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## HELPING LOCAL BANDS.

With the coming of the longer evenings bringing with them a diminishing desire for out-of-door recreations, ringing companies will be able to turn their attention to improving their position in the Art. We refer particularly to the many bands throughout the country who either drop their practices entirely throughout the summer or whose efforts to maintain weekly meetings during the long days are attended by only poor results. In well-established companies summer seldom interferes with the customary routine, and the towns are affected least of all; but in the country districts, even if the demands of the garden and of harvesting do not relegate week-night ringing to the realms of impracticability, the claims of the open air often render a regular practice impossible, and the next few weeks should be utilised to draw the ringers together again. This is a task which no enthusiastic leader will neglect, but his work in this direction is not always easy.

Is there not here to be found another way in which the Associations can lend a helping hand to their affiliated towers? Where there is trouble in drawing a band back to the tower, an evening's ringing, in which a few capable ringers from neighbouring parishes gather round the local leader to give the new winter practices a good send-off, might do a lot to stir up the enthusiasm that is required. Such arrangements as these could easily be made by a district secretary in touch with his towers, and at practically no expense to his association. It is in small matters like this that the ringing organisations could do much good work if they awoke to the possibilities of the position, and it is not too late yet for those secretaries who are keen on showing that their associations are really out to promote the interests of local bands to take a lead in the matter. The offer of help to arrange a really useful practice, if tactfully made, would always find ready acceptance, and might be the means of doing much good.

There can be no question that in many cases the Associations do not show sufficient initiative in these small matters, which, after all, are the things which bring the organisations closest into touch with their members. Too often the larger societies are content to leave their interest in local bands to drawing their subscriptions, arranging district meetings to which the members may be invited and taking any kudos that may come from the unaided efforts of the ringers. This is a state of things which every well-wisher of the Art must desire to see changed, and the good intentions of the Associations can best be displayed by such little acts as that suggested above.

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## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

LONDON, S.B.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, August 21, 1920, in Three Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,  
At St. Saviour's Cathedral,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANCES;**

Tenor 50 cwt.

EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ... .. Treble	JAMES E. DAVIS ... .. 7
ISAAC G. SHADE ... .. 2	ALBERT W. COLES ... .. 8
WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... .. 3	JAMES GEORGE ... .. 9
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 4	CORNELIUS CHARGE ... .. 10
CHARLES T. COLES ... .. 5	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 11
ARTHUR MASON ... .. 6	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by CHARLES T. COLES.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

DEANE, BOLTON, LANCs.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, August 17, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

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

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 12½ cwt.

TITUS BARLOW, JUN. ... .. Treble	TITUS BARLOW ... .. 5
FRED ABBOT ... .. 2	JOHN POTTER ... .. 6
THOMAS B. WORSLEY ... .. 3	JOSEPH GREGORY ... .. 7
HARRY CHAPMAN ... .. 4	AMOS TRIPPIER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN POTTER.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Joseph Gregory, who was 70 on that day. It was his first peal of Stedman.

HARBORNE, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Thursday, August 19, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Peter,

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

A VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 10½ cwt.

* EDWARD ROSE ... .. Treble	† HARRY H. HASTINGS ... .. 5
GEORGE PIGOTT ... .. 2	JAMES GEORGE ... .. 6
† WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT ... .. 3	JOHN EATON ... .. 7
SAMUEL GROVE ... .. 4	HARRY PARKES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE PIGOTT.

\* First peal. † First peal in the method. † First peal of Triples. The ringers of treble and 5th were elected members before starting for the peal.

EASTON NESTON, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 21, 1920, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;**

Tenor 10½ cwt.

* ALFRED J. MAWBY ... .. Treble	WILLIAM ROGERS ... .. 5
FRED WILFORD ... .. 2	HERBERT RAINBOW ... .. 6
FRED HOPPER ... .. 3	JOHN T. HENSMAN ... .. 7
WILLIAM FAREY ... .. 4	WILLIAM J. ALLEN ... .. Tenor

Composed by the late C. H. HATTERSLEY.

Conducted by W. J. ALLEN.

\* First Surprise peal, also the first Surprise peal on the bells.

COLEMAN'S HATCH, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 21, 1920, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
At the Church of the Holy Trinity,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;**

Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lb.

FREDERICK W. WHITE ... .. Treble	WILLIAM WATTS ... .. 5
JOHN RICE ... .. 2	FRANK BENNETT ... .. 6
GEORGE ELLIS ... .. 3	ROBERT J. DAWE ... .. 7
FRANK I. HAIRS ... .. 4	HENRY STALHAM ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

## WYMONDHAM, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 21, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;

Tenor 25 cwt.

JOHN A. GODFREY ... .. Treble	GEORGE MAYERS ... .. 5
MISS I. MAY DURRANT ... .. 2	JOSEPH E. SYKES ... .. 6
FREDK. J. HOWCHIN ... .. 3	WILLIAM E. BASON ... .. 7
ALBERT ROUGHT ... .. 4	GEORGE H. CROSS ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

First peal in the method by the ringer of the 2nd, to whom great credit is due, as she had only rung one course of Double Norwich on tower bells previous to starting for the peal. This composition is now rung for the first time, and contains 4-5-6 only in 6ths with the sixth her extant home. Miss Durrant is the first lady to ring a peal in this method for this Association.

## STAINES, MIDDLESEX.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, August 21, 1920, in Three Hours and Four Minutes.

At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

J. J. PARKER'S SIX-PART, No. 2.

Tenor 15 cwt.

*JAMES ROWE ... .. Treble	JOHN A. CROCKER ... .. 5
†WILLIAM BURDEN ... .. 2	WILLIAM WELLING ... .. 6
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... .. 3	WILLIAM HENLEY ... .. 7
WILLIAM C. PARKER ... .. 4	SAMUEL W. GREENWOOD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM WELLING.

\* First peal. † First peal in the method. Arranged as a welcome to the Rev. F. G. Marriott as Vicar of St. Peter's, and rung immediately after the induction service.

## LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, August 21, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes.

At the Bell Foundry Campanile,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

*WILLIAM THORLEY ... .. Treble	ALBERT WARD ... .. 5
ERNEST MORRIS ... .. 2	JOSIAH MORRIS ... .. 6
JOHN OLDHAM ... .. 3	MISS HILDA WILLSON ... .. 7
HARRY BROUGHTON ... .. 4	WILLIAM WILLSON ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by WILLIAM WILLSON.

\* First peal of Major.

## WORLINGWORTH, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, August 22, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary,

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

Tenor 12 cwt. 0 qr. 9 lb.

HARRY HALL ... .. Treble	*GEORGE M. GREENACRE ... .. 5
NORMAN R. BAILEY ... .. 2	ALFRED WATSON ... .. 6
ALBERT L. J. NAUNTON ... .. 3	ERNEST LINCOLN ... .. 7
WILLIAM J. G. BROWN ... .. 4	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by NORMAN R. BAILEY.

\* First peal in the method. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 7th.

## OSWALDTWISTLE, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(BLACKBURN BRANCH.)

On Sunday, August 22, 1920, in Three Hours,

At the Parish Church,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES;

Tenor 11 cwt.

JONATHAN WHEWELL ... .. Treble	WILLIAM RILEY ... .. 5
JOE RAWCLIFFE ... .. 2	ALFRED T. HOULDSWORTH ... .. 6
*MISS ELLEN SHAW ... .. 3	JAMES HOULDSWORTH ... .. 7
JAMES SHAW ... .. 4	*WILLIAM TAYLOR ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by J. HOULDSWORTH.

\* First peal in the method. This peal was arranged for W. Taylor, who hails from Penwortham.

## MINDHEAD SOMERSET.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, August 23, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes.

At the Church of St. Michael,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

GROVES' TRANSPOSITION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 21 cwt.

CHARLES STRAWBRIDGE ... Treble	FREDERICK DATE ... .. 5
SIDNEY MASON ... .. 2	JOSEPH T. DYKE ... .. 6
ERNEST PARKER ... .. 3	GEORGE ATKINS ... .. 7
JOHN PUGSLEY ... .. 4	WILLIAM R. HOYLE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH T. DYKE.

## WORSLEY.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, August 24, 1920, in Three Hours and One Minute.

At the Church of St. Mark.

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

E. TAYLOR'S BOB AND SINGLE.

Tenor 21 cwt.

WILLIAM JONES ... .. Treble	FRANK STONELEY ... .. 5
MISS EMMA TONGE ... .. 2	JOSEPH HENRY RIDYARD ... .. 6
JOSEPH HALL ... .. 3	PERCY H. DERBYSHIRE ... .. 7
FREDERICK GRUNDY ... .. 4	STANLEY HARRISON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH H. RIDYARD.

This is the first peal at Worsley in which a lady ringer has taken part. The company wish to congratulate Miss Tonge on her achievement.

## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

## HEYDON, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 10, 1920, in Two Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes.

At the Church of SS. PETER AND PAUL.

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

Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 10 lb.

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

Conducted by W. C. MEDLER.

## KILLAMARSH, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.

On Saturday, August 14, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes.

At the Church of St. Giles,

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

Being 720 each of Killamarsh Treble Bob, City Delight, College Pleasure, Arnold's Victory, Duke of York, Violet and Kent Treble Bob.

Tenor 11 cwt.

HARRY GREAVES ... .. Treble	GEORGE BURNHAM ... .. 4
THOMAS BETTISON ... .. 2	WILLIAM H. TURTON ... .. 5
JAMES EMBEN ... .. 3	CHARLES SEVERN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by T. BETTISON.

Rung on the 28th anniversary of the first peal by the local company, in which the five last named took part. The above methods and the conductor are the same as in the first peal. Mr. Bettison hails from Mansfield, Notts.

## FOWNHOPE, HEREFORDSHIRE.

## THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(HEREFORD DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, August 14, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

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

WILLIAM H. SYMONDS ... Treble	WALTER TAYLOR ... .. 4
WILLIAM C. YOUNG ... .. 2	HENRY J. TAYLOR ... .. 5
CHARLES EDWARDS ... .. 3	WILLIAM H. WILLIAMS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES EDWARDS.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the tenor man.

STAPLEFORD, CAMBS. — On July 26th, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: A. Reed 1, E. G. Hibbins (first 720 of Cambridge as conductor) 2, A. E. Austin 3, T. R. Dennis 4, T. Finch (first 720 of Cambridge) 5, W. H. J. Hooton 6.

BREADSALL, DERBYSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, August 14, 1920, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being four 720's of Kent Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob.

Tenor 17 cwt.

*WILFRED H. BUXTON ... .. 4	CHARLES DRAPER ... .. 4
*GEORGE W. BRAME ... .. 2	JOHN W. GLEW ... .. 5
*WILLIAM POYSER ... .. 3	JOSEPH LORD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH LORD.

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

NUNNEY, SOMERSET.  
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
(FROME AND MIDSOMER NORTON DEANERY.)

On Saturday, August 14, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,

At the Church of All Saints,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

42 six-scores with different callings. Tenor 12 cwt.

*ARTHUR GANE ... .. 4	ERNEST A. H. LANE ... .. 4
HERBERT E. WEBB ... .. 2	CYRIL S. WEBB ... .. 5
JOSEPH W. PEMBERTON ... 3	WILLIAM J. ROSSITER ... Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH W. PEMBERTON.

\* First peal on the bells.

WEST BUCKLAND, SOMERSET.  
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, August 15, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,

At the Parish Church,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 17 cwt.

GILBERT JONES ... .. 4	FRED C. ESSEX ... .. 4
FRED POLE ... .. 2	WILLIAM SEALEY ... .. 5
ALBERT TOUT ... .. 3	JOHN CARTER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. TOUT.

First peal on the bells. The ringer of the treble hails from Chipstable, 2nd Fitzhead, 3rd and 6th Milverton, 4th Cothelstone, 5th Bishops Lydeard.

MARKFIELD, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, August 17, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,

At the Church of St. Michael,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 different 120's.

Tenor 7 cwt.

*ROWLAND BARROW ... .. 3	HORACE O. OVER ... .. 3
CHARLES ALLSOP ... .. 2	FREDK. J. BOWLEY, SEN. ... 4
ERNEST MORRIS ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

\* First peal of Doubles. First peal on these bells, which are in a minor key, i.e., the first five of a peal of 6. It is the first change ringing on them for many years.

HARROLD, BEDFORDSHIRE.  
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 21, 1920, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

At the Church of St. Peter,

A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES

Being seven 720's each called differently.

CHARLES COCKINGS ... .. 4	WILLIAM STOCK ... .. 4
HENRY W. GAYTON ... .. 2	HERBERT ROBINSON ... .. 5
ALFRED ROBINSON ... .. 3	GEORGE THEW ... .. Tenor

Conducted by HENRY W. GAYTON.

This is the first peal ever rung on the bells by an entirely local band, consisting of all members of the above belfry. It was rung with the bells deeply muffled in memory of the lads who fell in the Great War from this parish, previous to the dedication of a memorial tablet to their memory by the Lord Bishop of St. Albans. It is also believed to be the first peal of Oxford Bob Minor by the Association.

HAVANT HANTS.—On Sunday, July 25th, for morning service, at St. Faith's Church, 1260 Grandsire Triples, in 50 mins.: \*L. C. Best 1. J. D. Harris 2 \*R. J. Hasted 3, \*E. Hedger 4, F. W. Rogers 5, R. J. Stone 6, R. Hasted (conductor) 7, \*A. H. Hopkins 8. \* First quarter-peal.

BROMHAM, BEDS.  
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 21, 1920, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

At the Church of St. Owen,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of London Scholar's Pleasure, College Exercise Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Court and Single Oxford Bob.

HERBERT MORTIMER ... .. 4	CHARLES WM. CLARKE ... .. 4
CHARLES MORTIMER ... .. 2	PEARL INSKIP ... .. 5
EDMUND J. HOBBS ... .. 3	HORACE H. SMITH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. W. CLARKE.

EASTHAM, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(WIRRAL BRANCH.)

On Saturday, August 21, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,

At the Parish Church,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's each of Kent Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob.

Tenor 11½ cwt.

*WALTER J. BATTLE ... .. 4	JAMES GRIFFIN ... .. 4
HERBERT LUDKIN ... .. 2	SMITH WOOD ... .. 5
HAROLD ROGERS ... .. 3	EDWARD CAUNCE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by H. LUDKIN.

\* First peal of Minor.

HANDBELL PEALS.

SKEGNESS, LINCOLN.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

On Monday, August 16, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

On the Sands,

A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Size 18 in G.

KATHLEEN A. JUTSON ... .. 1—2	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 5—6
ALFRED H. POLLING ... .. 3—4	WALTER AYRE ... .. 7—8
GEO. W. STEERE ... .. 9—10	

Composed by EDWARD FRANCIS. Conducted by A. H. POLLING.

Witnesses: The Misses A. POLLING and JEPSON.

Several ringers and friends from Peterborough heard the latter part of the peal.

SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, August 18, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

At Glyn Garth,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Size 15 in C.

KATHLEEN A. JUTSON ... .. 1—2	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 5—6
ALFRED H. POLLING ... .. 3—4	*COLIN RYDER ... .. 7—8

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE. Conducted by A. H. POLLING.

Umpire: WALTER AYRE.

\* First peal of Bob Major and first peal in hand.

HARWICH, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, August 18, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,

At 5, King's Head Street,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

ARTHUR T. MORRIS ... .. 1—2	THOMAS H. BERNAR ... .. 5—6
GEORGE THOMPSON ... .. 3—4	TOWER TAYLOR ... .. 7—8

Composed by G. PATRICK. Conducted by A. T. MORRIS.

T. Taylor hails from Edinburgh.

SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

On Saturday, August 21, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

At Glyn Garth,

A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Size 17 in A.

KATHLEEN A. JUTSON ... .. 1—2	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... .. 5—6
ALFRED H. POLLING ... .. 3—4	WALTER AYRE ... .. 7—8
GEORGE W. STEERE ... .. 9—10	

Composed by EDWARD FRANCIS. Conducted by A. H. POLLING.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Rupert Richardson.



## WAR MEMORIAL AT WHISTON. YORKSHIRE PEAL TABLET UNVEILED.

The Bishop of Sheffield on Saturday week unveiled and dedicated a memorial peal tablet in the Whiston Parish Church, Yorks, erected to the memory of 30 men belonging to the parish who laid down their lives in the Great War. Preceding the dedication ceremony, a half-muffled touch of Grandsire Triples was rung by the band who rang the peal in October last, the ringers standing in the same order as on the day the peal was rung.

The service commenced with the singing of the hymn, 'We love the place, O God,' followed by a shortened form of evening prayer read by the Rector (the Rev. A. G. Allton). The Bishop then proceeded to the west end of the church, to the tower wall, where the tablet was covered with the flag of 'St. George.' After the dedicatory prayers, the Bishop released the fastenings of the flag, and as they fell to the ground exposed to view a beautiful polished marble tablet with incised gold lettering, etc. The design is very simple, yet effective, and emblematic of the Christian soldier. From the sides rise 'The Palms of Victory.' The point of honour is filled in with 'The Crown of Glory' shining above 'The Shield of the Crusader.' Surrounding the shield and crown are placed laurels also, emblematic of victory. Above these symbols of the Christian soldier come the words which form a kind of early English arch, 'St. Mary Magdalene, Whiston. The remainder of the inscription reads as follows:—

'To the Glory of God and in memory of 30 men of this parish who fell in the Great War, 1914—1918.'

Lindoff's Ten Part Peal of Grandsire Triples (5040 changes) was rung with the bells half-muffled, on Saturday, October 4th, 1919—in three hours by the following members of the Yorks Association, who erected this tablet:—

Arthur Hague (treble), Miss Winifred M. Hague 2. Colin Ryder 3. Sidney Briggs 4. William Warburton 5. Alfred T. Baker 6. Fred Watkinson 7. Edgar C. Garrison 8. Conducted by Fred Watkinson. Rev. A. G. Allton, Rector.

The frame is of English oak of a rich brown colour, which stands on stone corbels, and is over three feet in height. The upper portion of the frame is surmounted by an oak pediment, in the centre of which is carved in relief a Calvary Cross, which is also covered with gold leaf. Otherwise the frame (which was supplied by Mr. H. Beardsley of Ilkerton, also a ringer) is in itself the essence of simplicity and excellent workmanship, and reflects great credit upon him.

When the ceremony of unveiling had been performed, Miss Winifred

Hague placed a laurel wreath immediately below the memorial as 'a bell ringers' tribute to those who saved us from the hand of the vandal and murderer.'

After the singing of the hymn, 'For all the Saints,' the Bishop addressed those who had assembled to witness the solemn ceremony. His Lordship based his remarks upon the lessons taught by this greatest of wars, pointing out in particular to those ringers who were assembled that the true spirit of comradeship should be the same amongst them as it was among those who had fought their battles, and that they as ringers had a duty to perform even as the soldier in the field. They should be witness even as those who had made the supreme sacrifice. The Bishop then pronounced the blessing after which was sung the hymn 'Saviour, again to Thy Dear Name we raise,' which concluded the service.

Subsequently, his lordship, the ringers, parishioners, and friends partook of tea in the Church Institute. The Bishop while tea was in progress, moved from table to table chatting with one and another. Tea finished, the Bishop before leaving again addressed the gathering, basing his remarks upon the reformation which had taken place in the belfries of to-day compared with the past, and giving encouraging counsel to those who were witnesses of Christ Jesus. The Bishop mentioned that for some time past he had had in mind the idea of a Sheffield Diocesan Society of Ringers. However, finding the Yorkshire Association's Southern District and the Sheffield and Old East Derbyshire Society so well organised and doing good work in practically the whole of the churches in the diocese he had decided to let the project drop.

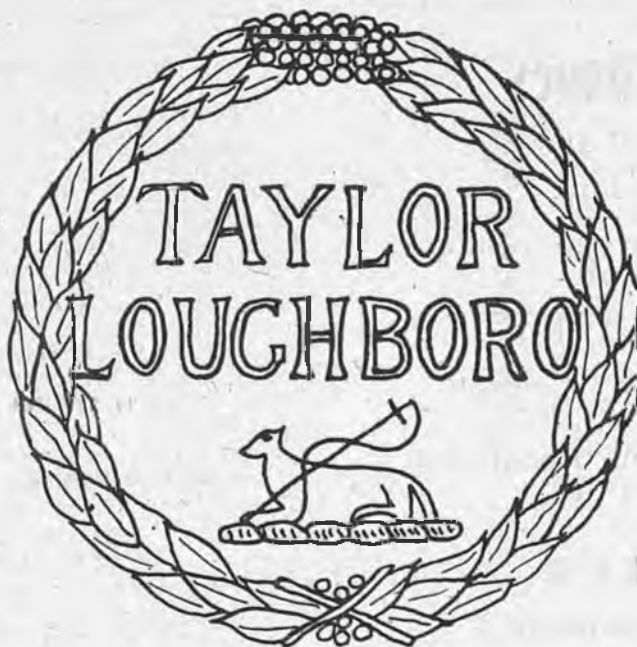
As the Bishop left for another important engagement in Sheffield, the bells in the steeple burst forth with clarion voice clear and melodious, reminding one of the words which had so recently re-echoed within the sacred walls of the beautiful little parish church:—

'But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day;  
The Saints triumphant rise in bright array.'

The peal, which the memorial tablet records, is believed to be the first half-muffled peal in the tower although Whiston has possessed bells since 1450.

## HEREFORD RINGING WEEK.

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## THE PRESERVATION OF CONDUCTORS.

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—Every ringer knows that constant practice is necessary if he wishes to keep fit for ringing; but it does not always strike him that constant practice is even more necessary if a man is to be a good conductor. I admit that it is hard on the youngster who desires to get on to have to stand aside and see the old one worn out first but I do not think that he must begin to call out against the selfishness of the chosen conductor of his band. Let us take an instance.

Old Bob had been the conductor of the Slopperton band for many years, and had called them many good peals; but some promising youngsters were coming on, and because he seemed to be monopolising the calling, Bob was given a hint that Harry and Ben would like to have a turn, and he readily consented. The youngsters had their turn and after several peal attempts had broken down there came an occasion when the Slopperton men were most anxious to score a peal, and, of course they all declared that Old Bob must call, and started for the peal with the utmost confidence, but after two hours' ringing there came a hitch and in keeping the bells right the conductor left out a bob. Of course, old Bob was very sorry, and the rest of the band were astonished. 'Never knew him do such a thing before.' 'Couldn't have believed it.' 'He must be wearing out.' Such were the comments of the mortified band. But they were wrong. The truth was that Bob was out of practice.

Now this is not an imaginary case. I have seen it happen again and again during my experience in the tower. A good conductor is a precious possession, and should be carefully looked after when once you have found him. If you once let him fall back for lack of practice he will never be the same man again, for he will lose that confidence in himself which is half the battle in calling a peal.

If we turn to the records of the past we find that whenever a band has come to the front and scored a good bag of peals, they have almost always had one conductor in whom they put their trust. If a conductor is standing in a peal which a youngster is calling, he is almost sure to follow the composition, but only in a half-hearted way, there is not that concentration of mind which is the result of knowing that the responsibility rests on him alone. Hence is generated a lazy habit of following the coursing order, which reproduces itself when next he has to call.

It is not selfishness that makes the good conductor cling to his calling, but it is the necessity of keeping in practice. You can't have two cocks in the poultry yard neither can you have two conductors in one tower. You may have two or more bob callers, but neither of them will be able to do himself full justice because he will not get sufficient practice.

I admit that it is hard on the youngsters who naturally desire to get on, but it is much harder on the band who find out too late that they can no longer make sure of a peal, because when fortune sent them a dependable conductor they have allowed him to go stale for want of practice.—Yours faithfully,

E. BANKES JAMES.

## MOVING THE CLERGY.

*To the Editor.*

Sir,—'Moving the Clergy' to take interest in their bells and ringers and in the gentle art of change ringing, is troublesome, and at times disheartening work. I tried it myself, by voice and pen, for over twenty years, with but little visible result, as far as the clergy were concerned. Mr. Drake I hope, may effect more by beginning at the top with diocesan authorities. A Diocesan Magazine is usually the Bishop's organ of communication with his clergy. What appears in it has his imprimatur, and may command attention when circulars or letters addressed to individual parish clergy by the Master or secretary of a ringers' association may be resented as interference, and find their way to the waste-paper basket. If Mr. Drake can convert a Bishop or Archdeacon or one of the few 'leading clergy' who pull diocesan strings, he may, through them, move the rank and file of those who refuse to hear the voice of the campanological charmer, whom he never (as we may think) so wisely. I wish him all success.

T. L. PAPILLON.

Late Master of the Essex Association.

## OXFORD SOCIETY'S PROGRESS.

On Sunday, August 15th, at the Church of St. Ebbe, 720 each of London, Cambridge, Superlative, York, Durham and Worcester Surprise was rung in two hours and a half by the following members of the Oxford Society and Oxford Diocesan Guild: Frank Beckett 1, Frances Taylor 2, William Harris 3, Frederick Clinkard 4, Charles Coles 5, William H. B. Wilkins (conductor) 6.

This ringing took place in an attempt for a seven method Surprise peal as a farewell to Mr. Charles Coles, who was leaving this neighbourhood but came to grief at the end of the sixth 720. The above band started ringing together last July. In the twelve months since then they have learnt and can ring sixteen different Minor methods besides Stedman Triples and Caters and Kent and Bob Major and Royal, the conductor being the only one that had rung in these methods before.

### KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. ROCHESTER ANNUAL DISTRICT MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Rochester district was held at Borden on Saturday, August 21st, and upwards of 50 members attended. A short service was held in the church and an able address given by the Vicar (the Rev. Barrett), who, in his remarks, extended a hearty welcome to the association to Borden. The organist, Miss Mears, brightened the service considerably, and a collection at the close for the Kent Ringers' War Memorial realised 14s. 6d. Tea was partaken of at the Maypole Inn, to which 46 sat down and at the business meeting which followed Mr. W. Spice was voted to the chair, in the unavoidable absence of the Vicar.

The Secretary submitted his annual report, which showed that 20 towers in the district were in union with the association, and the number of practising members was 170. During the past year he had visited 16 towers, and was pleased to report that he found that the bells were in nearly every instance being rung regularly for Sunday services, which showed that ringers now they had got settled down after the war, were taking interest in their work, and he hoped it would be maintained. Meetings had been held at Sittingbourne, Gillingham, Cobham, Swanscombe and Cliffe during the year. He spoke of the bell restoration going on in the district, and hoped before long they would have their first peal of ten ready at Rochester Cathedral. He reminded the members that this year they had to elect two representatives to serve on the Central Committee instead of one.—On the proposition of the District Representative the Secretary's report was unanimously adopted.

Three new practising members and one non-resident life member were elected. Mr. E. A. G. Allen (Rochester) was re-elected district representative, and Mr. W. Spice (Tunstall) was unanimously elected as the additional representative.

Mr. F. M. Mitchell (Milton-next-Gravesend) was re-elected district secretary and thanked for his report and work for the association during the past year, to which he briefly responded. It was decided to hold a by-meeting at Northfleet, where the bells had just been restored and two new trebles added, on Saturday Sept. 25th, and the next quarterly meeting was fixed for Saturday, December 11th, at Chatham.

A vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells and his address, to the organist for her assistance, and to Mr. W. Spice for presiding, terminated the business.

The tower was again visited, and visits were also paid to Newington and Tunstall, where the two peals of six were kept going until 9 p.m. Members from the Maidstone District and Prittlewell, Essex, attended and helped to make this a highly successful meeting.

### REV. C. J. STURTON'S MARRIAGE. PRESENTATION AT GRANTHAM.

One of the best known clerical ringers in the Midlands the Rev. C. J. Sturton, Vicar of Orston, Notts, was married on Wednesday of last week, the bride being Miss Emmeline Bousier of Hawkesworth, where the wedding took place.

On Saturday evening, August 21st, a company of ringers from Peterborough, Barkston, Long Bennington, Bottesford, Great Ponton, Ancaster, and Grantham, ringing friends of the Rev. C. J. Sturton, Vicar of Orston, Notts, assembled at St. Wulfram's, Grantham, to make a presentation to the Rev. C. J. Sturton. The pleasing duty of making the presentation fell upon Mr. S. Proctor, secretary of the South Lincoln Guild, who spoke of the fellowship that had existed for several years between the ringers present and the Rev. C. J. Sturton, and of the many pleasant hours spent together in the various belfries in the locality. He remarked that the reason why the company had assembled that evening was to give a practical expression to that fellowship, and he asked Mr. Sturton to accept an electro-plated entree dish. Mr. Proctor expressed the hope that the Vicar of Orston and his bride would be spared to enjoy many years of happiness together.

The Rev. C. J. Sturton, who had been taken by surprise, thanked the company for their handsome present, and said he hoped to meet his ringing friends in the towers on many more occasions.

During the evening two happy hours were spent in ringing touches on the bells.

At Ilkeston, Derbyshire, on August 26th, a peal of Bob Major was attempted in honour of the wedding, but was lost through a change of course after two hours and twenty minutes. The band was: J. F. George 1, G. Clarke 2, R. Hayes 3, T. H. Kirkby 4, W. Taylor 5, E. Clarke 6, E. C. Gobey 7, H. Harrison 8, the peal being composed by J. George, of Birmingham, and conducted by E. C. Gobey.

On Saturday, at Lenton, Notts, a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major, in honour of the event, was successful.

**TIPTON, STAFFS.**—On Sunday, July 18th, at the Parish Church, for morning service in 46 mins., Carter's quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: W. Evans 1, W. R. Small 2, J. Small 3, T. W. Cattel 4, H. Smith 5, J. Screen (conductor) 6, A. Rowley 7, D. Jinks 8. Longest length in the method by the ringers of 1 and 8. Rung on the occasion of the annual school sermons.

### THE LEICESTER CONTROVERSY.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Being under the impression that our little affair in Leicester had burnt out, it was a surprise to see another letter from Mr. Morris. His first letter contained a thinly veiled attack on St. Martin's, in spite of his constant reiteration that no name or particular society was mentioned. Now, Sir, please let me get right down to the awkward position that I find it so difficult to wriggle out of, right down to the part where I can neither answer direct nor to the point. Two of our societies peals will do for the wriggle: the first of Norwich and Superlative rung by a local resident band. Now, in both of these peals the treble was rung by competent inside men and three good Stedman Cater men stood down, any one of whom was quite as capable of ringing the treble as Mr. Morris was of ringing inside. Further, Len Allen, an equally competent inside ringer, also stood down to oblige. St. Martin's made a practice of asking those who practised with them to ring in their peals; this does not or should not be misconstrued into the fact that Mr. Morris was a necessity when he was asked to stand in a peal.

These peals were rung in 1910 and 1913 (before the war). In 1913 we were ringing Superlative for Sunday services, and shortly afterwards we were ringing London without any assistance whatever from St. Margaret's or elsewhere. Is this direct and pointed enough? Mr. Morris makes the request that we should erase his name from our records. We placed him on the retired list over twelve months past. But he can do the following for himself, erase all the peals that he rang with our society from his peal book, and cease to count them in his total. If he is consistent he will, of course, already have done so. In conclusion, I would advise Mr. Morris not to let jealousy get the master of his better judgment.—Yours faithfully, FRED H. DEXTER.

Dear Sir,—As present secretary of the St. Martin's Society, Leicester, there are points in the last letter published by Mr. E. Morris, that in fairness to both Mr. Dexter and the society, I cannot pass without comment—much as I regret joining in a controversy of any kind. Mr. Morris states that a perusal of our records shows that Mr. Dexter was asked himself as conductor without fail. A glance only at the portion of the records during which Mr. Morris was ringing peals with our society shows that his memory has failed him somewhat. Nor has Mr. Dexter taken part in or conducted all of the peals rung since Mr. Morris ceased to come amongst us. In all peals that he has conducted, however, whether for this society, or with mixed bands, he has not done so without first asking others to relieve him of the office. The remainder of our ringers will vouch for this, as will also the ringers from other towns who have taken part in peals with us—men well known to the Exercise and whose integrity is entirely above suspicion, even if there happens to be any doubt about our own. Mr. Morris further states that methods other than Grandsire and Stedman have only been rung for service during the past twelve months or so, and that by the help only of 'ready-made' ringers from other churches. When I joined the society early in 1913 Surprise ringing for service was the rule rather than the exception, there seldom being less than eight members present who were quite capable of ringing an inside bell in two Surprise methods, and the number of ringers increased later on. Of the pre-war band there are still sufficient remaining to ring Surprise methods for service without any help whatever—whether 'ready-made' or otherwise. So far from the so-called 'ready-mades' being the means of our ringing Surprise I am in the position to know, and have their authority to say that all that they know of the higher methods they have learnt since they have been with us in the tower of St. Martin's. Thanking you for the insertion, and apologising for troubling you,—Faithfully yours, HY. BROUGHTON.

Sir,—Your recent leader on the above subject and the subsequent controversy that has arisen in Leicester on account of Mr. Ernest Morris writing on behalf of his district, tempts me to ask you to publish facts we, in this district, know regarding Mr. Morris. During his two years' stay in York, whilst on military service, he looked up ringing matters in the district, and went about among towers containing 5 to 12 bells, with equal enthusiasm, rendering assistance and doing much good work. The testimonial from the York Minster Society given to him on leaving that city, shows plainly their appreciation of his services, while we in Selby can vouch for his keenness in outside towers when he conducted peals of Doubles, Minor, Triples and Major.

We in this district have no inside knowledge of local Leicester affairs, nor do we wish to interfere or to have anything whatever to do with them, but we cannot but feel that there was every honest motive in Mr. Morris's defence of the 5 and 6 bell towers and no sense of injustice meant towards any other tower of higher numbers.

If other ringers of Mr. Morris' experience would only go about in the manner he did, we are sure the Exercise would benefit and more of the little-known places take greater interest in the art.

May we hope that you will be good enough to publish this in your valuable paper and allow us to thank you in anticipation for so doing?—Yours sincerely, F. CRYER (Captain).

For the Selby Abbey Ringers

[This correspondence is now closed.—Ed.]

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**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.****DISTRICT FINANCES UNIFIED.**

On Saturday August 21st, the Clun District of the Hereford Guild held its quarterly meeting at Clunbury, when the six sweet-toned bells at the church were kindly placed at the disposal of the members by the Rev. A. D. Beavan, and were made good use of during the afternoon and evening, about 30 ringers attending from Bishop's Castle, Clun, Knighton, Ludlow, Clunbury, and Clunbury towers. After a splendid tea, kindly provided by Mrs. Meredith, the usual business meeting took place when the Ringing Master (the Rev. H. J. Scott) presided, and welcomed the members. The District Hon. Secretary (W. Mead) explained the result of a meeting of the district hon. secretaries held at Hereford, when certain decisions were agreed upon, so that each district would be worked on exactly the same lines. Two-thirds of their income could be used for district expenses, such as teas, postages, district secretary's expenses when summoned to meetings by the Guild Secretary, and the remaining one-third remitted to headquarters, with an audited balance sheet at the end of the year.

One ringing member was elected, one probationer from Clun and nine probationers from Clunbury.

Afterwards the members attended a short special evensong, when the Ringing Master officiated. Further ringing took place until nightfall, and some of the local men were got through their first six-scores of Doubles, which brought a successful meeting to a close.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

The annual meeting of the Preston Branch was held at St. James' Leyland, and was attended by about 50 members. Touches in Minor methods were rung special attention being given to the beginners of whom there was quite a muster. The business meeting was held in the school under the chairmanship of Mr. J. R. Taylor. The branch secretary was re-elected for two years, and Whittle-le-Woods and Broughton selected as the next meeting-places. Eight new members were elected, including a new band of seven from Parbold and one from Standish.

Congratulations were extended to the Chorley ringers on scoring their first local peal, this being suitably acknowledged by Mr. Lofthouse, of Chorley.—The business terminated with a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar and local ringers for the use of the bells.

Tea was then partaken of, and before the members dispersed a vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. J. T. Miller the chief ringer of the local band, for his splendid arrangements. The bells were then again utilised, Kent, Oxford and Woodbine Treble Bob Cambridge Surprise, Stedman Doubles and Bob Minor being rung. Ringers were present from Standish, Chorley Whittle-le-Woods, Parbold, Aughton Ecclestone, Leyland Parish, Preston Samlesbury, Penwortham, and also visitors from Blackburn and Church Kirk.

**BLACKPOOL RINGER'S MEMORIAL.**

A memorial has been placed in St. John's Parish Church, Blackpool, to the memory of one of the local band who fell at Ypres in August, 1917. The tablet is of brass, and is of artistic design. It is mounted on a varnished light oak base, the frame being part of a bell frame from an old church, and bears the following inscription: 'This tablet was erected by the bell ringers of this church to the memory of Gunner John James Clitheroe R.F.A., 2nd W.L., who was killed in action at Ypres August 4th, 1917, aged 20 years. Greater love hath no man than this that he lay down his life for his friends.'

The tablet was dedicated by the Vicar, in the presence of ringers and friends of the deceased soldier.

After the unveiling ceremony, a short touch of Grandsire Triples was rung by the following members of the local band: J. Worthington 1 Miss Mary Crookall 2, L. Green 3, W. Wilkinson 4, W. Wild 5, J. Smith 6, T. D. Crookall (conductor) 7, J. Winter 8. Later, 1,008 Grandsire Triples were rung by: E. Howarth 1, — (Burton-on-Trent) 2, W. Wild 3, J. Smith 4, H. Hargreaves (Rawtenstall) 5, J. Rollerson (Rawtenstall) 6, J. W. Banks (Hellemschore), conductor, 7, Amos Tripier (Manchester) 8.

**DEATH OF BISHOP STEVENS.**

At the Parish Church of St. Giles and All Saints, Orsett, Essex, the tenor was tolled at the time of Bishop Stevens' funeral, and the flag on the tower was hoisted at half-mast, while in the evening the ringers rang the bells half-muffled in touches, and 'the whole pull and stand' 79 times, representing the deceased Bishop's age: S. Bridge 1, W. Harrod 2, H. Chinnery 3, B. Harrod 4, A. Keeling 5, J. C. Bridge 6.

The Bishop has been living at Orsett Rectory since Mrs. Stevens died, with the Rev. J. W. and Mrs. Eisdell, his son-in-law, and only daughter, and he was beloved by all. He will be missed very much at the services in Orsett Church, in which he was so keen in taking part.

Read 'FORTY AND TWO MONTHS,' by Rev. F. L. Edwards (secretary of Salisbury Guild), the much discussed prophecy explained: its recent fulfilment demonstrated. Eightpence, post free, from Kington Magna Rectory, Gillingham, Dorset.

**NOTICES.**

**INCREASED POSTAL RATES.**—Owing to the increase in the postal rates the charge for 'The Ringing World' sent by post will, in future, be 3s. per quarter; 12s. per annum.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late the St. James' Society, estab. 1824).—Southern District.—A meeting for practice will be held on Saturday, Sept. 4th, at All Saints', Fulham. Tower open from 4 to 8 p.m.—F. A. Smith, Hon. District Sec.

**DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.**—A Quarterly meeting of the above Guild will be held at Kingswinford, Staffs, on Saturday, Sept. 4th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30, which will be conducted by the Rev. A. H. Messiter (Vicar). Tea will be provided at 1/- each.—Herbert Sheppard, 113, Himley Road, Dudley.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division.—A district meeting will be held at Foxearth on Saturday, Sept. 4th. Short service, with address by Rev. H. S. Carpenter, at 4.30, followed by tea at the Club room, 1s. 3d. per head.—H. F. Cooper, District Master, 'Red Lion,' Stisted, near Braintree.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held on Saturday, Sept. 4th, at St. Mark's, Glodwick. Bells ready at 3. Business meeting at 6.30. A good attendance is requested.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec., Middleton.

**SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**—Quarterly meeting will be held at Tamworth on Saturday, Sept. 4th. Bells available at 3. Service in Church at 5.14, with an address by the Rev. K. G. Rosher, Vicar. Tea will be provided at 6. Reports will be distributed.—H. Knight, Hon. Sec., 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—Ipswich District.—A meeting will be held at Hadleigh on Saturday, Sept. 4th. By kind permission of Dean Carter, the bells will be available from 2 p.m. All ringers welcome (especially those in the Sudbury Archdeaconry). Arrangements are being made for tea at a reasonable price.—E. Evans, 21, Springfield Lane, Ipswich.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—A district meeting will be held at Selling on Saturday, Sept. 4th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service in church at 5 o'clock; address by the Vicar. Will all members attending kindly study Treble Bob Methods for this occasion?—E. Buesden, Hon. Dist. Sec., 3, Hackington Terrace, Canterbury.

**WEST WALES ASSOCIATION.**—The quarterly meeting will be held at Baglan on Saturday, Sept. 4th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at 4.45. Tea at Baglan Hall, 5.30. Members and ringing friends invited. Will those intending to be present at tea kindly advise Mrs. E. G., Bellringer, Church House, Baglan, Britton Ferry?—Chas. Morse, Sec., 2, Tycock Road, Sketty, Swansea.

**SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.**—The September meeting will be held at North Wingfield, on Saturday, September 4th. Eight bells from 3 o'clock. Tea will be provided at 1/6 per head.—Sam Thomas, Hon. Sec., 164, Greystones Road, Sheffield.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—S. and W. District.—A meeting will be held at Sunbury-on-Thames on Saturday,

Sept. 4th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m., followed by business meeting.—W. H. Oram, Hon. Sec., 25, Crown Street, Harrow.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—Saxmundham District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Saxmundham on Saturday, Sept. 4th. Bells available 4 to 8.30 p.m. Meeting at Angel Inn at 6 p.m. A good attendance is desired. — Geo. Wilson, 41, Valley Road, Leiston.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Furness and Lake District Branch.—The annual meeting of the above will be held at Broughton-in-Furness on Saturday, Sept. 4th. Bells (8) available from 1 o'clock. Service at 4. Tea at 4.30. Meeting at 5.—W. Robinson, Hon. Sec., Church Street, Ambleside.

**CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**—Thrapston District.—A practice meeting will be held at Ringstead on Saturday, Sept. 4th. Bells available from 4 o'clock.—J. Nickerson, District Sec.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Tonbridge District.—The next meeting of this district will be held at Staplehurst on Saturday, Sept. 4th. Tower open at 3. Service in church at 5. Tea (by kind invitation of the Rector) after service, followed by business meeting.—W. Latter, Hon. District Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Devizes Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at Bradford-on-Avon on Saturday, Sept. 4th, commencing at 3 p.m. (peal of eight bells). Business meeting 5.30 p.m.—Sydney G. Pepler, Hon. Branch Sec., Devizes Road, Hilpertown, near Trowbridge.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on Sept. 16th and 30th; \*St. Paul's Cathedral, on the 7th; Southwark Cathedral, on the 14th; and \*St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 21st, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards at Headquarters. Members earnestly requested to attend St. Paul's meeting.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Hindley, on Saturday, 11th Sept. Bells available 3.30 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Branch Sec.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Leicester District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Thurstaston (8 bells), on Saturday, Sept. 11th. Ringing from 2.30. Business meeting at 5.30.—H. E. Norman, Hon. Sec., 4, Berners St., Leicester.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rossendale Branch. The annual meeting will be held at St. Mary, Rawtenstall, on Saturday, Sept. 11th, 1920. Bells ready at 3.30 o'clock. Meeting at 7. Business very important. A good attendance is requested.—J. H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 31, St. Paul's Street, Ramsbottom.

**ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.**—The next meeting of the above will be held at Woodchurch on Saturday, Sept. 11th. The bells will be available for ringing from 3 p.m.—H. Balcomb, Hon. Sec., The Priory, Appledore, Kent.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at the Holy Trinity Church, Burnley, on Saturday, Sept. 11th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Secretary, 33, Langham Road, Blackburn.

**OLDHAM AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Middleton on Saturday, Sept. 11th. Bells ready at 3 p.m.—J. Schofield, Hon. Sec., 12, Kersley Street, Oldham.

**NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.**—Thetford District.—A meeting will be held at Thetford on Saturday, Sept. 11th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Tea at 5 o'clock at 2s. each. All ringers are welcome. Those intending to be present please notify me not later than Wednesday, Sept. 8th.—T. Fitzjohn, Hon. Sec.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Nibley on Saturday, Sept. 11th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30, followed by tea and business meeting.—W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., Ham, Berkeley, Glos.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—A summer outing has been arranged for Saturday, Sept. 11th. Towers open for ringing: Slough, 2.30-3.30 p.m.; Curfew Tower, Windsor, 4-5 p.m. Tea 5.15 p.m. Windsor Parish Church 6.30-7.45 p.m. Send your name by return so that you can get some tea. — A. D. Barker, Stoke Green, near Slough.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Southern District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Chertsey on Saturday, Sept. 11th. Bells available 3.15. Guild service 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow. Tea will be arranged for all members and friends who notify by Tuesday, Sept. 7th.—Mrs. C. Hazelden, Joseph's Road, Guildford.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—The Vicar of Cookham has kindly opened his tower, the church, and the King's Hall for the use of members and friends on Saturday, Sept. 11th. Bells available 2.30. Service at 5. Invitation tea at 6 p.m. Those intending to be present will send word to the Foreman, Mr. J. T. Fowler, Nightingale, Cookham, near Maidenhead.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—A general meeting of the Association will be held at Tong on Saturday, Sept. 11th. The bells of the Parish Church (6) and St. Paul's, Drighlington, will be available. All applications for tea, for which a charge of 1s. per head will be made, must reach Mr. C. Galloway, 46, Cross Lane, Tong, Bradford, not later than Monday, Sept. 6th. Members are hereby reminded that subscription of 1s. 6d. for the current year must be paid prior to Sept. 30th if their peals are to be printed in the forthcoming report.—P. J. Johnson, Hon. General Sec. pro tem., 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds.

**WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Basingstoke District.—District meeting at Wolverton on Saturday, Sept. 18. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea and business meeting at 5. Motor leaves Basingstoke Station at 2.50, returning conveniently for all trains. Reduced fares to all members informing me a week beforehand. Re-opening of bells.—C. D. P. Davies, Deane Rectory, Overton, Hants.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late the St. James' Society) (Established 1824).—Southern District.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, Sept. 18th, at St. Leonard's, Streatham. Tower open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Business meeting to follow.—F. A. Smith, Hon. District Sec., 14, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.19.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Conisbrough on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Bells (8) available from 3 to 8.

Short service at 5 p.m. Tea will be provided (1s. each) to those who notify Mr. M. C. Fowler, 26, North Cliffe Road, Conisbrough, near Rotherham, not later than Sept. 15th.—Arthur Hague, District Sec., 16, Godstone Road, Rotherham.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Woolton on Saturday, Sept. 18th. Bells ready at 4. Service 5.30. Meeting at 6. Members intending being present please send word to the Secretary.—Walter Hughes, 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

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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