brighton) 2, R. W. Hyner (condactor) 3, W. W. T. Daniells 4, E. Bishop 5, C. J. Gardiner 6, L. A. Wilson (Wootton Bessett) 7, E. A. J. Coombs (first quarter-peal) 8.

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[^18]:    SHETFIELD, YORKS.-Ou Saturday, Februmry 23rd, at All Saints ${ }^{2}$ Church, a quarter-peal of Gravdsire Triples for practice in 45 mins.: H. Thorpe 1, J. Thorpe (conductor) 2, R. Harrison 3, E. Derby 4, J. Smithson 5, W. Siabley 6, E. Thorpe 7, R. Harrison, јun., 8.

[^19]:    Josuph Broadley ... ...Treble Sam Giason
     Wlllam H. Senior... ... 3 Hefbert Dransfibld .... 7 - Harold Senior .. ... ... 4 lesle W. G. Morris ... Tethou Composed by A. Knigets. Condacted by Leslie W. G. Morris. - First paal in the method. Firgs peal in the metliod as condtelor: This nomposition contains the 4th, 5ith and 6rla the extert no 6h's place; the 5th and bth th. veent in 5ths, withont the 20d in) 6th's place.

[^20]:    - Firsl peal in seren methods.

[^21]:    SHERBORNE, HANTS.-At St. John's Cliurch, on February 9th, 720 Kent J'reble Bob Minor: G. C. Hammond 1, W. Fiunt 2, C. Oster 3, W. Ford 4, H. Balaam (conductor) 5, J. Cbesterman 6.

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[^25]:    WEST GRINSTEAD, SUSSEX.On Marcl 14 th, 720 Vorwieh Surprise Minor: W. Weaver $I_{1}, V$ Foatcher $2, G$, Waruetl $3, F$. Turrelf 4, R. Stredwick 5, H. Turrell (first as conductor in a Surprise method) 6. The condinctor is 68 years of age.
    WOKING.-On Wednesday evening, February $274 h$, at St. leters Church, a quaricr-peal of Bob Mincr in 48 mins. W. H. Edwards I, J. Brackley (conductor) 2, Mrs. W. H. Edwards 3, F. Font (liist quarter-peal inside) 4, H. Greenhiill 5 , T. Strudwick 6 .
    TYLDESLEY, LANCASHIRE.-On Saturday Februny 2nd. at the Parish Church, a quarter-pen of Grandsire Triples ( 1,260 changes) in 45 mins.: B. T. Allrea 1, Roberta Allted 2, Henry Smilh (conductor) (Leigh) 3, M. Berry (Walkden) 4, W. Hindles 5. I. F3. Ridyard (Worsley) 6. H. Allred 7, Walter Smilh, 8. Rung after the marriage of M. F. J. Rice, one of the local riagers, and Miss E. Millizgtion, of Ifynwood, Leigh.

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[^27]:    －Sam Greenhalge William Bibby．．． Grorar R．Newton．
    ．．．Tyeble［ EDWard Jensins． Grorge R．Newton．．．．．． 3 Thtos Earlow
    
    Composed by G．Lindoff．
    Conducted by E．J innins．
    ＊First peal in the method，Humg as a lirst binilsday compliment to Alma，daughter of Mr．H．Greenlialgh，and grendelaughter of Mr＇． 53．Greenhalgh．

[^28]:    FEST CLANDON，SURREF．－For evering service，on Sunday， Mrech 24th， 720 Bob Minor：G．Jal＇ta 1．A．Walker 2，G．Grover $\overline{3}$, J．Goachar 4，F．Day 5，F．Bennett（conductor） 6.

[^29]:    ## (Continned from previous page.)

    14) Do yor consider a conmittee uonsisting of chaiman, secretay and thrce or more elecled members can be got together for carrying out the work of your own new district as proposed? ${ }^{151}$ - Yes
    150 , neutral 26 . (5) $A$ re you in favour of changing the title to- (a) The Nowwinh
    Phersan Ascociation of Ringerg (hie original tille of the Guild?Yes 166, no 24, neutral 15. Or (b) The present title of ihe Guild to romin, Hiz., Tho Norfolk Guild of Ringers for the Diocese of Nolwich? ${ }^{2}$ - Yes 36, no 46, neutral 123.
    After raaking comments on the ireas of the three new districts bring coterminous with the Archenconries now formed not to be suituble for the groulping of the existing districts, the President sug. pesurd thai a small committee should be appointed to recomment Suhable and convenient, rasrangement for the tronping of the dittriets. In conelusion, the President pointen ont that if the resuli ni the releradima was acepted by the members involving alteradiths to rules, notice must he giver at Llant meeting, and be brought forward at ine noxt genemb meeting of the Guild.
     part. Ny, (i. Tr Burton strongly opposed any alteration to the prosent titlo of the ciuld.
    The following notice uf amprament to n rule was given: 'That Rule 1 , as regarls tha title of fle Guilu, to alterad fivencervance
     appointed to reconnumd the rearvangement of the districts either appointad to reconmend the rearvangement of the districts either
     P. A. Cullam, and tho Rev. P. J. Rayboald for flie use of their

    Thlis concluded the meting The members then adjourned to the bitives for furlher yhang. Thoy were joined by late-comers, mak ing a fotal attendance of over 50 members for the day.

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    Waetrr T. Benneit... ... 3 Williah T. Poston ... ...
    Tromas Beyan ... ... ... 3 John Clare ... ...
    Robert 直. Sobmers ... ... 4 William Poston... ... ...Tenor
    Composed by J. R. Pritchard.
    Conducted by W. Posion.

[^34]:    ESTIMATES SUBMITTED FOR NEW CLOCKS, CHIAE ADDITIONS, REPAIRS,

[^35]:    Ghimet for E. Panl' Cuthedral, Buverloy Minuter, Belby Abbey, Trear Thurle Cathedral, Trinity College, Cer - budge. Rolfent inmmbly Hall, Magdalan College, Oxford, ne
    
    

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[^37]:    BatTERSEA-At St. Mary's Church, for epecial service, on Sumday, April 28th, a quarter-peal of Grandsize Triples: E. Dodds $1_{1}$ H. Mance (conductor) 2, W. Coe 3, H. W. Mance 4, W. Essery 5, C. D. Nichols 6, H. Weeks 7, F. Cossom B.

[^38]:    WHITTLE-LE-WOODS, LANOS.-On Tuesday, April 9th, e quar-ter-peal of Kent Treble Boh Major ( 1,760 changes) in 1 hr. 10 ming.: E. B. Coxhead 1, J. Charnock 2, F. Nelson 3, Adam Blogg 4, F. G. Bradley 5, A. Hartley 6, E. Lawson 7, Alired Bloge (coaductor) 8. Rung with the bells half-mufled as a token of respect to the lete Mr. A. Marsden, fos 17 years churchwarden at the above church, Who was interred on the ahove date. He was also for over 40 years secretary to the Loynk Star Lodge, Manchester Unity Independent Order of Oddfellows, Chorley District.

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[^45]:    CROYDON - At St. Johu-the-Baptist's Ohurch, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples in 50 mins: : J. Rumble, son., 1, Fi. Talbot (iirst quarter-peal) 2, J. Talbot J, G. II. Humphries 4, J. E. Cooper 5, J. Rumble, jun., 6, D. Cooper (conductor') 7, J. Cavley B. Rung on the occasion of the visit of the Archbislop of Canterbury to the abovo church.

[^46]:    NORTHLEACH.-On July 12th, at the Chureh of SS. Peter and Paul, a quarler-peal of Grandsire Triples in 45 mins.: Mrs. F. A. Clements 1, J. Mustoe 2, B. T. Plillips 3, WT. Clayton 4, J. C. Acoek D. Hills 6. $\mathrm{r}^{3}$. A. Clements (first quavter-peal of Triples as coninetor') 7, Cpl. L. Leach 8. Kindly wrranged hy Mr. Acock for the ringers of trebie, 3rd and 7 th, who hail from Bourton-on-the-Water und rung as a farewell to Comporal Lench, who is going to Malea was also as \%hbirlmay compliment to Mr. J. C. Acock

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[^53]:    LINCOLN．－On Wednesday，June 5th，at 56，Moorland Avonue， 1，344 Bob Major ou handbells in 40 mins．：Harry Carter I－2，Charleg McGuiness（conductor）3－4．Haroid Marcon 5－6，Harold Walker $7-8$. Witnessed by Mrs．Clatles McGuizess and Miss S．Norton．

[^54]:    HIGHCLERE, HANTS.-On Sunday, August 11th, after evensoag a quarter-penl of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) in 48 mins. : Bratchell 1, R. Rex 2, C. Pearce 3, F. J. Knapp 4, S. Quintin 5, $\mathcal{E}$ W. Curtis 6, D. Cooper (conductor) 7, J. Challis' B. First quarte peal for ringers of 1 and 8 . Arranged for D. Cooper, of Oroydnn.

[^55]:    NEWDIGATE, SURREY-At St. Peter's Church, on Sunday, Sepumber 1st, for evening service, 720 Bob Minor: G. Brett 1, Mrs. W. spooner R, W. Spooner 3, Miss H. Drrville 4, C. Miteltell 5, R. Brett conductor) 6. Also ynng as a farewell to G. Brett.

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[^61]:    HOTHFIELD，KENT．－On Thursday，August 22nd，a quarter－peal of Grandsire Doubles in 45 mins．：A．Missing I，C．L．Prior 2，W Good 3，F．Good 4，A．Waddington（conductor）5，A．Foreman 6. Longest touch on the present six belis，and believed to be tie longest ever rung in the tower．

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[^63]:    HEAVITREE, DEVON.-On August 21st, q quarker-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 cinanges): C. Smart (conductor) 1, Th. Laver 2, W. S. Jethbridge 3, Mrs. F. S. Powell 4, Rew. E. S. Powell 5, C. Glass 6, F. J. Dewey 7, A. Mitchell 8. The concluctor hails from Pulborough, Sussez.

[^64]:    * First peal Rume witl bells halt mufil

[^65]:    * First attempt for Minor. First penl of Minor an the bells.

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[^68]:    EYE, HERIFFORDNHIRE-On Monday, Angust 26tls, 720 Bnh Minor: Miss T. Cooke 1, Miss MW. Cooke 2, R. Cooke (first 720) 3 , T. Cooke, jum.. 4, F. Think 5, J. Cooke (condictor) 6 . First 720 of Minor on the bells with menbers of the lecal band taking part.

[^69]:    MEASHAM, LEICESTERSHTRE-On Wenncsady, Soptember 25th, connection, with the harvest festival, 1,344 Grandsire Triples: Rev.
    R. King 1, J. H. Swinfield 2, M. Swinfield (conductor) 3 , J. Bailey 4 . Draper 5 , C. Smith 6 , J. George 7, R. C. Belton 8.

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[^71]:    sWINDON, WILTS.-On September 26th, af St. Mark's, a quarterpeal of Stedman Tripies (t, eot changes): H. Hatton 1, E. Bishop 2, W. B. Kynaston 3, R. W. Hyner 4, J. H. Penny 5, S. H. Hopper 5, C. J. Gardiner (conductor) 7 , G. Lawrence 8 .

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[^73]:    BRIXHAM.-At the Parish Chateb, an Septenbur 17th. in 75 muibs, a quarter-peal of Gundire Doubles 11,260 changes. 7 different callings': W. (i. Hayden 1, W1. A. Jurs 2, s. J. Hazlewood 3, F. D. Newman (Minchinhamptan, Glos) A, A. C. Taylor (cunductort 5, R. J. Young 6.

[^74]:    CARISIBROOKE, I.O.W.--On Flutsday, October 3ud, for harvest leatival, it quarter-peal of Guandire 'Jriples ( 1,288 changes) from Holt"s Oripinal : W. Jolnmen 1, W. Jegge 2, A. Drake 3, F. Priddlo 4, W. Siroth 5, W. Chamhers 6 , W. Iarton (eonductor') 7, B. Sibuick 8.

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[^80]:    ROTHWEEL，YORES．－On Tuesday，December 3rd，at Holy Trimity Churelh， 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor：F．Ellis $1_{1}$ A．G． Wood $2, P$ ．Massam 3，A．Wormald 4，G．W．Steel 5，T．w．Strange－ way（conductor） 6 ．First 720 in the method by all the hand except rimer of 5th．

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