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#### AN ELY DECISION.

An interesting point was raised at the meeting of the Ely Diocesan Association at Bourn, and recorded in our It was the decision to endeavour to ensure that peals rung by bands of ringers visiting the Diocese should be rung for the Ely Association. The decision, at the suggestion of the Archdeacon, is to be published in the 'Diocesan Gazette '-an excellent way of bringing before the clergy any matters of general importance in connection with bells and ringing which might with advantage be more often resorted to by associations. The idea behind the Ely proposal is, it would seem, to get the incumbents to make it a condition of the use of their bells that the peal shall be an Ely Association peal. The idea may be good in principle, although even that is debatable, but we think the Ely Association will find that in practice it will be impossible of attainment, unless, at least, the rules are aftered. What is to happen if a band of, say, eight non-members visit Cambridgeshire—as has been the case in the past-and are desirous of ringing a peal? Who is to elect them as members of the Ely Association. Obviously they cannot elect themselves, and if the decision of the Association is to be made effective, it may result in putting an unpleasant barrier in the way of visitors ringing peals in the area of the Association, and might conceivably cause friction.

The question, in a much modified form, was discussed at the Central Council meeting last year. It was merely that 'first or record peals should, if possible, be rung for a society within the limits of that society's area,' but even this was held to be impracticable, and one member described it as 'unnecessary, unreasonable, unworkable and unintelligible.' What then could be said of a decision which would have the effect of applying practically the same principle to all peals? As a rule, when one or two individuals visit a tower in the area of some association other than their own, they join the local association, if they desire to ring a peal, not only because the majority of the band are members, but because it is felt to be, in a sense, an obligation. So, too, would a complete band, if it were possible, but in a case where the non-members outnumber the members there is, as far as we know, no provision for the minority to elect the majority.

We are quite sure the Ely Association has no desire to act in a dog-in-the-manger spirit, nor to set up unnecessary barriers to visiting ringers ringing peals in their area, but the resolution passed at Bourn strikes a note which seems discordant. Even the argument that the difficulty of election could be got over by submitting the

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names at some meeting of the Association previous to the peal attempt would not necessarily always meet the case. and we imagine the Association will find it desirable to review this resolution. If it could be shown that the principle was a reasonably workable one, there would be less argument against it, but if it should prove to be, as we believe it is, a decision which cannot effectively be put into practice, it is better left alone.

#### TEN BELL PEALS.

BRISTOL.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Tuesday, August 26, 1924, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN THE MARTYR,

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

		Len	OF 21	cwt. in E.			
				WILLIAM H. THOMAS			
ALFRED E. REEVES			2	"JAMES R. JONES			7
				WILLIAM KNIGHT			8
Miss R. F. Deal			4	RICHARD F. DEAL	. ,,		9
RICHARD CLARK	***		5	WILLIAM A. CAVE		$T_{\epsilon}$	NOP
Composed by H. W.	. Wit	DE.		Conducted by WILLIAM	ıΑ.	CA	VE.
* First peal of Car	nbrid	ge ]	Royal.				

SOUTHOVER, LEWES, SUSSEX. THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 6, 1924, in Three Hours and Twenty-One Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5078 CHANGES;

Tenor 17 cwt. 1 gr. 20 lb.

JOHN S. GOLDSMITH	Treble	GEORGE R. PYE	***	6
ALFRED H. PULLING				
CHARLES W. PLAYER				
ISAAC G. SHADE				
ALBERT W. COLES	5	JAMES A. HART	***	Tenos

Composed by J. S. Goldsmith. Conducted by A. H. Pulling. This peal was specially composed and rung in honour of the 78th birthday of Mrs. E. Goldsmith, mother of the ringer of the treble. It also celebrated the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. W. Pease, of Chelmsford, parents of the ringer of the 8th, and was a birthday compligned to Mr. I. A. Heath compliment to Mr. J. A. Hart,

#### EIGHT BELL PEALS.

DITCHLING, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, August 27, 1924, in Two Hours and Forty-Nins Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

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

THURSTANS' FOUR-	ART,	Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb.					
ROBERT J. DAWE							
JOHN W. JONES							
FRANK BENNETT	3	KEITH HART	7				
JOHN FEIST	4	WILLIAM STENNING	Tenor				
Conducted by KEITH HART.							

BOURN, CAMBRIDGESHIRE. THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, August 31, 1924, in Three Hours and Two Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND HELENA,

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

	Ten	or 14	la cwt, in F.		
John T. Newington	7	reble	WILFRED H. J. HOOTON		5
ERNEST G. HIBBINS	***	2	CHARLES W. COOK		6
A. TOM CHENERY	***	3	T. REGINALD DENNIS		
FRANK WARRINGTON		4	A. George Rivers	7	chor
Composed by Eggn Dan	CH.		Conducted by ERNEST G.	HIB	BINS.

This is the first peal on this beautiful ring of bells, which have just been restored, and two new trebles added by Messrs. Taylor and Co., the tone and 'go' being splendid. \* First peal of Treble Boh on an 'inside' bell.

#### September 12th, 1924. WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX. THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. On Tuesday, September 2, 1924, in Two Hours and Forty-One Minutes. AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5072 CHANCES, Tenor to cwt. CHARLES H. CHAPMAN ... Treble | FREDERICK H. CROOK ... ... JAMES E. DAVIS ... ... 6 HARRY KILBY ... ... 7 J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE ... Teno. THOMAS NEWMAN ... 2 GEORGE M. KILBY ... ... 3 ISAAC G. SHADE ... ... 4 Composed by Henry Johnson. Conducted by J. Armiger Trolloge

#### PULHAM, NORFOLK. THE NORFOLK GUILD.

On Tuesday, September 2, 1924, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

#### A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES; Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lb. in F.

FREDERICK BORRETT	Treble	CHARLES ROOPE	***	5
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER	2	EDWIN GOATE	***	6
CHARLES BAKER	3	CHARLES CUTTING		
ALPHÆUS BERRY	4	FREDERICK ROOPE		Tenor
Composed by N. I. Pr	Conducted by F.	Bor	RETT.	

#### WYMONDHAM, NORFOLK. THE NORFOLK GUILD.

On Wednesday, September 3, 1924, in Three Hours and Twenty-One Minutes. AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

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

HEYWOOD'S VARIAT!	ON.	Lenor 25 cwt.			
FREDERICK J. HOWCEIN	Treble	CECIL V. EBBERSON	5		
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER		FREDERICK R. BORRETT	6		
WILLIAM CLOVER	3	GEORGE MAYERS			
CHARLES CUTTING	4	GEORGE T. PEGNALL	Tenos		

Conducted by Thomas H. TAFFENDER.

#### GRAVESEND, KENT. THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, September 3, 1924, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 6049 CHANGES,

PITSTOW'S VARIATION.	Tenor 18½	cwt.					
ISAAC G. SHADE Treble							
FREDERICK M. MITCHELL 2	GEORGE MORRAD	6					
*CSM. JAMES BENNETT 3	HERBERT E. AUDSLEY						
JOHN BURLES 4	EDWARD HADLOW	Tenor					
Conducted by JOHN H CHRESMAN.							

\* 50th peal during 1924. Rung as a birthday peal for Mr. E. Hadlow (65), who did such valuable work towards the restoration of these bells. The ringer of the 2nd has now rung every bell in the method in a peal.

#### BOLTON, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, Soptember 5, 1924, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

#### AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY, A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

#### Tenor 17 cwt. in E.

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ERNEST COTSFORTH	Treble	PETER CROOK	***	***		5
ARTHUR HEYWOOD						
ARTHUR TOMLINSON	3	JOHN POTTER	***	***		7
*EDWARD EDWARDS	433 4	GEORGE PINCOT	r	***	7	cnor
Composed by E. Buly	Conducted by John Potter.					

Rung with the hell half-muffled as a token of respect to the late Dean McCormick, of Manchester Cathedral, who was interred on the 4th inst. Also Mrs. Ellen Halliwell, an ardent worker at the above church, who had been interred that day. \* First peal in the method.

CARDIFF.—At St. John's Church, on Thursday, August 28th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters (1,359 changes): G. Large 1, W. B. Biss 2, J. F. Bailey 3 W. Heath 4, J. Davies 5, S. Dawe 6, A. Parnell 7, E. Coombes 8, F. Chamberlain (conductor) 9, S. R. Baker 10. First quarter-peal by all the band.

#### PENDLETON, LANCASHIRE. THE LANGASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, September 5, 1924, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

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

	Tenor	18	cwt.	12	lb.
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	HARRY CHAPMAN	2	rable	BEN S. THOMPSON			5
	HERBERT GREENHALGH	•••	2	ARTBUR RIDYARD	***	***	6
	SAMUEL WOOD	***	3	SAMUEL GREENHALG	H		7
	JOSEPH WINTERBOTTOM			ALLAN BAILEY		7	Tinor
ĺ.	Composed by S. Wood	D.		Conducted by ALLA	N B	AILE	Υ.

The bells were rung half-muffled for the late Dean McCormick, Dean of Manchester.

#### HATFIELD, HERTS.

#### THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION,

On Friday, September 5, 1924, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ETHELDREDA,

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

#### Tenor 26 cwt.

LEONARD SHEPHERD	Treble	GEORGE T. CROFT	***	5
ARTHUR R. LAWRENCE	2	GEORGE H. CROSS	***	6
ERNEST J. NEWELL	3	ARTHUR SHEPHERD		7
LEONARD FIDLER	4	JOHN T. KENTISH		Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Gronge H. Cross.

\* First peal of Major. Mr. G. H. Cross desires to thank those ringers who took part in the ringing during his holiday.

#### BROUGHTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 6, 1924, in Three Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes, AT THE CHURCE OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5668 CHANGES:

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FREDERICK H. CRAWLEY T	reble	ARTHUR PEAKE	***	***	5
ALFRED E. BACON	2	ALBERT CRAWLEY	***		6
FRANK TRINER	3	WALTER N. ASHBY			7
THOMAS HURD	4	TOSEPH E. SYKES	33.	7	FAMA

Composed by A. CRAVEN.

This composition, now rung for the first time, contains fifty of the sixty course ends, and is the fiftieth peal Messrs. Sykes and Bacon have rung logether. Great credit is due to the 5th ringer, who, owing to a severe accident to one finger of his right hand at the last moment, was obliged to ring his bell with one hand: this also speaks volumes for the splendid 'go' of Messrs. Taylor's job.

Conducted by Joseph E. Sykes.

#### FRINDSBURY, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 6, 1924, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF BOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES:

FREDERICK M. MITCHELL Treble	CHARLES WINSER 5
JOHN H. CHEESMAN 2	WILLIAM J. WALKER 6
WILLIAM HAIGE 3	CSM. JAMES BENNETT 7
"JOHN BURLES 4	HERBERT E. AUDSLEY Tenor
Composed by G. H. Cross.	Conducted by JOHN H. CHERSMAN.

\* First peal in the method. The ringer of the treble has now rung every bell in the method in a peal, this being his first on the treble, other than Stedman.

#### NANTWICH, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, September 6, 1924, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND NICHOLAS.

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CWANCES,

Tenor 14 CW	. 2 gr. 10 to.
*WILLIAM WEATHERBY Treble	†JAMES H. RIDING 5
ROBERT SPERRING 2	HARRY OVERTON 6
RICHARD D. LANGFORD 3	RICHARD T. HOLDING 7
George R. Jones 4	EDWARD JENKINS Tenor
Composed by H. W. WILDE.	Conducted by R. Sperring

\* First peal of Double Norwich. † 150th peal. First peal of Major on the bells. The band wish to take this opportunity of tendering their thanks to the Rector for the use of the bells, and to Messrs. H. Edwards and W. Sutton for having everything ready.

# WOODSTOCK, OXON. THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, September 6, 1924, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

#### A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES; Tenor 12 Cwt.

ALBERT E. LOCK	Treble	JACK HONEY	***	5
Mrs. Albert E. Lock	2	WILLIAM TUDGE		6
WALTER JUDGE	3	PERCY DYKE		7
JACK JUDGE	4	GORDON CAUDWELL	444	Tenor
Composed by I FIRM	ING CO	inducted by Gornon C	4770	IMPT T

# GAINSBOROUGH, LINCS. THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, September 6, 1924, in Three Hours and Two Minutes.

At the Church of All Saints.

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

	2000 I qt. 20 AD.
*HARRY MORGAN Treb	le   WILLIAM H. LLOYD 5
CHARLES McGuiness 2	*Joseph Dixon 6
George Flinteam 3	*CHARLES A. HEWITT 7
*EDWARD DALINGWATER 4	JOHN A. FREEMAN Tenor
Composed by F. A. HOLDEN.	Conducted by J. A. FREEMAN.
* First neal in the method	Rung for the coming-of-age of the

\* First peal in the method. Rung for the coming-of-age of the ringer of the 7th, and as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 3rd.

## LEWISHAM, KENT,

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 6, 1924, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

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

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.		Tenor 23 cwt.
GEORGE R. SIMMONDS	Treble	HARRY WARNETT, JUN 5
HARRY WARNETT, SEN.	2	ERNEST B. CROWDER 6
JOHN J. LAMB	3	
ISAAC EMERY		JIM HORRELL Teno
Conducte	ed by Win	LLIAM J. JEFFRIES.

Rung on the occasion of the wedding of Marjorie Elizabeth, only daughter of Charles H. Walker, 34 years' member and now secretary of the St. Mary's, Lewisham, band, to Frederick William Rischmiller. Also as a compliment to Miss Elsie May Cavanagh and Lionel Redvers Simmonds, youngest son of the ringer of the treble, who were married earlier on the same day at the Church of St. Margaret, Lee, Kent.

#### ROTHERHITHE, SURREY.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, September 6, 1924, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

#### A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor 184 cwt.

CHARLES H. CHAPMAN Treble	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, JDN. 5
EDMOND G. TOMLINSON 2	REUBEN SANDERS 6
"WALTER PERKINS 3	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN 7
George H. Cross 4	WILLIAM PYE Tenor
Composed by NATHAN J. PITSTON	V. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.
+ First neal in the method .	250th poet

#### DRAYTON, BOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, September 6, 1924, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,
At the Church of St. Catharine,

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

#### Tenor 19 cwt.

WALTER FARLEY Treble	HARRY BUNGAY 5
KEV. A. KHYS JAMES 2	GEORGE SIBLEY 6
S. VICTOR CRABB 3	DAVID G. TAYLOR 7
*CHARLES GUMMER 4	JOSEPH T. DYKE Teno
Composed by H. W. Wilde.	Conducted by J. T. DYKE.

\* First peal of Major.

# BOCKING, ESSEX. THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 6, 1924, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

# A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES

George Wiffen	****	7	reble	WILLIAM KEBBLE	***	5
WALTER ARNOLD	***	411		HENRY F. COOPER		6
FRANK CLAYDON				Lewis W. Wiffen		7
"EDWIN WIFFEH		411	4	ARTHUR SAUNDERS	***	Tenor

Composed by Joseph W. Parker. Conducted by William Keesle.

\* First peal of Treble Bob. Rung as a welcome home to Edwin Wiffen, after 10 years' residence in Canada.

CHESTER-LE-STREET, DURHAM.

THE DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 6, 1924, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

At the Church of SS. Mary and Cuthbert.

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

THURSTANS' FOUR-PA	ART.	Tenor 21 cwt.	
MISS ADA DONNISON	Tyeble	THOMAS T. GOFTON 5	
JAMES E. GOFTON	2	•FREDERICK SHERATON 6	
GEORGE R. HOLMES	3	STEPHEN W. STRATFORD 7	
IOSEPH A. GOFTON	4	ALBERT M. HALL Tenor	

Conducted by THOMAS T. GOFTON.

\* First peal of Stedman; and both belong to local band,

## PRESCOT, LANCASHIRE.

#### THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, September 6, 1924, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

#### AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

#### A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5216 CHANGES: Tenor 14 cwt. 3 qr. 21 lb.

THOMAS C. LARKEY	7	reble	WILLIAM TAYLOR	***	5
THOMAS W. GILMOUR					
THOMAS HAMMOND					
ARIBUR LINTOIT	***	4	EDWARD CAUNCE		Тенот
25 11 Y Y	er .		0 1 11 0 10	2.7	

Composed by James Martin. Conducted by G. R. Newton.

This is the first time this composition has been rung. It was also the first peal in the method on the bells. Mr. W. Taylor hails from Penwortham. It was the conductor's 222nd peal.

#### RINGMER, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, September 7, 1924, in Three Hours,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

# A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5050 CHANGES; Tenor 14% cwt.

ALFRED J. TURNER	Treble	FRANK BENNETT	5
ISAAC G. SHADE	2	CYRIL C. PEASE	6
ROBERT J. DAWE		JAMES E. DAVIS	
George R. Pye	4	ALBERT W. COLES	Tenor
Composed by C. Mid	DLETON.	Conducted by	G. R. PYE.

#### SIX BELL PEALS.

CLAPTON-IN-GORDANO, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, August 27, 1924, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes.
At the Church of St. Michael,

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

Being seven 720's,	each called differently. Te	enor 10 cwt.
	Treble   JAS. H. COLLIER	
	2 Lewis Moore	
THOMAS WYATT	3 HERBERT KNIGHT	1 enor
	Conducted by H. KNIGHT.	

Rung in honour of Mr. James H. Collier, Flixton, Manchester.

# THOS. J. GROOMBRIDGE

Church Bell Hanger,

CRAYFORD, KENT.

ESTIMATES SUBMITTED FOR NEW OR REPAIR WORK

#### September 12th, 1924. PECKLETON, LEICESTERSHIRE. On Saturday, August 30, 1924, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE, A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES; Being 42 six-scores with different callings. Conducted by J. TAYLOR. · First peal. † First peal 'inside.' # First peal as conductor. OVER CAMBS. THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Tuesday, September 2, 1924, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes. AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES; Being two 720's each of Kent Treble Bob and Oxford Treble Bob, and three 720's of Plain Bob. Tenor 153 cwt. JOHN NEWINGTON ... ... Treble | CHRISTOPHER WOOLLEY ... 4 FRANCIS GLEAVES ... .. 2 FRANK WARRINGTON ... .. 5 HAROLD HAZELL... ... 3 JOHN WOOLLEY ... ... Tenos Conducted by JOHN WOOLLEY. Fastest peal on the bells. WRENTHAM, SUFFOLK. THE SUFFOLK GUILD. On Tuesday, September 2, 1924, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS, A PEAL OF MINOR, 8040 CHANGES; Being 720 each of Oxford Bob, Double Oxford, Double Court, Plain Bob, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 102 cwt. OBN SPENCER ... ... Treble | FREDERICK WADE JOHN LARTER ... ... 2 ALBERT J. L. NAUNTON ... 5 EDGAR BAILEY ... ... 3 FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... Tenor Conducted by Francis W. Naunton.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the Rev. E. R. Xerburgh, for 27 years Rector of this parish, who was interred in Wrentham Cemetery on the above date. He only resigned the living in September last year, and went to live at Bath. Also rung to the memory of Bertram Prewett, a great friend of the local company, who was killed in action, August 31st, 1918. He rang his last peal at this church on May 14th, 1916, this being his 953rd peal.

HORSELL, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, September 3, 1924, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 of Oxford Treble Bob, and three 720's each of Plain Bob and Kent Treble Bob alternately. Tenor to cwt. in G. \*Miss Violet Shorter ... Treble | William T. Beeson. jun. †MISS NORA E. SHORTER ... 2 | SPR. R. B. F. HAMMOND, R.E. 5 | HUBERT J. CHAFFEY ... 3 | C.Q.M.S. G. GILBERT, R.E. Temor Conducted by George Gilbert, R.E.

· First peal in three methods. † First peal in three methods away from the treble. # First peal of Minor, also first peal away from the treble.

COGENHOE, NORTHANTS.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, September 6, 1924, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHDRCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES; REV. E. BANKES JAMES' ARRANGEMENT.

HARRY MARLOW ... ... Treble | HARRY BAXTER ... ... 4 FRANK ROLLINGS ... ... 2 FRED WILFORD ... ... TOM TEBBUTT ... ... Texos Bertie O. Soden .. ... 3

Conducted by Tom TEBBUTT.

First peal of Surprise Minor rung by the Guild, and by the band.

BICESTER, OXON.—On August 14th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: H. Hatfield 1, R. G. Rice (Hurwell, Berks) 2, W. Scarrott 5, F. Neale 4, F. J. Baldwin (Banbury) 5, E. F. Mitchell (Wolverbampton) 6, E. Hims (composer and conductor) 7, B. Cox 8. Also a touch' of 98, with E. Hims ringing 2-3.

#### PECKLETON, LEICESTERSHIRE, THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. (HINCKLEY DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, September 6, 1924, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MADGALENE,

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

42 Six-Scores with 10 different callings. Tenor to cwt. \*ARTHUR E. HALL ... ... Treble | THOMAS M. JORDAN ... 4 SAMUEL WHITE... ... 2 FRED COTTON ... ... 5
LEONARD JORDAN ... 3 | WILLIAM J. E. HALL ... Tenor
Conducted by F. Cotton.

\* First peal on the treble. † First peal, and first attempt. The ringers wish to thank the Rector for the use of the bells. Also Mr. and Mrs. L. Jordan for their kind hospitality after the peal.

WISSETT, SUFFOLK, THE NORFOLK GUILD.

(HALESWORTH & CHEDISTON SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, September 6, 1924, in Two Hours and Forty-One Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

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

Being seven 720's,	each call	led di	ifferently.	Ter	OF I	o cw	t.
FREDR, C. LAMBERT	Tr	reble	THOMAS CRANE			***	4
FREDK. PECK	*** ***	2	HERBERT G. PRA	TI		473	5
WILLIAM PIERCE		3	JAMES HOWARD			T	CHOP
Conducted by F. C. LAMBERT.							

Arranged for H. G. Pratt, London. The ringer of the 4th is 73 years of age.

HANDBELL PEAL.

IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Friday, September 5, 1924, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes

IN THE BELFRY OF ST. MARY LE TOWER CHURCH,

#### A FEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5006 CHANGES; Tenor, size 18 in G.

Charles J. Sedgley... ... 1—2 | George E. Symonds... ... 5—6 Thomas H. Taffender ... 3—4 | William P. Garrett ... 7—8 FREDERICK J. TILLETT ... 9-10

Composed by G. Newson. Conducted by George E. Symonds. Umpire: HOBART E. SMITH.

First peal in the method on handbells by all except the ringer of 3-4. First peal of Stedman on handbells rung in Ipswich. First peal of Stedman Caters on handbells by the above Guild.

#### CLAPTON=IN=GORDANO RINGERS' TOUR.

A band of change ringers from the tiny village of Clapton, near Bristol, with a few friends, including Mr. Herbert Jas. Collier, of Flixton, Manchester, met together at the Batch, Clapton, in the sunshine on Saturday, August 30th. And how that sunshine was enjoyed, after the many wet days, and even a semi-wet morning. Then, at the quarter-past one o'clock, two motor-cars picked up the happy party, and off they set on a most enjoyable trip. Gliding along the Gordano Valley, they turned off at Clevedon, but an involuntary stoppage at Yatton to change a wheel (for these motor-cars have a nasty habit of 'striking' sometimes) delayed them for half an hour. During this halt some of the party spent an interesting time looking over the beautiful church. Off once again, they headed for Wring-ton, where Mr. F. Nipper awaited them, and accorded a genial wel-come. Of course, the bells were soon swinging, and Grandsire Triples were heard booming from the belfry tower. The bells went well, too.

well, too.

En route to Blagdon, the lake looked very picturesque, but being already half an hour behind, no stopping could be allowed to drink in all the beauty. At Blagdon, where they have a splendid ring of eight, the bells were quickly raised, and sent into the tune of Grandsire. And how sweetly they echoed over the expansive waters of the Blagdon Lake! Boarding the cars again, and driving straight away over the Mendips (and what balmy fresh air there is on these hills!), the mystic tints of the heather soon gave place to the steep cliffs of the Cheddar Gorge. The caves were explored by some of the party, and others explored the belfry (of course they did). But everyhody explored the restaurant, and justice was done to a good tea. However, the bells did not go as well as they might, but in

everybody explored the restaurant, and justice was none to a good tea. However, the bells did not go as well as they might, but in front of the Rectory the ringers gave a good touch on the handbells, and the much admired Cheddar was then bidden adieu.

Axbridge was the next tower visited, but the bells were under repair, and through the delay at the start of the run, it was decided not to call at Winscombe, it being too late to ring. So, homeward that they had had a real good treat and all were bound, all agreed that they had had a real good treat, and all were highly delighted at the programme of events.

#### THE LUCK O' THE BILLS.

THE STORY OF A PEAL OF LONDON-AND OTHER MATTERS.

One of the 'Jacks' of the Exercise was good enough to help the The Ringing Williams' recently by inserting a snort notice in World' announcing the intention of Mr. Keeble to raise a band of World' announcing the intention of London Surprise Major. The recently by inserting a short notice in Bills to ring, if possible, a peal of London Surprise Major. day and place selected for the attempt having been notified to eight day and place selected for the attempt having been notified to eight willing Wills, a muster was effected at Feering, Essex, but unfortunately one was not able 'to get.' Mr. Rogers, of Northampton, on his journey to Liverpool Street, E.C., was so delayed that he could not reach Feering in time, and had to send a 'wire' with apologies. However, a peal in the method was quite successful on Saturday, August 30th, as duly reported in these columns, the absentee's place being ably filled up by 'Walter,' one of the local team, so that 'all's well that ends Will,' or should it be 'Wal'?

The company were kindly entertained to tea, at the hotel adjoining the tower by the local man, the actual date coinciding with the

by the local men, the actual date coinciding with the 63rd birthday of Mr. Wm. Elliott, of Kelvedon. After the performance we were able to discuss many matters of horticultural interest, such as Sweet William—the William pear—with thoughts of other Williams of the bell rope, who have, in the past, done yeoman service for the art. Both young Bill Nevard and his old friend Elliott, became anxious to change some of their Treasury Notes—real Treasury Bills—that the party might 'wet their whistles,' whilst the engine whistle of passing trains reminded those staying over Sunday, that the Miller of the Lee, and Beeson-on-Thames would be short-winded if they caught their train up to town. Little Willie Gofton all the way from Monksheaton, was as wide awake as ever, when rounds came up, although he travelled all night for the peal, which he makes his 'dozen' in this method in a list of 27 at 18 years

Those who stayed over Sunday rang Cambridge Minor for evening service at Kelyedon Church, after attempting a double-handed peal of Bob Major lasting I hour 43 mins. (W. H. Fussell 1-2, W. J. Nevard 3-4, W. Keeble (conductor) 5-6, and W. Gofton 7-8), at the residence of Mr. Elliott in Church Street.

INTERESTING KELVEDON HISTORY.

Amongst matters of local interest to readers of 'The Amongst matters of local interest to readers of 'The Ringing World' may be mentioned: Miles Gray, the famous early 17th century bell founder who cast Kelvedon's original ring of five (tenor 21 cwt.), in 1608, and Feering, also five, in 1624—300 years ago—and the bells are there to-day full of music.

Felix Hall, a fine mansion and estate, where the boy Keeble began his career as a gardener and seedsman before spending years of his

manhood at Leytonstone.

Braxted the resting-place of William Nevard, grandfather of our

Bill, laid to rest in 1872, in his 82nd year. Coggeshall, a noted six-bell tower, where early Victorian bell ringers met on Saturday, a practice still kept up when the bells were increased to eight. At this church a crowd of 40 to 50 people assembled to hear the first peal of Major rung upon them-5.184 of Kent Treble Bob on 25th June, 1888, conducted by Sillitoe, with Nevard on the tenor. Bets were freely made that one man would never 'do the tenor,' but the peal was well finished, also a beefsteak supper afterwards at the Woolpack. David Elliott was the man who ordered this feed, unknown to the band, and he lies in Kelvedon Churchyand, his headstone, having a carved bell upon it, recording his death on August 7th, 1898, aged 72 years.

The Rev. G. P. Bennett was Vicar of Kelvedon when the church (and bells) was restored in 1877; his son, H. Curtiss Bennett, afterwards K.C., and H. Temperley Hicks, were churchwardens.

At the opening of the extended burial ground, Mr. H.

C. Bennett remarked, 'Who will be the first to occupy the new churchyard, I wonder?' Readers will remember the sudden end of the late H. Curtiss Bennett-a Metropolitan magistrate, of well-known leniency-who was the very one to be buried there soon after the

opening ceremony.

Joseph Elliott, brother of the above David, was a chorister and bell ringer for over 60 years at Kelvedon, and the recipient of a presentation in March, 1903. He died at 77 years of age, and left behind good representatives of the Elliott ringing family, in Wm.

Elliott, whose hirthday we celebrated, and a grandson. Charles Elliott, brother of David and Joseph, who died in Australia over 80 years of age, was a very strong man, and a fine ringer in his day. He went to Australia when the gold rush was going on, and made, lost and remade a small fortune. When living near Bury St. Edwards, he became possessed of a MS. hook, written with a quill pen about 1833-5. Most of the matter consists of extracts from Shipway and 'The Clavis.' From Charles the book was handed to David, and with a number of letters, it passed on to William's keeping, and here are two extracts, in Charles own handwriting: keeping, and here are two extracts. In Charles own handwrights: 'St. Peter's, Norwich, in 1778: 5,240 Ox: T: B. Maximus' (in 5 parts), conducted by Thomas Barton' (with the figures as rung for the first time). A list of peals of bells in the county of Suffolk, roughly 100 years ago: 'Four of ten. 20 of eight, and 55 of six.'

The three brothers frequently corresponded on ringing matters, and the closing of one of Charles' letters to Joseph reads: 'I hope you will write soon and tell me what you think of all I have sent you, and tell me if you will come this summer.—Your affectionate brother, Charles. Good-morning, it is nearly one c'clock.' W. H. F.

#### ST. MICHAEL COSLANY, NORWICH. To the Editor.

Sir,-I am very much obliged to Mr. G. P. Burton for his corrections and further information about the peal boards in the belfry

of St. Michael Coslany.

My information, as far as the peal boards are conserned, was obtained from old records published in 'Church Bells' fifty years ago. I was fully aware that they were not complete; and, judging from other records obtained from the same source, I thought it possible that some of the names of the ringers might have been wrongly transcribed.

From Mr. Burton's additions and corrections I shall now be able to put my notes on Norfolk bells right as far as St. Michael's in concerned.—Yours truly, J. R. JERRAM. concerned .- Yours truly,

September 5th, 1924.

#### CLEOBURY MORTIMER BELLS.

A RESTORATION SCHEME.

Strenuous efforts are being made in the little town of Cloobury Mortimer to raise funds for the restoration of the Parish Church bells. It is estimated that about £400 will be needed, and a recent garden fete resulted in a sum of about £100 being realised.

The church has been standing in its present position for about 750 years, the date of the old tower-a fine example of late Norman times-being somewhere between 1160 and 1195. Recently the bolls were inspected, and the report as to their condition was alarming. The bells, six in number, have been in existence since 1757, and in that year they were recast by Rudhall, of Gloucester. The date of their first casting is unknown. The inscriptions are: 1, 'Hark to our molody'; 2, 'Abel Rudhall cast us all'; 3, 'Peace and good neighbourhood': 4, 'J. Atwood. Vicar'; 5, 'Richard Dorset, Will Oseland, ch. war.'; and 6, 'I to the church the living call, and to the grave do summon all.'

At a recent inspection of the bells, Mr. C. Edwards Master to the Hereford Diocesan Guild) reported that the timbers were all decayed and must be renewed, that the bells had never been quarter-turned since 1757, and that the clappers had worn the bells so much that they were liable to crack at any time. He further reported that some of the timber swayed and endangered the safety of the tower. He suggested that steel girders should take the place of timber, and that there should be a new bell frame, and new fittings to the bells.

#### CHESTER GUILD RINGERS' TRIP.

On Saturday, August 23rd, a few members of the Chester branch of the Chester Diocesan Guild, viz., Messrs. H. W. Wilde, J. Morgan, W. Thomas, A. E. Richards, G. Jones, and J. W. Clarke, had a most enjoyable ringing tour in the Wirral. Chester was left shortly after nine in the morning in pouring rain, and a few miles along the road the cars had to plough through a foot of water for a considerable distance, to the discomfort of the occupants! However, Neston was reached in due course, and a well-struck 720 of Oxford Treble Bob was brought round on the back six. The tower here has been much improved by raising the ringing floor, which before was on the ground level. Thurcaston was visited next, and 120 each of Stedman, Grandsire and Bob Doubles was rung on the light ring of five. A move was then made to West Kirby, where 720 of Kent was rung on the back six. At Wallasey, touches of Oxford and Kent Spliced and Cambridge Surprise were rung on the heavy ring of six at the church of St. Nicholas.

The next item on the programme was dinner, and then, accompanied by two friends, Liscard was reached, and touches of Bob Major and Stedman Triples were enjoyed. At Bidston, a touch of Double Oxford Minor was rung. Here the 'circle' of ropes is nearly reduced to a straight line, as the ringing chamber is ground floor, and the organ is built across the front of it. beautiful ring of six at Rock Ferry was next visited, and touches of Deautiful ring of six at the court reary was next visited, at move was made to Port Sunlight. On this fine-toned ring, touches of Oxford and Kent Major and Grandsire Triples were rung, and afterwards tea was partaken of. The final halting place was Capenhurst, where Mr. E. W. Elwell Guild secretary, joined in the ringing of Cambridge Surprise Minor, Double Bob and Plain Bob. Chester was reached again about 9.30 p.m., after a most happy day. The band are very grateful to the Rectors and tower keepers of the many towers visited for their kind help, and to the friends who 'made up' at various places. This kind of 'outing' was certainly found worthy of repetition.

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#### ARCHDEACON'S HELP.

Sir,—In two of the reports of meetings which appeared in your last issue there were recorded certain actions which must have given

gratification to many of your readers, as they did to me.

The first was in connection with the Ely Diccesan Association meeting at Bourn, where, at the suggestion of the Archdeacon of Ely, it was resolved to issue a request to the clergy of the diccese through the agency of the official 'Diocesan Gazette.' Whether this particular request is well-advised. through the agency of the official 'Diocesan Gazette.' Whether this particular request is well-advised or not is of no concern in this letter. What I am glad to see is that the Archdeacon invited the association to reach the clergy through the official diocesan organ, and that the suggestion was accepted. I am convinced that much good work in the cause of bells, ringing, and ringing organisations, could be achieved by the use of this channel of impurting information to the non-ringing clergy, and I would suggest to the officials of all our Guilds and Associations that they should make use of these subligations which are to be found in surely diocesan.

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The second point was the action taken at the Suffolk Guild meeting, where Archdeacon Darling, who presided, undertook to bring be-fore the other Archdeacons and the Rural Deans of the Diocese the dangers of 'clocking.' so that they may inquire, in their visitations, to what extent this dangerous practice is in operation, and see that it is stopped. A personal action of this kind will go a great deal further than any number of letters from association secretaries, whom incumbents may look upon as interfering busy-bodies, because it will come with the force of authority of a 'superior officer.' The letter of an association secretary can be dropped into the waste paper basket and ignored; but an Archdeacon cannot be treated in exactly the same way. I look upon this action in Suffolk as one of great importance, and I hope it may not be long before similar steps can be taken in every other diocese in the country .- Yours truly

A RINGER.

#### OATLANDS TOWER AND WINCHESTER GUILD.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—In your issue of to-day (page 565) there is a statement to the effect that Oatlands Park tower was represented at the Yorktown District meeting of the Winchester Guild held at Yateley on August 23rd last. The Oatlands Park ringers do not belong to the Winchester Guild, neither do they wish themselves, nor the tower, to be represented at any meetings of this Guild.—Yours faithfully, W. SHEPHERD.

September 5th, 1924

#### BRIDGEND RINGERS IN GLOUCESTERSHIRE

CHARABANC TRIP OF 180 MILES.

On Wednesday, August 27th, the Bridgend ringers, together with a few friends, journeyed by charabanc to Gloucester, Painswick and Cheltenham. Leaving home at 7.30 a.m., the first stop was at Lydney, where the party were met by Mr. W. J. Davis, who showed them round the church, and then to the ringing chamber, where the bells were up in readiness. There is a much longer draught here than at Bridgend and unfortunately the ringing was not of the best. The party then adjourned to the Ringers' Conce House, pleasant half-hour was spent with a few of the local campanologists. Proceeding to Gloucester, a splendid dinner awaited the visitors at the Gresham Restaurant. Dinner over, the party scattered for a while, some having a look round the venerable Cathedral, the others going to various places of interest. Boarding the charabanc again, Painswick was the next stop, and here Mr. Albert Wright was awaiting them. It was not long before the bells were going up in peal. The ringing here on these famous bells was much enjoyed. Several good touches of Grandsire Triples were successfully brought round good touches of Grandstre Triples were successfully brought round on the back eight, and a few rounds rung on the full peal, this being the first time that several of the band had rung on twelve bells. All were delighted with this lovely peal, and had time pernitted they would have liked to stay much longer. Bidding adieu to their new friends, Painswick was left a good deal after scheduled time, and, after a lovely drive, Cheltenham was reached about 5.30. After to at the Criterion Restaurant the party were conducted to the Parish Church by Mr. W. T. Pates. Short touches were the order here, and several were successfully brought round. While ringing was in progress the ladies with the party amused themselves ringing was in progress the ladies with the party amused themselves in the town, and indeed it was thought at one time that the town in the town, and indeed it was thought at one time that the town crier would be needed to round them up. However, they all put in an appearance eventually, but were very loath to leave this lovely town. Mr. J. Austin had kindly made arrangements for the party to ring in Gloucester on the return journey, but to the disappointment of all this had to be abandoned, time flying all too quickly, and there being a long journey in front of the party. As it was Bridgend was not reached until the early hours of Thursday morning, the excursionists having covered something like 180 miles. Tired, but happy, everyone was satisfied that this was one of the best outings the Guild has ever had. The band take this opportunity of thanking the various incumbents for the use of the bells, also all those gentlemen who helped to make the outing such a success.

C. H. P.

The Military Torchlight Tattoo AT WEMBLEY.

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#### BELFRY GOSSIP.

A handsome peal board of Gothic design has been placed in the belfry of Winchester Cathedral to record the first peal of Stedman Cinques rung on the bells, and the first twelve-bell peal in Hampshire. The peal was rung on Sept. 8th, 1923.

In a footnote to a recent peal at Oswestry, Salop, reference was made to a peal rung there by the Anacreontic Society in 1785. Local researches have failed to bring to light any further information about this society, beyond the one peal, recorded on a board in the tower, as follows: 'March 3rd, 1785, Holt's peal of Grandsire Tripples, containing 5,040 changes, was rung by the Anacreontic Society in 3 hrs. 15 mins.: Owen Owen treble, Wm. Evans 2, J. Williams 3, Jno. Price 4, Robt, Salter 5, B. caller; Thos. Price 6, Baln, Lloyd 7, Jno. Howell tenor.' We are indebted to Mr. W. B. Kynaston for this information.

The attention of readers is drawn to the annual Commemoration Dinner to Jasper Whitfield Snowdon and past officers of the Yorkshire Association, which will be held this year, on September 20th, at the Windmill Hotel, Blossom Street, York, when the chair will be taken by the Dean of York (Very Rev. Dr. W. Foxley Norris, D.D.), at 5.45 p.m. prompt.

The York company are sparing no effort to make the dinner a record gathering, and have arranged an excellent programme of handbell ringing and music in the ovening, and all who can do so are urged to pay a visit to this venerable old city, with its many charms. Tickets can be had at 5/6 per head, and all applications for same must reach Mr. G. Horner, 16 Clifton Green, York, not later than first post on Tuesday next. A special announcement for visitors staying overnight will be found in the notice columns.

The ringers of Manchester have lost a great friend in Dean McCormick, who was ever willing to encourage the ringers in their work. A great leader of men, and one to whom all looked up, he has left the work of restoring the Cathedral to others. Would it not be timely to suggest that the present ring of ten bells at the Cathedral might be made into twelve in memory of the late Dean?

There was a disappointment in store for the starf of the 'Hampshire Week' last Saturday. There was to have been an attempt for Stedman Cinques at Winchester Cathedral to open the programme, but at the last minute—and too late to communicate with all the ringers, we believe—it had to be abandoned owing to the eleventh having to go into the bell hanger's hands. We hope those who arrived on the scene found consolation at North Stoneham.

'Mislaid, in the neighbourhood of Lewes, Sussex, a five-scater motor-car, by well-known American maker. Owner will be glad to hear from the proprietor of the garage where he left it on Saturday night, as the address is unknown to him. Write ———.'

But happily it is not necessary to complete the advertisment, as a long search on Sunday morning led to the discovery of the clusive Elizabeth. Ringers, however, should be more careful where they leave their belongings.

The first peal of Superlative in Wales was rung at Llangellen om September 13th, 1907, conducted by the late Bertram Prewitt.

Charles Middleton, composer of the peal of Cambridge Surprise Major, died on Sept. 14th, 1886.

The first peal by the Society of St. Martin's Youths. Birmingham, the lineal descendant, of which is the present St. Martin's Guild, was rung at St. Philip's, Birmingham, on Monday, Sept. 16th, 1755. This was a peal of Bob Major.

Next Wednesday is the anniversary of the peal of 11,328 London Surprise Major, the then record length, rung at Drayton by the Oxford Diocesan Guild, in 1896.

Among the numerous ringers who have visited Liverpool recently, there is none who has proved more interesting to Liverpool ringers than Mr. Joseph Waghorn, senr. In spite of his advanced age—he is in his 82nd year—he is as 'game' and fit for a peal as many a much younger man.

During his visit to Liverpool he took part in two unsuccessful attempts, each of over one hour's duration, and it was through no fault of his the peals were lost. The ringers hope to try again with him at no distant date.

Incidentally, the primary reason of his visit to Liverpool was to see its new Cathedral. Mr. Waghorn has now the satisfaction and distinction of having seen all the Cathedrals of England. May he live long.

As announced in our last issue, two new trebles to complete a light peal of eight (tenor 9 cwt.), at Bridstow, Herefordshire, will be dedicated by the Bishop of Hereford on Saturday, September 13th. All ringers are welcomed. Bridstow is 1½ miles from Ross. The work is being carried out by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank.

### METHODS.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,-If Mr. Kceble will look at my letter again he will see that I did not write 'it is ridiculous to say that Dublin Duplex bedongs to Mr. Lindoff,' but that 'to say that anyone is the "author" of that method is, to one who knows anything about the matter, simply ridiculous.' And, further, as sufficient evidence that it was known long before Mr. Lindoff published it. I pointed out that it was printed in 'The Bell News' as far back as 1899. The exact was printed in The Bell News' as far back as 1055. The exact date is October 21st, and Mr. Keeble, or anyone else who has a file of 'The Bell News,' can easily verify this statement.

But it will be much more interesting, if, instead of wrangling about authorship, real or imaginary, I explain what the method really is

really is.

First, I want you to examine a course of Bob Major, preferably by ringing it in the tower.

It is founded, you will see, on the Hunting Course of sixteen changes, in which all the bells plain hunt, and which we call the Plain Principle. In this Hunting Course the Coursing Order of the bells is the same throughout, and is 312468753, etc.

At the lead end, second's place is made, and directly this is done the Coursing Order is 132468751, etc. What has happened is that the Coursing Order of the Working (or Extreme) bells is the same as but the Treble has made a step by changing positions with the third.

At the next lead end second's is again made, and now the treble

changes positions in coursing order with the fifth.

Write out the coursing orders of the seven leads, and you get
3124687531

What has happened is that the Treble has successively changed positions in coursing order with each of the working bells, until by completing the cyclical movement it returns to its original position, and the bells run round.

This cyclical movement of the Treble through the coursing order of the working bells is what we call a 'Constructional Shunt,' and

is the foundation law of method construction.

You will see it consists of a definite number of similar steps, each one of which is made by changing positions with the bell coursing next before it. Each step by itself will produce a lead end, which is to the previous lead end as 3527486 is to 2345678.

If instead of making second's place you make seventh's when the treble is behind you get exactly the same results. We call either of these an Extreme Constructional Shunt.

The simplest group of methods will be that constructed by

1. The Extreme with the treble before.

The Extreme with the treble behind.

The Extreme with the treble before, and also that with the treble behind.

The lead ends of the first two will be 3527486; of the third 3527486,

transposed by itself, equals 5738264.

The next Constructional Shunt is made as follows: The bell which is coursing next before the treble makes any one internal place, crosses the treble's path, immediately makes another place and follows up behind the treble.

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The result is exactly the same as with the Extremes. The treble has changed positions in coursing order with the bell next before it. If you make this Shunt once only in a lead the lead end will be

3527486, as with the Extremes.

This kind of Shunt we call a Court Shunt. A Court Shunt can be made at either hand-stroke or back-stroke. The first we call a P. Court Shunt, the second an R. Court Shunt. A P. Court Shunt, will, by itself, as you will find, cause one bell to lie still at lead or behind for four blows, otherwise the effect is exactly the same as the R. Court Shunts or the Extremes. Here is an example of each.

R. Court Shunt,	P. Court Shunt.
12345678	12345678
21436587	21436587
24135678	24163857
42316587	42613587
24361857	46231857
42638175	42638175
46283715	46283715
64827351	64827351
68472531	68472531

86745213	86745213
87654123	87654123
78561432	78561432
75816342	75816342
57183624	57183624
51738264	51738264
15372846	15372846
13527486	13527486

On eight bells there are two positions in which you can make an R Court Shunt with the treble going up, viz., 4th's and 3rd's, and 6th's and 5th's. And three positions in which you can make a P Court Shunt, viz., 3rd's and 2nd's; 5th's and 4th's, and 7th's and 6th's. But wherever you make any one the effect is always the same. There are also the corresponding positions with the treble going down.

When you have got these facts, you work out all the combinations of the Shunts, and you get the full extent of the methods on this

But that is not all.

On any number of bells from four upwards there are two positions, and two only in which you can make Extremes. but since with a greater number of bells the path of the treble is increased, the number of positions in which you can make Court Shunts is increased also.

With four bells there is one Court Shunt possible, thus:

On five bells there are two positions, on six bells there are three positions; on seven bells four positions, and so on in regular order. Thus you have only got to prepare a formula in the form of a mathematical progression to get the whole of the methods on this plan to infinity. And each of these has four verictions 2134 2314 2341 of these has four variations.

1. Without Extremes,

2. With Extreme at Treble's lead.

With Extreme with Treble behind,

4. With both Extremes.

If you count the number of Shunts in the lead you have got the lead end. Thus, four Court Shunts and two Extremes, is a total of six Shunts, transpose 2345678 by 3527486 six times and you have the

And now for the method in question. It is constructed by two R Court Shunts, i.e. 4th's and 3rd: and 6th's and 5th's (this by itself is Double Norwich), and one P Court Shunt between them.

These three Shunts are with the treble going up, and the corresponding ones are made with the treble going down. You have thus six Shunts in each lead, and the lead end is, therefore, 4263857.

Now, if you add one Extreme that will make seven Shunts in all.

But soven Shunts will complete the treble's cyclical path through the coursing order of the working bells, and, therefore, the bells will come round at the lead end. Adding two Extremes will make eight Shunts, and 12345678 transposed by 3527486 eight times equals 3527486, which is the lead end.

Just one word about the name of the method. least four (if not more), but since it has been rung the name under which it was rung must stand. But with this qualification Mr. Keeble says it was rung as Dublin Duplex. My recollection (which may be at fault) is that it was Dublin Complex. Whether it was one or the other the second word must go. Duplex means either double or nothing at all. If it does mean double then double is the right word and no other. And Complex won't do either. In construction the method is the very reverse of Complex. And though it is not the easiest of methods to ring, 'Complex' would be one of the last words to describe the work. The real name of the method is Doublin Court Bob. To be strictly accurate it should be Double Dublin Court Bob, but the combination of syllables is very awkward to the ear .- Yours truly,

#### J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE.

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#### MEMBERSHIP OF GUILDS

Sir,—What you and your contributor 'Once a Beginner' say is quite true. I have had the experience of being secretary for Dorset. in the Salisbury Guild, when we had not a change ringing band in the county, and if we had not enrolled as many round ringers as we could, we never should have had such bands. And now I am secretary in a county where there are so many change ringers, that they are quite sufficient to make a Guild, and, to tell the truth, do not see what use it is to have round ringers in the Guild.

In both cases what we have done is to mark those who are change ringers with a star in the list, but to reckon round ringers just as much members as change ringers. Also in the Suffolk Guild, we are now arranging to have a certificate, which will not be a mere certificate. ficate of membership, but a certificate of proficiency, and will be available to mark different stages in a ringer's career, and will be

something always to look forward to, Is seems strange that there should be any opposition to round ringers being members, when they bring in both numbers and income, but there is a fear that they may become so numerous as to outnumber change ringers, and cause the Guild to be run for their own benefit. This is never likely to take place. Round ringers are not so keen as a rule as to be very willing to join the Guild at all. They will always be few in number; and if by some change of character they were to join in large numbers, the change ringers would always be the most intelligent and active members, and be those

who would keep affairs in their own hands. Again, if round ringers are not to be members, how are such bands ever to become change ringers? Apparently only by the accident of means centuries before one can get a chance of making them all change ringers. But if one has them already as members, it will not be many years before there is change ringing in every tower.

Ufford Rectory.

HERBERT DRAKE.

#### THE CASE OF THE M.C.A.

Bear Sir,—Kindly allow me a small space to refer to your leader, 'Guild Membership.' I quite approve of what was said, but you mention the 'Midland Counties Association,' amongst others. I wish to say it is quite easy for any 'ringer' to become a member of this association. If you turn to the rules of the association you will find that anyone may be proposed a member, if able to ring the treble or tenor bell to 120 changes on tower bells. Now, is it not an easy matter for a man who can ring 'rounds' (and strike it) to be able to ring the tenor to 120 changes with a few minutes' practice?-Yours,

C. H. WEBE, Vice-President M.C.A., Hinckley District.

#### ANCIENT BELLS AND TOWERS.

CENTRAL COUNCIL AND S.P.A.B.'s REPORT CIRCULATED.

According to a recent issue of 'The Times,' the Central Committee for the Protection of Churches have circulated the memorandum on church bells agreed some two years ago between the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings and the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers.

A letter accompanying the circular covers the ground which has already been dealt with. It emphasises 'most strongly the danger that may accrue to our ancient church towers by the addition of more bells, unless they are hung under skilled advice. Ancient towers were not built to contain the more recent type of heavy bell used for change ringing. The great majority of mediæval bells were not only fewer and lighter than those of a later period, but it is highly doublful if they were ever swung round as in change ringing. It is only now that we are beginning to see the effect of a large number of additions of heavy ringing hells, improperly hung and of unsuitably designed frames, placed in ancient towers, especially in the 19th century. Those concerned with ringing should hear in mind that, while some ancient towers can stand such additions, there are many which

The committee 'suggest that diocesan committees should not advise the granting of faculties for repairs to bells without a definite understanding whether or not luning according to the Simpson or five-tone is proposed: that no Simpson tuning should be advised on hells dating from before 1700, and only under special circumstances on bells dating from before 1800. No opinion is expressed on the desirability of tuning new hells according to the Simpson method. though it is pointed out that technical opinion is by no means agreed as to its merits.

The letter adds that the committee express serious concern at 'information received as to the condition of certain ancient towers in the country which are of priceless artistic and architectural value. is not without reason that they would urge upon diocesan committees the desirability of inspecting and watching towers and the need of obtaining reports by competent architects in as many cases as possible."

#### SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

WESTERN DIVISION.
A well-attended meeting of the Western Division was held at Lyminster on Saturday last, when over 30 members and friends were present from the following towers: Angmering, Arundel, Pulborough, Heene, Shoreham, Warnham and West Tarring, and members of the local band. The bells were kept going in the standard methods till 5 o'clock, when the company wended their way to the church rooms, where they were met by the Rev. Tickner Edwards (curate-in-charge), who had kindly provided an excellent tea.

At the business meeting which followed, with the curate presiding, the following new members were elected: Messrs. H. Charman, J. Charman, W. Yates and W. Stanford, of Warnham; H. Thorpe, West Tarring; T. Wells, C. Wolven, P. Carpenter, Rosic Carpenter, C. Jeffery, and the Rev. Tickner Edwards, of Lyminster; Messrs. H. Russell and R. Welch, Heene; and the whole of the Arundel band. After a lengthy discussion it was proposed to hold the next meet-

ing at Heene, in November.

A vote of thanks was accorded the Rev. Tickner Edwards for presiding, for granting the use of the bells, and also for providing the excellent tea, and to Mr. Cheal for making the necessary arrangements for the meeting.

The company then proceeded to Arundel by motor-bus and charabanc, and some very good touches of Stedman and Grandsire Triples, Plain Bob and Double Norwich, were rung to conclude a very enjoyable half-day. These bells, which are some of the best in the county, are saily in need of overhauling, which would make it much easier for the young hand just starting change ringing at this church.

#### WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

THE ROWLEY REGIS BELL FUND.

On Saturday, August 23rd, the quarterly meeting of the Southern Branch was held at Offenham, when despite the unsettled weather, there was a good attendance. Service was held in the Parish Church, at which the Vicar (the Rev. G. H. B. Greening) outcinted, and gave an original and inspiring address. A collection taken on behalf of the Rowley Regis Bell Restoration Fund realised 11s. 6d.

Tea, provided through the generosity of the Vicar, was partaken in the Schools, and he presided at the business meeting which followed. Several new members were elected, and it was decided to hold the next meeting at Bretforton.

Owing to the condition and indifferent 'go' of the Offenham bells, it was decided to attempt the quarterly peal at Bretforton,

with Mr. J. Hall as conductor.

As for several meetings, the branch committee have taken upon themselves to arrange for a collection on behalf of the Rowley Regis Bell Restoration Fund, it was thought that the wish of the members should now be ascertained, and, after discussion, it was unani-mously decided to continue the collections until such time as the members saw fit to reopen the subject, or, alternately, while no local towers were in need of financial assistance.

On the proposition of Mr. C. A. Binyon, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar and all who had assisted in making the meeting such a success.-This was carried with applause, the Vicor briefly replying.

Although the bells are badly in need of attention from a bell

hanger, they were utilised throughout the afternoon and evening, methods up to Treble Bob and Double Oxford being rung.

#### FAIRFORD RINGERS VISIT OXFORDSHIRE TOWERS.

On Saturday, Sept. 6th, the ringers of St. Mary's, Fairford, Glos., with Mr. W. C. Cuss and Mr. W. Cook, had their annual outing, and made an excursion by car through Oxfordshire. Clanfield was the first stop, where they were met by the Rev. William Bryant, the Vicar, who gave them a hearty welcome. A quarter-peal of Grand-sire Triples, taken from J. J. Parker's twelve-part, was scored in 45 mins. Going on to Witney they were met by Mr. J. Monk, and other local ringers, and another quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung. Then the band left for Charlbury, where Mr. J. Keyte (foreman) had kindly arranged dinner at the Royal Oak Temperance Hotel Afterwards on this peal of six, touches of Old Doubles, Canterbury, Grandsire and St. Dunstan's Doubles were tapped off. At Chipping Norton the party was welcomed by several of the ringers, and on a heautiful ring of eight another quarter-peal of Triples was scored. Mr. A. S. Newman (foreman) had kindly arranged ten at Restaurant, after which the visitors proceeded to Shinton-under-Wychwood, where they were met by the Vicar (the Rev. E. C. Freeman) and several ringers who gave them a hearty welcome. Another quarter-peal of Triples was attempted, but failed through a shift. Taking car again, Burford was soon reached, and another quarter-peal of Triples scored, this being the last ringing of the day. This was the first quarter-peal for most of the ringers with the bells going the reverse way. Home was reached by 10.45, after a most enjoy-able day. Through the medium of 'The Ringing World,' the visifors desire to convey their best thanks to all who helped to make the day such a success.

#### DUBLIN COMPLEX MAJOR.

#### To the Editor.

-There appears to be a mistaken idea with regard to the Dear Sir. method published on the 8th ult. It is not Dublin Complex, nor does it belong to me. It was first published by the Rev. E. B. James. I am sorry I did not see this sooner, but, being away on holidays, had not noticed it.—Yours faithfully,

G. LINDOFF.

Sir,—I do not wish to appear as a correspondent, but the figures of the Major, Royal and Maximus of Dublin Complex appeared in 'The Bell Ringer' issue for May 1st, 1907, together with a good composition in each instance under G. Lindoff's name. It was published with a 4th's place bob.—Yours,

A. H. WINCH.

#### LASSITUDE ET LASSITUDISSIMUS.

#### To the Editor.

Dear Sir, — Your 'Belfry Gossip' contains an inquiry re tired ringers. Now, there are varying degrees of thedness among ringers. Shall we deal with a few of them? First, there is the ringer who is so tired that he wants his peals left at his door with the milk and the morning paper. Just send him along for a course of my special Kruschen Salts, and a peal or two with Uncle. I always put a chair alongside of 'em to keep 'em from falling out of bed when in slow, and I tell 'em not to bother looking at the clock, I will call 'em when it is time to go home, and if they show signs of dozing off too soundly 1 (just casually, of course) inquire for what time they would like the alarm set to go off!

Then there is the ringer who is so tired that he swears his own local Guild is no use, and suggests forming a new one. Well, sir, just tell them that good ringers make good Guilds; a good Guild is spoilt by men who are too idle to work their Guild up to the top of the tree. Men, real men I mean, make Guilds what they should be; lazy men make some Guilds what they unfortunately are. Lazy men who won't go to meetings; and, if they do go, are too lazy to interest themselves in Guild welfare; are responsible for the election of Ringing Masters, committeemen, etc., who have got no ability to Command or Organise (capitals, please, sir).

Let us not forget that in ringing, as in all else, as soon as Jack is as good as his master, the master must get a move on to keep his mastership. If he doesn't, he must be removed or the canker sets in. Personality, ability to command, born leadership, is the sure and only cure for lazy ringers. It you don't print in favour of those who do.—Yours very sincerely, CHANTICLER. and only cure for lazy ringers. If you don't possess these-abdicate

#### THE BELLS OF BOURN.

Previous to the present restoration at Bourn. Cambridgeshire, the peal was one of six bells, recast at St. Neots by Robert Taylor in 1807, the 5th of the six being recast by John Taylor and Co. in 1882. The whole peal has been hung in a new cast-iron framework on steel supporting girders, with Messrs. Taylor's latest type of fittings. The weight of the tenor is 14½ cwt., note F.

#### TANFIELD RINGERS' OUTING.

On Saturday, August 9th, the members of the Tanfield Branch of the Durham and Newcastle Association held their annual outing, the venue being Barnard Castle. Leaving the church at 9 a.m., the party wended their way through some beautiful scenery, and the first halt was made at Staindrop, where there is a nice toned peal of six, but the bells are sadly in need of rehanging. Nevertheless the visitors enjoyed their stay. They went on to 'Barney,' where a meeting was being held, and some good ringing was enjoyed at the fine old church. After spending a good day the party left 'Barney' at 9 p.m., and all went well till within 14 miles from home, when the bus got a puncture, so that the destination was not reached until the early hours of the morning, everyone declaring they had never spent a better day.

#### WEDDING BELLS.

•n Saturday, Sept. 6th, 1,008 Stedman Triples were rung at Old Basford by A. Marsh 1. H. Lewin 2. J. Hobbs 3, A. Barrett 4, G. R. Widnall 5, S. Pinder 6, G. R. Goodship 7, A. Hooton 8, the occasion being the marriage of Mr. Raiph Cook to Miss K. B. Sunderland, daughter of Mr. A. Sunderland, of Old Basford. A touch of 360 Bob Minor followed, conducted by A. Barrett.

TUNSTALL, KENT.—On Wednesday, August 21st, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes): Percy J. Spice I, W. E. Pitman, Mus.Bac., 2, S. Taylor 3, H. Parker 4, Thos, Jull 5, G. Kenward 6, W. Spice (conductor) 7, H. Lamkin 8. Also 448 of Cambridge Surprise Major, with E. H. Spice in place of H. Lamkin.

# SUPERLATIVE ON A NEW PLAN. By ALBERT J. PITMAN, PORT TALBOT, GLAM.

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Rung at Loughborough Bell Foundry, August 23rd, 1924, called by Ernest Morris.

#### A RINGER'S THANKS.

#### To the Editor.

Dear Sir,-I have just spent two very pleasant weeks in Liverpool, and as I was prevented from attending the last meeting that was arranged to meet some ringing friends from Manchester, I wish, through this medium, to thank most sincerely Mr. G. R. Newton and all his ringing friends in Liverpool for their great kindness to me in taking so much trouble to arrange for peals and ringing at so many towers in and around the city, as I know from personal experience these things cannot be arranged without a great deal of trouble and personal inconvenience. I appreciate them at their true value, and hope we may all be spared to meet again on some future occa-

Tenterden, Kent.

#### MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

NEWMARKET.—At All Saints' Church, on Sept. 3rd. 1,260 Beb Major, in 49 mins.: Leon Moon 1, R. Lathbury 2, L. Warner 3, D. Fordham 4, W. H. Paget 5, S. Forwood 6, R. Sharpe 7, P. Pinder (conductor) 8. First quarter-peal by ringers of 1st. 3rd and 5th.

BELGRAVE, LEICESTER .- On Monday, Sept. 1st, at St. Peter's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples 1,260 changes), in 51 mins.: J. Pole 1, L. H. Whitehead (arst quarter-peal inside) 2, W. P. Whitehead 3, K. R. Elliott 4, A. Disney 5, R. Barrow (conductor) 6, H. Reeve 7, A. Bishop 8. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the late Mr. G. Ward, a former churchwarden.

LISCARD, CHESHIRE.—At St. Mary's Church, on Monday, Aug. 25th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) in 48 mins.: W. Hughes 1, A. Woosnam 2, J. Hughes 3, F. Woosnam 4, T. Ashley 5, D. Hughes 6, W. Woosnam (conductor) 7, F. Winstanley 8, Rung on the occasion of the marriage of Miss Phyllis Youde to Mr. William Allen.

EASTBOURNE .- At Christ Church, on Wednesday for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1.260 changes), in 47 mins.: W. D. Smith 1, A. K. Gower 2, E. Gower 3, G. W. Stokes 4, F. W. Chapman (first quarter-peal as conductor, London), 5, W. H. Daynes (London) 6, C. H. Chapman (London) 7, E. W. Savage (first quarter-peal) 8.

PAIGNTON, DEVON.—On Sunday, August 10th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Twiples (1.260 changes), in 46 mins.: F. Allwood 1, S. Ward 2, J. W. Golding (London) 3, T. S. Collings 4, F. E. Parnell 5, J. S. Collings (first quarter-peal as conductor) 6, F. T. Gover 7, H. J. Hole 8.

BURBAGE.—On Sunday, August 6th, at Christ Church, for evening service, 720 Oxford Treble Boh: J. W. Hampson 1, W. Moss 2, Thos. R. Flint (Warsep, Notts) 3, W. Longden 4, S. Kirk (conductor) 5, J. R. Backhouse 6.

#### SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

BOURN, CAMBS. — On Sunday, August 31st, at SS. Mary and Heiena's Church, 960 Kent Treble Bon Major, for morning service: J. T. Newington 1, E. G. Hibbins 2, A. T. Chenery 3, F. Warrington 4, W. R. J. Hooton 5, C. W. Cook 6, T. R. Dennis 7, A. G. Rivers (conductor) 8.

PORTSMOUTH.—On Sunday, August 31st, for evensong, at the Church of St. Thomas-a-Becket, 1,260 Grandsire Triples, in 51 mins.: F. A. Burnett (conductor) 1, Mrs. F. A. Burnett 2, C. A. J. Aitken 3, P. Giles 4, W. L. Ayles 5, L. P. Cook 6, H. L. W. Aitken 7, T. Clemens 8. Rung in honour of the home-coming, on holiday, of W. L. Ayles, and the return of C. A. J. Aitken from Bermuda.

DERBY.—On Sunday evening, August 31st, at the Church of St. Alkmund, 1,400 Grandsire Triples, in 52 mins.: E. H. Clarke 1, E. Summerside 2, H. Waterfield 3, W. Slater, junr., 4, W. Slater, senr., 5, G. Freebrey (conductor) 6, E. Plant 7, W. Critchley 8.

BRIDGEND, GLAM. — For evening service, on Sunday, August 24th, at St. Illtyd's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 48 minutes (1,260 changes): T. Petty (first quarter-peal) 1, J. Evans 2, B. J. Toby 3, R. Evans 4, C. H. Perry (conductor) 5, A. C. Jones 6, D. R. James 7, H. Wright (first quarter-peal) 8.

NORTHAMPTON.—On Sunday, August 24th, for evening service, at St. Edmund's Church, 1,260 Stedman Triples (Thurstans'), in 48 mins.: W. Gammage 1, H. Marlow 2, I. Bennett 3, J. Metherall 4, J. Mackay 5, J. W. Sharp 6, F. Hopper (conductor) 7, A. Mouk 8.

BRAINTEEE. — On Sunday, August 24th, for evensong, at the Parish Church, 1,280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: H. E. Hammond 1, G. Lindridge 2, C. H. Howard 3, W. G. Melbourne 4, Geo. Wiffen 5, G. F. Williams 6, L. W. Wiffen (conductor) 7, W. H. Hammond 2, W. G. Melbourne 4, Geo. Wiffen 5, G. F. Williams 6, L. W. Wiffen (conductor) 7, W. H. Hammond 2, W. H. Hammond 2, M. G. Melbourne 4, Geo. Wiffen (conductor) 7, W. H. Hammond 2, M. G. Melbourne 4, Geo. Melbourne 4, Geo. Wiffen (conductor) 7, W. H. Hammond 2, M. G. Melbourne 4, Geo. Melbourne 4, Geo. Melbourne 4, Geo. Melbourne 5, G. F. Williams 6, L. W. Wiffen (conductor) 7, W. H. Hammond 1, G. Lindridge 2, G. Melbourne 4, Geo. Melbourne 5, G. F. Williams 6, L. W. Wiffen (conductor) 7, W. H. Hammond 1, G. Lindridge 2, G. Melbourne 4, Geo. Melbourne 5, Geo. Melbourne 6, Geo. Melbourne 6, Geo. Melbourne 6, Geo. Melbourne 7, W. H. Hammond 1, G. Lindridge 2, G. Melbourne 8, Geo. Melbourne 8, Geo. Melbourne 9, Geo. Melbourn mond 8.

BARTON-IN-FABIS, NOTTS.—On Sunday, August 24th, for even-ing service, 720 College Single: E. Brogdale 1, A. Chamberlain 2, F. Priestley 3, W. Brown 4, F. J. Tite (conductor) 5, G. Layte 6.

Priestley 3, W. Brown 4, F. J. Tite (conductor) 5, G. Layte 6.
COLLINGTREE, NORTHANTS.— On Sunday, August 24th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles: A. Turner I, W. Faulkner 2, F. Newman 3, C. Yates 4, J. Townsend (conductor) 5.
SPBINGFIELD ESSEX.— On Sunday, August 17th, for evening service, at the Parish Church, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: J. H. Myhill 1, E. P. Buckingham 2, W. Hawks 3, E. Runter 4, E. Kemp (conductor) 5, I. J. Poulton (conductor) 6. Also 360 of Oxford. with W. Pratt taking part. Also on Thursday, August 14th, 720 Cambridge Surprise: J. H. Myhill 1, E. Kemp 2, J. Clarke 3, E. Runter 4, I. J. Poulton 5, E. P. Buckingham (conductor) 6. First 720 of Cambridge by ringers of 1st, 2nd, 4th and 5th; and first on the bells. the bells.

THORNHAM, SUFFOLK. — On Sunday afternoon, August 24th, 720 of Oxford Treble Bob Minor: A. Cattermole 1, W. E. Garrard 2, A. J. Berry 3, G. Kemp 4, E. F. Poppy 5, G. Cattermole (conductor) 6. Rung to oblige W. E. Garrard, of London.

WEST BROMWICH, STAFFS. — At the Parish Church of All Saints, on Sunday, August 24th, for evening service, 504 Stedman Triples: John Cotterill 1. A. Mills (composer and conductor) 2, T. Taylor 3, F. Bendall 4, W. Peart 5, W. Reynolds 8, E. Pagett 7, S. Loack 8

TUNSTALL, KENT.—On Sunday, August 24th, for evening service, 504 Stedman Triples: E. H. Spice 1, H. Parker 2, S. Taylor 3, E. J. Bobbie 4, Thos. Jull 5, J. W. Unwin 6, Percy J. Spice (conductor) 7, W. Spice 8. This was rung after ringing 1 hour and 15 minutes for peal of Cambridge Surprise Major by the same band.

EAST HAGBOURNE.—On Sunday, August 24th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): J. Butler (conductor) 1, W. V. Webb 2, W. J. Napper 3, F. H. J. Snook 4, A. T. Lovejoy 5, T. East, senr., 6, T. East, junr., 7, W. A. Goodenough 8. Arranged for the ringers of the 4th and 5th, who had cycled from

KIDDERMINSTER .- On Sunday, July 20th. 480 Bristol Surprise, KIDDERMINSTER.—On Sunday, July 20th. 480 Bristol Surprise, conducted by K-ith Salter.—On Sunday, August 3rd. 504 Stedman Triples: J. Woodberry 1, N. Davies 2, G. Devies 3, K. Salter (conductor) 4, T. J. Salter 5, J. Smith 6, E. J. Brooks 7, J. Bennett, Also 603 London Surprise: C. H. Woodberry (conductor) 8.—On Sunday, August 10th, 504 Grandsire Triples: G. E. Olliver (Bridgnorth) 1, G. Davies 2, N. Davies 3 K. Salter 4, J. Woodberry 5, J. Davies 6, E. J. Brooks (conductor) 7, J. Smith 8. Also 576 Bristol Surprise: C. H. Woodberry (conductor) 8.—On Sunday, August 17th, 420 Oxford Rob Triples

EXMINSTER, DEVON .-- A quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles was rung on Sunday, July 13th, for divine service: F. J. Davey (cond.) 1, J. Oke 2, F. Gardner 3, P. Taylor (Loughborough) 4, W. Lethbridge 5, S. Milton 6. First quarter on the bells.

HEAVITREE, EXETER. — For divine service, on Sunday, July 13th, 504 Grandsire Triples: T. Townsend 1, T. Laver 2, P. Taylor (Loughborough) 3, W. Leibbridge 4, F. J. Davey (conductor) 5, Mr. Green (Wellingham, Kent), 6, A. Mitchell 7, W. Bedford 8.

OLD BASFORD, NOTTS .- On Sunday morning, July 20th, at the Church of St. Leodogarius, in 49 mins., a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: Miss F. Hooton 1, A. Marsh 2, Fred Barks 3, F. M. Mitchell 4, H. Lewin 5. S. Pinder 6, G. R. Goodship (conductor), 7, W. Kinton 8. First quarter-peal by ringers of 1st 2nd, 3rd, 5th and 6th and 8th, and first as conductor by G. R. Goodship. F. M. Mitchell hails from Gravesend, Kent.

#### NOTICES.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chester Branch. Branch meeting at Aldford on Saturday, Sept. 20th. Service 4 p.m. Tower open 3 p.m. - J. W. Clarke, Hon. Sec., Aldford, Chester.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Bromyard District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Pencombe on Saturday, Sept. 20th. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea provided for those only who notify me not later than Wednesday, Sept. 17th.—A. Tomkins, Dist. Sec., Bredenbury, Bromyard.

HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION .- The next quarterly meeting and 8-bell contest will take place at Batley on Saturday, Sept. 27th. A set of medals, kindly given by the Batley company, will be presented with the Cup. Tenor is 10 cwt., not 16 cwt., as previously mentioned. Tea will be provided at 1/6 each to all who send word not later than Sept. 22nd, to 30, Bankfield View, Halifax .- R. Hargreaves, Hon. Sec.

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BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Biggleswade District.—A meeting will be held at Arlsey on Saturday, Sept. 13th. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Tea at 5. All ringers welcome. — C. J. Ball, 2, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. — The quarterly meeting will be at Hinckley, on Saturday, September 13th. Bells available at 2 o'clock. The Committee will meet in the School at 3.45. There will be a service in church at 4.15. Tea will be served at 5 o'clock, followed by general meeting.—A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec., Darley Dale.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. — The September general meeting of the Yorkshire Association, will be held at Heptonstall on Saturday, September 13th. Bells (8), tenor 18 cwt., available throughout the day. A short

service will be held in the Parish Church at 4 p.m.—P. J. Johnson, Hon. Gen. Sec., 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds.

LADIES' GUILD. — Midland District. — Will hold their annual meeting at Bromsgrove on Saturday, September 13th. Bells available all the afternoon. Service in the church 5 o'clock. Tea 5.30. Business meeting after tea, election of officers. Subscriptions due. Gentlemen invited. — Mrs. Groves, 43, Malvern Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

—Taunton Deanery Branch.—A meeting will be held at Bishop's Lydeard on Saturday, September 13th. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting after.

—P. Merson, Branch Sec., Bishop's Hull, Taunton.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Ashton Parish Church on Saturday, September 13th. Bells (12) from 3 o'clock. Meeting, 7 p.m. A good attendance is desired. —J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting, Manchester.

NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.—The half-yearly meeting will be held at Hawarden on Saturday, September 13th. Service at 2.30 p.m. Meeting after service. All ringers invited. Those intending to be present, please notify me as early as possible.—C. H. Jones, Hon. Sec., 33, Liverpool Road, Buckley.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Preston Branch.— The next meeting will be held at Samlesbury on Saturday, September 13th. Bells (8) ready at 3 p.m. Important business. Tea, at 1s. 6d. per head.—W. Taylor,

Branch Sec., Tower House, Penwortham.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. — North Dorset Branch. — The next quarterly meeting will be held at Kington Magna on Saturday, Sept. 13th. Service at 4.45 p.m. Preacher: Rev. C. D. P. Davies, past secretary of the Central Council. Tea in the School Room at 5.45 (members free, visitors 6d.). Business meeting to follow. Will all who wish to have tea inform Rev. F. Ll. Edwards in good time? Bells available: Kington Magna from 2 p.m., Buckhorn Weston after 7 p.m. All ringers will be welcome.—R. E. P. Gorringe, Manston Rectory, Sturminster Newton, Dorset.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSO-CIATION.—The next meeting will be held at Masham on Saturday, Sept. 13th. Bells (8, tenor 16 cwt.) available for ringing all day. Tea will be provided at Peacock and Verity's Cafe (members 1s., non-members 1s. 6d.) at 4.30 p.m. Trains for Masham leave Melmerby Station 9.23 a.m. and 12.20 noon.—T. Metcalfe, Hon. Sec., 26, High Street, North Ormesby, Middlesbrough.

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS. — N.E. Branch.—Annual meeting at Halberton, Saturday, Sept. 13th. Bells (6) available 2.30 p.m. Committee meeting 4 p.m. Service 4.45 p.m. Tea, 15., 5.15 p.m.— Rev. Fitzwilliam Carter, Hon. Sec., Withleigh

Vicarage, Tiverton.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.—Established 1637.—Ringing for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on Sept. 18th; Southwark Cathedral on the 16th; \*St. Mary-le-Bow on the 23rd; St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 25th. All at 7.30. \*Business meeting afterwards.—Wm. T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32,

Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

SNOWDON COMMEMORATION DINNER. — The annual commemoration dinner to Jasper Whitfield Snowdon and past officers of the Yorkshire Association will be held at the Windmill Hotel, Blossom Street, York, on Saturday, September 20th. The Dean of York (the Very Rev. Dr. W. Foxley Norris, D.D.) will take the chair at 5.45 p.m. prompt. Applications for tickets, for which a charge of 5s. 6d. each will be made, must reach Mr. G. Horner, 16, Clifton Green, York, not later than Tuesday, Sept. 16th. The peal of 12 at the Minster will be available from 2 to 4 p.m., while the peals of 6 at Bishophill and Clifton will be at the disposal of visitors throughout the day. Arrangements have been made for visitors, who intend staying overnight, to have accommodation at the rates of from 5s. 6d. to 7s. 6d. for bed and breakfast. Requests for such accommodation to be sent with order for dinner tickets.—P. J. Johnson, Hon. Gen. Sec., Yorks Association, on Blackman Lane Leeds

Gen. Sec., Yorks Association, 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds. LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — The Bolton Borough Police have again put their Bowling Green and Athletic Ground at the disposal of ringers on Saturday, September 20th. Please let me have names (wives and friends included) by September 17th.—Peter Crook, Secre-

tary, 201, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Penkridge on Saturday, September 20th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Service in Church, with address 4.45. Tea at 5.30. Please send word by the 16th inst.—H. Knight, Hon. Sec., 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—A meeting will be held at SS. Peter and Paul Church, Mitcham, on September 20th. Tower open 4 p.m. till 8 p.m. Tea at 5.30 p.m.; business after. All will be welcomed.—C. F. Mitchell, Hon. Dist. Sec., 4, Phene

Street, Chelsea.

MIDDLESEN COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at Stanmore on Saturday, Sept. 20th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Short service at 5 o'clock. Tea at 5.30, 1s. each, to those who advise me by the 17th at latest. Harrow Weald bells open after tea. Members and friends cordially invited.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E.17.

SUFFOLK GUILD.—A general meeting will be held at Eye on Sept. 20th. Tea, 4.30, in the Reading Room (1s. for all sending names by Sept. 15th to Mr. Hubert J. Day, Eye, Suffolk), followed by meeting. Bells available from 2 p.m.—H. Drake, Ufford, Woodbridge.

OXFORD GUILD.—Sonning Branch. — A combined practice will be held at Sonning, on Saturday, September

20th, from 6 till 9 p.m .- Jos. White

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—Western District.—The next meeting will be held at Cobham on Saturday, Sept. 20th. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service 4.45. Tea 5.15. Will those requiring tea please notify me by Sept. 16th?—Miss N. E. Shorter, Hon. Sec., Ferndene, 15, Russell Road, Walton-on-Thames.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. — Isle of Wight District.—Quarterly meeting at St. Mary's, Brading, Saturday, Sept. 20th. Bells (8) available 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Those requiring tea must communicate with me not later than the 17th. Subscriptions are now due, and should be paid at this meeting.—W. Upton, Hon. Dis. Sec., 10, Elm Grove, Newport, I.W.

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS. — Exeter Branch.—The quarterly meeting of the above will be held at Christow on Saturday, Sept. 20th. Service 4 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m. The following towers will be open: Christow, Bridford, Trusham, Ashton, Dunsford and Ide. Convenient train service. Full programme next

week.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—South-Western Division.

— Quarterly meeting will be held at Romford (Hornchurch not available) on Saturday, Sept. 20th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Service 5 o'clock. Tea 5.30, at 1s. each, to members and friends who notify me by the 16th inst. Will the secretaries of towers kindly collect outstanding subscriptions for the current year and forward to me as early as possible?—W. H. Theobald, Hon. Sec., 49, Portway, E.15.

HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Western District.—The next meeting will be held at Tring on Saturday, Sept. 20th. Bells available afternoon and evening. Short service 5 p.m., followed by tea. All ringers cordially invited. Please notify me early for tea.—W.

Avre, School House, Leverstock Green.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Liverpool Branch.

—A meeting will be held at Port Sunlight on Saturday, Sept. 20th. Bells ready at 3.30. Tea 5.30. Meeting 6. Tea 1s. 3d. per head. Members who intend to be present please send word to secretary.—Walter Hughes, 3—A meeting will be held at Keynsham on Saturday, Sept.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

—A meeting will be held at Keynsham on Saturday, Sept. 20th. Tea at 4.15 p.m., meeting to follow. Service at 5.30 p.m. Bells available during the afternoon and evening.—E. E. Burgess, Sec., 62, Greenway Avenue,

Taunton.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION. — Cheltenham Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Kemerton (by invitation of the Rev. J. A. B. Mercer) on Saturday, Sept. 20th. Bells open at 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea 5.30. Will all those wishing to attend please notify me not later than the 16th inst.?—Walter Yeend, Hon. Branch Sec., Millfield, Tewkesbury Road, Cheltenham.

EAST DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—A meeting will be held at Clay Cross on Saturday, Sept. 20th. Tea at 5.15, at 1s. 3d., to those who notify Mr. H. Wragg, Lower Market Street, Clay Cross, by Thursday, 18th.—H. G. Fretwell, Sec., 14, High Street, Swanwick.

STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION. — The September meeting of the association will be held at Uttoxeter on Saturday, Sept. 20th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m. — A. Vaughan, Hon. Sec., 10, High Street, Knutton, Staffs.

LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. — The next meeting will be held at Mathern, near Chepstow, on Saturday, Sept. 20th. Committee meeting at 4 o'clock. Service at 4.30. Tea (free) and business meeting to follok.—J. W. Jones, Hon.

Sec., 29, Barrack Hill, Newport, Mon.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Hunts District.

—A meeting will be held at Godmanchester on Sept. 20th.
Bells: Godmanchester (8), Huntingdon, St. Mary (8).
Service 4.30 p.m. Tea in Parish Room 5 p.m., followed
by business meeting. All who wish for tea please notify
the secretary by Sept. 15th.—Rev. H. B. Woolley, Long
Stanton.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION,—Northern Branch.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Rowley Regis on Saturday, Sept. 20th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service in church at 4.45. Tea will be provided for those who notify me not later than Tuesday, Sept. 16th.—A. J. Skelding, Branch Sec., 7, Cecil Street, Stourbridge.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION. — The next monthly meeting of the Bristol branch will be held at Henbury on Saturday, Sept. 20th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Tea 5 o'clock. Please notify me by Sept. 15th.—P. C. Williams, Branch Hon.

Sec., 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton, Bristol.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Thrapston Branch.—A special meeting will be held at Brigstock on Saturday, Sept. 20th. Service 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock. Kindly advise me by Tuesday, Sept. 16th, those requiring tea. — J. Nickerson, Branch Sec., Halford Street,

Thrapston.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—North-Eastern Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Great Totham on Saturday, Sept. 20th. Service at 4.30. Tea will be provided at 5.15 p.m., 1s. 3d. each. All intending to be present please notify me by Tuesday, the 16th inst., as only a limited number can be catered for. National bus leaves Colchester at 2.10 p.m. Book Great Totham Post Office, returning at 8.15.—R. W. Stannard, Hon. Sec., 12, Ireton Road, Colchester.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.—A monthly meeting will be held at Monks Kirby on Saturday, Sept. 20th. Bells available at 3 p.m. The Vicar will provide tea for those who send me word not later than Sept. 17th.—A. Wilkerson, Hon. General Sec., 68, Norman Avenue, Nuneaton.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. — Nottingham District. — The next meeting of the above will be held at Sawley on Saturday, Sept. 20th. Bells (8) will be available from 3 till 8 p.m. Will those requiring tea please advise Mr. R. Hickton, 40, Charnwood Avenue, not later than Wednesday, Sept. 17th? The secretary would also be pleased to receive all outstanding subscriptions.—F. Blood, Hon. Local Sec.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—Southern District. — A meeting will be held at Limpsfield on Saturday, Sept. 20th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 5.30. Tea 6 p.m. All ringers welcome. — H. F. Ewins, Hon. Sec., 27, Eversfield Road, Reigate.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.—A special meeting will be held at Wylam on Saturday, Sept. 20th. Tea at the Bird Inn at 5 o'clock (1s. to members and 1s. 6d. to non-members) to those who notify me by Tuesday, Sept. 16th.—E. Ferry, Hon. Sec., 16, Gordon Avenue, Gosforth, Newcastle-on-Tyne. MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LON-

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at Sunbury-on-Thames on Saturday, Sept. 20th. Ringing from 3.15. Tea will be arranged for all who let me know by the 18th. All ringers and friends welcome.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rochdale Branch.
—The next meeting will be held at St. Bartholomew,
Whitworth, on Saturday, Sept. 20th. Bells ready at 3
p.m., meeting at 6.30. A good attendance is requested.
Annual branch party at All Saints, Hamer, Rochdale, on
Saturday, Oct. 11th. Tickets—2s. gentlemen, 1s. 9d.
ladies—obtainable from the local secretaries.—William
Horan, Branch Sec., 2, Greenhirst Hey, Todmorden.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Visit to Chertsey on Saturday, Sept. 27th. Trains from Waterloo at 1.54, 2.15 and 3.15, fare 2s. 10d. return. Tea about 5 p.m. Good attendance requested. Meeting at St. Clement Danes on Monday, Sept. 29th, at 7 p.m., instead of 7.30, owing to committee meeting. — A. H. Keighley, Hon. Sec., 18, Merrick Square, S.E.1.

LADIES GUILD.—Western District.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Evercreech on Saturday, Sept. 27th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Will those requiring tea please let me know by Wednesday, Sept. 24th?—E. E. Emm, School House, Evercreech, Bath, Somerset.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—Central District. — The next meeting will be held at Banstead on Saturday, Sept. 27th. Bells available 2.30. Evensong 5.30. Tea and meeting 6 p.m. Visitors requiring tea should notify Mr. F. G. Woodiss, 28, Strathearn Road, Sutton, not later than Wednesday, Sept. 24th, so that adequate arrangements can be made.—A. J. Trappitt, Hon. Dist. Sec., 57, Mellows Road, Wallington.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch.
—A meeting of the above branch will be held at Whalley (new peal of 8) on Saturday, Sept. 27th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.m. Tea, 1s. 6d., will be provided for all who send in their names to O. Exton, West View, Billington, near Whalley, not later than the 24th. — J. Watson, Branch Sec., 48. Palmer Street, Blackburn.

Watson, Branch Sec., 48, Palmer Street, Blackburn.
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Eastern Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Ringmer on Saturday, Sept. 27th. Tower open at 2.30. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea at 5 o'clock in the Parish Room (9d. per head). Business meeting to follow. Will those intending to be present kindly advise me not later than Wednesday, Sept. 24th?—Geo. W. Stokes, Hon. Div. Sec., 22, Melbourne Road, Eastbourne.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting will be held at Oldham on Oct. 4th.—W. H. Shuker and A. Tomlinson, Hon. Secs.

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