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## MORE ENCOURAGEMENT WANTED.

A few weeks ago we urged upon Associations the importance and value of making greater efforts to interest the six-bell ringers, pointing out that in many cases very little is done to encourage the men in these towers to advance in the practice of Minor methods. It opens a field for much useful work, and needs to be approached in a broader spirit than that displayed in the policy of holding an occasional district meeting at a six-bell tower. In one or two notable cases combined practices at six-bell towers have become a regular part of association work.

There is, of course, every reason why the men of six-bell towers should not only be welcomed to belfries with rings of eight or more bells, and encouraged to become proficient on the higher numbers; but it should also be recognised that eight, ten or twelve bell ringing is not in itself the be-all and end-all of ringing. There are hundreds of six-bell towers throughout the country where men have little prospect of going, as a matter of regular practice, beyond the range which these limited rings offer, and the object of every Association being to encourage the art of change ringing, this limitation ought to be more fully recognised and greater opportunities made of raising the standard of the methods rung. There are many six-bell bands who have nothing to learn in the way of striking, and who set an example which not a few companies ringing on higher numbers could well afford to emulate, yet so far as encouragement in their own branch of the art is concerned, they receive none from their parent Association, or at most only a kind of patronising approval.

A real active policy, generally adopted, and not acted upon, as at present, in a few isolated cases, is required, and good results would soon be apparent. Even the eight and ten bell men would, on their part, find a new interest if they would seriously tackle the ringing of the multitudinous methods which are now practised on six, and extend these operations to the performance of spliced extents. The gain would, therefore, be mutual, and we hope to see Associations before the summer is out planning measures by which they will be able to extend practical and regular help to their six-bell towers, and especially to those who are backward in the campanological sense. It is often said that those ringers who desire to get on will make their own opportunities of doing so. This is true, for they succeed despite all the discouragements. How much more, therefore, might be done by giving these men full encouragement and a greater incentive to progress? For every one who now gains proficiency by self-made opportunities, half a dozen might be set upon the high road to success.

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### A NORTHANTS WEEK.

GRANFORD, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

On Monday, June 14, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes.

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

In seven methods, viz., Double Oxford Bob, Double Court Bob, Worcester Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb.

*JOHN SADDINGTON ... .. Treble	THOMAS GARLEY ... .. 4
CHARLES W. BIRD ... .. 2	†B. F. SHEPHERD ... .. 5
WALTER T. WILSON ... .. 3	E. MAURICE ATKINS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

\* First peal other than Doubles. † First peal on tower bells and first in seven methods. This was the conductor's 250th peal.

RUSHTON, NORTHANTS

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, June 16, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Eight and a Half Minutes.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. PETER AND ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being one extent each of Canterbury Pleasure, Oxford Bob, Worcester Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, and two of Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 26 lb.

MISS ADA DRAGON ... .. Treble	WILFRED H. J. HOOTON ... .. 4
*SAMUEL BURDETT ... .. 2	GEORGE A. BLAXLEY ... .. 5
*JAMES BUTLER ... .. 3	E. MAURICE ATKINS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

\* First peal in six methods.

ISHAM, NORTHANTS.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Wednesday, June 16, 1920, in One Hour and Fifty Five Minutes.

IN THE RECTORY GARDEN,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5280 CHANGES;**

*B. F. SHEPHERD (Trinity) ... 1-2	†J. BUTLER (Fitz. Hall) ... 5-6
E. M. ATKINS (Cath.) ... 3-4	W. H. J. HOOTON (Queen's) 7-8

Composed and Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

\* First peal away from the tenors. † First peal on inside pair of bells.

ISHAM, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, June 18, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 7 extents in 8 methods, viz., Cambridge Surprise, Double Oxford Bob and Oxford Bob Spliced, Double Court Bob, Plain Bob, Worcester Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr.

JOHN SADDINGTON ... .. Treble	WALTER T. WILSON ... .. 4
*JAMES BUTLER ... .. 2	WILFRED H. J. HOOTON ... .. 5
GEORGE A. BLAXLEY ... .. 3	E. MAURICE ATKINS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

\* First peal in 8 methods. This was the conductor's 100th peal for the Central Northamptonshire Association.

ROTHWELL, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 19, 1920, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 23 cwt.

E. MAURICE ATKINS ... .. Treble	HARRY PEET ... .. 5
†JAMES BUTLER ... .. 2	CHARLES W. BIRD ... .. 6
*CECIL CHAPMAN ... .. 3	DAVID J. NICHOLS ... .. 7
†WILFRED H. J. HOOTON ... 4	FREDERICK W. SAWFOOT ... Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW.

Conducted by D. J. NICHOLS.

\* First peal on eight bells. † First peal in the method.

**TEN BELL PEALS.**

WARWICK.  
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, June 26, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 25 cwt. in D.

*EDWARD H. JOHNSON ... Treble	HARRY ARGYLE ... 6
FRANK E. PERVIN ... 2	*DOUGLAS ARGYLE ... 7
*JOSEPH E. FENTON ... 3	THOMAS W. CHAPMAN ... 8
*JOSEPH H. W. WHITE ... 4	*WALTER J. PINFOLD ... 9
THOMAS MALE JUN. ... 5	ADOLPHUS ROBERTS ... Tenor

Composed by H. J. TOCKER. Conducted by A. ROBERTS.

\* First peal on ten bells. † First peal of Royal as conductor. The first peal of Bob Royal by the Warwickshire Guild. First peal of Bob Royal by all the band except ringer of second. Arranged as a birthday peal for the Master of the Guild on attaining his 50th birthday. First peal of Royal on the bells.

WALTHAMSTOW, E.  
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION  
AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, June 26, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5041 CHANGES;**

Tenor 19½ cwt.

ROBERT MAYNARD, SEN. ... Treble	JAMES C. ADAMS ... 6
WILLIAM J. KEMP ... 2	JOHN H. WILKINS ... 7
HENRY RUMENS ... 3	GEORGE B. LUCAS, SEN. ... 8
*CHARLES A. HUGHES ... 4	FREDERICK C. MAYNARD ... 9
CHARLES T. COLES ... 5	WILLIAM H. FREEMAN ... Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by CHARLES T. COLES.  
\* First peal on ten bells and in the method. Rung to celebrate the first anniversary of the proclamation of peace.

**EIGHT BELL PEALS.**

PERSHORE, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 22, 1920, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,  
AT THE ABBEY CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL.

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

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 30 cwt. in D.

*JOSEPH HALL ... Treble	FREDERICK J. JOHNSON ... 5
WILLIAM RANFORD ... 2	CHARLES CAMM ... 6
†HUBERT SALISBURY ... 3	JAMES HEMMING ... 7
WILLIAM NEED ... 4	*GEORGE ASHLEY ... Tenor

Conducted by JAMES HEMMING.

\* First peal on eight bells. † First peal of Grandsire Triples.

WOELINGWORTH, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, June 20, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

ALFRED S. WIGHTMAN ... Treble	LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN ... 5
ERNEST E. GRIMES ... 2	EDWARD JENKINS ... 6
WILLOUGHBY E. MAULDEN ... 3	WILLIAM BURGESS ... 7
GEORGE A. WIGHTMAN ... 4	NORMAN R. BAILEY ... Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS.

Conducted by E. JENKINS.

First peal in the method by W. E. Maulden. First peal in the method as conductor. Quickest peal of Major on the bells.

NORTHAMPTON.—Central Northamptonshire Association. — On March 15th, at St. Giles' Church, Northampton, 1920 Stedman Caters in 1 hour 16 minutes: W. Rogers 1, S. F. Millward 2, W. J. Allen 3, J. W. Metherell 4, J. W. Sharp 5, L. H. Key 6, J. T. Hensman 7, S. J. Lawrence (composer and conductor) 8, G. Flavell 9, E. James 10. Rung as a compliment to Mr. G. Flavell on the 40th anniversary of a peal of Stedman Cinques at St. Bride's, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

HITCHIN.—On Sunday, June 6th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major (1,280 changes), in 50 mins. E. J. Newell 1, E. W. Day 2, J. Piller 3, F. R. Bacon 4, H. E. Day 5, J. Hare 6, G. Croft 7, J. F. Foster (conductor) 8. First quarter-peal in the method by local band.

EASTBOURNE SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, June 21, 1920, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr.

*ALFRED C. PANKHURST ... Treble	EDWARD W. BRAY ... 5
GEORGE M. KILBY ... 2	FRANK BENNETT ... 6
GEORGE W. STOKES ... 3	ERNEST GOWER ... 7
GEORGE PENFOLD ... 4	HENRY STALHAM ... Tenor

Composed by the late C. H. HATTERSLEY.

Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

\* First peal on 8 bells and first attempt. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 5th. The Band wish to thank the Vicar (the Rev. W. C. Streatfield, M.A.) for the use of the bells, and also Messrs. Lewis and Head for having everything in readiness.

ROYSTON, HERTS.  
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(THE ROYSTON SOCIETY.)

On Wednesday, June 23, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST.

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

TAYLOR'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 12 cwt. in F sharp.

†ERNEST BONNETT ... Treble	†ROBERT G. KING ... 5
WILLIAM B. MANNING ... 2	†SAMUEL E. ROBERTS ... 7
†ROBERT HOWARD ... 3	*PERCY MUNCEY ... Tenor
†WALTER MANSFIELD ... 4	

Conducted by WILLIAM B. MANNING.

\* First peal. † First peal on eight bells. ‡ First in the method. First peal on the bells since being augmented to eight by the addition of two new trebles by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank. The tone and "go" are splendid, and an excellent splice has been made. Rung at the third attempt.

SUNDERLAND, DURHAM.  
DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, June 24, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. IGNATIUS THE MARTYR.

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13 cwt.

W. ONLEY ... Treble	*ROBERT WALKER ... 5
GEORGE S. TAYLOR ... 2	JOHN J. LEIGHTON ... 6
THOMAS H. NAISBY ... 3	JOSEPH W. PARKER ... 7
MICHAEL F. HARRISON ... 4	ROBERT L. PATTERSON ... Tenor

Composed by JOSEPH W. PARKER.

Conducted by ROBERT L. PATTERSON.

\* First peal of Major.

SAMLESBURY, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(PRESTON AND LIVERPOOL BRANCHES.)

On Saturday, June 26, 1920, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD-THE-LESS.

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 19½ cwt. in E.

E. R. MARTIN ... Treble	WILLIAM RIMMER ... 5
JAMES MARSH ... 2	EDWARD ARMSTRONG ... 6
JOHN GARDNER ... 3	*FRED HARWOOD ... 7
JAMES TAYLOR ... 4	*ALEC MARTIN ... Tenor

Conducted by E. R. MARTIN.

\* First peal of Stedman. First peal of Stedman on the bells, many previous attempts by different bands having been lost owing to the noise in the ringing chamber.

HENLEY, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 26, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5240 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 lbs. in A flat.

PERCY MAY ... Treble	ARTHUR S. BOAR ... 5
REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON ... 2	WILLIAM BURGESS ... 6
GEORGE FLEMING ... 3	CHARLES H. CATCHPOLE ... 7
GEORGE E. SYMONDS ... 4	ALBERT FLEMING ... Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE E. SYMONDS.

### SIBLE HEDDINGHAM, ESSEX. THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 26, 1920, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

#### A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

*ARTHUR WASH ... .. Treble	*OLAVE BROYD ... .. 5
LEWIS WISEMAN ... .. 2	*SIDNEY HALE ... .. 6
FRANK CLAYDON ... .. 3	ARTHUR SAUNDERS ... .. 7
HORACE COOPER ... .. 4	DAVID ELLIOTT ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. HUBBARD.

Conducted by DAVID ELLIOTT.

\* First peal in the method.

### LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

#### THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 26, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

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

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION.

Tenor 20½ cwt. in E.

ERNEST S. BAILEY ... .. Treble	JAMES M. BAILEY ... .. 5
ALFRED KEEBLE ... .. 2	JAMES G. ROMSEY ... .. 6
*GEORGE BAILEY ... .. 3	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... .. 7
EDGAR H. BAILEY ... .. 4	CHARLES SAMPSON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

\* First peal in the method. C. Sampson has now rung every bell in the above tower to a peal.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

### GREAT HAMPTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.

#### THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, June 19, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

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

Being 4½ Six Score, with ten different callings. Tenor 10 cwt.

HARRY GOULD ... .. Treble	EDMUND ROBBINS ... .. 4
GEOFFREY J. HEMMING ... .. 2	ARTHUR JORDAN ... .. 5
JOSEPH ROBBINS ... .. 3	JAMES HEMMING ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JAMES HEMMING.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to those from Great and Little Hampton, numbering 25, who made the supreme sacrifice in the Great War. The peal preceded the dedication of a church tower clock and the unveiling of a War Memorial.

### HACKFORD AND WHITWELL, NORFOLK.

#### THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 19, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

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

Being seven 720's called differently. Tenor 12½ cwt.

*MATTHEW TIMBERS ... .. Treble	*W. J. WASEY ... .. 4
*ALBERT J. NEALE ... .. 2	*WALTER FORD ... .. 5
FREDERICK J. BARBER ... .. 3	W. C. MEDLER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. C. MEDLER.

\* First peal on tower bells.

### ADDINGTON MAGNA.

#### THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Sunday, June 20, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

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

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, College Exercise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Court and Oxford Bob.  
Tenor 10 cwt.

JOHN BALL ... .. Treble	EDMUND J. HOBBS ... .. 4
FRANCIS BALL ... .. 2	HORACE H. SMITH ... .. 5
GEORGE LINES ... .. 3	CHARLES WM. CLARKE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. W. CLARKE.

### PETERBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.

#### THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, June 22, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

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

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Court, Oxford Bob, Double Oxford and Plain Bob  
Tenor 8½ cwt.

ELSIE BRANDON ... .. Treble	GEORGE H. BARKER ... .. 4
JOHN J. JUTSON ... .. 2	FRANK ROWLINSON ... .. 5
*WILLIAM WALDRON ... .. 3	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by RUPERT RICHARDSON.

\* First peal in seven methods.

### BRIDSTOW, HEREFORDSHIRE.

#### THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, June 26, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BRIDGET,

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

Seven different 720's.

ROBERT SUMMERS ... .. Treble	JOHN BEVAN ... .. 4
†ARTHUR W. POSTON ... .. 2	JOHN CLARK ... .. 5
*WILLIAM T. POSTON ... .. 3	WILLIAM POSTON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. POSTON.

\* First peal. † First peal away from treble. - Rung to celebrate the marriage of A. E. Gwynne, for several years a ringer of this parish.

## HANDBELL PEALS.

### ENFIELD, MIDDLESEX.

#### LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, June 6, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-One Minutes,  
At 24, SUFFOLK ROAD, PONDER'S END.

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

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

WILBY J. HAZELL ... .. 1-2	JOHN THOMAS ... .. 5-6
FREDERICK G. SYMONDS ... .. 3-4	FRANK JELF ... .. 7-8

Conducted by J. THOMAS.

Witness: Mrs. J. THOMAS.

### EDMONTON,

#### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 12, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
At 82, STANLEY ROAD,

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

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

WALTER J. BOWDEN ... .. 1-2	JOHN THOMAS ... .. 5-6
WILBY J. HAZELL ... .. 3-4	EDWARD H. KING ... .. 7-8

Conducted by J. THOMAS.

Rung as a birthday compliment to W. J. Hazell.

### CAMBRIDGE.

#### THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Saturday, June 12, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Two Minutes,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANGES;

*W. H. J. HOOTON (Queen's) 1-2	E. M. ATKINS (St. Cath.) ... 5-6
REV. A. H. F. BOUGHAY (Trin.) 3-4	*B. F. SHEPHERD (Trin.) ... 7-8
†J. BUTLER (Fitz. Hall) ... 9-10	

Composed by J. CARTER.

Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

\* First peal in the method. † First peal of Caters. This was the conductor's 100th peal in hand.

### CAMBRIDGE.

#### THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Monday, June 14, 1920, in Two Hours and Seven Minutes,

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

W. H. J. HOOTON (Queen's) 1-2	E. M. ATKINS (St. Cath.) ... 5-6
REV. A. H. F. BOUGHAY (Trin.) 3-4	*B. F. SHEPHERD (Trin.) ... 7-8

Composed by T. LOCKWOOD

Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

\* First peal in the method.



**BISHOP AMONG RINGERS.****INTERESTING RECORDS UNVEILED AT WELLS.**

It is not often that ringers take tea with a Bishop, and it is certainly unique to unveil a Deal board recording two such peals as one to celebrate the Armistice and the other to commemorate the completion of fifty years' office as Bishop by the Right Rev. Bishop Stirling, D.D., canon-in-residence at Wells Cathedral. Nor, thank goodness, does it always rain as it did on Saturday, when the unveiling ceremony took place. A representative body of ringers was present, including Messrs. W. and P. Cave, S. Abraham, A. Reeves, J. Tyler and Mr. and Mrs. Wilkins, of Bristol; Mr. T. King, of Bath; Mr. J. Dyke, of Midsomer Norton and Messrs. Griffin and Poin, of Ilminster, whilst the Cathedral ringers were present in good numbers, headed by that enthusiast, Mr. Walter Farley. The unveiling was performed by Dean Armitage Robinson, who, in a happy speech, referred to the two events to commemorate which the peals had been rung. He eulogised in glowing terms the work of the Bishop, and paid a graceful tribute to the excellence of the ringing.—Mr. W. A. Cave and Mr. T. T. Hayward replied in suitable terms.

A short touch of Grandsire Caters was rung by the peal band, and was followed by a touch of Stedman Caters. The party then adjourned to tea, the Bishop presiding in a genial manner which won the hearts of all. Tea over, handbells were produced and used in Grandsire Caters, tunes, and 'the Skolking-Lady,' the latter alleged to have emanated from the fertile brain of Mr. John Carter.

Thanks to the Bishop were ably expressed by Messrs. Wilkins and Hayward. His Lordship suitably replied, and after shaking hands with all present, in his own words, 'went to tell his wife what nice people the ringers were.'

A little light was shed on the Bishop's work, on which he is very reticent, by the Rev. R. E. Lewis, of the Wells Grammar School. At the age of twenty-five, Bishop Stirling was told by a specialist that he had but two years to live. He at once determined to spend those two years in missionary work. The field he chose for that work was Tierra del Fuego, where, according to Darwin, the inhabitants were less than human. Either, said he, they will get me or I shall get them. With what success he got them, in spite of daily danger, is now well known. Now, at something over eighty years of age, the Bishop can look back on a life's work well done. The specialist prophesied badly, but he did better than he knew.

With something to think about, the party again went to the tower, where that noble ring of bells was kept going to several more touches until train time.

**LADIES' GUILD.****MIDLAND DISTRICT MEETING.**

A quarterly meeting of the Midland District was held at Erdington Parish Church on June 26th, members being present from Solihull, Stirchley, Smethwick and Erdington. The bells, a light, easy-going ring of eight, were utilised during the afternoon, and a service was held, at which the Guild form was used, the presence of the organist being much appreciated. In the absence of the Rector, the service was conducted by the Rev. C. W. D'Ombrian, chaplain in charge of St. Chad's Church, who gave an inspiring address. After service a photograph of the group was taken near the church door. A move was then made to the Church House, where an excellent tea, provided by the local company, was in readiness, and which was partaken of by between 30 and 40 members and friends, presided over by the Rev. C. W. D'Ombrian.

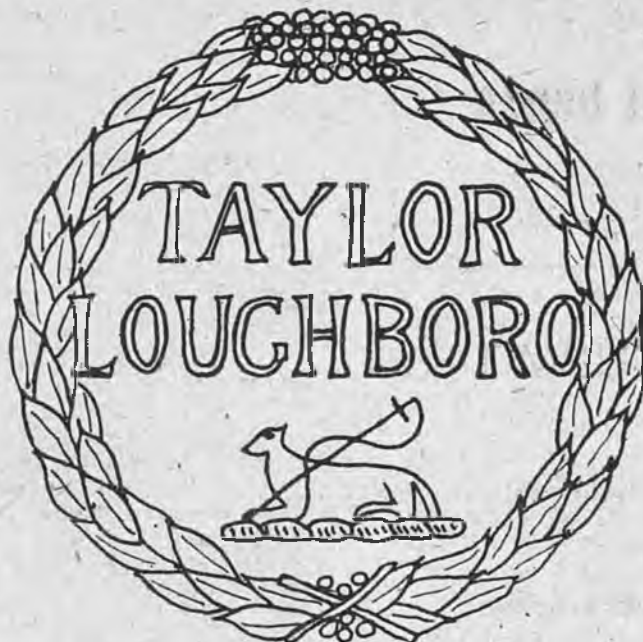
Before the business meeting, a hearty vote of thanks was proposed by Miss S. Pigott, seconded by Miss A. E. Foster, of Solihull, to the Rev. C. W. D'Ombrian for his services in church and presiding at tea, to the organist, and to Mr. Preston and the local company for having everything in readiness, and entertaining the Guild to tea.—This was carried with acclamation, and Mr. Preston, in responding, expressed the pleasure it gave them to welcome the Guild. The meeting was presided over by Mrs. Preston, and it was decided to hold the next gathering at Selly Oak, in September, subject to the necessary permission being given.

After the meeting Mr. Preston, on behalf of the local company, invited the Guild to join them at an outing to be held in July. This was received with much pleasure, and the suggestion adopted. The bells were afterwards kept going to touches of Grandsire, Stedman and Bob Major by mixed companies until a very enjoyable meeting was brought to a close about 8 p.m.

**WESTERN DISTRICT.**

There was a meeting for practice at Portbury, near Bristol, on Thursday evening, July 1st, but once more the members were very unfortunate in the weather, and only a small number braved the elements. Those whose enthusiasm conquered their fear of a wetting enjoyed a good practice in four methods, viz., Grandsire, Plain Bob, Stedman and Kent Treble Bob, kindly coached by Mr. R. J. Wilkins.

Portbury bells, after being unringable for some time, have lately been rehung by Messrs. Llewelling and James, of Bristol. This is the first time in their history that these bells have been rung by six ladies, and the best thanks of the Guild are due to those who gave them the opportunity.



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## THE ANALYSIS.

In our leading article on June 18th we did the Central Council's Analysis Committee an injustice. We stated that the committee had failed to award points for peals in new methods rung, and that their omission to do so certainly detracted from the value of the analysis, so far as the points are concerned. We based this statement on the fact that neither in the table of analysis nor in the report was the allocation of points to these new methods shown, but Mr. A. T. King, chairman of the committee, informs us that points were allotted and included in the total points. Mr. King says the committee gave Victory Major the same as other Little Bob Methods, which are in Class III., viz., 12 points; and College Major (the committee thought came under Class VIII., and awarded it 16 points, the same as Double Norwich. To College Single, which could hardly be counted as a new method, they awarded eight points. We are glad to have the opportunity of correcting any false impression we may have created, but the misapprehension would not have occurred in our minds, and in the minds of many others, had the committee indicated in their report what points had been allocated.

## LONDON'S THREATENED CHURCHES.

We are indebted to Mr. J. R. Jerram, of Salisbury, for the following interesting information about the bells in the threatened City Churches:—

### THE BELLS AND THEIR FOUNDERS.

St. Michael, Cornhill.—12 bells, tenor 14 cwt.—1 and 2, Thos. Lester 1746; 3, 4, 6, 7, 9 and 10, Richd. Phelps, 1726; 5 and tenor, Thos. Mears, 1795; 8, Thos. Lester 1740; 11, Mears and Stainbank, 1910.

St. Magnus, London Bridge.—10 bells, tenor 22 cwt.—1, Thos. Mears, 1843; 2, Robt. Catlin, 1748; 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9, Richd. Phelps, 1714; tenor, Thos. Mears, 1831.

All Hallows', Lombard Street.—10 bells, tenor 19 cwt.—1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 9 and tenor, Richd. Phelps, 1726; 4 and 8, Thos. Lester, 1750. These bells were brought from St. Dionis Backchurch, when it was demolished in 1876.

St. Dunstan-the-East.—8 bells, tenor 21 cwt.—1, Richd. Phelps, 1718; 2, Thos. Lester, 1746; the back six all by Abraham Rudhall, 1700.

St. Dunstan-in the-West.—8 bells, tenor 19 cwt.—All by Thos. Mears 1832.

St. Botolph, Aldgate.—8 bells, tenor 29 cwt.—1, 2, 3 and 4, Thos. Lester 1744; 5, 6, 7 and tenor, Lester and Pack, 1764.

St. Stephen, Coleman Street.—8 bells, tenor 14 cwt.—1, 2, 3, 5 and 6, James Bartlet 1693; 4 and 7, John Waylett, 1722 and 1721; tenor, Thos. Mears, 1833.

St. Vedast, Foster Lane.—6 bells, tenor 16 cwt.—1, 2, 3 and 5, John Darbie, 1671 and 1672; 4, Thos. Mears, 1797; tenor, Richd. Phelps 1726.

St. Mary Woolnoth.—3 bells (in intervals of thirds), tenor 12 cwt.—William Eldridge, of Chertsey, 1670 and 1672.

St. Mary-at-hill.—3 bells, tenor 11 cwt.—All by W. and T. Mears, 1788.

All Hallows', London Wall.—2 bells.—Both Lester and Pack, 1766. Service bell 40in. Call bell 21in. diameter.

St. Katherine Coleman.—2 bells.—Both Thos. Lester. Service bell 36in.; cast 1741. Call bell 21in.; cast 1749.

St. Clement, Eastcheap.—1 bell, 7 cwt. Thomas Mears, 1829.

St. Alban, Wood Street.—2 bells.—Service bell 4 cwt., by John Peele, 1704; call bell, 1 cwt., by Lester and Pack, 1767.

St. Anne and St. Agnes.—1 bell, 4 cwt., by John Warner and Sons, 1858.

St. Botolph, Aldersgate.—2 bells.—Service bell, 12 cwt., C. and G. Mears, 1847; call bell, 2 cwt., dated 1755.

St. Mary, Aldermanbury.—2 bells, largest 5 cwt.—1, Thos. Mears, 1809; 2, James Bartlet, 1675.

St. Michael, Paternoster Royal.—1 bell, about 2 cwt.—Mears and Stainbank, 1892 (former bell by John Hodson, 1674).

St. Nicholas Cole Abbey.—1 bell, 25in. diameter.—Richard Phelps, 1727.

## STOW AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of the Stow and District Association was held at Shouldham, Norfolk, on Saturday last, when about 25 members attended, representing Denver, Fincham, Gaywood, Hilgay, King's Lynn, Swaffham, Terrington St. John's, Wallington, West Dereham, and some of the local ringers. During the afternoon and evening this beautiful peal of six was at the disposal of the visitors. Tea was provided on the Lawn at the Vicarage by the Vicar and Mrs. Paice, to whom a hearty vote of thanks was accorded, on the motion of Mr. J. E. Sykes, seconded by Mr. Harry Robinson.—The business meeting followed, when nine new members were elected from various towers in the district, which speaks well for the future prosperity of the Association. Afterwards touches of Bob Major and Grandsire Triples were rung on the handbells. The tower was again visited, when the methods rung included Plain Bob and Oxford and Kent Treble Bob.

It was decided to hold the next quarterly meeting at Gaywood on September 25th.

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.****HOW MARPLE OBTAINED ITS FINE BELLS.**

The third meeting of the year of the Stockport Branch was held at Marple, on Saturday, June 26th, about sixty members and friends attending. The service was conducted by the Rev. A. T. Beeston, in the absence of the Vicar, who was busily occupied with a garden party at the Vicarage. Tea was served in the School Room, and was followed by the usual business meeting. The chair was occupied by Mr. J. Heckingbottom, of Denton, and the Secretary reminded the members present of the annual Guild meeting to be held at Oxtou, on August Bank Holiday. He also brought forward, for careful consideration, the question of the printing of the annual report. In view of the surprising increase in the estimates, he had withheld placing the order for printing. What action would be taken would be decided at the annual meeting; nevertheless, much discussion took place, and several proposals were made to meet the difficulty.—Five new members were admitted, and Warburton fixed as the place for the next meeting, to be held on Saturday, August 28th.

The business concluded with votes of thanks to the Vicar and wardens for the use of church, bells and schoolroom, and to the local ringers and ladies for the excellent catering arrangements.

The fine old ring of six were well requisitioned until a pretty late hour. They were cast by Rudhall, of Gloucester, and were hung in the Parish Church of Stockport, in 1731, where they remained until they were taken down in 1810. For some years they were stowed away, partly in the hearse house, and partly in an old mill. The successors of Messrs. Rudhall having contracted for a new peal in 1816, offered £400 for the old ring of six, but owing to their sweet tone, a strong desire prevailed that the bells should be retained in the parish, and as Marple Church had been rebuilt with a tower, the Stockport Parish Church authorities resolved that Marple should have the preference of purchase at the price offered by Mr. Rudhall. An appeal was made to the inhabitants of Marple not to suffer the bells to be conveyed from amongst them for ever. As a result, several local gentlemen guaranteed the amount and concluded the bargain. The same day, April 29th, a dray was sent for the tenor and treble, and two carts for the remaining four. On June 30th, 1816, they were opened, and the day kept as a gala day. They were rehung in the early part of 1835 by Messrs. Taylor and Co., and reopened on Easter Sunday of the year by the Hayfield ringers.

It is strange to note that there is no record of a peal having been rung on them.

The church is on an eminence which commands an extensive view of the bold swelling hills of Derbyshire, and of the more fertile vales of Cheshire, and no situation could be better adapted to give the full effect of the uncommonly fine tone of the bells.

On the present occasion, several visitors ascended to the top of the tower and found sufficient reward for their effort in the prospect presented to their gaze.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

A very successful meeting of the Northern District was held at All Saints', Edmonton, on Saturday, June 26th. This fine peal of bells, situated amidst pleasant surroundings, attracted a large number of ringers. The methods rung were very varied, including Superlative, Cambridge, London and Bristol Surprise, and the striking was excellent.

At the business meeting the chair was taken by the Master (Mr. W. G. Matthews), one new member being elected, viz., Mr. Amos Clarke, of Croydon.—A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar for the use of the bells, also to the ever-genial steekeeper, Mr. G. Paice, for having everything in readiness, and who, with the local band, helped to make the meeting a very pleasant and successful one.

After the meeting, touches of Stedman and Grandsire Caters were rung on Mr. Barker's new peal of handbells by Messrs. W. Hazell, A. D. Barker, F. G. Symonds, J. Thomas and Mrs. Thomas.

**WELL-KNOWN RINGER'S MARRIAGE.**

The marriage has recently taken place at St. Paul's Church, Burton-on-Trent, where he was formerly a ringer, of Mr. William C. Wakley and Miss Elsie Haynes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Haynes, Gordon Street, Burton. The Wakley family, who came from Devonshire at about the time the church was opened in the seventies, have been connected with St. Paul's ever since then until recently, when they returned to their native county. The ceremony was performed by the Vicar (the Rev. S. G. W. Maitland). Given away by her father, the bride looked charming in soft white satin, trimmed with silver and embroidered with lovers' knots. She carried a sheaf of choice white flowers. Her attendants were her sister Doris, and Miss May Wakley (sister of the bridegroom), who were attired in grey crepe, embroidered with pink, and hats to match. The duties of best man were carried out by Mr. J. H. Bonstead. In celebration of the event the bells rang out merrily.

Mr. W. C. Wakley and his bride are making their home at 'Blenheim', Dawlish.

**SIX NEW BELLS AT CANONBURY.****DEDICATION SERVICE.**

The first anniversary of the signing of peace was honoured at St. Paul's, Essex Road, Canonbury, by the dedication and inauguration of a chime of six bells, which marks the thanksgiving of the church for victory and peace. A large congregation attended the special service. The first lesson was read by the Rev. John Pitts, minister of Salter's Hall, Essex Road, and the second by the Rev. Hugh Parr, minister of Harecourt Chapel. Prayers were said by the Rev. T. Hope Steen, Vicar of St. Matthew's Church. In the galleries were the children of St. Paul's day schools, and previous to the sermon they gave a nicely-rendered piece.

The sermon was by the Rev. H. Foster Pegg, M.A., Vicar and Rural Dean, of Battersea, from a pulpit that was draped with the Union Jack he gave a telling discourse.

Then followed the dedication of the bells. Accompanying the clergy to the belfry, the Marquis of Northampton inaugurated the chiming, the first tune being that of a hymn sung during the service, 'We love the place, O God.'

The Vicar, the Rev. C. W. Cooper, in thanking all who had helped, said there was still £150 to raise to complete payment for the bells. A collection was taken on behalf of the fund.—After the Blessing the National Anthem was sung.

The bright tuneful notes of the bells could be heard for some distance, and many people gathered in the neighbourhood to listen. The performance which followed the church service was by Mr. Cyril Johnston, of Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, at whose foundry the bells were cast. The bells are a chime of six with a tenor of 6½ cwt. in B flat, with a piano-clavier for chiming.

In the evening a social gathering was held at Canonbury tower.

**OXFORD GUILD.****MEETING AT CHALFONT ST. PETER.**

A pleasant little summer time gathering of ringers of the Oxford Guild took place in the picturesque parish of Chalfont St. Peter, when evening service was held at the Parish Church, conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. C. S. A. Whittington).—Canon Coleridge, who made a long journey from Camleigh, by rail and cycle, gave an address of much value and interest to the ringing craft, founded upon the three-bell work of the favourite method of the late Master of the Guild, and the lesson of the Holy Trinity thereby conveyed to all Churchmen. Tea was provided at the Church Room, the windows overlooking the churchyard adjoining, with the old brick tower smilingly looking down upon the company as much as to say, 'Don't be too long over the tea cups, there are other tongues that need wagging.'

About 30 members were present from some 14 towers of the branch, and the kindness of the ringers and Vicar in giving hospitality was much appreciated.—The Vicar said how pleased he was to welcome them to Chalfont, and regretted to say he had lost the help of the Rev. J. F. Aimes, who was not able to be present after making preparation for this meeting, and looking forward to it as a sort of farewell before taking up duties at Chesterfield. He also referred to the work of Mr. Stone (foreman) and Mr. Gutteridge (instructor) in the district.—A vote of thanks was cordially given to the preacher and all those who had helped to make the party welcome and happy, to which Canon Coleridge and Mr. Stone replied.

The Branch Secretary took the opportunity to remind the company of the annual Guild Festival, to be held at Reading on 24th July. Also that the Rector of Hitcham and a team of 13 ringers had joined the branch the previous week (applause), so that the towers now totalled 33.

The belfry, a spacious one for so small a church, was well patronised from tea-time till 9 o'clock by the ladies, viz., the Misses Fuller, Cooper, Gudin, Feltham, Williams (conductor), and Patrick, who rang their six-score; and by the gentleman who rang their Cambridge. 'Brummagein' George was present to pay tribute to the shrine of his ancestors, for Buck's lays claim to him as much as Rugby. Needless to say that Sergeant Major Minor and Miss Captivating Doubles were loudly announced to the world at large on this eventful day in the reign of King Charles I., which Bucks upheld on Oak Apple Day.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, June 26th, a most successful meeting was held at Bunsey by members of the Beccles Branch of the Norwich Diocesan and Ipswich Association, the attendance numbering 24. The Vicar (the Rev. Bulstrode) and the organist (Mr. L. C. Roberts) were present at tea, and a short service was held in the grand old Benedictine Church of St. Mary. The Vicar, who became an hon. member of the association, officiated, and welcomed the members. The bells were rung in nearly all the principal methods during the afternoon and evening, and the fine-toned peal of handbells belonging to the local company were also utilised.—A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar for the use of the bells of St. Mary's, also to the organist for the musical part of the service, both being much appreciated by all.



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## CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

## ANNUAL MEETING.

The 21st annual meeting was held at Stockton-on-Tees on Whit-Monday, when members attended from Northallerton, Arncliffe, Sharow, Ripon, Carlton Whitby, Scarborough, Stockton, Middlesborough, Wath, West Hartlepool, Saltburn, Marske, Darlington, etc. In the morning the committee met and discussed important business at great length. A short service was held in the old Stockton Parish Church at noon, at which the Rev. E. A. Douglas, M.A. (Vicar of Stockton) gave a most interesting and instructive address upon the ancient church and the bells, some of which date back more than 200 years. He explained the meaning of several of the stained glass windows, and also the carvings on the pew ends. One is especially interesting, from a ringers' point, having a bell, wheel and rope, just in the position of striking the last peal in commemoration to the late Mr. G. J. Clarkson, a gentleman who was one of the first to introduce change ringing into the North, and also first president of the Association.

Lunch was provided at the Spread Eagle Hotel, Stockton, the president (the Rev. J. L. Kyle) being in the chair, and presiding over the meeting which followed. The loyal toast was honoured with enthusiasm, and afterwards the secretary presented the report and balance sheet, which showed that the work of the association had been at a standstill during the years 1915-19 on account of the great war. Twenty-four members made the supreme sacrifice, and about 10 members had been engaged in the great conflict. The balance sheet showed a balance at the bank of £30 8s.

Votes of thanks to the Vicar of Stockton for his address and use of the bells, also to the Vicars of Thornaby and Middlesborough for the use of the bells at their churches were carried.

Votes of thanks were also accorded to the retiring officers for their services from the year 1915.

The officers were re-elected as follows: President, Rev. J. L. Kyle; vice-presidents, Messrs. W. Pick Sharow; J. Stott, Thirsk; G. F. Alexander, Robin Hood's Bay; J. W. Passman, Middlesborough; Mr. T. Metcalfe, hon. secretary and treasurer.

Sixteen new members were elected, and the meetings for the year were arranged as follows: September, Saltburn; Easter Monday, 1921, Whitby; annual meeting, Whit-Monday, 1921, Ripon. Ringing was done during the day in various methods, including Minor, Grandsire and Steadman Triples, Kent and Double Norwich Major, and Grandsire Caters.

## CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the Northampton District was held at Kings thorpe, when about 80 members and friends attended. The Vicar (the Rev. J. E. de Putron) conducted a shortened evening service, and a collection for the Belfry Repair Fund amounted to £1 1s. 6d.

The following officers were elected: President, the Rev. Friend; committee, Messrs. F. Hopper, B. Soden, W. Atterbury, H. England, T. Law; district secretary, Mr. S. Lawrance. Tea was partaken of on the Vicarage lawn, after which the business meeting was held.—A vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar for the use of the bells and also the ladies for the bountiful tea they had provided.

Cogenhoe was chosen for the next quarterly meeting. Harlestone and St. Peter's, Northampton, for special meetings.—Two new members were elected.

## MEMORIAL TO THE LATE REV. H. A. COCKEY.

A dedication service will be held at St. Anne's Church, Oldland Common, near Bristol, on Saturday, August 14th, 1920. Service, which will commence at 4 p.m., will be taken by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies. Tea in School Hall, at 5 p.m., 1s. per head. Tickets for tea can be obtained from any of the Branch Secretaries of the Gloucester and Bristol Association, or direct from Edgar Guise, 39, Tankards Close, St. Michael's Hill, Bristol. Will all those who knew the Rev. H. A. Cockey make a special effort to attend?

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

## MEMORIAL FUND TO DATE.

	£	s.	d.
Amount previously acknowledged in 'Ringing World' ...	42	16	9
North Nibley (Wotton) ...	4	1	8
St. James' (Third Donation) ...	0	5	0
Upper Cam (Wotton) ...	1	4	6
Stinchcombe (Wotton) ...	1	10	0
Gloucester and Bristol Association Provisional Grant ...	10	0	0
	£59	17	9

## NOTICES.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held at Minehead on Saturday, July 10th. Meeting in the Parish Room at 2.45; tea at Stephens' Refreshment Room at 4 p.m.; Service in the Parish Church at 6 p.m.—E. E. Burgess, Hon. Sec., 62, Greenway Avenue, Taunton.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Thrapston District.—The annual district meeting and election of officers will be held at Lowick on Saturday, July 10th. Service 4.30. Tea at 5.—J. Nickerson, Halford Street, Thrapston, Dist. Sec.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Western Division.—A by-meeting will be held at Prittlewell on Saturday, July 10th. Bells available from 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15.—E. Butler, 3, Eustace Road, Chadwell Heath.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Bridlington on Saturday, July 10th. By kind permission of the Rector, the bells of the Priory Church (8) will be available all day; these bells are by Taylor, Loughborough (tenor 26½ cwt.). Service in Church at 4.30, with an address by the Rev. Canon Topham. Meat tea at 5, 2/6 per head. Business meeting to follow in the Parish Church Institute.—W. Hinton, Hon. District Sec., 5, Volta Street, Selby.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above Branch will be held at Clitheroe, on Saturday, July 10th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road, Blackburn.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Penwortham on July 10th. Bells (6) available from 3 to 9 p.m.—E. R. Martin, Branch Sec., 98, Victoria Road, Walton-le-Dale, Lancs.

**BARNSELEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—A special meeting will be held at Barnsley (St. Mary's Tower), July 10th, at 4 p.m., to which all towers are requested to send representatives. Business: To settle the affairs or continue the Association as may be decided at the meeting.—C. D. Potter, Sec., 119, Doncaster Rd., Barnsley.

**THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—Two new bells at Christ Church, Southgate, will be dedicated by the Lord Bishop of London on Sunday, July 11th, at the 11.15 a.m. service. The peal of ten will be rung after service and also from 2 to 3.15 p.m., and from 5 to 6.30 p.m. All ringers will be welcome. A meeting of the society will be held on August Bank Holiday, particulars of which will be given later.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Secretary.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late the St. James's Society).—The quarterly general meeting will be held at St. Clement Danes on Monday, July 12th. Tower open at 6.45 p.m. Business meeting at 8.30 p.m. sharp.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Sec., 49, Noel Street, Islington, N.1.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—The annual general meeting will be held at Reading on Saturday, July 17th. The bells at St. Giles' will be available from 2 p.m.; St. Lawrence from 4.15 to 4.45. Service at St. Giles' at 5, followed by tea at 5.45. Business meeting afterwards. Will all who intend being present notify me by Wednesday, July 14th? All ringers invited. Subscriptions for 1920 are now due.—E. K. Parker, Hon. Secretary, 97, Edenbridge Road, Bush Hill Park, Enfield.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at \*St. Paul's Cathedral on July 13th, Southwark Cathedral on the 20th, St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 22nd, and \*St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 27th; all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards at headquarters.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—St. Albans District.—An opening meeting at North Mymms will be held on Saturday, July 17th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Any ringer coming by bus can get off at South Mymms and walk through the woods. Tea arrangements will be made. All ringers and friends welcome.—Wm. Nash, North Mymms, Hatfield, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late the St. James' Society, Established 1824).—Southern District.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, July 17th, at St. Margaret's Lee, S.E. Tower open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tea at 5.30 p.m. at Kingswood Hall, followed by business meeting. Will members requiring tea kindly let me know not later than July 12th?—F. A. Smith, Hon. Dis. Sec., 14, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.19.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Heathfield on Saturday, July 17th. Tower open from 2 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 4.30 at the Star Inn. Half railway fares (maximum 2/-). Those intending to be present kindly let me know by Monday, July 12th.—George W. Stokes, Div. Hon. Sec., 22, Melbourne Road, Eastbourne.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Eastern Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Maldon on Saturday, July 17th. All Saints' and Mary's towers open afternoon and evening. Service at All Saints' 5 o'clock. Tea 5.30 at Saltmarsh's Tea Rooms, followed by business meeting. Will all members intending to be present advise me at latest by July 14th?—P. Timson, Hon. Dis. Sec., 80, Springfield Street, Chelmsford.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Tonbridge District.—The next meeting of this District will be held at East Peckham on Saturday, July 17th. Tower open at 3. Service at 5. Tea (by kind invitation of the Vicar) at the Vicarage at 5.45, followed by business meeting. All members intending to attend must notify the District Sec. not later than Tuesday, July 13th.—W. Latter, Hon. District Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

**HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting and a six-bell contest will be held at Sandal on Saturday, July 17th. The draw will take place at 3 p.m. prompt. Tea (1/6 each) will be provided for those who notify me not later than Monday, July 12th.—Willie Frith, Sec., 5, Sufton Street, Birkby, Huddersfield.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Central District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Dorking on July 17th. Ringing at St. Martin's, Dorking, 3 p.m. to 9, and Rannmore Common 2.30 to 4.30. Service at Dorking at 5. Tea and meeting to follow. Those requiring tea should notify Mr. Ed. E. Dodd, St. Martin's Church House, Dorking, not later than July 14th.—A. J. Trappitt, Hon. District Secretary.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Ledbury District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Ledbury, Saturday, July 17th. Bells available (8) at 3.30. Tea provided (5.30) to all notifying me not later than July 13th. Business meeting afterwards.—Richard Thomas, Codrington, Ledbury, Hon. Secretary.

**WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**—The annual meeting will be held at Nuneaton on Saturday, July 17th. Bells available 3 o'clock. Committee meeting 4. Service 4.30. Tea at 5 o'clock can be arranged at 2s. 3d. per head for only those who notify Mr. T. W. Chapman, 19, Glebe Road, Nuneaton, not later than Wednesday morning, July 14th. Business meeting after tea. Chilvers Coton bells will be available during the evening.—Joseph H. White, Hon. Secretary, 59, George Eliot Road, Coventry.

**CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Wellingborough District.—The annual district meeting and election of officers will be held at Wollaston on Saturday, July 17th. Bells available from 2.30. Tea at 5 o'clock.—W. Perkins, 6, Addington Road, Irthlingborough.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Northampton Branch.—A special meeting will be held at Harlestone on July 17th. Bells ready at 3. Service 4.30. Tea at 5.—Sidney J. Lawrence, District Secretary, 7, Castilian Terrace, Northampton.

**ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.**—The next meeting of the above will be held at Biddenden on Saturday, July 17th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea will be arranged for all members who notify me of their intention of being present by July 13th.—H. Balcomb, Hon. Secretary, The Priory, Appledore, Kent.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Newchurch, Warrington, on Saturday, July 17th. Bells available 3.30 p.m. Meeting 6 p.m.—Peter Crook, Hon. Secretary.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Bristol Branch.—The next monthly meeting of the above branch will be held at Olveston on Saturday, July 17th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea will be arranged (5 o'clock). A conveyance leaves Old Market Street at 2 p.m., St. James, Barton, 2.15 p.m., via Stokes Croft, Horfield and Fitton for Olveston. Leave Olveston for Thornbury 6.30. Ringing at Thornbury 7 to 8 p.m. Return from Thornbury about 8.30. Fare 4s. 9d. Please notify Honorary Secretary not later than July 10th for conveyance and tea.—P. C. Williams, 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton, Bristol.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guildford District.—The next meeting will be held at Mallow and Clandon on Saturday, July 17th, 1920. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30 at Clandon. Address by Canon Coleridge (Vicar of Crowthorne). Tea at 5.30; 9d. to members, 1s. 6d. to visitors. Please let me know how many will require tea.—John J. Jones, Hon. Secretary, 3, Bridge Street, Guildford.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Halewood on Saturday, July 17th. Bells ready at 4. Meeting at 6.—Walter Hughes, Hon. Secretary.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The annual festival will be held at Reading on Saturday, July 24th (p.v.). Service at St. Lawrence's at 11.15 a.m. Business meeting in Abbey Hall immediately after service. Dinner in Small Town Hall at 1.30. Tickets 2s. 6d. each to members, 3s. non-members. Applications for tickets, with remittance, must be made to General Secretary. The arrangements for ringing will be notified later. The Secretary has a few copies of report for 1919 with Roll of Honour at 6d. per copy.—R. T. Hibbert, General Secretary, Warren House Lodge, Caversham.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—North-Eastern Division.—A by-meeting will be held at Great Horkesley on Saturday, July 24th. Bells at Wormingford (6, recently opened), and Little Horkesley (5) also available, early in afternoon. Tea, followed by meeting, at 5 o'clock. Those intending to be present kindly let me known by July 20th.—H. T. Pye, Hon. District Secretary, 49, Wickham Road, Colchester.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The annual summer outing of the Guildford District will be held at Ranmore, near Dorking, on August Bank Holiday. The beautiful bells of St. Barnabas will be available. By kind permission of Lord Ashcombe visitors will be conducted over the gardens of Denbies. Tea will be provided at 1s. 3d. each, at the Post Office at 4 p.m. No service. No business. No speeches.—J. J. Jones, Hon. Secretary.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Prestwich on Saturday, July 20th. Bells available at 3.30. Meeting at 7 p.m.—W. W. Wolstencroft, Branch Sec.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting of the Lewisham District, at Chislehurst, is postponed till August 7th.—T. Groombridge, Hon. Secretary.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

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**BIRD.**—On July 1st, in his 56th year, William Bird, of Old Hill, Staffs.

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