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St. Peter's Collegiate Church,
Wolverhampton.
Tenor (33 cwt.) of the New Ring of 12.

WOLFRUN CHAMBERS, WOLVERHAMPTON.
MESSRS. GILLETT and JOHNSTON, CROYDON. 4th March, 1912.
Gentlemen,

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

I am authorised by the Rector and Wardens to say how pleased they are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualified to judge, we have now, undoubtedly, one of the best peals in the Kingdom.

Yours faithfully, F. T. BECK,
Architect. Diocesan Surveyor.

MODERN WORK.

DIVISION OF AREAS.

In more than one Association there is at present an unsettled feeling arising out of the recent diocesan divisions, and the reorganisation schemes of various societies. The difficulties which might arise in connection with the altered circumstances brought about by ecclesiastical changes in regard to several dioceses were touched upon in this column some time ago, and it looks as if the troubles may possibly materialise, although we sincerely hope that nothing will arise to disturb the friendly relations which exist between ringing organisations throughout the country.

The division of the dioceses of Ely and Norwich, with the consequent constitution of the new diocese of St. Edmundsbury, is one in which the societies, which cover the area concerned, have been brought "face to face with a difficult situation," to put it in the words of the Ely Association report. The strongest and most active part of the Ely Association is the Sudbury Archdeaconry, which contains more than half of the affiliated towers, and quite half the members, to say nothing of the fact that in this branch, which includes Bury St. Edmunds itself, more than half of last year's peals were rung. It is easy to understand, therefore, the feeling with which the Ely Association would view the lopping off of this, their strongest limb, if any change takes place. The Norwich Association's meeting at Ely was strongly in favour of retaining the Association in its present form, that is, to avoid any division of the area which has hitherto been covered. If this feeling is representative of the Association—and, coming from the district chiefly concerned, there is no reason to doubt that it is—it means that the larger portion of the diocese of St. Edmundsbury will remain with Norwich.

Under such an arrangement, unless the actual geographical area is prescribed, the possibility of overlapping and friction between the two organisations has got to be faced. If amicable relations are to be maintained—and in the interests of the Art and its objects it is devoutly to be wished that they may—the matter will need very careful handling on both sides. It is a subject which, we believe, will be better met and dealt with rather than that the Associations should allow it merely to drift in the hope that it may settle itself. That is a policy which, sooner or later, is bound to be disastrous, whereas if it is handled at once, and with tact, anything in the shape of unfriendly rivalry may be avoided.

We had hoped that this might have been the case in Yorkshire, where the county Association's reorganisation scheme is being put into operation. From the trend of opinion at the Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association's meeting, however, it does not appear that the relationship of the two societies in the North Riding is altogether amicable.

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OPINION OF OUR
MODERN WORK.

Broomfield Vicarage,
Chelmsford

Sir,
I have great pleasure in stating that we are perfectly satisfied with the manner in which you have carried out the work entrusted to you of re-arranging and re-hanging the Broomfield Church Bells.

We consider that the work reflects great credit upon your firm, and believe that your system of hanging the bells reduces the vibration of the steel frame supplied by you to a minimum.

The CHURCHWARDENS unite with ME in this expression of opinion. The BELLRINGERS are also unanimous in their praise of the alterations effected by you.

Yours truly,
CHAS. EDMUNDS,
Vicar of Broomfield.

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TEN BELL PEALS.

LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, April 25, 1914, in Three Hours and Thirty-four Minutes,
At the Church of St. Sepulchre, Holborn,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 31 cwt.

JOHN H. B. HESSE Treble	REUBEN SANDERS 6
BERTRAM PREWITT 2	MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT 7
CHARLES T. COLES 3	HARRY FLANDERS 8
GEORGE R. PYE 4	ERNEST PYE 9
BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS 5	WILLIAM PYE Tenor

Composed and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

* First peal in the method.

MELTON MOWBRAY, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION
AND THE ST. MARTIN'S SOCIETY, LEICESTER.

On Saturday, April 25, 1914, in Three Hours and Twenty-two Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERPS, 5193 CHANCES;

Tenor 25½ cwt.

GEORGE CLEAL Treble	JOSIAH MORRIS 6
ERNEST BARTRAM 2	CHARLES H. FOWLER 7
FREDERICK H. DEXTER 3	RICHARD H. BARTRAM 8
GEORGE PILMORE 4	ALFRED MARTIN 9
ERNEST MORRIS 5	THOMAS TAYLOR Tenor

Composed and Conducted by FREDERICK H. DEXTER.

This composition contains the 24 4-6-8's of the Tittums, also the extent of the inverted home position, and is now rung for the first time.

BLACKBURN, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, April 25, 1914, in Three Hours and Twenty-five Minutes,
At the Parish Church,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERPS, 5079 CHANCES;

Tenor 15½ cwt.

TITUS BARLOW Treble	JAMES H. BANKS 6
*FRED ABBOTT 2	JOHN POTTER 7
WILLIAM E. WALSON 3	*WILLIAM ROBINSON 8
GEORGE PINCOTT 4	JOSEPH RIDYARD 9
*JOSEPH HENRY RIDYARD 5	JOHN WATSON Tenor

Composed by H. W. HALEY, and

Conducted by JOHN POTTER.

* First peal in the method. The ringers of the Treble and 2nd hail from Deane, 3rd and Tenor from Blackburn, 4th from Bolton, 5th and 9th from Worsley, 6th from Helmshore, 7th from Walkden and 8th from Ambleside.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

MARDEN, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Easter Monday, April 13, 1914, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

*GEORGE POUND Treble	FRANK SHARP 5
JIM BEACH 2	EDWIN LAMBERT 6
FREDERICK J. LAMBERT 3	*THOMAS E. SONE 7
FREDERICK BUTCHERS 4	CHARLES H. SONE Tenor

Composed by FRANK BENNETT, and

Conducted by C. H. SONE.

* First peal of Major. For calling see K.C.A. report, 1912, page 75.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, April 16, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
At the Church of St. Nicolas,

A PEAL OF GRAMPSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 23 cwt., in E flat.

*HENRY G. MASON Treble	MAURICE SMITHER 5
WILLIAM LOADER 2	SEPTIMUS RADFORD 6
JOHN J. JONES 3	FRANK BLONDELL 7
CHARLES WILLSHIRE, SECT. 4	EDWARD RADDOCK Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES WILLSHIRE.

* First peal. Arranged as a farewell to Mr. Charles Willshire.

LONDON.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Thursday, April 16, 1914, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,
AT CHRIST CHURCH, SOUTHWARK, S.E.,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor 18 cwt.

WILLIAM T. POWELL ... Treble	RICHARD N. RUNHAM ... 5
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... 2	MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT ... 6
CHRISTOPHER H. HUGHES ... 3	C. W. ROBERT GRIMWOOD ... 7
WALTER S. WISE ... 4	ARTHUR D. BARKER... Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON, and
Conducted by THOMAS H. TAFFENDER.

HANDSWORTH, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 18, 1914, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

VICAR'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 12 cwt.

JAMES JONES ... Treble	THOMAS VERRY... 5
*EDWIN J. WOOD ... 2	WILLIAM G. ELLIS ... 6
WILLIAM H. JONES ... 3	WILLIAM DAVIES ... 7
CHARLES STARKEY ... 4	STEPHEN DANBY ... Tenor

Conducted by W. G. ELLIS.

* First peal with a bob bell. Rung to celebrate the coming-of-age of Mr. Edwin Wood, the wedding of Mr. Edward Starkey and Miss Gertrude Turner, and the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Faux, Mr. Faux being a highly respected ringer at this church.

NORTHOWRAM, YORKS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 18, 1914, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;

Tenor 16 cwt.

R. W. JENNISON ... Treble	ALBERT JAGGER ... 5
JOHN EDMONDSON ... 2	JOHN HALL... 6
EDWARD GREEN ... 3	JOHN LAWSON ... 7
THOMAS BANCROFT ... 4	SMITH MURGATROYD... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and
Conducted by JOHN LAWSON.

The ringers of the 5th and 7th hail from Lightcliffe, the rest from Keighley. The bells were recently placed in the tower by Messrs. Gillett & Johnston, and the tone and easy going were greatly admired.

SCUNTHORPE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, April 18, 1914, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 18 cwt.

THOMAS H. PARKIN ... Treble	T. PERCY HOCKNELL ... 5
RICHARD OLIVER ... 2	J. WILLIAM SEAMER ... 6
CHARLES JACKSON ... 3	GEORGE VAMPLEW ... 7
WILLIAM MILLAR ... 4	*JOHN CUTHBERT ... Tenor

Composed by W. H. THOMPSON, and
Conducted by C. JACKSON.

* First peal. Rung, with the bells half-muffled, as a token of respect to Connie Strickland (daughter of the vice-captain), who was buried recently.

GLASBURY, BRECONSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, April 19, 1914, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Ten different callings.

Tenor 15 cwt.

EDWARD PUGH ... Treble	WILLIAM FLETCHER... 5
ROBERT E. SPARKES ... 2	THOMAS DIXON... 6
CHARLES POWELL ... 3	JAMES P. HYETT ... 7
EDGAR R. JONES ... 4	THOMAS VAUGHAN ... Tenor

Conducted by J. P. HYETT.

Arranged and rung in honour of the wedding of the treble ringer; also as a birthday compliment to Thomas Turner, who was unavoidably prevented from taking part in the peal. Both are members of the local band. Rung with 4, 6 and 8 covering.

RIPLEY, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, April 21, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES

Tenor 17 cwt.

WILLIAM C. PILCHER ... Treble	G. ARTHUR BOWMER ... 5
FRED. W. HILL ... 2	*FRANK F. HILL ... 6
HERBERT DAY ... 3	ALFRED C. WRIGHT ... 7
JAMES L. WRIGHT ... 4	ALEX. HUTCHISON ... Tenor

Composed by SIR ARTHUR HEYWOOD, BART., and
Conducted by FRED. W. HILL.

* First peal in the method.

ROTHERFIELD, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, April 22, 1914, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DENY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 24½ cwt.

*H. HAMMOND ... Treble	F. HAMMOND ... 5
O. HOLMWOOD ... 2	C. BRASIER... 6
*H. M. SMITH ... 3	KEITH HART ... 7
H. R. BUTCHER ... 4	E. BISHOP ... Tenor

Conducted by KEITH HART.

* First peal of Stedman. Rung on the sixth anniversary of the dedication of the bells. All belong to the local band except the conductor.

LYDNEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION

On Wednesday, April 22, 1914, in Three Hours and Twenty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 14½ cwt.

REV. E. V. COX... Treble	REV. C. CAREW COX ... 5
REV. F. J. O. HELMORE... 2	REV. H. A. COCKEY ... 6
REV. W. S. WILLETT ... 3	REV. CYRIL JENKYN ... 7
REV. C. D. P. DAVIES ... 4	REV. C. A. CLEMENTS ... Tenor

Conducted by REV. CYRIL JENKYN.

WYMONDHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, April 23, 1914, in Three Hours and Thirty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES

Tenor 25½ cwt., in D.

GEORGE HOWCHIN ... Treble	GEORGE SNELLING ... 6
GEORGE H. CROSS ... 2	ALBERT G. WARNES ... 7
FREDERICK SEAGER ... 3	JOHN SNELLING ... Tenor
FREDERICK J. HOWCHIN ... 4	WILLIAM STEELE ... Tenor

Composed by G. H. CROSS, and
Conducted by WM. STEELE.

Rung in honour of St. George's Day.

NUNEATON, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Thursday, April 23, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

*ROWLAND O. POLLARD ... Treble	*WALTER MALINS ... 5
*HARRY ARGYLE... 2	ALFRED J. HESSIAN ... 6
*THOMAS W. CHAPMAN ... 3	E. HARRY STONELEY ... 7
ADOLPHUS ROBERTS ... 4	JAMES GEORGE ... Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON, and
Conducted by WALTER MALINS.

* First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells. First peal of Major as conductor. Rung in honour of St. George's Day.

LONDON.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD

On Thursday, April 23, 1914, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE, CAMBERWELL,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 14 cwt.	
GEORGE POVEY Treble	GEORGE H. DAYNES ... 5
GEORGE R. PYE 2	GEORGE DENT 6
GEORGE F. MARGETSON ... 3	GEORGE CHARGE 7
GEORGE BUGGS 4	GEORGE SPENCER Tenor

Composed by GEORGE NEWSON, and
Conducted by GEORGE R. PYE.

Rung in honour of St. George's day.

BANSTEAD, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
(SOUTHERN BRANCH).

On Saturday, April 25, 1914, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 21 cwt. approx.	
ALBERT HARMAN Treble	GEORGE F. HOAD 5
HENRY F. EWINS 2	OSCAR GILBEY 6
FREDERICK BASHFORD ... 3	OLIVER SIPPETTS 7
GEORGE ELLIS 4	ALBERT ELLIS Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and
Conducted by OLIVER SIPPETTS.

First peal in the method on the bells.

QUORN, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
(LEICESTER DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, April 25, 1914, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

EDGAR VALLANCE Treble	*FREDK. KILBORN 5
MISS LILIAN WILLSON ... 2	EDWARD NORMAN 6
*MISS HILDA WILLSON ... 3	T. HENRY HARDY 7
THOMAS VALLANCE 4	WILLIAM WILLSON Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM WILLSON.

* First attempt at the method. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. W. Willson; also as a silver wedding tribute to Mr. and Mrs. Hardy, parents of the ringer of the 7th.

TYLDESLEY, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 25, 1914, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 11½ cwt., in G.	
HARRY ALLRED Treble	RICHARD P. HEALD 5
BENJAMIN ALLRED 2	JAMES ALLRED 6
HERBERT ALLRED 3	ROBERT ALLRED 7
JOSEPH LEATHERBARROW ... 4	HUGH REYNOLDS Tenor

Composed by PETER BIRCKELL, and
Conducted by HUGH REYNOLDS.

This peal was arranged for Hugh Reynolds, of Bredbury, Cheshire. The ringer of the 4th belongs to Newchurch and the 5th to Deane, the rest to the local company.

OLDHAM.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
AND THE OLDHAM SOCIETY.

On Saturday, April 25, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARK,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 8½ cwt.	
JAMES KNIGHT Treble	JOSEPH OGDEN 5
FRED CROSSLAND 2	ALBERT CLEGG 6
JAMES LEES 3	JAMES W. TAYLOR 7
SAMUEL STOTT 4	LUKE HAMPSON Tenor

Conducted by F. CROSSLAND.

Rung in commemoration of St. Mark's Day. S. Stott belongs to Oldham Church and J. Ogden and Luke Hampson to Moorside.

BENNINGTON, HERTS.
THE HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 25, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANCES;

Tenor 13 cwt.	
SAMUEL PAGE Treble	NATHAN PATMORE 5
P.C. ALBERT LAWRENCE ... 2	JACK WARNER 6
ERNEST A. OVERALL 3	BARNARD PATMORE 7
HENRY WALLACE 4	WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE Tenor

Composed by J. LOCKWOOD, and
Conducted by WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE.

This is believed to be the first peal in the method on the bells.

BISHOPWEARMOUTH, SUNDERLAND.
THE DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, April 25, 1914, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 11½ cwt.	
ROBERT RICHARDS Treble	ROBERT C. HUDSON 5
FRED P. HOWCROFT 2	ALFRED F. HILLIER 6
BENJAMIN C. DIXON 3	JOSEPH W. PARKER 7
WILLIAM HOLMES 4	JOSEPH E. R. KEEN ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by JOSEPH W. PARKER.

First peal in the method and quickest peal of Major on the bells

SHEPshed, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, April 25, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 14 cwt.	
ALBERT E. HARRIS Treble	EDWARD READER 5
JOHN OLDHAM 2	WILLIAM THORLEY 6
HARRY WHITTLE 3	WILLIAM TRIGG 7
WILLIAM SMITH 4	JOSEPH POWELL Tenor

Composed and Conducted by HARRY WHITTLE.

The ringers of the 2nd, 4th, 5th and Tenor belong to the tower of All Saints', Loughborough, the remainder hailing from Stanford-on-Soar, Notts.

MELKSHAM, WILTS.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, April 25, 1914, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 19 cwt.	
WALTER S. BURBIDGE ... Treble	ARTHUR J. WEST 5
ARTHUR W. ANGEL 2	SAMUEL J. HECTOR 6
GEORGE H. ARCHARD 3	GILBERT H. HARDING ... 7
ARTHUR K. HARRISON ... 4	CHARLES RAISON Tenor

Conducted by GILBERT H. HARDING.

NEW ROMNEY, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
(ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD.)

On Saturday, April 25, 1914, in Three Hours,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.	
*ALBERT NOAKES Treble	HIGHWOOD S. HUMPHERY 5
CHARLES W. PLAYER 2	PERCY PAGE 6
ERNEST E. HUTCHINSON ... 3	CHARLES TRIBE 7
ARCHIBALD C. KAY 4	GEORGE JOHNSON Tenor

Conducted by HIGHWOOD S. HUMPHERY.

* First peal away from tenor. Rung as a birthday compliment to P. Page, A. Noakes and H. S. Humphery; also on the anniversary of Mr. A. C. and Mrs. Kay's wedding day.

DARLEY DALE, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
(DARLEY DALE BRANCH.)

On Saturday, April 25, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor 17 cwt., in F.

JOHN SIDDALL, JUNR.	Treble	JAMES L. WRIGHT	5
ARTHUR E. HOLMES	2	EDWIN BLACKWALL	6
ALFRED C. WRIGHT	3	JOHN W. DERBYSHIRE	7
THOMAS WHITE	4	WILLIAM TAYLOR	Tenor

Composed by HENRY W. WILDE, and
Conducted by ALFRED C. WRIGHT.

HALLOW, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, April 25, 1914, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PHILLIP AND JAMES,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 21½ cwt.

WILLIAM RANFORD	Treble	ROBERT G. KNOWLES	5
WILLIAM C. JONES	2	ABRAHAM WINTERTON	6
ERNEST GIBBS	3	GORDON CHECKETTS	7
GEORGE HINTON, JUNR.	4	WILLIAM PAGE	Tenor

Composed by J. REEVES, and
Conducted by W. PAGE.

First peal in the method by all except G. Checketts, and first peal of Oxford Treble Bob on the bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. Ernest Gibbs and Mrs. W. Page. R. G. Knowles' 50th peal for the Association.

BOURTON-ON-THE-WATER, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, April 26, 1914, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 15 cwt.

*JOSEPH COLLETT	Treble	FRANK BIRD	5
HENRY GILLET	2	WILLIAM STRATFORD	6
FRANK E. DAVIS	3	WALTER LARGE	7
EDWARD PARDON	4	*THOMAS BANNING	Tenor

Conducted by W. LARGE.

* First peal of Triples. First peal on the bells which have been rebung and two new trebles added by Messrs. Mears & Stainbank, the "go" of them being excellent.

SIX & FIVE BELL PEALS.

ST. WEONARD'S, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, April 15, 1914, in Three Hours and One Minute,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WEONARD,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 42 Six-Scores with ten different callings. Tenor 11 cwt.

SAMUEL F. WILLIAMS	Treble	*THOMAS W. ROWLEY	4
*WILLIAM POSTON	2	REV. V. A. CRESWELL	5
*ALFRED BREWER	3	FRANCIS A. OAKLEY	Tenor

Conducted by W. POSTON.

* First peal.

WORDSLEY, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Thursday, April 16, 1914, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

*JOSEPH SLATER	Treble	*WALTER J. BRETHERTON	4
*CHARLES E. PERKINS	2	*ROBERT MATTHEWS	5
*JOHN BASS	3	† HENRY COOPER	Tenor

Conducted by R. MATTHEWS.

* First peal of Doubles, and first on the bells. † First peal. It was also J. Bass' 200th peal.

WROXHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, April 16, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being seven 720's, called in six different ways. Tenor 9 cwt.

E. WARNES	Treble	A. WEBB	4
R. HAINES	2	C. CHAMBERLIN	5
C. NEWLANDS	3	S. NUNN	Tenor

Conducted by C. CHAMBERLIN.

First peal as conductor.

ALLESLEY, COVENTRY.
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Friday, April 17, 1914, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being seven 720's called differently. Tenor 12 cwt.

HARRY HASTINGS	Treble	*CHARLES AYLETT	4
*JOHN TAYLOR	2	ADOLPHUS ROBERTS	5
JOSEPH H. W. WHITE	3	GEORGE H. KETTLE	Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE H. KETTLE.

* First peal of Minor with a bob bell. First peal of Minor as conductor.

OVERBURY, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION
(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, April 18, 1914, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. FAITH,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being seven 720's called differently. Tenor 9½ cwt.

CHARLES WHITTLE	Treble	JAMES HENNING	4
*WILLIAM PAYNE	2	LEONARD NICHOLS	5
JOSEPH D. JOHNSON	3	FREDERICK J. JOHNSON	Tenor

Conducted by F. J. JOHNSON.

* First peal and first attempt. First peal of Minor as conductor. The band wish to thank the Vicar of Overbury (the Rev. W. Lee) for the use of the bells and for so kindly entertaining them after the peal.

TUNSTALL, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 18, 1914, in Two Hours and Thirty-seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

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

Tenor 9½ cwt.

FREDERICK BROWN	Treble	THOMAS JULL	4
*EDWARD H. SPICE	2	WILLIAM NYE	5
WILLIAM H. B. WILKINS	3	WILLIAM SPICE	Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM SPICE.

* First peal. E. H. Spice, who was elected a member of the Association previous to starting, is 14 years of age, and is the youngest ringer in the Kent County Association to ring a peal of Minor in seven methods with a bob bell.

WHISSENDINE, RUTLAND.
THE SOCIETY OF FRAMLAND RINGERS.

On Saturday, April 18, 1914, in Three Hours and One Minute,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Stedman Slow Course, Reading, St. Simon's, Old Doubles, Plain Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Grandsire.

*EDWIN HUDDLESTON	Treble	JOHN W. WRIGHT	4
THOS. H. RATE	2	WILLIAM H. DYKE	5
JOSEPH MURREY	3	JOHN T. POLLARD	Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM H. DYKE.

* First peal in seven methods. This is the first peal on the bells, which were augmented to six in 1906, and hang in reverse order. All the above ringers are members of the Wymondham band.

GREAT ADDINGTON, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 18, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

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

*ARTHUR FAIRY Treble	WILLIAM J. GILBERT ... 4
JOHN BULL 2	JAMES HUDSON 5
*HORACE COPPERWHEAT ... 3	WALTER GILBERT Tenor

Conducted by WALTER GILBERT.

* First peal of Minor. † First peal away from the treble.

LARFIELD, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 18, 1914, in Three Hours and Twenty-three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being seven 720's, called differently. Tenor 19 cwt., in E flat.

*WILLIAM HOLLINGSWORTH Treble	*THOMAS HEMBLING 4
*ALFRED CANN 2	†WILLIAM J. G. BROWN ... 5
*FREDERIC COLMAN 3	*FREDERIC WARREN Tenor

Conducted by W. HOLLINGSWORTH.

* First peal. † First peal of Minor. Rung at the first attempt. Believed to be the first peal ever accomplished on these bells. All ringers are resident in Larfield.

WHETSTONE, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 18, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being seven 720's, called differently. Tenor 8½ cwt.

HENRY BRIGGS Treble	CHARLES H. BRIGGS 4
JOHN ERIC ELLIS 2	JOHN GARRATT 5
GEORGE WOOD 3	W. HYDE INGLESANT Tenor

Conducted by W. HYDE INGLESANT.

First peal by J. E. Ellis, who is only 16 years of age, and to whom much credit is due for his good striking throughout peal. First peal on the bells, which were recently increased from four to six by the addition of two trebles, generously given by Mr. J. Buxton, a resident in the parish. Messrs. Briggs belong to Stony Stanton, Ellis and Garratt to Sapcote, Wood to Sharnford, and the conductor to Broughton Astley.

STANTON-UPON-HINEHEATH, SALOP.
THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.
On Sunday, April 19, 1914, in Two Hours and Thirty-nine Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Consisting of six Six-scores of Plain Bob and 36 of Grandsire.

Tenor 8 cwt., in A.

†ERNEST V. RODENHURST Treble	WILLIAM WEATHERLEY ... 4
THOMAS TUDOR 2	ALFRED E. FULICK 5
CHARLES R. LILLEY 3	*JAMES MOODY Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

* First peal. † First peal away from tenor. First peal on the bells.

WORPLESDON, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wednesday, April 22, 1914, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 of Woodbine, two 720's of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and 720 each of Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 18 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lbs., in E flat.

FRANK NEAL Treble	HENRY A. BLACKMAN ... 4
SAMUEL PETTER 2	CORPL. G. GILBERT, R.E. ... 5
WILLOUGHBY E. MAULDEN 3	ALFRED H. PULLING Tenor

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

* First peal. † First peal in five methods. Rung on the eve and in honour of St. George's Day.

HANDBELL PEALS.

LEATHERHEAD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, April 18, 1914, in Two Hours and Thirty-seven Minutes,
AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. E. BONIFACE,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5043 CHANCES;

Size 16, in B flat.

MISS ELSIE L. BENNETT 1-2	MAURICE SMITHER ... 5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... 3-4	FRANK I. HAIRS 7-8
HENRY L. GARFATH 9-10	

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Umpires: Rev. E. B. JAMES and J. BRUCE WILLIAMSON.

Witnesses: Mr. and Mrs. BONIFACE, Mrs. PULLING, A. WHITE, C. HAZELDEN and A. H. WINCH.

The ringers take this opportunity of thanking Mr. and Mrs. Boniface for kindly placing a room at their disposal.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, April 19, 1914, in Two Hours and Seventeen Minutes,
AT THE RESIDENCE OF A. H. PULLING,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

PITSTOW'S VARIATION. Size 18, in G.

ALFRED H. PULLING ... 1-2	MAURICE SMITHER ... 5-6
WILLOUGHBY E. MAULDEN 3-4	HENRY L. GARFATH ... 7-8

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Witnesses: Mrs. PULLING, MISS ENDALL and MISS HOLDER.

This peal was rung on the lawn and was specially arranged as a birthday compliment to Mrs. Pulling.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

On Monday, April 20, 1914, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,
IN THE BELFRY OF ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANCES;

*ALLEN F. BAILEY ... 1-2	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... 5-6
ERNEST S. BAILEY ... 3-4	JAMES M. BAILEY ... 7-8

*FREDERICK W. BAILEY ... 9-10

Composed by H. J. TUCKER, and

Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

Umpire: GEORGE WILSON.

* First peal of Royal. First peal of Royal in hand by all. First peal of Royal as conductor. It was also the first peal of Royal to be rung by five brothers. Rung as a birthday compliment to F. W. Bailey.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD

On Monday, April 20, 1914, in Two Hours and Twenty Minutes,
AT THE RESIDENCE OF A. H. PULLING,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Size 17, in A.

HENRY L. GARFATH ... 1-2	MAURICE SMITHER ... 5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... 3-4	CLARENCE H. DOBBIE ... 7-8

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Witness: MISS HOOD.

This peal was arranged and rung by past and present members of the Holy Trinity Society as a farewell to Mr. C. Willshire, who sailed for Canada on April 23rd. Owing to an unforeseen circumstance the tower bells were not available.

CARHAMPTON, SOMERSETSHIRE.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, April 22, 1914, in Two Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes,
IN THE BELFRY OF THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;

WILLIAM R. HOYLE ... 1-2	WILLIAM BENNETT ... 3-4
HENRY MOORE ... 5-6	

Conducted by H. MOORE. Umpire: Mr. H. THORNE.

First peal on handbells by all.

The peal of Stedman Triples rung at Whitley Bay, Northumberland, on Jan. 24th last, should have been credited to the Durham and Newcastle Association.

The ringer of the 10th in the peal of Maximus rung at Great Yarmouth on Easter Monday, was James G. Rumsey and not William G. as reported.

The peal of Bob Major at Oldham on April 12th should have been credited to the Lancashire Association, and not to the Rochdale Association as sent in.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**THE DIVISION OF THE DIOCESE.**

The Ely Diocesan Association, in view of the division of the diocese, is faced with an important crisis, and the question came up on the annual report, presented at the meeting on Easter Monday at Cambridge. There was a large attendance of members and ringing friends from London, Coggeshall, Braintree, Stansted, Earl's Colne, Fulbourn, Chatteris, Ickleton, Melbourn, Ramsey, Longstanton, Ely, Wilburton, Newmarket, Sawston, and Cambridge. The towers of St. Mary's the Great, St. Andrew's the Great, St. Benedict's, the Church of Our Lady (R.C.), and St. Andrew's, Old Chesterton, were placed at the disposal of the members, and some good ringing resulted, many getting their first touches in the higher methods.

Service was held in St. Mary's Church, and was well attended. The Ven. Archdeacon Cunningham (Vice-President of the Association) conducted the service, and gave an address full of interest, mentioning the various uses of bells in connection with the work of the Church, the sorrows and joys of the nation, and University life, concluding by reminding ringers to always remember they were Church workers.

The annual lunch and business meeting afterwards took place at the Lion Hotel, where the company, numbering 72, sat down to an excellent repast. The chair was taken by the Ven. Archdeacon Cunningham, those present including the Rev. H. B. Woolley (Long Stanton), Rev. J. Morgan (St. Andrew's the Great), Rev. N. Shelton (St. Andrew's, Old Chesterton), Mr. Ambrose Shelton, Messrs. T. R. Dennis (general secretary), F. C. Turner (treasurer), P. Webb and F. Rowlinson (district secretaries), and Messrs. J. Taylor and E. Webb (of the committee), and others.

THE REPORT.

The venue for the next annual meeting was discussed, and it was decided to hold it at Huntingdon on Easter Monday, 1915.—The annual report and balance sheet were then read and adopted.

In the report, which stated that the balance in hand had been increased from £16 9s. 6d. to £18 2s. 4½d., reference was made to the division of the Diocese, which had brought the Association face to face with a difficult situation, and would require careful consideration. It was particularly unfortunate that this should have occurred at a time when the Association had attained such efficiency and seemed well on the way to achieve a very high position among kindred associations. They especially appealed to the members of the Sudbury Archdeaconry who were affected by the division, not to sever their connection with the Ely Association unless and until one was formed for the new Diocese. The combination of East and West Suffolk to form a new Diocesan Association should produce a powerful organisation, and if promoted would meet with the Ely Association's cordial support, but they strongly deprecated a withdrawal in favour of any Association which lay outside the new Diocese. The loss of territory, whenever it took place, would be most keenly felt by the Ely Association, and would place them in a very weakened condition.

A short discussion on the division of the Diocese followed, the feeling of the meeting being in favour of continuing as at present. The need of a larger membership in Cambridgeshire was emphasised by the Archdeacon, who remarked how pleased he was to hear that the Wisbech ringers had joined, and hoped more would be forthcoming in North Cambs.

OFFICERS RE-ELECTED.

A vote of thanks to the General Secretary for the excellent report which had been presented was carried, after which the following were re-elected to serve for 1914: T. R. Dennis (general secretary), F. C. Turner (treasurer), District secretaries: Rev. R. L. Gardner (Sudbury), P. Webb (Archdeaconry of Ely), Rev. H. B. Woolley (Hunts Archdeaconry), and F. Rowlinson (Isle of Ely). Mr. O. G. Howe (Ramsey) was elected auditor for 1914. New members were elected as follows: The Rev. A. D. Taylor (Woodditton), hon. member; Messrs. F. P. Cheetham (Cambridge University Guild), J. W. Taylor and E. D. Taylor (Loughborough), hon. life ringing members; and Messrs. S. Andrews, T. Banham, H. Cheesewright, H. Piggins, R. Narborough, F. Piggins, A. Wenlock, R. Watts, E. Doncaster (Wisbech), H. Easingwood, D. Easingwood, T. Easingwood (Ely), E. Court (Newmarket), A. Waller (Wilburton), and W. Day (Melbourn), ringing members.

Votes of thanks to the incumbents for the use of the bells, to the district secretaries, and to last year's auditor, Mr. W. B. Kempton, were passed, the Revs. J. Morgan and W. Shelton responding.—A hearty vote of thanks to the Archdeacon for so kindly taking the service, and the chair at the meeting, was carried with acclamation.

The meeting then terminated, and ringing was indulged in up to about 8 p.m. Among the touches that were rung during the day were: Kent Treble Bob Maximus and Royal, Stedman Triples and Caters, at Great St. Mary's; Double Norwich, London and Cambridge Surprise Major, and Kent Major at St. Andrew's; and courses of Superlative and Cambridge Surprise Major and Stedman Triples at the Church of Our Lady; Stedman Doubles and Bob Minor at St. Benedict's; 720 of Oxford Treble Bob Minor and 720 of Cambridge Surprise Minor at St. Andrew's, Old Chesterton.

LATE NOTICES.

HERTS ASSOCIATION (Eastern District).—An informal meeting will be held at Braughing on May 9th, being the Braughing Youths' Anniversary. The bells will be open all day. Any band desiring to attempt a peal during the morning can do so. Tea will be provided for visitors at a small charge. The Vicar welcomes all who may like to come.—W. H. Lawrence, Secretary, Eastern District.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—The annual festival will be held in Trowbridge, on Tuesday, May 12th, 1914. Service at the Parish Church, 12.30. Preacher—The Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, Master of the Oxford Guild. Luncheon at the George Hotel, 1.30. Ringers' tickets 1/-. Towers open: Trowbridge (8), Bradford-on-Avon (8), Hilperton (6), Holt (6).—F. L. Edwards, Honorary Secretary.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Canterbury District.—The annual meeting will be held at Walmer on Saturday, May 16th. The bells of Walmer (8), Upper Deal (6) and Mongeham (6) will be available from 3 p.m. Divine Service at 5 p.m. in Walmer Parish Church. Tea provided at 5.30 p.m. at the Hare and Hounds, Upper Walmer. Will all those who intend being present kindly let me know by Tuesday, May 12th. Business meeting after tea. All subscriptions should be paid before this meeting.—E. Trendell, Hon. District Secretary, Boughton, Faversham.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Society, Established 1824).—Southern District.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, May 16th, at St. Mary's, Rotherhithe. Tower open from 4 p.m. to 7.45 p.m. Business meeting and social to follow. All members and friends invited.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Secretary, 86, Gaskarth Road, Balham Hill, S.W.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at Clitheroe, on Saturday, May 16th, 1914. Bells ready at 3 o'clock.—J. Watson, Branch Secretary.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The May general meeting and the first meeting of the Southern District, will be held jointly at Rotherham and Eastwood, on Saturday, May 16th. Bells available for ringing—Parish Church (10) from 2 to 5; St. Stephen's (8) from 2 to 9, except during the tea and meeting. Subscriptions, etc., will be attended to, tea tickets issued and the order of ringing arranged, in St. Stephen's vestry. Tea at 5 p.m. in St. George's Hall, Effingham Street, will be provided at 10d. per head for those who notify Mr. A. Hague, 20, Gerard Road, Rotherham, not later than Tuesday, May 12th. Business meeting afterwards for the election of district officers, vice-president, ringing master, secretary and committee. As regards the general meeting, will members please accept this notice instead of a circular.—Clement Glenn, Hon. General Secretary, 11, Fisher Road, Sheffield.

DUKE AS BELL RINGER.

The Duke of Portland has given two bells to make a peal of six at St. Mary's Church, Norton Cuckney, in commemoration of his own silver wedding and the coming of age of his eldest son. The bells were dedicated on Sunday morning, and when they were being rung after service, the Duke went to the belfry and expressed his desire to ring the largest bell. He had a few pulls on the tenor, to the great delight of a large number of ringers and other interested lookers-on. A full report of the proceedings will appear in our next issue, together with a photograph.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

RELATIONS WITH YORKS ASSOCIATION.

The Easter meeting of the Cleveland and North Yorks Association was held at Malton, and it was endowed with all the essentials that go to make a bell ringers' meeting a happy function. Indeed, the arrangements for the comfort of the members left nothing to be desired, and it is quite safe to say that the 35 members who were present had a thoroughly enjoyable day. Ringers were present from Ormesby, Middlesbrough, Whitby, Darlington, Hemingborough, Stockton-on-Tees, Marske, Robin Hood's Bay, Middleham, Pateley Bridge, etc. The bells of the Parish Church (St. Leonard's) were available for ringing all day, and many good touches were rung.

Dinner was provided at the Green Man Hotel, the Association having the pleasure of the company of the Vicar of Malton (the Rev. H. L. Ogle). Mr. Ogle was compelled to leave before dinner was quite over, saying he had to assist at another little "ringing" ceremony at his church. However, he hoped the ringers would accept his invitation to tea.

Mr. Wright, addressing the meeting, said he had two things which he wished to refer to the members. The first was with regard to the Cleveland Association's relations with the Yorkshire Association. He reminded the members of the resolution passed at their last meeting, requesting the Yorkshire Association that in their new scheme they would not encroach upon the district which the Cleveland Association regarded as their own. He explained that the resolution was sent by him to the Yorkshire authorities, but neither he nor Mr. Metcalfe, the secretary, had had any official reply, although he was in a position to say that the Yorkshire people had decided not to accede to their request. He went on to say that he attended the Yorkshire Association's annual meeting, and did all he could, but, of course, he was out-voted. Apparently there would now be two Associations in existence in the North Riding. The hope had been expressed that the two Associations would work side by side, but he hardly expected they would work together on friendly terms. It resolved itself into a question as to whether there would be two Associations, or whether one would go under. If so, which would it be? If the Cleveland Association was to continue its existence he urged the members to stick together and help one another as much as possible.

The applause with which these remarks were greeted augurs well for the continued prosperity of the Cleveland Association.

Leaving this subject, Mr. Wright said he did not want to feel that their Association was going to be put to the wall, and expressed the hope that the members would continue to pull together, and show that they were worthy of the support which they always received from the various places they visited (hear, hear).

His second point had reference to the resignations of Dr. Pauli, of Middleham, and the Rev. R. L. B. Oliver, late of Saltburn, as vice-presidents, intimating that their places would need to be filled at the annual meeting at Northallerton on Whit-Monday.

The following new members were elected: S. Tunnell (Middlesbrough), G. W. Peverell (Bishop Auckland), L. Pannaby and C. J. Rickinson (Robin Hood's Bay), A. Elders (Ormesby), H. Clayton (Tadcaster), R. Ager (Marske), and the Rev. E. Hope (Vicar of Marske) as an hon. member.

After tea, Mr. Wright proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. Ogle for his kindness in entertaining the Association, and also to Mr. Knagg who had made arrangements in the tower for the meeting.—Replying Mr. Ogle said he hoped the Cleveland Association would not find it inconvenient to come again on some future occasion. He was very pleased indeed to have had a visit from the Association, and could assure them that if they could do anything to create more enthusiasm amongst their own ringers they would most certainly do so.—Mr. Wardell, the Vicar's warden, also spoke words of welcome.

A committee meeting was held to consider various items of the Association work during the year, and the President, the Rev. W. P. Wright, was heartily thanked for the interest that he had taken in trying to convince the officials of the Yorkshire Association to leave out the Northern part of Yorkshire in their own scheme for the present.

PRESENTATIONS.

In recognition of his services as instructor to the newly-formed band at Oatlands, Surrey, Mr. F. Shepherd, senr., of Hersham, has been presented with a case of pipes and a tobacco jar. Under his able tuition excellent progress has been made since when, a few months ago, Mr. Shepherd taught them to handle a bell.

On leaving Lavenham to take up duties at Hadleigh, Suffolk, the Rev. R. L. Gardner was presented with an enlarged photograph of the company, with whom he rang regularly.

After serving St. John's Church, Bristol, as sexton since March 5th, 1856, Mr. George Staddon, "father" of the Bristol ringers, has retired, and the congregation have presented him with an illuminated address and purse of gold.

BEDS ASSOCIATION.

THE QUESTION OF THE FUTURE.

The annual meeting of the Beds Association was held on Easter Monday, when the Rev. W. W. Baker (Dunstable) president, was in the chair, supported by Mr. Edwin Ransom, the Misses E. and D. Steele, the Rev. and Mrs. A. Rust (Ridgmount), the Rev. Tyrwhitt Drake, and between 30 and 40 ringers.

The President said they met on a very interesting occasion because on that day they passed out of the diocese of Ely, into the diocese of St. Albans. They always considered themselves banded together, not only to promote that most excellent exercise, change ringing, but as a body of church workers. They would have to consider, if not to-day, sometime later, what was to be their relationship to organised ringers in the other archdeaconries. Herts and Beds now comprised the Diocese of St. Albans, and from their point of view, it was exceedingly fortunate that Herts had a society covering the county. Hitherto they had held an autonomous position in the diocese of Ely. He did not wish to recall the memory of troubles, but he thought that any trouble which did take place was not their fault, and he was always sorry that the scheme of affiliation to the Ely Diocesan Association, which was drawn up with great care, and carried through the committee, was thrown out at the annual meeting of the Association. But it was no use crying over spilt milk, the fact remained that they never occupied the position of attachment to the diocesan Association, which some of them would wish. Now they came into a diocese, part of which was organised on county lines, and he was quite sure all wished that there should be some close bond between the two Associations (hear, hear). What shape it would take was, of course, a matter for consideration. Most of them had personal friends among the ringers in Herts. He hoped the new Bishop would accept the position as patron of the Association. As one of the Rural Deans of the new diocese he was bidden to St. Albans in a short time, and this matter he had in his mind to speak to the Bishop about. Mr. Baker said he hoped before they separated they would express some opinion on the question of inter-affiliation, in order that he might be guided as their representative on the Central Council.

EXCELLENT PROGRESS.

The Hon. Secretary, the Rev. A. Rust, read the annual report, which stated that the work of the Association during the year had been extremely satisfactory. The policy of dividing the Association into three districts had continued to prove a very marked success. Great progress had been made in change ringing and 24 peals had been rung.

Mr. J. Barker, in moving this report, said that as far as ringing was concerned they had had one of the most satisfactory years they had had for some time. One tower in the Association had rung 84 72's, and nearly 70 of them in Surprise Minor methods. They had also rung three Surprise Minor peals.

The financial report stated that there were 123 performing members paid up, and the balance in hand at the end of the year was £20 7s. 7d. It was decided to ask the Bishop of St. Albans to become patron, and the Rev. W. W. Baker was re-elected president.

In the election of the vice-presidents, the President said they had lost, by death, one of their most honoured vice-presidents, Canon Haddock, who was interested in every matter referring to the church in the county and the diocese. They in common with all other church bodies in the county, felt the loss, and regretted the vacancy that occurred in their list.—Mr. Chas. Herbert and Mr. Edwin Ransom were re-elected vice-presidents, and the name of Miss Evelyn Steel was then added to fill the vacancy. The members of the committee nominated by the three districts, Bedford, Luton and Biggleswade, were elected. The Rev. A. Rust (Vicar of Ridgmount) was re-elected secretary and treasurer, and Mr. F. T. Tanqueray (Woburn) auditor.

TO ENCOURAGE GOOD STRIKING.

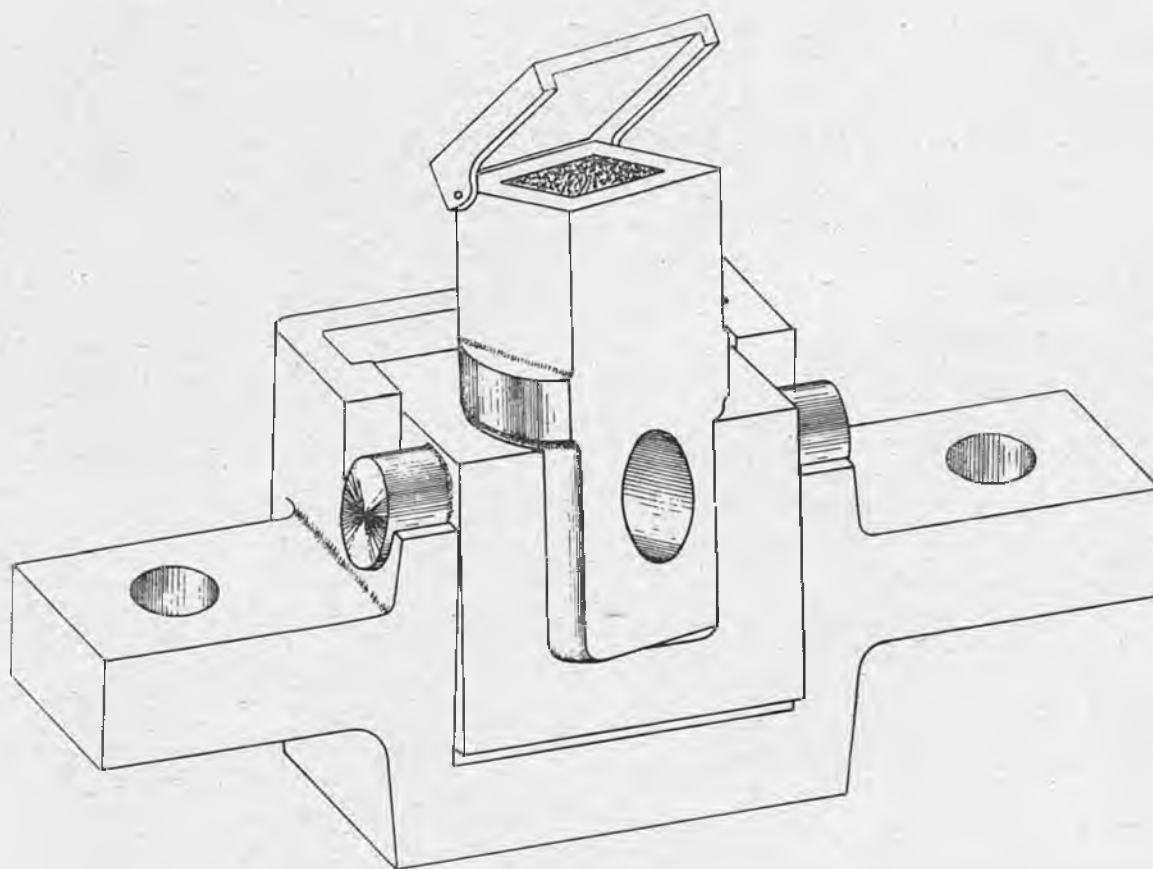
The President presented a certificate to the ringers of Luton St. Mary's for regularity and punctuality, and proficiency, awarded under the Rev. Tyrwhitt Drake's scheme.

The scheme was discussed at length, and Mr. Drake said that one of his objects was to promote good striking on Sunday. He, therefore, made provision in the scheme for all failures to count against the band. The point as to whether some of the more elaborate methods might not be practised on a Sunday, before the time of ringing for service, was discussed, and Mr. Drake said that a breakdown on Sunday was as bad at 4.30 as at 5.30. A nasty noise was a nasty noise. Eventually it was decided to proceed with the scheme for another year, and the Rev. Tyrwhitt Drake, Messrs. Barker and Staddon were appointed as committee to go into its revision.

The meeting expressed an opinion in favour of some scheme of inter-affiliation.

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PORTISHEAD'S LADY RINGERS.

Few, if any, ringing companies have so many capable lady ringers in their ranks as Portishead. There are eight of them—all change ringers, and five out of the eight have taken part in a peal, viz., Misses Jukes, Hole, Mitchell, Coles and Gillingham, who were in the peal of Grandsire Triples rung at Portishead on February 24th last, Miss Mitchell ringing treble and the other four inside bells. On the Sunday previous to that date, six rang in a quarter-peal of the same method, Miss Tippet taking treble, and Miss Mitchell the second, which was the latter's longest touch on a dodging bell. The other two, Misses Stokes and Pearce, can both ring the treble to Grandsire Triples.

Portishead bells are rung twice every Sunday, and the majority of the band are very regular in attendance, in fact Miss Hole has not missed once, or been late, for 15 months. The names of Miss Jukes and Miss Gillingham are, of course, well known, for they have been ringing for some years, and took part in the ladies' peal at Cubitt Town. Miss Stokes, who started only a few months ago, is making splendid progress. The remainder have been ringing a little more than twelve months.

It was the founding of "The Ladies' Guild" that led to the effort being made to induce these young ladies to take up the art, and they have largely to thank Mr. Goldstone and Mr. Gillingham for the progress they have made. The success of the lady ringers at Portishead should be an inducement to other bands to enlist the services of the ladies.



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HERE AND THERE.

BY GEORGE!

The patron saint of England, whose festival falls on April 23rd, has many namesakes among the ringing fraternity, and on more than one occasion Georges have celebrated the day by ringing a peal. On Thursday of last week eight of them once again marked the festival by scoring a 5088 Kent Treble Bob. Not only was the peal rung, composed and conducted by Georges, but to make the record complete it was rung at the Church of St. George, Camberwell.

ACCIDENT TO WELL-KNOWN RINGER.

His many friends throughout the country will learn with much regret of an accident which has befallen Mr. Isaac G. Shade, of Greenwich. While at work on Easter Tuesday he slipped down stairs, and sustained fractured ribs. He was taken to his home at 72, Blissett Street, and was able to keep about for some days, but on Friday was ordered to bed by his doctor. It will be remembered that, despite his advancing years—he reached his sixty-fourth birthday on Monday last—Mr. Shade took part in the four Surprise peals in the day on Easter Monday. He will have the best wishes of the Exercise for his speedy recovery.

WEDDING BELLS.

On Saturday week, eight members of the Ancient Society of College Youths met at St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate, to attempt a peal of Treble Bob Major to celebrate the marriage of Mr. James Scholes, junr., to Miss Lillian Lane, and also the coming of age of both the bride and Miss Annie Scholes. The name of Scholes has been associated with the ringing at the above church for a number of years, as Mr. James Scholes, senr., followed his father in the position of steeple keeper, so that the permission to ring on this occasion was greatly appreciated by the band. The peal attempt was not successful owing to the breaking of the treble rope, and although this occurred early, it was not considered advisable to make a second attempt, as a late finish would probably have brought complaints. A good touch of 1696 was, however, rung instead, by: W. Truss 1, E. Gibbs 2, A. B. Peck 3, H. Langdon (conductor) 4, R. W. Green 5, J. Scholes 6, E. Hall 7, T. Langdon 8. The ringers requested Mr. Scholes to convey their hearty congratulations to the happy couple, and to Miss Annie Scholes.

SAFFRON WALDEN'S PEAL OF TWELVE.

The addition of the four new bells to make a peal of twelve at Saffron Walden, which has been entrusted to Mr. A. Howell, of Ipswich, is proceeding, and the dedication will be performed by the Bishop of Chelmsford on Saturday, June 27th, which is the annual ringing festival at Saffron Walden.

LONG PEAL OF CINQUES ATTEMPT.

The attempt for the long peal of Grandsire Cinques (12,473 changes), at Painswick, on Saturday, failed after about three hours' excellent ringing. Another attempt will be made, we are informed, as soon as convenient, as the band are keen on scoring the peal.

EARLY BIRDS.

The band who rang the four Surprise Major peals on Easter Monday had to make an early start. They were all tucked up into bed by ten o'clock on Sunday night, but were called again by 4 a.m.—early hours, at any rate for mine host of a certain well-known Haggerston house, who prefers not to wake till the milkman has called. At five minutes past five the bells of Egham were started into Bristol Surprise, and the peal was completed in 2 hrs. 57 mins. This had put an edge on appetites, and breakfast was welcome.

THE MYSTERIES OF BELL FOUNDING.

A party of 150 members and friends of the Leicester Municipal Officers' Association had an instructive outing to Loughborough the other day, when they visited the famous foundry of Messrs. Taylor and Sons, and learnt something of the mysteries of bell founding. They were received by the heads of the firm (Messrs. J. W. and E. D. Taylor), and saw the casting of several bells, destined for Australia, the process being explained in detail by Mr. E. D. Taylor. A large number of bells in various stages of completion, including the new peal for St. Mary's, Southampton, five bells for Denmark, and the peal of twelve from St. Chad's, Shrewsbury, which are at the foundry, the last-named being struck round for the edification of the visitors. Next they were entertained with a carillon performance, Mr. Harry Withers, of Bourneville, having been brought over for the purpose. He delighted the listeners with a programme which included "Cavalleria Rusticana," "Sweet Chiming Bells," "Beware," "Thora," "The Lost Chord," "The Ash Grove," "Land of my Fathers," "Men of Harlech," and "Auld Lang Syne." Afterwards Messrs. Taylor were heartily thanked for their kindness.

A NORTANTS RESTORATION.

Thanks largely to the generosity of Mr. Pickering Phipps, the patron of the living, the four old bells of Rothersthorpe, Northants, have been recast, and a fifth has been given by the Vicar (the Rev. H. R. C. Vernon) and his family. The four old bells were dated 1630, 1638, 1638 and 1719. The work was carried out by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon, in a highly creditable manner, which has given the utmost satisfaction.

The Rural Dean (the Rev. A. C. Neely) re-dedicated the bells at a short service outside the church. The other robed clergy present were the Rev. H. R. C. Vernon (Vicar), the Rev. J. C. King, D.D. (Gayton), and the Rev. Isham Longden (Heyford). After the dedicatory prayers and the pealing of the bells, evensong was sung in the church, and a short address was given by the Rev. A. C. Neely. Mrs. Warwick was at the organ. At the close of the service a band of Northants ringers, comprising Messrs. J. Clarke, C. Clarke, F. Hopper, T. Law, W. Sharp, W. Allen, and W. Pacey, rang three 120's of Grandsire Doubles, after which five others, including Messrs. L. Taylor and David Wright, of the Croydon Bell Foundry, rang 120 of Stedman Doubles and 120 of Grandsire Doubles.

All then adjourned to the School Room, where a splendid meat tea had been provided by the kindness of the Vicar, and to which about 25 ringers did complete justice. During the tea the Vicar called in and thanked all for their very excellent ringing. He also expressed his satisfaction with the tone of the new bells and the way in which the work had been executed by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston. He hoped that the six or seven men who had promised to learn to ring the bells would stick to it under the tuition of such an able coach as Mr. J. Clarke, who had undertaken to initiate them into the art of change ringing.

The bells were again brought into use until 9 p.m., whilst on Easter Day they were also rung at each service, the quality of tone and perfect "go" being much appreciated.

The rehanging of the bells is a portion of a big scheme for the restoration of the church. Part has already been completed, and it is hoped that the Bishop will be present at the dedication service when the whole is completed.

CHESTER GUILD.

The Grappenhall branch held a meeting at Daresbury, on Saturday, when the following towers were represented: Grappenhall, Lymm, Frodsham, Runcorn, Stretton, Warrington (St. Paul's). A service was held, at which the ringers' special form of service was used. Tea, kindly provided by the Vicar of Daresbury, was followed by the meeting, at which a hearty vote of thanks was given to the Vicar for his kindness. An adjournment was then made to the tower to try the new peal of eight, which were recently hung by Messrs. Warner and Sons, the "go" and tone being all that can be desired, and upon which Daresbury is to be congratulated. The raising of the ringing level by the provision of a second floor about two feet above the former one has effected quite a marked improvement.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**MEETING IN FAVOUR OF COOVERING TWO DIOCESES.**

The Easter quarterly meeting was held at Eye on Easter Monday, and as it was fourteen years since the Association last met in the ancient borough, considerable interest was evinced in the visit. Upwards of 80 representatives were present, and the ring of eight in the Parish Church were largely used by them. Luncheon was served at the White Lion Hotel, the President (Mr. J. Laneroff Holmes, J.P.) being in the chair.

After the loyal toast had been honoured and the Vicar of Eye thanked for the use of the bells, the President proposed "Success to the Association." He referred to the very satisfactory character of the recently issued report for the year 1913, and stated the work of the Association had been very efficiently carried on by their hon. secretary and treasurer (the Rev. C. L. Kennaway) and their secretary. Regarding Mr. Kennaway, who was leaving the county, it was difficult for him (the President) to say all he would like to say, for Mr. Kennaway and himself were at school together, and had been friends for fifty years. He had, however, decided to remove to Dorsetshire, and although he did not think he would want anything to remind him of them, he (the President) had ventured to have made a model of an old church bell in Hampshire. In presenting this gift to Mr. Kennaway, the President said he hoped he would place it on his table and use it as occasion required (applause). It would remind him of the many happy hours he had spent with the ringers of the diocese, and how they valued and esteemed the service he had rendered. He wished him long life and happiness.—On rising to respond, the Rev. C. L. Kennaway was very cordially greeted. He thanked the President for the beautiful gift which he would always treasure. Bell ringing and all connected with it had greatly improved since he first joined the Association in 1877, and for this improvement such Associations as theirs were largely responsible. Although he was leaving the East for the West, he hoped to see them all again.

Before the meeting concluded some little discussion took place with regard to the effect on the Association of the division of the East Anglian dioceses.—The Secretary explained that the committee was going very thoroughly into the matter, and their decisions and recommendations would be laid before the members at the annual meeting in October next. The subject was first mentioned at their last annual meeting, held at Ipswich, and the general feeling was that there should be no division. Whatever was decided upon, some little re-organisation would be necessary, for it seemed imperative to him (the secretary) that more frequent meetings of the Association should take place. Their area was a large one, and the present number of meetings per year did not cover the ground sufficiently well.

On the President asking the company to give an expression of opinion on the subject, there was a unanimous "aye" in favour of the Association covering the two dioceses of Norwich, and St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich.

The election of a number of new members concluded the meeting.

YORKSHIRE'S NEW NORTHERN DISTRICT.

The very large area covered by the Northern district of the Yorkshire Association being admittedly the most difficult to work, the committee decided that it should have first attention. With the object, therefore, of giving the new district a good "send-off," the first meeting was held at Northallerton on Saturday week, when upwards of 30 members and friends were present. The eight bells at the Parish Church were made good use of, in spite of two ropes having to be spliced between touches.

After all had enjoyed a substantial meat tea, the business meeting was held in the Parish Room, with the President (the Rev. C. C. Marshall) as chairman, other officials present being the hon. general secretary (Mr. C. Glenn), and Messrs. Fearnley, Williams and Blakiston (committee-men). The position of vice-president was filled by the unanimous election of Dr. Pauli, of Middleham, who, in returning thanks, promised to give the district his hearty support.—Mr. J. H. Blakiston, of Middlesbro', was enthusiastically voted to the post of ringing master, after the proposer and seconder (Mr. Rudd and the Rev. R. L. B. Oliver respectively) had voiced the members' appreciation of the great amount of spade work he had done for ringing in the North.—Mr. W. Rudd, of Thornaby, was elected to the district secretaryship, being in every way fitted for the position.—The members elected to the district committee were Messrs. F. Barker and E. Milburn, Saltburn; J. H. Pinkney and G. Cattle, Thornaby; C. Pollard and F. Laverick, Middlesbro'; F. A. Mellanby, Carlton-in-Cleveland; W. Lefty, Marske; and A. Burrows, Richmond. Of these, Messrs. Barker and Laverick were elected to serve on the Central Committee with the three principal officers.—Votes of thanks were passed to the Vicar of Northallerton for the use of the bells and the Parish Room, and to the local branch for their arrangements, and with thanks to the chairman, a pleasant meeting terminated.

Will members of the Northern District please note that new and renewal subscriptions, applications for reports, etc., should be sent to the district secretary, Mr. W. Rudd, 12, Oxford Road, Thornaby-on-Tees.

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YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—The first meeting will be held at Goole, on Saturday, May 2nd. The eight bells of the Parish Church will be available all day. Tea in the National Schools (near church), at 5 p.m., at 1s. per head. Business meeting afterwards for the election of district officers—vice-president, ringing master, secretary and committee. All ringers welcome.—Clement Glenn, Hon. General Secretary, 11, Fisher Road, Sheffield.

SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.—The annual meeting of this society will be held on Saturday, May 2nd, at Chesterfield. Church of St. Mary and All Saints, ten bells, tenor 25 cwt., available 3 p.m. to 7.30 p.m., except during the business meeting, which will be held about 6 p.m. The business will include election of officers for the ensuing year, presentation of balance sheet, secretary's report, etc., and a good attendance is hoped for.—J. E. L. Cockey, Hon. Secretary, 38, Rutland Park, Sheffield.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—The next meeting of the Guildford district will be held at Shere, tomorrow, Saturday, May 2nd. Bells (8) available 3.30. Service, with address by the Rector, 5.15. Tea at "The White Horse," 6 p.m. Tickets 6d. to members, 1s. to visitors.—John J. Jones, Hon. Secretary, North Street, Guildford.

OLDHAM AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—The quarterly meeting of the above society will be held at Moorside, on Saturday, May 2nd. Bells ready at 3.30. Business meeting at 6 o'clock sharp.—C. Platt, Secretary.

THE ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY will hold their annual meeting on Saturday next, May 2nd, at their headquarters, Saint Michael's Parish Church. Bells available at 4 p.m. All ringers invited. Business meeting at 7 p.m.—Charles Bower.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on May 5th and 19th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 7th and 21st; St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 12th; Southwark Cathedral, on the 19th; St. Paul's Cathedral, on the 26th; also at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays. St. Magnus, 7.30, the others 8 p.m.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at St. Mark's Church, Glodwick, on Saturday, May 9th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30.—Joseph Ogden, Secretary.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—North Eastern Division.—A meeting will be held at Earl's Colne, on Saturday, May 9th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Short service with address at 5 p.m. Tea at the Lion Hotel at 5.45 p.m., 8d. each to all giving notice of their intention to be present not later than Wednesday, May 6th.—B. Redgwell, Hon. District Secretary, The Street, Rayne.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—A meeting of the North and East District will be held at Hadley (by kind permission of the Rev. R. H. O. Stubbs) on Saturday, May 9th.

Bells available at 3 o'clock. Tea at 5.30, 6d. each. All members and friends welcome.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Secretary, 49, Wood Street, Walthamstow.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting will be held at Berkeley, on Saturday, May 9th, 1914. Service at the Parish Church, 4.30 p.m. Tea at the White Hart Hotel, 5.15. Business meeting after. Business: Election of Officers, Ladies' Guild and Central Council representation, Inter-affiliation, etc. Will branch secretaries please inform me of the probable number of their members attending? Details will be published next week.—W. A. Cave, Hon. Secretary, 10, Lilymead Avenue, Knowle, Bristol.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Castle Cary Deanery Branch.—The next meeting of the above named branch will be held at Bruton, on Saturday, May 9th, 1914. Service in the Parish Church 4.15 p.m. Tea in the schoolroom 5 p.m. Business meeting to follow. Bells available from 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. All ringers and friends cordially invited.—T. G. Vincent, Wraxall, Shepton Mallet.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting will be held at Brighton, on Saturday, May 9th. Luncheon at the Unicorn Hotel, North Street, at 1.30 p.m. Members' tickets 1s. 3d. each. Meeting at 2.15 to be presided over by the Lord Bishop of Lewes, who will also preach the sermon at the service to be held in St. Peter's Church, at 4 o'clock. Bells of St. Nicholas and St. Peter's open for ringing from 12 to 1, 5 to 6 and 7 to 9. Half fares (with a maximum of 2s.) allowed to members attending the meeting. Those intending to be present should notify me not later than Tuesday, May 5th.—G. Watson, Hon. General Secretary, Vale Road, St. Leonard's.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Ashford District.—The next meeting of the above will be held at Saltwood (near Hythe) on Saturday, May 9th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Special service at 5 p.m. An allowance of one penny per mile, single journey (maximum two shillings) will be paid to all members attending. Tea will be arranged at 1s. each for all those who let me know they require the same not later than Tuesday, May 5th.—C. Tribe, Hon. District Secretary, British School Villas, Tenterden.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Chew Deanery Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Long Ashton, on Saturday, May 9th. Bells available 3.30. Service in the church 5 o'clock. Tea at 5.30, meeting to follow.—George Yeo, Hon. Local Secretary.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Liverpool Branch.—A meeting will be held at Widnes, on Saturday, May 9th. Bells ready at 4. Members intending being present please send word to Walter Hughes, 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.—The next monthly meeting of the above society will be held at Guiseley, on Saturday, May 9th. There will be a peal attempt at 3 p.m. The business meeting will be held at the Red Lion Inn at 7 p.m.—F. Hopwood, 8, Keswick Street, Laisterdyke, Hon. Secretary.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Winchester District.—A meeting will be held at Stockbridge, on Saturday, May 9th. Bells from 2.30. Tea at 5.15.—James W. Elkins, District Secretary.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Thrapston District.—A special meeting will be held at Aldwinckle, on Saturday, May 9th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Tea at 5. Will those intending being present kindly let me know by Wednesday, May 6th.—F. Stubbs, District Secretary, 7, Grove Street, Raunds.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Sudbury Branch.—A district meeting will be held at Bury St. Edmunds, on Saturday, May 9th, when it is hoped a large number will attend. Tea at the Golden Fleece (Churchgate Street) at 4 p.m. Please send word to the secretary, not later than Tuesday, May 5th, if tea is required. The bells of St. Mary's, and the Norman Tower will be available, and those of Horringer (8), Fornham, Barton, Rougham (all 6) have been applied for.—Rev. R. L. Gardner, The Red House, Hadleigh, Suffolk, District Secretary.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The half-yearly meeting will be held at Clitheroe, on Saturday, May 16th, 1914. Bells of St. Mary Magdalen's Church available from 2.30 p.m. Meeting in the class room 5.30 p.m.—W. H. Shuker and J. H. Banks, Hon. Secretaries.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—South and West District.—The next meeting will be held by kind permission of the Vicar (Rev. W. H. Thompson) at St. Stephen's, West Ealing, on Saturday, May 16th, 1914. Bells available from 4.30. Service at 6. Tea, by invitation of the Vicar, at 6.30. By invitation of the Vicar a mid-week meeting will be held at Acton, on Wednesday evening, May 27th, ringing from 6 o'clock. Refreshments provided. All ringing friends welcome.—H. C. Chandler, Hon. Secretary, Heston, Hounslow.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—Ringing for Divine service at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields the first Sunday in the month, and at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, the third Sunday, both at 10 o'clock. Meetings for practice at Shoreditch the second Thursday and at St. Sepulchre's, Snow Hill, the fourth Wednesday in every month, at 7.30.—H. J. Bradley, Parish Church, Shoreditch.

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