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A DEFENCE COMMITTEE.

Although carried only by a majority of one vote, the decision of the Central Council to form a Ringing Defence Committee was, we believe, a right one. In the course of the debate the discussion rather ran off to a minor issue—that of replying to newspaper attacks upon bells—and it was only by the timely intervention of the Hon. Sec. of the Salisbury Guild that the meeting was brought back to the questions that really mattered most. To set up a central committee to reply to the sporadic attacks which appear in local newspapers in various parts of the country would have been an almost futile action, for these attacks, which may or may not have any reasonable foundation, can usually best be replied to by the incumbent of the church in question, because knowledge of the special facts are essential to an effective answer.

The important point in this matter is to have ready for action a small committee authorised to deal with any wider and general menace to ringing and ringers which might arise from Parliamentary or official civic action. Such menace might come upon us unawares at any time, and while Alderman Pritchett's legal opinion was reassuring when he said that bells could not be suppressed except by Act of Parliament, it is just the risk, as the Rev. Ll. Edwards pointed out, that something might slip into an Act which could be construed into a limitation of the use of bells, that presents the danger which ringers as an organised body ought to be prepared at any moment to combat.

Whether the Literature and Press Committee of the Council, which in the past has been more conspicuous for what it has not done than for what it has accomplished, was the best Committee to which the duties involved could be delegated is a matter for question. Perhaps the proposer and seconder of the resolution, who have been added to the committee, may instil more life into the committee, but we would urge that they should not sit down and wait until an attack is sprung upon them. They should prepare some kind of machinery for obtaining early information of probable attacks, and dealing with them when they do arise. It is for the Committee to decide how best this can be done, but we would suggest that one of the first ste sthey should take is to find some Member of Parliament who would keep a wary eye for any proposals affecting bells which might be introduced into the Legislature, just as, we feel sure, they may depend upon Canon Baker to watch ringers' interests in the National Assembly. There are one or two Associations which have Members of the Commons or of the Upper House actively interested in their ringing affairs, and the services of these could

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Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial In estitute, Canterbury Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham Peter borough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick s Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals stc., see doubtless be enlisted. Then, too, we would suggest that the Committee might put themselves in possession of the strictly legal position in which ringers and hell ringing stand in relation both to the public and the Church. Such information, ready collated, would be valuable in an emergency, and might be extremely useful to pass on to incumbents who have to deal with local hostility. In any case, it would be well if the Exercise had a central authority which could supply definite knowledge on a very complicated subject whenever there was need for it. Other directions in which the Committee may begin at once to do useful work will doubtless suggest themselves to the members, but we put forward these ideas in order that ringers generally may realise that the newly appointed body need not necessarily be a 'wait and see' Committee.

TWELVE BELL PEALS.

SOUTHWARK, LONDON, S.E.
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Monday, June 6, 1921, in Three Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,
At the Cathedral Church of St. Saviour,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5002 CHANGES;

			50 Cwt.
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER	7	reble	ISAAC J. ATTWATER 7
CHALLIS F. WINNEY		2	ERNEST BRETT 8
ARTHUR D. BARKER		3	GEORGE A. CARD 9
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL		4	HORACE BELCHER 10
			JAMES GRORGE , 11
WILLIAM H. PICKETT	411	6	HORATIO J. GUMMER Tenor
			inducted by Arthur D. Barker.
Rung to commemorate	the	reope:	ning of Southwark Bridge by H.M.

King George V.

WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, June 11, 1921, in Four Hours and Seven Minutes, AT THE ABBLY CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS, 5280 CHANGES!

	T	enor 3	38} cwt.	
HAROLD W. CLARK		reble	*THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, JUN. 7	
WILLIAM H. HEWETT	444	2	JAMES E. DAVIS 8	
CHARLES T. COLES	***	3	WILLIAM J. NUDDS 9	
GEORGE R. PYE		4	*MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT 10	
ALBERT W. COLES			"THOMAS GROOMERIDGE, SEN, 11	
REUBEN SANDERS		6	WILLIAM PVB Tenor	
Composed by C. J. S	SEDLE	Y.	Conducted by WILLIAM PVE.	
* First peal in the method. First in the method on the bells.				

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

BATH, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOOFSAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, June 2, 1921, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew.

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5080 CHANGES:

A PERE OF GRANDSINE	INTERA SUN CHANGES;
PARKER'S TWELVE-PART,	Tenor 23 cwt. 3 gr. 14 lb.
ARTHUR J. HILL Treble	THOMAS F. KING 5
FRED C. RICH 2	RICHARD . COUSINS 6
*Alfred E. Wright 3	GILBERT H. HARDING 7
GEORGE H. HILL 4	LUTHER P. SMITH Tenor
Conducted by	R. J. Corsins.

* First peal. Rung on the eve and in honour of H.M. King George's birthday, also on the eve of the 7th anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F. King's wedding day.

NHWINGTON-NEXT-SITTINGBOURNE, KENT.—On Easter Data St. Mars's Church, for early service, 720 Oxford Bob Minor: K. Millard 1, W. J. Walker 2, S. Millard 3, H. Millard 4, F. W. White 5, C. Millard (conductor) 6. For morning service, a quarterpeal of Minor (1,260 changes), in 39 mins., 720 of Plain Bob, 360 Oxford Bob, 180 Canterbury Pleasure: E. Millard 1, S. Millard 2, T. Jull 3, W. J. Walker 4, F. W. White 5, C. Millard (conductor) 6. For evening service, a quarter-peal of Minor (1,260 changes), in 47 mins., 720 Plain Bob, 540 Oxford Bob: C. Millard 1, H. Millard 2, E. Gilbert 3, T. Jull 4, F. W. White 5, W. J. Walker (conductor) 6.

ALDENHAM, HERTS.
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION,
On Saturday, June 4, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor:	is cwt.
WILLIAM SEELEY Treble	WILLIAM HODGETTS 5
MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT 2	WILLIAM G. WHITEHEAD 6
*ARTHUR G. COOPER 3	FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW 7
HUBERT EDEN 4	FREDERICK WHITE Tenor
Composed by A. KNIGHTS.	Conducted by HUBERT EDEN.
* First peal in the method ' insid	e.'

OVER, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, June 4, 1921, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,
At the Church of St. Chad,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TV	WELVE-PART.
HARRY OVERTON Treble	FRANK FOX 5
H. T. HOLDING 2	
A. Newell 3	R. T. Holding 7
I. W. DAVIES 4	JAMES H. RIDING Tenor
Conducted by G	ECRGE R. JONES.
Rung with the bells half-muffle peal of Triples on the bells.	d for Remembrance Day, First

ASHTEAD. SURREY.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Saturday, June 4, 1921, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,
At the Church of St. Giles,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 8040 CHANGES

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.	Tenor 14 cw	t.
JOHN HOYLE Treble	ALBERT HARMAN	5
JOHN WYATT 2	HENRY R. NEWTON	6
WILLIAM H. CORBETT 3	WILLIAM E. GARRARD	7
George Cook 4	WILLIAM COOK	Tenor
Conducted by V	V E. GARRARD.	

SHIFNAL, SHROPSHIRE.
THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.
On Saturday, June 4, 1921, in Three Hours,
At the Church of St. Andrew,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANCES;

		Ten	or ig	cwt. in E.		
*FRANK P. MOLE	***	7	reble	*REGINALD POLE	***	5
*JAMES E. LILLEY		***	2	WILLIAM SAUNDERS		б
SAMUEL SNELSON	***	***	3	*CHARLES PICKIN	***	7
ALBERT WOODVINE				CHARLES R. LILLEY		
Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.				Conducted by C. R. L	ILLE	Y.
* First peal of Major.						

LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 1, 1921, in Five Hours and Five Minutes,

At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 7360 CHANGES;

Tenor 23 cw	vt. in D flat.
ARTHUR SYMONDS Treble	*HARRY HALL 5
STEDMAN H. SYMONDS 2	FRANK CLAYDON 6
LAWRENCE POULSON 3	THOMAS W. GARRARD 7
EDWARD JENKINS 4	ARTHUR SAUNDERS Tenor
Composed by S. THURSTON.	Conducted by S. H. SYMONDS.
* First peal in the method Th	nis is the longest length on these

bells. Messrs. Hall and E. Jenkins hail from Earl Soham, F. Claydon from Earls Coln and A. Saunders from Greenstead Green.

CHURCH BELL FOUNDER, IPSWICH.

BLACKBURN, LANCASHIRE. THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(BLACKBURN BRANCH.)

On Monday, June 6, 1921, in Three Hours and Four Minutes.
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

			12d cwt.			
	ARTHUR TOMLINSON	Treble	JOHN BLACKSHAW			5
	*THOMAS CHAMBERS		Fred Chambers		4	6
	ARTHUR CHAMBERLAIN	3	*FRED BRADLEY	.4.	4+4	7
	†THOMAS STANCLIFFE	4	RICHARD STANCLIF	FÉ	7	Tenos
ì	0 11 70		C - 1 - /- 2 L. A To		.col.	

* First peal in the method. † First peal in the method on an inside bell. Rung as a welcome home to the Vicar (Rev. E. Banson, B.A.) on his safe return from New Zealand. All the above are service ringers and this was their first peal of Major.

NEWPORT, MONMOUTESHIRE.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, June 7, 1921, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WOOLOS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD S V	ARIATION.	Tenor 21 Cwt, 2 qr.	20	ID.
WILBY]. HAZELL	Treble	CHARLES GREEDY	411	5
JOHN W. JONES	2	FRED ATWELL		6
JOHN THOMAS	3	FRED CHAMBERLAIN	401	7
ARTHUR E. MORGAN	4	WILLIAM PHILLIPS	***	Tenor
	Conducted by	IOUN THOMAS		

*First peal of Stedman on the bells. Arranged for the ringers of the treble and 3rd, who hail from Edmonton.

SIBSEY, LINCOLNSHIRE. THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(EASTERN BRANCH.)

On Thursday, June 9, 1921, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

	Tenor	14 cwt.	
*JOHN PHILLIPS	Treble	ALEX SEARPE	5
FRED HILTON	2	*JOHN W. LAKIN, JUN.	6
HERBERT TAYLOR	3	FREDRICK LEGGOTT	7
GEORGE COLEMAN	4	RUPERT RICHARDSON	Tenor
Composed by NATHAN	. Pitstov	v. Conducted by R. RICHA	ARDSON.

* First peal of Major. First peal by the above branch since it has been reorganised.

IRTHLINGBOROUGH, NORTHANTS. THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 11, 1921, in Three Hours.
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

į	HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSI	TION OF T	HURSTANS'. Ten	OF IC	og cwt
	WALTER PERKINS	Treble	WILLIAM FAREY	114	
	WILLIAM ROGERS	2	JOHN T. HENSMAN		6
	WILLIAM E. ATTERBURY	3	WILLIAM J. ALLEN	***	7
į	WILLIAM R. PARKER	4	ALFRED MONK		Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM J. ALLEN.
This peal was specially arranged and rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

LEICESTER.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
(St. John-the-Divine Society.)

On Saturday, June 11, 1921, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, On the Royal Memorial Bells of St. John-the-Divine,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

	Tenor 21	cwt. in E.	
MRS. T. HENRY HARDY	Treble	T. HENRY HARDY	5
*FRED KILBOURN	2	*H. EDWARD NORMAN	6
Miss Hilda Willson	3	JAMES HARRIS	7
THOMAS VALLANCE	4	WILLIAM WILLSON	Tenor

Composed and Conducted by WILLIAM WILLSON.

*First peal in the method. This is the first Surprise peal rung in Leicester by a Leicester band. All the above belong to St. John's Society. It was the conductor's 250th peal.

HOGHTON, NEAR PRESTON, LANCASHIRE. THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(BLACKBURN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, June 11, 1921, in Theee Hours and Seven Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

ANNABLE'S THREE-PAR	Tenor 133 cwt.				
ARTHUR TOMLINSON 7	Creble	*JOHN SANDERSON		5	
*Tom Stancliffe	2				
*ARTHUR CHAMBERLAIN	3	*LEONARD ROSTRON		7	
*Fred Chambers	4	LAURENCE J. WILLIAM	IST	enor	
		. J. WILLIAMS.			
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First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor. Ringers of 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th are of St. Michael's, Blackburn, 5th and 6th of the Parish Church, Blackburn, and 7th and 8th from Church Kirk.

ERDINGTON, WARWICKSHIRE,

* THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM AND THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, June 11, 1921, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARNABAS,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

				r5å cwt.			
WILLIAM SHORT		7	reble	GEORGE F. SWANN			5
THOMAS J. SALTER		414	2	SAMUEL GROVE			6
CHARLES DICKENS		***	3	ALFRED DAVIES	112	441	7
JOHN BASS	4++	***	4	ROBERT MATTHEWS		7	enos
Composed by F.	Be	NNET	T.	Conducted by R.M.	TTHI	ews.	
Rung on the festiva	Lof	St. B	Barnal	oas the Patron Saint of	f the	Chu	rch

SOUTHAMPTON. THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, June 11, in Three Hours and Thirty-One Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

		or 22 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb. in E					
*ERNEST TALL	Treble	HERBERT H. PAYNE	5				
JOHN W. FAITHFULL	2	Owen H. Giles	6				
*Leonard C. Best	3	GEORGE WILLIAMS	7.				
		OLIVER GOLLOF					
Conducted by George Williams.							

* First peal. +First peal of Grandsire. First peal of Grandsire on the bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the tenor.

BURTON LATIMER, NORTHANTS. THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 11, 1921, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES:

	Tenor r	toł cwt.	
*REGINALD C. LOVEDAY	Treble	CYRIL WILLSON	. 5
GEORGE BASFORD	2	CHARLES W. CLARKE	. 6
HENRY W. GAYTON	3	JOHN R. MAIN	. 7
HARRY MEADOWS	4	GEORGE LINES	.Tenor
Composed by G. Lts	CDOFF.	Conducted by G. LINE	S,

First peal in the method as conductor and first attempt. * 60th peal.

TARPORLEY, CHESHIRE. THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(THE CREWE SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, June 11, 1921, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes. AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN.

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;

			cwt. 10 lb.			
WILLIAM T. HOLDING	7	reble	ALBERT CRAWLEY			5
HARRY F. HOLDING		2	HARRY OVERTON			6
RICHARD D. LANGFORD				***		7
GEORGE H. CRAWLEY	***	4	RICHARD T. HOLDIN	G	7	enor
Composed by W. Roy	7.R		Conducted by Lyans 1	LT TO		~

First peal in the method on the bells and by all the band, also by the Crewe Society. First peal of Major as conductor. All the band are employed by the L. & N.W.R. Co., and this is believed to be the first peal in the method rung by employees of the same firm.

FRESSINGFIELD, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, June 11, 1921, in Three Hours, AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

	Tellor 17	TOWY, IM A.			
ERNEST LINCOLN	Trebl	ROBERT RAYNER	***	5	
ROBERT RICHES	2	JAMES RICHES	*** ***	6	
CHARLES F. SAYER	3	WALTER RICHES		7	
CHARLES F. WOODS	4	ALBERT RICHES	350	Teno:	ľ
Composed by H. Hu:	Conducted by A	LBERT	RICHES.		

SIX BELL PEALS.

WALTHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, June 1, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's each of Oxford	and Kent Treble Bob, and		
three 720's of Plain Bob.	Tenor 12 cwt		
ARTHUR B. SHEPHERD Treble	RALPH S. LONG 4		
CHARLES KENNINGTON 2	CHARLES W. TAYLOR 5		
JOHN W. SEAMER 3	WILLIAM BOLTON Tenor		
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Conducted by J. W. Seamer. Rung in honour of the wedding of Miss Hilda Grace Horn, daughter of the Rector and Mrs. Horn, which took place that day.

STREATON GRANDISON, HEREFORDSHIRE, THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, June 5, 1921, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

	Being 720 each of College Single, Canterbury and Grandsire, and two
	each of Oxford Single Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt.
Ī	HENRY J. TAYLOR Treble WILLIAM RANFORD 4
ı	DAVID HORNE 2 WILLIAM H. WILLIAMS 5
	CHARLES I AND TOWN

... ... 3 | Charles Edwards Tenor Conducted by Charles Edwards. First peal of Minor on the bells.

WALLASEY, CHESHIRE." THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(WIRRAL BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, June 7, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes. AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HILARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5048 CHANGES:

Being two 720's each of				
Bob, and 720 of l	Plain Bob.	Тепог	12 CWt	,
SMITH WOOD	Treble Y	WILLIAM WILCOX		4
STANLEY STRONG	2 7	THOMAS A. ROGERS		. 5
JAMES R. GRIFFIN	3	OHN WALTERS		Tenor
C	anducted by I	W. Wir cox		

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. G. Rogers, who was 60 years of age on the 4th inst. Much regret was felt at Mr. Rogers inability to take part owing to illness, and the band wish to express their gratitude to him for the kind and generous manner in which he entertained them on Saturday.

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

On Wednesday, June 8, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes. AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD.

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, College Single, Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob. Tenor 112 cwt.

JOHN HALL ... 4 †John E. Perkins STANLEY WAYMAN ... LEONARD J. JELFS Tenoy Conducted by LEONARD J. JELFS.

* First peal. † First peal in seven methods. First peal as conductor. Rung as a wedding compliment to Miss Beatrice E. Blake, the only daughter of the Rev. Canon J. E. H. Blake, Vicar of Bretforton, who on the previous day was married to Lieut -Colonel A. J. Child, O.B.E., M.C.

BRIDSTOW, HEREFORDSHIRE. THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. On Tuesday, June 7, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes, AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford and Single Oxford (spliced), Double Bob and Plain Bob (spliced), College Single and Canterbury Pleasure.

Tenor o cyt.

JOHN CLARK		7	reble	JAMES BLAKE	***	4
JOHN BEVAN			2	EDWARD SUMMERS	***	5
WILLIAM T. POSTON		***	3	WILLIAM POSTON	***	Teno
	Co	nduc	ted by	y W. Poston.		

HANDBELL PEALS

ROSS, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 28, 1921, in Two Hours and Twelve Minutes.

At the Residence of Mr. J. Clark, Chase Road,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

	Beir	ig se	ven	different 720's.			
THOMAS W. ROWLEY			1	ALFRED T. POTLTON	***		4
JOHN BEVAN	4111		2	JOHN CLARK		***	5
WILLIAM T. POSTON	441		3	WILLIAM POSTON		***	6
	Cor	duc	ted	by W. Poston.			
Witnesses -	Min	e 6	TAR	wand Mr I MILLINGT	ON		

HARWICH, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, June 10, 1921, in Two Hours and Thirty-Seven Minutes, AT 5, KING'S HEAD STREET,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tapped on handbells by
ARTHUR T. Morris.

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff. Conducted by the performer. Umpire: George Jordan. Witness: Charles Jordan.

THE FREEMASONS' PEAL.

CEREMONY AT ST. CLEMENT DANES.

Many ringers, including members of the Central Council, attended the service at St. Clement Danes Church in the evening after the Council meeting on Whitsun Tuesday, when the bandsome marble tablet recording the first Freemasons' peal, was unveiled and dedicated. The Rector (the Rev. W. Pennington Bickford) had arranged a most beautiful musical service, and the church presented a festal appearance with the Whitsuntide decorations still in place. —The Rector conducted the service, and the lesson, which was Longfellow's familiar symbol of the bell in 'The Golden Legend,' was read by Canon Coleridge.

During the singing of a hymn, the clergy and choir, accompanied the Bishop of Willesden and Alderman J. S. Pritchett, Presiding Ringing Master of St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham (one of the leading Masons of the country), to the tower, where the tablet has been erected on the staircase leading to the gallery.

Alderman Pritchett unveiled the tablet, and the dedication was performed by the Bishop, who afterwards preached an impressive sermon. The memorable service closed with the bell bymn (written by Mrs. Bickford, and set to music by the Rector), sung by the congregation kneeling.

The handsome tablet which has been given by Bro, G. R. Fardon, the composer and conductor of the peal, has the masonic emblem of compasses and square at the top, surmounting the motto 'Nisi Dominus frustra.' It records the peal of 5003 Grandsire Caters rung on Thursday, December 4th, 1919, by the Ancient Society of College Youths and the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of England, 'as a peace peal to celebrate the conclusion of the Great War.' It was the first peal ever rung by Freemasons, and the names, with the rank and lodge of each ringer (which appeared in 'The Ringing World ' at the time), are set out, the name of the Rector, who is Chaplain of St. Clement Danes Lodge, being also added.

NAMED.

At St. Thomas' Parish Church, Norbury, Cheshire, 720 of the 4th's Place Delight method (No. 3), published on page 14 of the Central Council Collection, was rung by: J. A. Milner 1, J. P. Fidler 2, Rev. A. T. Beeston (conductor) 3, F. Holt 4, J. Fernley 5, J. W. Hartley 6. This was the first 720 rung in the method, and is to be called * Abbeyville.

A LINCOLNSHIRE TRIP.

Pleasant recollections will remain with all those who, on Whit-Monday took part in the outing organised by the Gainsborough Parlah Church Ringers' Guild. The party, which numbered 27 (including the ringers, with their wives, families and friends, also the Rev. E. V. Clapton, one of the assistant clergy, and Mr. Farndon, schoolmaster), travelled by motor charabanc, and first made for Nettleham, via Harpswell Hill. After a most enjoyable run of about 95 minutes, during which time Fillingham Castle, Scampton and Carlton Acrodromes, Riseholme Palace, and other places of interest were obserzed, the party reached their destination, where the ringers had several touches on the bells, while others strolled round the village, and inspected the interesting church and institute, or had a chat with the Viçar (the Rev. S. Stamp), who was formerly one of the assistant clergy at Holy Trinity Church, Gainsborough. Leaving next for Scothorne a halt was made for lunch by the wayside. On arrival at Scothorne the party were welcomed by the Vicar's son, who, by the way, is himself a ringer and had a pull with the visitors. The church is a very nice huilding, and those who visited the vestry had the opportunity of inspecting some magnificent copes and vestments. Dunholme was the next place on the list, and the bells had not long been going before the Vicar (the Rev. S. Wild) put in his appear-He gave the visitors a hearty welcome, and took part in a sixscore of Doubles. The church is very pretty, and, amongst other things, contains some exceedingly fine carving, especially an oak screen at the west end, which is entirely the work of the Vicar. The fourth and last place of call on the programme was Welton. Here the Vicar (the Rev. A. Hunt) was waiting to welcome the party at the Vicarage and announced that tea was ready. The visitors feel that they mer very deep debt of gratitude to the Rev. and Mrs. Hunt for their kindness, and also to the captain of the Welton ringers for the excellent manner in which the necessary arrangements had been made. After tea, the Vicar took a portion of the party to places of interest in the Vicarage grounds, one being a spring of water, which, according to an old custom, had been dressed and decorated on Ascension Day. Subsequently he gave a most interesting and instructive address on the history of Welton, from the early days down to the present time. He also conducted them round the church, and they were able to n-spect one of the prettiest and most interesting edifices in the county. The objects of interest are too many to be enumerated here, but one may mention the very fine window recently dedicated by the Lord Bishop of Lincoln in honour of the officers and men of the Royal Air Force who fell in the great war. Touches were rung on the bells, and the party then wended their way back to the Vicarage to commence their homeward journey, when to their very pleasant surprise they found an ample supply of refreshments and coffee awaiting them. Three hearty cheers were given for the Vicar as the party set off for Gainsborough, via Till Bridge Lane, Sturton, Stow and Willingham. The weather was everything that could be desired, and the outing a real success. Each of the four towers contains an excellent and wellreal success. Each of the four towers contains an excellent and wellgoing ring of six bells, and included in the day's ringing, which onsisted of the standard methods, were the following: At Nettleham, 720
Bob Minor, in 25 mins.: C. H. Baker 1, J. T. Bartram 2, P. Noble 3,
H. Morgan 4, J. T. Ladd (conductor) 5, W. Cooper 6. At Dunbolme,
720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: F. S. W. Butler (conductor) 1, J. T.
Bartram 2, H. Morgan 3, C. H. Baker 4, J. T. Ladd 5, W. Cooper 6,
J. Dixon 7, A. Hewitt 8. Members of the local companies also took
part in various touches with the visitors. The best thanks are due
to the insumbents for the use of the bolls: the Bay and Mrs. Hunt and to the incumbents for the use of the hells; the Rev. and Mrs. Hunt and the captain of the Welton ringers for their very kind reception and generosity; also to all those who helped towards making the outing so pleasant and enjoyable.

A SILVER WEDDING.

A pleasing little ceremony took place at St. Martin's Coffee Room, Dorking, on the evening of Thursday, May 26th, on the occasion of the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. William Lynch, of Pixham, Dorking. Mr. Lynch is one of the oldest members of Dorking St. Martin's Guild of Ringers, and is deservedly held in great esteem by his fellow ringers for his unfailing amiability and readiness to help, as well as for his punctuality and regularity at practice. He is quite an indispensable member of the baud. Mr. and Mrs. Lynch were entertained to tea by the Dorking ringers, and Mr. Lynch was presented with a handsome pipe and tobacco pouch, and Mrs. Lynch with a pair of silver and glass salt cellars and spoons.

The presentation was made by the Rev. George Adams. Senior Chrate of St. Martin's, who, with the Rev. J. Twist and the churchwardens, were present to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Lynch on having been spared to complete 25 years of happy married life together. It had been decided to celebrate the happy event with a peal, but the arrangements fell through at the last minute owing to unforeseen circumstances. It is hoped, however, that the peal will come off at no

distant date.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of the Rochester District was held at Rodmersham, on Saturday, June 4th, and members took full advantage of the opportunity to visit this very pretty spot, the church lying at the extreme end of the district. The tower contains a ring of six, and the hells were going shortly after 3. Many methods up to Cambridge Surprise were rung, and a short service was held, conducted by the curate (the Rev. Taylor-Jones). A collection at the close for the County War Memorial realised £1.

The ringers were then conducted to the Vicarage, where the Vicar (the Rev. Hon. A. T. S. Massey), a life member of the association, had invited them to tea, which was served amid beautiful surroundings in the large hall. Forty-six ringers put in an appearance, and those who had not sent in their names were fortunate, as the Vicar, perhaps having an inner knowledge of the apathy of some ringers in this respect, had provided for nearly double the number who had intimated the would attend. Even then there was ' enough and to spare.'-The venerable Vicar, in a few words, welcomed the ringers to his parish, and reminded them that the visit that day coincided with the official birthday of H.M. the King. He said how found he was of the bells, and urged upon all ringers to remember that their first duty was their Call to God. He had not been able to be at the service, but would

e pleased to make up their collection to 25s. The Vicar presided at the inceting which followed, the only business of importance being to fix a place for the annual district meeting.— On the proposition of the District Secretary, it was unanimously resolved that Rochester Cathedral with its new ring of ten be chosen, the date in August being left for the secretary to arrange.-Mr. F. Mitchell proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the hells and the excellent tea he had provided, and to the Rev. Taylor-Jones for conducting the service, and in addition, playing the crean.-This was carried with applause, and each suitably responded. The Vicar then invited the visitors to a walk through the Vicarage grounds, which were greatly admired. The tower was again visited, and members on their homeward run were given the opportunity of having a ring on the eight at Sittingbourne, and methods from Grand-sire to Cambridge Major were rung. Twelve towers in the district were represented, and there were visitors from Canterbury district.

THE DEATH OF MISS MACALPINE LENY.

A meeting of the Tonbridge District was held at Hadlow on Saturday, May 28th, and was attended by nearly 30 members. Some good practice in Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob, Treble Bob and Double Norwich Major was obtained. The Association Form was used at the service, and Mr. Cecil Groves (a former member of the local band) presided at the organ. There were several of the parishioners present, including one of the churchwardens.-The Vicar (the H. Monypennyl conducted the service, and gave a short address. The members afterwards adjourned to the King's Head for tea, which was followed by the business meeting. The Vicar presided, supported by the Rev. F. L. Schrieber (Vicar of Shipbourne).

The District Secretary said that it was with deep regret he had to announce the death of their old and esteemed friend (Miss R. Mac-Alpine Leny), which took place at Speldhurst Close, Sevenoaks, on April 25th. He recalled the many occasions when the members hal me; at Speldhurst and had partaken of Miss Leny's hospitality. Ringers were always welcome at any time at Speldhurst. The District Secretary said that as soon as he heard the news he wrote to Mrs. Mackinnon (the late Miss Leny's sister) expressing, on behalf of the members their deepest sympathy, and he read the reply which he had members, while fully endorsing the action of the disdesired to pass the following resolution, viz .: ' That this meeting of the members of the Tonbridge district learn with the deepest regret of the death of their old and much esteemed friend. and desire to express their deepest sympathy with her relatives. - This was carried in silence

Several new members were elected, and it was decided that the next meeting at Hawkhurst should be held on Saturday, July 23rd.—The Urstrict Secretary said he hoped that members would make a special effort to attend this meeting, as it was not often that a meeting could be arranged at the tower. As the church was over two miles from the railway station the best way to reach it would be to charter a motor charabanc to start from Toubridge Station, going by way of Lamber-Earst, picking up members en route. He was willing to do this provided the members assisted him, as he must have a guarantee of sufficient number to cover the cost. The meeting would be advertised in 'The Ringing World' three weeks previously, and members must notify him at least a fortnight before the date of the meeting, so that he could make the necessary arrangements. The Hawkhurst memher- were very anxious to have a meeting at their tower, and the

association would be sure of a hearty welcome.

Votes of thanks were passed to the Vicar for the use of the bells, for arranging the service and presiding at the meeting; to the organist and others who had assisted at the service, and to the Rev. F. L. Schrieber for his attendance. The members then adjourned to the tower, where ringing was again indulged in.

A NOTTINGHAM MEMORIAL PEAL.

DEDICATION OF BASFORD BELLS.

In the tower of the old Parish Church of St. Leodigarius, Basford, Notts, there now hangs a melodious ring of bells, eight in number, which have been installed as a memorial to the 220 gallant dead of the district who fell in the war. The hells were cast at the famous Loughborough foundry, and are tuned on Messrs. Taylor's scientific system of perfect harmonical tuning. It may be remarked that this is the first peal in the immediate vicinity of Nottingham that is so tuned on this perfected system, and the superiority of these beautiful bells over the mediocre peals which are to be heard in and around Nottingham is most marked. The three old bells which formerly hung in the tower, although possessing claims to considerable antiquity, were so false in their harmonic tones as to be distressingly unmusical in effect, and the music of the new peal will be thus more noticeable and appreciated by the parishioners. It may be mentioned in passing that these three old bells, two of which are melted down and incorporated in the new peal, were all cast in Nottingham, and the oldest bell of the three, dating probably from about 1490, was almost cortainly cast by the founder, Richard Mellour, who was an Alderman and Mayor of Nottingham in the years 1499 and 1506. This oldest bell has been retained on account of its particularly interesting history, and now forms an important archeological feature of the church.

The tenor of the new ring of eight weighs about 15 cwt., note F natural, and the total weight of the bells and fittings, etc., is over 10 tons. The fiftings in which the hells are hung are of modern design. and contain all the many improvements that have been introduced by Mesers. Taylor, perhaps the most important being the patent ball bearings in which the bells swing. The framework is of strong and massive construction, of cast iron on stout steel foundation, all designed with a view to the strain placed on the structure of the tower being reduced to an absolute minimum. Needless to say the work has been carried out in a manuer which fully upholds the great re-

putation of the Loughborough firm.

The inscriptions on the bells are as follow:—
Treble.—Given by Charles Hilton Seely and Frank Evelyn Seely.

2nd .- This bell is the offering of the Sunday Schools, Bible Classes. Scouts and Guides of the Parish and their friends, 1921.

3rd.—Fresented by the Adult Members of the Choir, 1921. 4th.—Presented by the Clergy, Churchwardens and Sidesmen of Basford Parish Church, 1921.

5th.-In Loving Memory of Thomas Marriott, who died 1917. Given by his children, 1921.

6th.—In Memory of William Henry Hill, M.B., C.M., who died March 17th, 1915, during the Great War, and of Arthur Robert Cox, who served in the South African War, 1899—1902, and who died April 7th.

7th.-Presented by Parishioners, Congregation and other friends of

the Parish of Basford, 1921.

the Parish of Bastord, 1921.

Tenor.—In Affectionate Remembrance of Captain William Eaton Guy Walker and Lieut. Harry Cullis Steele Walker, of the Sherwood Foresters, sons of Major and Mis. Walker, Rock House, Old Bastord, who fell in France in the Great War, 1914-1918. For God, King and This bell also bears the badge of the Sherwood Foresters.

The dedication took place at a 1 rgely attended service on Saturday. June 4th, the ceremony being performed by the Rev. H. T. Hayman, Chaplain of the 'Robin Hoods,' while the service was conducted in the unavoidable absence of the Vicar, through the serious illness of his wife) by the Rev. C. W. Good, of St. Augustine's New Basford who was a combatant officer of the regiment during the war prior to his ordination. The service was of a very impressive character, and was concluded by 'The Last Post ' and ' Reveille,' followed by the was concluded by 'The Last Post ' and ' Reveille,' followed by the National Anthem. The opening ringing at the dedication was done by members of St. Peter's band, Nottingham, viz.: W. Flinders I. T. Kirkby 2. R. Clifford 3. G. West 4, J. Wallace 5, H. R. Cobben 6, F. C. Vickers 7, E. Hughes 8. The first touch of 564 Grandsire Triples was conducted by H. R. Cobben, the second, also Grandsire Triples by R. Clifford. The first touch of Stedman Triples, 567, was conducted by W. C. Hughes 1. by W. C. Hunt.

On the following day, for evening service, the first quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung on the new bells by the Nottingham St. Peter's ringers, in 40 mins.: W. Flinders 1, T. Kirby 2, W. J. Sevier (Master and towerkeeper, Basford) 3, R. Chfford 4, G. West 5, J. Wallace 6, H. R. Cobben (conductor) 7, F. C. Vickers 8.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

A most successful meeting was held at Great Staughton on Saturday, June 11th. Members were present from Bedford, Clapham, Bromham, Turvey, Elstow, Roxton, Biggleswade, Dunstable, Higham Ferrers, Finedon, and the local company, 24 sitting down to tea.—The Vicar (the Rev. J. W. Wragg) gave the ringers a hearty welcome, and at the business meeting which followed, with Miss E. Steel in the chair, two new life members were elected, and Wootton chosen for the next meeting.—A vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells brought a very pleasant meeting to a close.

BUFFERS ON BELL CLAPPERS.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,-With reference to the account in your last issue relating to the dedication of the two trebles to complete the octave at Bispham, Lancs, and more particularly to the paragraph referring to the new plapper device brought out by us, I should like to state, as this is the first time the idea has been mentioned, that the principle is not ours. The principle was originated by Mr. Weadon sen., the much respected captain of the Dartford, Kent, Society of Ringers. Mr. Wheadon first applied the idea to the old tenor at Dartford, and was very gratified to notice the improvement in the effect. A few years later, when the bells were recast, he applied it to the back four successfully. He subsequently very kindly gave me permission to protect and adopt the idea in a slightly different form. We have used the principle in a few cases recently, and the result has been perfectly satisfactory, but any credit attaching to the idea ought to be given to Mr. Wheadon, to whom I am glad to take this opportunity of tendering my best thanks. The difference in the two methods is as follows: At Dartford the buffers are fitted to the stem of the clapper just under the ball, and in those we have fitted they are in the ball just above the striking part .- Yours faithfully,

ALBERT A. HUGHES

(of Mears and Stainbank).

OLD LAVENHAM RINGER'S DEATH.

We regret to record the death of Mr. William Moore, of Lavenham, We regret to record the death of Mr. William Moore, of Lavenham, who passed away on May 28th, at the age of 75 years. Although deceased had long been a sufferer, and had undergone many operations, he had only taken to his bed a week previously. Nearly 20 years have passed since he took any part in ringing, owing to ill-health. He had ring four peals, all at Lavenham, and all on the tenor. They comprised three peals of Grandsire and one of Bob Major. The first was rung on March 3rd, 1888, and the last on November 3rd, 1894.

The interment took place on Wednesday, June 11th, and the bearers included one of his old ringing company, Mr. H. Smith, while Mr. A. Symonds and his son, Stedman, were among the mourners. The deceased leaves a widow and two sons to mourn their loss.

In the evening, after the funeral, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1.260 changes) was rung, with deeply muffled clappers, as a last mark of respect: M. Symonds 1, W. R. J. Poulson 2, S. H. Symonds (conductor) 3, F. Leeks 4, F. Borebam 5, W. W. J. Roper 6, L. Leeks 7, A. Symonds 8.

KINGTON MAGNA RINGERS' EXCURSION.

On Saturday, May 28th, the ringers of Kington Magna, Dorset, had an enjoyable outing to Queen Came!, Somerset. After raising and lowering the bells of their own church, a party of nine, including the Master and secretary of the Salisbury Guild, set forth by motor brake at 2.30 p.m. A halt was made at the village of Holton to investigate the possibilities of change ringing there, but as inquiry elicited the fact that the bells were only three in number, it was decided to proceed. A slight detour from the main road brought the party to the pretty village of South Cadbury, where the Rector readily gave permission to ring, and a tuneful peal of five bells were soon raised and set going to Grandsire Doubles.

The road was resumed, and after a short drive the car drew up beside the stately tower of Queen Camel, with its glorious ring of 6 bells (tenor 36 cwt. 3 qr.). The bells were raised in peal, and after a Plain Course of Grandsire some rounds and call changes gave the

Plain Course of Grandsire some rounds and call changes gave the less advanced members of the party a change of trying their skill. The Vicar (the Rev. G. D'Angibau) made his appearance in the belfry, and after giving the visitors a kindly welcome, showed some of them round the grand old church, with its venerable monastic traditions, while others were taking turns at the bells.

An adjournment was made to the Mildman Arms, where an ample

An adjournment was made to the Mildmay Arms, where an ample repast was provided by mine host and his good lady for the satisfaction of the inner-man. Fortified by this refreshment, the change ringers of the band brought round some well-struck six-scores, conducted by A. I. Dowding. About 8 p.m. the bells were rung down, and a late visit was paid to the neighbouring village of Marston Magna, where, with the Rector's kind permission, a little more ringing was done on six very melodious bells, tuned on the five-tone principle. The return journey was then commenced, home being reached about 10.30 p.m., after an expedition long to be remembered. Before the departure from Queen Camel, Mr. Lucas, landlord of the

Mildmay Arms, sprang a surprise on two of the party by producing a photograph of a well-known band of ringers at Guildford, and informing them that one of them was his step-brother, Mr. A. H. Pulling. Even the ringing world is a small world!

LONG PEAL CELEBRATED.

The 29th anniversary of the long peal of Oxford Treble Bob at Debenham, in which D. Collins and W. G. Crickmer took part, was celebrated at Worlingworth, Suffolk, on Monday, June 6th, by a 960 Oxford Treble Bob, by: W. Miller 1. H. W. Crickmer 2, E. Curtiss 3, W. G. Crickmer (conductor) 4, R. Abbott 5, E. Jinkins 6, W. Ruffells 7, H. Hall 8; and 640, with S. Collins on the tenor.

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BELFRY GOSSIP.

Now that the postage rates have been further increased associations will find it cheaper, as well as being, as it always has been, more effective to advertise their meetings in 'The Ringing World.'

The memorial to the late Mr. Henry White, of Basingstoke, which was unveiled and dedicated at St. Michael's Church, in the presence of a large gathering of Winchester Guild ringers, hears the following inscription: 'To the glory of God and in grateful memory of Henry White, sexton and captain of bell ringers in St. Michael's tower, 1855-1918, who laboured with untiring zeal for the improvement of bell ringing and the cultivation of the art of change ringing. Died Sept. 27th, 1918, aged 61 years.'

The poal rung at Wallasey, on June 7th, was a well deserved tribute to Mr. G. R. Rogers, who has done much for the encouragement of ringing in the district in which he resides. About 12 years ago the bells of St. Hilary's had fallen into a very dilapidated condition, so much so that to ring them constituted a danger. Mr. Rogers, besides being a large subscriber, personally made a house-to-house collection, and eventually obtained sufficient funds to have the bells rehung. Although not an ardent peal ringer, Mr. Rogers has done much 'spadework' in the tutoring of beginners, and has endeavoured to inculate the spirit of progress and unity amongst all those ringers with whom ha is in touch he is in touch.

Messrs. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, have completed the restoration of Monk's Kirby bells, and added two trebles to make the octave. The old six have been retuned, and are hung in iron frames on steel girders. The bells were dedicated on Thursday in last week by the Bishop of Coventry.

It is much hoped that when the Oxford Guild war memorial tablet is unveiled in the Cathedral cloisters on the occasion of the annual festival at Oxford, on July 23rd, it will be free of debt. Contributions should be sent to the hon, general secretary as soon as possible. Mr. Hibbert wishes to remind members that notices of motion for the business meeting must reach him by the last day of June.

Correspondents should bear in mind that matter sent for Press cannot now be forwarded by halfpenny post. The postage, when the matter is sent in an open envelope and without any form of letter,

An appeal is being made for funds for the restoration of the bells of Bewdley Farish Church, Worcestershire. The rehanging is to be carried out by Messrs. Chas. Carr, of Smethwick, and some structural repairs are also to be carried out to the tower and helfry, the total cost being estimated at £350. Contributions will be welcomed, and should be sent to the Rector, the Rev. H. A. Moore.

Bewdley bells have a long history. There is a record of them having been rung in 1589 at the rejoicings for the wreck of the Spanish Armada, and in 1607 they were rung for the first time for the 'fifth of November.

A new ring of bells was purchased in 1660, and were hung in the old chapel, built of timber, that stood on the site of the present church. In 1745 this chapel was pulled down, and the existing tower built. In 1780 the bells were recast and rebung, and there they have remained to this day, equal to some of the best in the county.

A most interesting little history of the bells of the Collegiate Church, now the Cathedral of Southwell, has been written, and published in celebration of the bicentenary of the bells.

Bells are first mentioned in this ancient foundation between the years 1050 and 1060, when there was a gift of two bells by the Archbishop of York, and at intervals through the centuries the bells are mentioned again until 1721, when Abram Rudhall, of Gloucester, recast the peal. The bells were again recast and increased to ten in 1897 by Messrs. Taylor and Co.

The history of the bells, which is full of interest, can be obtained from G. E. Padgett, printer, Southwell, post free, price 6d. Last Saturday the bicentenary was oclebrated at Southwell by a visit of Midland Counties ringers.

NORWICH & IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

Recasting, Retuning and Rehanging.

On Saturday week a meeting of the Halesworth District of the Norwich and Ipswich Association was held at Wenhaston. Good touches of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Bob Minor, Grandstre and Stedman Doubles were rung on the musical peal of six bells at the parish church. Members were present (including one lady ringer, Mrs. Reeves) from Halesworth, Henham, Holton, Wissett Wenhaston, Wrentham, Bramfield and Brampton. The Vicar (the Rev. W. N. Matthews, M.A.) provided tea in the old School Room for the ringers, after which a short business meeting was held. The chair was taken by Capt. A. E. Reeves, supported by Messus. J. Larter, J. Punchard, J. Spencer, G. Easthaugh, S. Ellis, F. C. Lambert (district secretary), otc. It was decided to hold the next meeting at Craffield in September, if the bells are available. — A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar for the use of the hells and for the capital tea Afterwards there was further ringing. On Saturday week a meeting of the Halesworth District of the

THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

(Continued from page 339.) NEXT YEAR'S MEETING.

The President said the Standing Committee had considered the place of next year's meeting. The interruption of the rots which had been followed for many years had caused a break in their programme, but the committee suggested that they should next go to Lincoln, leaving for the following year some place west of the central Midlands.

Mr. Cotterill (Yorkshire Association) gave the Council an invitation

to go to Bradford,
The Rev. A. T. Beeston (Chester Diocesan Guild) proposed that the meeting should be at Chester, which had many attractions, and where it had been previously suggested they should meet. Mr. J. Geo: (hon. member) seconded.

Mr. A. E. Parsons (Worcestershire) reminded the Council that when Chester was previously suggested, Lincoln was also in the list.

On being submitted to the meeting the voting was as follows: Lin' coln, 31; Bradford, 5; Chester, 19. Lincoln was, therefore, decided

COUNCIL IGNORED BY ASSOCIATIONS.

The Council was then informed that two notices of motion had been received too late to be included in the agenda, but it was decided that they should be considered.

Mr. A. H. Pulling (Winchester Guild) moved: 'That this meeting recommend all Guilds and Associations to hold their annual meetings within three months previous to the Central Council meeting on Whit-Tuesday.' He proposed this, he said, as one means of endeavouring to get the general body of members of the Exercise interested in the work of the Council. At present they took not a scrap of notice of it. work of the Council. At present they took not a scrap of notice of it. At many of the annual meetings not a word was spoken about the Central Council, and, if they could judge from the reports in 'The Ringing World' they simply took no notice of it. The Associations never submitted anything to the Council, but if they all had their meetings just before the Council it might be possible to get them to consider a little more of the Council's business. It was for that rearranged they should recommend the halding of anyual meets. son he proposed they should recommend the holding of annual meetings within the three months previous to the Council meeting. There was very little co-operation between the associations and the Council. The Council was a sort of Cabinet, 'The Ringing World' like 'The Daily Mail,' and Mr. Goldsmith like Lord Northcliffe (loud laughter). They might laugh, but if they had an Editor who was not out to do all he could to help them, but was opposed to them, he could break that Campil was and he could be at the Campil was and he could be at the Campil was and he could be at the council was a sort of Cabinet, 'The Ringing World' like 'The Daily Mail,' and he could be at the council was a sort of Cabinet, 'The Ringing World' like 'The Daily Mail,' and Mr. Goldsmith like Lord Northcliffe (loud laughter). that Council up, and he could do it in quick time. They wanted to get the Exercise to take more interest in the Council, and although he hardly expected they would pass his resolution, he thought it was worth considering.

Mr. Cave (Gloucester and Bristol) said he would second the motion

as a matter of form.

The Rev. B. H. T. Drake (Herts County) moved as an amendment, that the Secretary of the Council be charged to send all resolutions carried at the meeting to the affiliated associations. As a delegate to that Council he had ventured to bring up questions at his own association meetings, and had been mot at once with the answer, 'The Central Council never so much as acknowledge us, beyond taking the 2s. 6d. from us, and never send us any information of anything they have carried, but leave us to find out from the ringing Press what is being done.' Would it not, therefore, be better and simpler if the secretary were to send the resolutions that were carried to the constituent associations in order that they might know officially whit had been done?

Mr. Bibby (Chester Guild) said when he got back to his association be would be expected at their first meeting to supply the members with a report not only of the resolutions, but with minute details of

what had been done.

The President said he could not accept the Rev. B. H. T. Drake's motion as an amendment. It was a matter of which notice should be

Alderman Pritchett (hon. member) said he gathered the object was to give publicity to the existence of the Central Council. He suggested the Standing Committee should draw up a special form of prayer for the Council to be used at association services, just as they had a prayer for Parliament (laughter).

Canon Baker (Bedfordshire Association) objected to the use of the term 'delegate' in connection with the members of that Council. He said he thought they were representatives. He would not be there is the same of being some if he were expected to come as a delegate in the sense of being some-body to vote as he was told. A member was elected freely, and should vote as he thought best. He objected strongly to calling themselves delegates. He also objected strongly to the suggestion that it was the business of that Council to interfere with the affairs and administration of associations. The Council had always kept most carefully off that in the past. The associations were perfectly free to manage their own business, without the interference of the Council, and for that reason he could not support the resolution, because it certainly meant interference with the way in which associations and

guilds managed their own business and fixed the dates of their own

Canon Elsee (Lancashire Association) said he felt the mover of the Canon Elsee (Lancashire Association) said he felt the mover of the resolution had a desire only to get the associations to take a living interest in the work of the Council, but at the same time he hoped the resolution would not be pressed. In his own association they had lust discussed at considerable length whether they should change the time of their annual meeting, and after very careful consideration had come to the conclusion that they had better not change it. They had their meeting in the autumn. It was quite true that not much time was given to the affairs of the Council, because there was always a great deal of local business to be got through, but as a matter of interest he noticed that Lancashive had sent its four members and one interest he noticed that Lancashire had sent its four members and one honorary member to attend that meeting (hear, hear). He also saw two Lancashire visitors in the room as well, so that they did take some interest in the Council (hear, hear).

Mr. Pulling said he was prepared to withdraw his motion. He did not expect it would be passed, because he knew they could not interfere with the associations, but if only they could get the Exercise to wake up and look on the Council as the central body of ringing the Council would do some good.

The resolution was then withdrawn.

BELL RESTORATION FUNDS.

The other resolution of which late notice had been given was one by Alderman Chambers, of the Midland Counties Association, who had intimated his intention of moving 'that it is desirable to establish in the area of each ringing association a bell restoration fund from which grants may be made for the restoration of any rings of bells within the area when local funds were insufficient to meet the cost.

Alderman Chambers was absent from the meeting, and the President said the Council had always refrained from interfering with the business of the local associations. He took it that practically every association had a fund of this kind, or was ready to make grants. and he did not see that that Council could give instructions.

It was agreed to allow the motion to lie on the table.

THANKS.

The Rev. H. Law James moved a vote of thanks to the President, which Canon Baker seconded, the resolution being carried with ap-

In responding, the President said he had intended moving that during his term of office there should be no votes of thanks to anybody, least of all to the President. He thanked them, however, very warmly indeed. He was afraid, if in future years they were treated to discussions on various abstruse questions, such as they had heard in the past from Mr. James and others, that he would have to call in to his assistance certain 'assessors' to direct him (laughter), because there were some things far above his head. He was simply a plain, practical ringer, but it would be his earnest endeavour to uphold the dignity of the Council as it was upheld by its founder, and in this he was sure he would have the assistance of the members (applause).

The meeting then terminated.

BLOCKING UP OF LOUVRES.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir, -In reply to Mr. Edwards, wooden boards covered with waterproof felt placed immediately behind the louvres will moderate the sound of the bells. It might be found sufficient to treat the louvres in the tower in this manner first; those at the base of the spire could be blocked in the same way afterwards, if necessary.—Yours faithfully

H. B. WOOLLEY.

Long Stanton.

Dear Sir,—I have had experience of blocking of louvres at three towers in this town. At St John's, which is a very low tower, with six bells hung on a level with the louvres, there was frequent complaint of the noise when the bells were rung. I advised having plaint of the noise when the bells were rung. I advised having shutters fitted up to the spring of the arch. This was done as follows: The necessary wood comprised lin, tongued and grooved boards. These were nailed tightly together crossways, with two layers of thick feit between and fitted tight into the louvres. Our Vicar described the effect as like using a mute on a fiddle, or the soft pedal on a pianoforte. We get little complaint now. At St. Helen's, which is also a rather low tower, and situated in a densely populated neighbourhood, the louvres were blocked up completely with match-boarding. There are scarcely any complaints now; in fact, the noise is so toned down that the bells can scarcely be heard a street away. At All Saints' (10 bells) the louvres have been bricked up to the spring of

the arches, and to my mind there is scarcely any difference.

In regard to All Saints', Hereford, as far as one can judge, without sceing the tower, I would suggest entirely blocking up the bottom louvres with boards and felt, as at St. John's, Worcester. If the noise outside is very severe use extra felt. All the music of the bells would then come out through the lowest of the bells. would then come out through the louvres in the spire.-Yours faith-

fully, 37, St. John's, Worcester.

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'INERTIA.' To the Editor.

Dear Sir, 'Inertia ' is a term used to denote the principle or law of the material world, that all bodies are absolutely passive or in-different to a state of rest or motion, and would continue for ever at rest, or pensovers in the same uniform and rectilinear motion, unless disturbed by the action of some extrinsic force. . Inertia is one of the inherent properties of matter, and unceasingly recalled to our observation in every incident of life. It appears also to be one of the inherent properties of ringers, and gives a good deal of trouble to the Analysis Committee.

Those who read the committee's report will remember the notice of a peal published as rung by the 'Surrey County Association 'at Brighton, and attributed to Surrey, though probably belonging to Sussex. The committee could get no answer to a letter to the comductor about it, and the secretary of one of the associations informed a member of the committee that he had not read the report! Evidently there was need of some 'extrinsic force ' to disturb the state of rest. But where is it to be found? Similarly, no further information is forthcoming as to Mr. Page's claim to have conducted seven peals, though only four were published. Perhaps he perseveres 'in the same uniform and rectilinear motion in the matter of his claim, which our 'extrinsic force ' was not sufficient to disturb.

Again, as to the meaning of 'Extreme' used as the name of a method we get no information, and shall be glad if some member of the Exercise can provide the necessary 'extrinsic force' to disturb the 'inherent property' of ringers, which renders them 'absolutely passive or indifferent,' and which is 'unceasingly recalled to our observation,'—Yours faithfully,

E. W. CARPENTER.

BISHOP VISITS RINGERS,

CLUN'S UNIQUE DISTINCTION.

Un Sunday evening, June 5th, the Bishop of Hereford paid a visit to the ringing room of St. George's Church, Clun, and congratulated the ringers on their excellent ringing. He said they were doing a very important work for the church. He was not aware until that day that Clun had the distinction of having a ringing curate and a ringing warden. He did not think there was another church in his diocesa that could claim the distinction.

Mr. W. Mead (warden and lion, secretary) thanked his lordship, on behalf of the ringers, and asked him to accept a copy of the history of Clum bells, which he graciously did. He said he had heard of Clun bell-, and should value the history very much. He was very much interested in the fine room and its old church relics.

This was his lordship's first visit to Chun, and was for the dedication of a fine granite cross as a war memorial, and also of a beautiful carved oak sedilia, oak panelling, and the complete installation for the electric light as memorials.

YORKSHIREMEN IN KENT.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Adverting to the account of the Yorkshiremen's visit to Kent, your correspondent P. J. J. is slightly in error. All the persons named are members of the Yorks Association, and it was the intention to include Mr. Austin in the peal had he arrived earlier. Only four ladies accompanied their husbands.

Committee ' got lost in re-visiting a former residence, whilst another member went into Sussex prospecting for new scenes to visit.—Yours faithfully,

T. MAUDE.

Pudsey.

MR. F. J. LAMBERT'S 100 PEALS.

Doubles, 3; Minor, including one in 14 methods, 40; Triples: Grandsire, 25; Plain Bob, 1; Oxford Bob, 1; Stedman, 1. Major: Plain Bob, 15; Kent Treble Bob, 11; Double Bob, 1; St. Clement's Bob, 1; Canterbury Pleasure, 1; total, 100. Rung during a period of 30 years, and including many first peals.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

A quarterly meeting of the Winchester District of the Guild was held at Sherfield English recently, by kind permission of the Rector, the Rev. W. T. Long. The bells were kept going during the afternoon and evening to touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob, Treble Bob and Double Norwich Major.

The tea and business meeting took place at the Hatchet, Mr. J. Williams (Master) being in the chair. There were ringers present from Bishopstoke, North Stoneham, Southampton, Upham Winchester, Romsey, Curdridge, and the local tower. Mr. Pryce Taylor, of the Loughborough Foundry, where the Sherfield hells were cast, was unable to attend owing to indisposition.

A collection on behalf of the late Mr. W. S. Wise amounted to

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

MEETING AT SUNBURY.

On the south side of Sunbury runs the River Thames, and at this point there is a grass-covered and partially-wooded island, which is reached by means of ferry boats; the weir is situated at the west, and the lock at the east end.

Standing on a strong and elevated footbridge which crosses the main stream near the lock, the changes from the tower were heard to full advantage on Saturday last, when forty-three members and their friends met to have a pull on the fine-toned ring of bells at St. Mary's The river was thronged with boats, and many were decorated, and with their happy and gaily-clad occupants were a pleasing sight constantly passing beneath the bridge; one party had a powerful gramophone, and, curiously enough, the piece rendered as they were passing the lock was 'Les Cloches de Corneville.'

A good tea is quite half the success of a meeting, and a pleasant interlude to the ringing. It was arranged by Mr. Alford, who was assisted by willing ladies, so all went well. The business meeting was presided over by the District Master (Mr. C. S. Bird) and a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Rev. P. Sydney for allowing the use of the bells. A discussion took place regarding the publications of the Central Council, and Mr. J. A. Trollope and Mr. W. Lawrence both spoke upon the subject. The former explained the principles set out in some of the books; and the Hon. Secretary (Mr H. Hollier) suggested that a stock should be obtained on return.

Subject to permission being obtained the August meeting will be eld at St. Peter's Staines. Members attended from Brockley. Chertsey, Croydon, Clapham, Ealing, East Ham, Farnham Royal, Fulham, Heston, Hillingdon, Holloway, Hounslow, Isleworth, Kensington, Staines, Teddington, Whitwell and Walton-on-Phames.

A MID-WEEK MEETING.

The first of the summer mid-week meetings of the North and East District was held at Hornsey on Monday, June 6th, when nearly 30 members attended, amongst the towers represented being South-50 members attended, amongst the towers represented being Southgate, Edmonton, Finchley, Willesden, Tottenham, Stamford Hill, Walthamstow, etc. Between 7 and 9 p.m. the bells were kept going continuously to Grandsite Doubles, Plain Boh, Kent, Double Court and Double Stedman Slow Course. Not the least interesting part of the proceedings was a visit to the disused church building, including the crypt. This building has been closed since 1889, when the new and much larger church close by was opened, and is in partial ruin. The tower, which was built in 1486, is attached to the disused church, and quite apart from the landsome huilding in use at the present der

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A short business meeting was held in the tower, at which a vote of thanks was passed to the Rector (the Rev. B. Spink) for allowing the members the use of the bells. It was announced that the next meeting of this series would be held at Tottenham on Tuesday, July 19th, and that the next Saturday meeting was fixed for St. Andrew's, Holborn. on June 25th.

GLOSSOP RINGERS' TRIP.
The ringers connected with St. James's, Whitfield, Glessop. their wives, had a most enjoyable trip round Derby on May 21st. Travelling in a well-appointed charabanc they journeyed through the glorious Peak district, the first stop being at Baslow, where a firstclass breakfast awaited the party at the Rutland Arms. Proceeding to Matlock, two short touches of Stedman were rung before the party went on through Chatsworth Park. Arriving at Duffield Church, another half-hour's ringing was greatly enjoyed, Stedman being again the method. A band of eight good Derbyshire ringers were here waiting to start for a peal of Duffield, and the visitors left them with wishes for the best of luck. The next stop was at St. Alkmund's, Derby, where short touches of Stedman and of Kent Treble Bob were accomplished. After tea, the return journey was made by way of Ashbourne and Buxton to Glossop. An ideal day assisted to make a most successful outing, and the party tender their many thanks to the Vicars, officials and ringers of the above places for the use of the bells, and the kind reception given to them, particularly Mr. J. Lord, of Derby, for the information given which helped the excursionists to get in touch with the various places en route.

THE PEAL AT MERSHAM.

Congratulations to Miss R. Thomas on ringing her first peal at Mersham, Kent. This was her second attempt. She rang 2 hours and 3 minutes on the first occasion some few weeks ago, and was not the cause of the failure. We understand a movement is on foot to secure a peal board to record the peal. On both occasions Mr. and Mrs. Parkes, the parents of Mr. Harry Parkes, of Pathison Farm, Mersham, kindly entertained Messrs, Tribe (Tenterden) and Billenness (Hawkhursi, and these ringers wish to return their best thanks for the hospitality received. The peal was the first peal that has been rung at Mersham for some years, and the first peal rung at Mersham by all the band, with the exception of Mr. Alfred Gower.

A Page for Sunday Service Ringers.

SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

WATFORD, HERTS.—At the Parish Church, on Sunday, June 12th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 50 mins: G. Seaman 1, W. E. Oakley 2, E. Jones 3, R. Picton 4, E. Elliott 5, W. Norris 6, F. Edwards (conductor) 7, W. Hewitt 8.

EARL SOHAM.—On Sunday, June 12th, for morning service, 360 Double Court: W. Miller 1, H. W. Crickmer 2, E. Curtiss 3, W. G. Crickmer (conductor) 4, E. Jenkins 5, H. Hall 6. For afternoon service, at Bedfield, 720 Double Court: W. G. Crickmer 1, R. Abbott 2, E. Curtiss 3, G. Stannard 4, W. Russels 5, H. Hall (conductor) 6.

KENSINGTON.—For evening service, on June 12th, at St. Mary Abbot's, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: C. W. Roberts (first quarter-peal) 1, W. E. Garrard (conductor) 2, R. Gordon Brown 3, A. E. Sharman 4, G. W. Frayne 5, A. E. Bradley 6, P. G. Miles 7, A. V. Selby 8, H. G. Miles 9, W E. G. Hewton 10.

DEPTFORD, KENT.-At the Church of St. John the Evangelist, on Sunday, Lune 12th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: R. A. Fosdike 1, E. J. Pannett 2, H. Norgate 3, J. Law 4, W. J. Jeffries (conductor) 5, T. A. Easterby 6, E. B. Crowder 7, C. H. Macklin 8. Composed by G. H. Daynes.

EAST GRINSTEAD, SUSSEX .- On Sunday morning, June 12th, for service, a touch of Grandsire Triples (1,414 changes) was rung in 60 minutes, in the following order: W. Mills 1, G. Tizzard 2, G. Hewett 3, N. E. Hope 4, H. Coomber 5, T. Tullett 6, J. Wren (conductor) 7, S. Chesson 8.

CHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.—At St. Mary and All Saints', on Sunday evening, June 12th, a quarter-peal of Bob Royal (1,260 changes), in 53 mins.: G. Hollis 1, W. Allwood 2, F. Jacobs 3, A. Knights 4, F. E. Smith 5, *A. P. Knights 6, *W. T. Palmer 7, *W. Bennett 8, G. A. Thompson 9, T. W. Gore 10. * First quarter-peal of Bob Royal.

WROTHAM, KENT.—On Sunday morning, June 12th, in 53 mins., a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major (1,280 changes), by: H. Haigh, taken from The Ringing World J. Avis, G. Hayes, F. Hayes, R. Smith, R. Copelin, G. Morrad, G. Ambrose, F. M. Mitchell Conduction. The head water method out from Congression. (conductor). The band were motored out from Gravesend by Mr. R.

HEMEL HEMPSTEAD, HERTS .- At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday,

HEMEL HEMPSTEAD, HERTS.—At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday, June 12th, for the evening service, 1,260 of Grandsire Triples, in 47 mins.: R. Walker 1, H. Golding (conductor) 2, F. Walker 3, H. Gates 4, J. Floyd 5, W. Shepheard 6, W. Floyd 8, W. D. Butler 8. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringers of the 3rd and the 8th. SHEFFIELD.—At All Saints' Church, for evening service, on Sunday, June 12th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,386 changes), in 50 mins.: F. Willey 1, W. Hammond 2, W. Stubley 3, A. W. Gledstone 4, T. Chown 5, J. W. Smithson (conductor) 6, W. Chown 7, F. Kippon 8. Also rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 6th and his first quarter-peal as conductor.

Rippon 8. Also rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 6th and his first quarter-peal as conductor.

TYLDESLEY, LANCASHIRE.—In Sunday, June 5th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1.260 changes), in 45 mins.: Hy. Alred 1, Hht. Alred 2, R. Allred, junr., 5, T. B. Worsley (conductor) 4, W. Hindley 5, T. Allred 6, R. Allred senr., 7, Hugh Watts 5. First quarter away from the treble for the 3rd ringer.

LLANISHER, GLAMORGANSHIRE.—On Sunday, June 5th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes): H. Nott, G. Spencer, W. Biss (conductor), G. Chamberlain, A. H. Cossam H. Hawkins. Rung muffled for the service and unveiling of the war memorial win-

Rung muffled for the service and unveiling of the war memorial window and name tablet erected in memory of the fallen of this parish. placed at the west end of the church.

CIRENCESTER, GLOS .- On Sunday, June 5th, for morning service, at Holy Trinity Church, Watermoor, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): F. J. Lewis 1, H. Lewis 2, W. C. Cuss 3, W. G. Cook 4, J. Butler (conductor) 5, S. Hicks 6, H. T. Gardner 7, J. Hayward 8.

Hayward 8.

SOUTH CERNEY, GLOS.—On Sunday, June 5th, for evening service, at All Hallows' Church, ten six-scores of Grandsire Doubles: F. W. Cox 1, J. Butler (conductor) 2, F. J. Lewis 3, S. Hicks 4, A. Painter 5. Rung with the bells half-muffled, on the occasion of the dedication of a war memorial in the church. Also several six-scores of Stedman Doubles, after service, with the bells open: W. G. Cook 1, S. Hicks 2, J. Butler 3, F. J. Lewis (conductor) 4, V. R. Williams 5.

EARLS COLNE, ESSEX.—At St. Andrew's Church on Sunday, June 5th, for evening service, 224 Cambridge Surprise Major, 112

Double Norwich Court Bob Major, and 210 Grandsire Triples. Those taking part were: W. Atnold, W. Burst, John Turner, J. Fleuty, K. Fleuty, S. Warne, F. Claydou, J. French, W. Scillitoe. All are local men, and regular Sunday service ringers at this church.

LONG STANTON.—On Sunday, June 5th, for evening service, 720

LONG STANTON.—On Sunday, June 5th, for evening service, 720 Double Oxford: W. Hawkes I, F. J. Cook 2, J. B. Woolley 3, L. A. Cook 4, G. Crisp 5, C. W. Cook (conductor) 6. First extent in the method by the local band.

KING'S LANGLEY, HERTS.—On Sunday, June 5th, for evening service, 672 Grandsire Triples: N. Walker 1, L. A. Walker 2, A. G. Cook 3, B. Dollimore 4, R. S. Cook (conductor) 5, A. Hill 6, A. Rogers 7, R. Haywood 8.

BECKENHAM, KENT.—At St. George's Church, on Sunday, June 5th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Oxford Bob Triples: II. Hawkes 1, P. Meek 2, W. Smith (composer and conductor) 3, 1. Scutcher 4, F. King 5, G. Wickens 6, F. Terry 7, W. Meek 8, crist quarter-peal by ringers of 1 and 4. First quarter-peal in the method by ringer of the 2nd, and first quarter-peal by a local band since 1914.

LINCOLN.—At St. Peter-at-Arches Church, on Sunday, June 5th, for evening service, 518 Grandsire Triples: R. Chester 1, C. B. Chester 2, J. B. Mackman 3, L. Snell 4, A. R. Chester 5, G. Almonds 6, H. L. Pask (first as conductor) 7, A. H. A. Marcon 8.

MARKET DEEPING, LINCOLNSHIRE .- At St. Guthlac's Church, on June 5(h, for evening service, 720 St. Clement's Bob Minor: A. E. Sneath I, E. Wright (first 720 in the method) 2, Wr A. Day 3, J. Landon 4, H. M. Day (conductor) 5, G. Wells 6.

WORCESTER.—On Sunday, June 5th, at St. John's, a 720 of Kent Treble Bob Minor: J. Woodyatt 1, J. J. Jefferies 2, S. Holt 3, W. Page (conductor) 4, W. Lewis 5, J. R. Mackman 6.—On Sunday, June 12th, 720 Cambridge Minor: W. Edgington 1, F. Walters 2, W. Lewis 3, J. J. Jefferies 4, W. Page (conductor) 5, J. R. Mackman 6. These are the first 720% upon the bells since the rehanging of the tenor by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, and the 'go' was pronounced satisfac-

BATH, SOMERSET. - At St. Saviour's Church, on Sunday, June 5th, for morning service, a quarter-peal (1.260 changes) of Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins.: H. Merrett (first quarter of Triples away from tenor) 1, J. Taylor 2, J. W. Bell 3, T. Grant 4, C. W. Bell 5, G. Janes 6, H. Taylor (conductor) 7, H. E. Mills 8.

SWANSCOMBE, KENT.—On Sunday morning, May 29th, in 49 mins., a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: J. Avis, R. Copelin, F. Hayes, G. Hayes, G. Ambrose (conductor), W. Lane, F. M. Mitchell, S. Simmons. First quarter by S. Simmons, and first as conductor by G. Ambrose

USEFUL TOUCHES FOR SERVICE RINGING.

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LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

SUGGESTED INCREASE OF SUBSCRIPTION. The monthly meeting of the Rocidaic Branch was held on Saturday, June 11th, at Heywood Parish Church, 34 members being present from Heywood, Middleton, Oldham, Newhey, Milnrow, Todmordon Parish and Unitarians, Crosstones, East Crompton, Miles Platting, Pendleton, Hyde, Radeliffe, and Croydon. During the afternoon and evening the bells (which are a particularly fine peal) were kept going in Stedman and Grandsire Triples, Double Norwich, Kent Treble and Plain Rob Major. Plain Bob Major.

The evening s meeting was presided over by the Rector (the Rev. J. II. Clarke, M.S.), and the resolution with regard to the proposed reduction of the committee of management was again discussed, but the meeting thought it would be unwise to carry out the suggestion.

A recommendation was passed that the subscription to the associa-

tion should be raised from 1s. to 1s. 6d. per year. It was decided that the next monthly meeting should be held at beesfield, on Saturday, July 9th.—The usual vote of thanks to the Rector for the use of tower and bells, and also for presiding over the meeting and to the local band for having everything in readiness, was passed.

PRESTON BRANCH TO HAVE A ' SOCIAL.

A well-attended meeting of the Preston Branch was held at Croston, on Saturday, June 4th. The bells, which are a handy ring of eight, by Messrs, Mears and Stainbank, were well utilised from 3 to 5 o clock. Tea was partaken of at the Grapes Hotel, and was followed by the business meeting, under the chairmanship of Mr. Taylor, of Penwortham. It was decided to make the next meeting the occasion of a character was decided to make the next meeting the occasion of a charabane outing, and visit Goosnargh and Ribchester in one afternoon. The contest for the place of the annual branch meeting was a very keen one, no less than three towers being proposed. Eventually Preston was selected.

By a large majority it was decided to have an annual social gathering, and Chorley was the place chosen, the date to be the first Satur-

day in December.

A deputation was appointed to interview the Vicar, of St. Luke's, Preston, with regard to their proposed new bells. Unfortunately the authorities have decided to have hemispherical bells, but it is hoped, if not too late, that the deputation may succeed in getting the scheme

The whole of the Croston band, nine in number, were elected mem-bers of the association, and the factor was elected an hou, life member. The Rector of Croston is also the Bishop of Whalley, and he graced the proceedings by his presence after the meeting, moving about amongst the ringers, and chatting pleasantly to all. The standand methods were rung during the afternoon and evening, as well as Cambridge Surprise Minor.

LADIES' GUILD.

The quarterly meeting of the Western Branch was held at Thornbury on Saturday, June 11th. It was the first time the members of the Ladies' Guild have been able to visit this district, and they were given a very kind welcome by the local ringers. The service was taken by the curate of Thornbury (the Rev. — Reece), and the Rev. M. E. Thorold, of Bristol.—Mr. F. K. Howell had made all arrangements for tea, to which 37 sat down. After tea, the Vicar gave permission to any members who liked to do so to walk through his grounds, and many chaffly availed themselves of the privilege.

grounds, and many gladly availed themselves of the privilege.

A large number of towers were represented in the belfry—as besides the local band there were present ringers from Portishead, Clapton-in-Gardano, Mangotsfield, Oliveston, Almondshury, Wickwar, Berkeley, Wotton-under-Edge, Stinchcombe, and St. Nicholas', St. Thomas's, and St. Michael's, Bristol.

The Guild hope that they may hear of some new members in this district—either performing or honorary members will be welcomed.

It is hoped to get permission to hold the next quarterly meeting at Wraxall about September 17th, and also to have a practice meeting at Abbott's Leigh in July.

A 'MISSIONARY' EFFORT.

On Saturday, June 4th, ringers from Bucknall and Norton paid a on Saturday, June 4th, ringers from Burkhall and Norson pand a visit to Brown Edge fower, the object being to revive interest in change ringing in that district. The visitors were successful in ringing a date touch in the seven following methods: London, Wells and Cambridge Surprise. Violet, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, in 1 hour 15 mins. F. Triner I. J. W. Walker 2, W. Wheeldon 5, J. E. Wheeldon 4, W. Fradley 5, W. P. Deane (conductor) 6.

STAPLEFORD, CAMBS.—At St. Andrew's Church, on April 27th, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: Mass K. Willers (first, 720 of Minor) 1, E. G. Hibbins (conductor) 2, A. J. Layton 3, A. E. Austin 4, R. Harvey 5, F. Nunn 6. Also 720 Plain Bob Minor: A. J. Layton 1, J. Ward 2, Miss K. Willers (first 720 of Minor with a bob bell) 3, A. E. Austin 4. G. Hibbins (conductor) 5, F. Nunn 6. Great credit is due to Miss Willers for the way she rung these 720's.

NOTICES.

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LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Meetings for practice on Mondays at 7.30 p.m.: St. Clement Danes, June 27th. Sundays at 10 a.m.; St. Clement's, 1st and 3rd; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th. - A. D. Barker, Hon-General Sec., Oak Cottage, Farnburn Avenue, near Slough.
ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

(established 1637).-Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on June 23rd; Southwark Cathedral on the 21st; and *St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 28th, all at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards at the headquarters. - William T. Cockerill,

Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4. SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. -Meetings for practice:-St. Martin's, first Monday in the month, at 7.30 p.m.; St. Bride's, second Saturday, 5 p.m.; Shoreditch, 3rd Wednesday, 7.30 p.m. Services, 2nd and 4th Sundays, 5 p.m.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec., 7D, Morgan Mansions, N.7.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—The usual meeting will be held at Bennington on June 18th, when the bells will be available during the afternoon and evening.—Tea will be provided free by the Rev. Canon Mills at 5 o'clock. All will be heartily welcome.-W. H. Lawrence, Hon. District Sec., Little Munden.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Late the St. [ames' Society (Established 1824).—Southern District.-The next meeting will be held on Saturday, June 18th, at Christ Church, near the Wandle Bridge, from 2.30 to 4 p.m., and SS. Peter and Paul, Mitcham, from 4 to 8 p.m. Service at 5 p.m., tea at 5.30, at 1/6 per head. All ringers welcome. - F. A. Smith, Hon. Dis. Sec., 14, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.20.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.— The Quarterly meeting of the above will be held at Doncaster on Saturday, June 18th. Bells (8) ready at 3. Service at 5; preacher, the Rev. Archdeacon Sandford. Tea 5.45 p.m. Will those who ordered reports and have not had them try and get them at this meeting? Subscriptions received .- F. Clark, Hon. Sec., 18, Royston Avenue, Bentley Road, Doncaster.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Western District.— A meeting will be held at Thornhill on Saturday, June-18th. Bells available: Thornhill, all day; Dewsbury and Earlsheaton, from 2.30 p.m. Short service in church, 4 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. All ringers welcome.—P. L. Cooper, Hon Dist. Sec.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Kirdford, on Saturday, June 18th. Bells available from 2 o'clock till 9. Tea at the Bull Inn at 5 o'clock.—A. W. Groves, 9, Sugden Road, Worthing.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Luton District. A Meeting will be held at Barton-le-Clay, on Saturday,... June 18th. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. All ringers welcome.—A. E. Sharman, Hon. Sec., 199, High St. North, Dunstable.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. — The Annual meeting will be held at Lichfield, on Saturday, June 18th. Cathedral bells from 2.30 to 3.45 and 6 to 7.30. St. Mary's (8), and St. Michael's. (6), from 3. Service in Cathedral at 4. Tea at 4.50 at Lloyd's (late Seagrave's) Restaurant, 1/- each to fully-paid members, to others 1/9. General meeting to follow.—
H. Knight, Hon. Sec., 15, Rugby St., Wolverhampton.

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WARWICKSHIRE GUILD. — The next meeting of the Guild will be held at Berkswell on Saturday, June 18th. The President, Canon Back, extends a hearty invitation to all members to be present. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Short service in church at 5 p.m.—A. Wilkerson, Hon. Sec., 68, Norman Avenue, Nuneaton.

NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.— Saxmundham District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Kelsall on Saturday next, June 18th. Bells of Parish Church (8) and Saxmundham (6) available from 3 p.m. All ringers are welcome.—George Wilson, Hon. District Sec., 41, Valley Road, Leiston.

ALL SAINTS', WEST HAM, ESSEX.—Meetings for practice, Thursday, June 23rd, and fortnightly after; also service ringing—1st Sunday, 10.15 a.m.; 3rd Sunday, 5.30 p.m. in each month.—G. Hayden, 29, Maryland St., Stratford, E.15.

WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Northern Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Clent on June 25th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea will be provided at the Vine for all who notify me at 1/6 per head. Business meeting afterwards.—O. Davies, Branch Sec., 29, Hampton Street, Netherton.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch.

—A meeting of the above branch will be held at the Blackburn Parish Church, on Saturday, June 25th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road, Blackburn.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.— Northern Division.— The district Quarterly meeting will be held at Earls Colne, on Saturday, June 25th. See notice next week.—Bert Redgwell, Sec., Rayne, Nr. Braintree, Essex.

SAFFRON WALDEN SOCIETY. — (Established 1623.)—The 298th Anniversary of Great Ringing Day will be held on Monday, June 27th. Ringing commences at 9 a.m. All ringers are cordially invited. A meat tea will be held at 5 p.m., and those wishing to be present should notify the Secretary not later than the 24th.—R. A. Strong, Hon. Sec.

LADIES' GUILD.—Southern District. — The next meeting will be held on Saturday, June 25th, at Hersham. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service 4.30 Tea and meeting to follow. All welcome. Will those requiring tea notify me without fail by Tuesday, June 21st?—H. T. Mills, 125, St. Michael's Road, Aldershot.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—North and East District.

—A meeting will be held at St. Andrew's, Holborn, by kind permission of the Rev. E. C. Bedford, on Saturday, June 25th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service at 5.30. Tea, at a small cost, at 6, to those who advise me by Tuesday, June 21st, at latest.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E.17.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Berks and Bucks Branch.—The Summer meeting of this branch will be held at Beaconsfield, on Saturday, June 25th. Evening service (Guild booklet) at Parish Church at 5 p.m., with an address by Rev. E. J. Teesdale, M.A. An invitation to take tea with Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Bennett has again been kindly offered to the members and ringing friends. It is hoped Lady Burnham will preside at the Burnham Hall. A short musical entertainment will follow. Tower and

handbells available by permission of the R Churchwardens. Please inform the branch ector and before 20th June how many of your company be present.—W. H. Fussell, Farnburn propose to Slough.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — St. Albans District.—A meeting will be held at St. Albans on Saturday, June 25th. St. Peter's tower (10 bells) open from 3 to 5. The Abbey bells will be available after tea. Tea arrangements will be made on the day. All ringers and friends welcome.—Wm. Nash, North Mymms, District Sec.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.

—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Tytherington on Saturday, June 25th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and business to follow.

—W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., Ham, Berkeley, Glos.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Manchester Branch.
—The next meeting will be held at Worsley on Saturday,
June 25th. Bells ready at 3.30. Meeting at 6 o'clock.
Please note the time. All ringers welcome.—I. Hall,
Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting, Manchester.

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. — A meeting at Tickhill on Saturday, June 25th. Eight bells at 2.30. Tea at 5, 1/6 per head, to those who notify Mrs. Whitaker, Castle Gate, Tickhill, before Thursday, June 23rd. Buses run from Doncaster. All ringers welcome. —Harold Walker, Hon. Sec.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Ashford District.—A cordial invitation has been received from Rev. S. Th. Lockyear for the members to meet at Brabourne on Saturday, June 25th, at 3 o'clock. Will all members intending to be present please notify me not later than Tuesday, June 21st?—C. Tribe, Hon. District Sec., British School Villas, Tenterden.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—Northern Division.—The district quarterly meeting will be held at Earls Colne on Saturday, June 25th. Short service, with address, at 4.30, followed by tea, 1/- per head, at the 'White Lion.' Please notify me not later than Tuesday, June 21st.—Bert Redgwell, Sec., Rayne, near Braintree.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. — Nottingham District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Colston Bassett on Saturday, June 25th. Ringing from 3 to 8 p.m. Tea 5 o'clock. A motor will leave Trent Bridge 2.30, fare 3/- per head, including return journey. Will members and friends wishing to go please notify the Hon. Sec., Thos. H. Kirkby. 7, Selkirk Street, Carrington, Notts, by Tuesday, June 21st?

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FRESSINGFIELD, SUFFOLK.—By permission of the Vicar the bells will be available for ringing on Saturday, June 25th from 220 p.m.—Fred R. Borrett

day, June 25th, from 2.30 p.m.—Fred R. Borrett.

HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.—The Annual meeting and an 8-bell contest will be held on Saturday, June 25th, at Kirkburton. Draw at 3.15 p.m. A tea will be provided (reasonable) for all who please notify the local Sec., Mr. Edwin Armitage, Dean Field, Kirkburton, by June 20th.—W. Frith, Sec.

CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.—Kettering District.—The Annual meeting will be held at Burton Latimer on June 25th. Usual arrangements. Those requiring tea kindly let me know by Wednesday, June 22nd, latest.—R. F. Turner, Hon. District Sec., 7, Gordon Street, Kettering.

kindly offered to the members and ringing friends. It is hoped Lady Burnham will preside at the Burnham Hall. will be held at Tong on Saturday, June 25th. Business A short musical entertainment will follow. Tower and meeting at 7.30 p.m. in Cricket Field. Bells available

all day .- M. Moorhouse, Hon. Sec., 10, Mitford Road,

Armley, Leeds.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Canterbury District.—The Annual meeting of this District will be held at Dover on Saturday, June 25th. The bells of St. Mary will be available from 3 o'clock to 4.30 and 6 o'clock to 7.30. Service at 4.30 at the Parish Church. Tea at 5 o'clock in the Parish Hall at 1/6 per head (allowance by Association 1/-). The bells of St. James' will also be available. Will all those intending to be present notify me not later than Tuesday, June 21st?—E. G. Buesden, Hon. District Sec., 3, Hackington Terrace, Canterbury. LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late the St.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late the St. James' Society). Established 1824.—Southern District.—A meeting for practice will be held on Saturday, July 2nd, at All Saints', Fulham. Tower open from 5 to 8 p.m.

-F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at Hillingdon (St. John's) on Saturday, July 2nd. Ringing from 3.30. Will arrange tea for all who let me know by June 27th. All ringers welcome.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

welcome.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4. LADIES' GUILD.—The annual general meeting will be held at Birmingham on Saturday, July 2nd, when it is hoped that as many members as possible will attend. Full particulars will appear next week.—Edith K. Parker, Hon. Sec., 17, Wellington Road, Enfield, Middlesey.

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SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. — Devizes
Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Devizes on
July 2nd at 3. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5. Anyone
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