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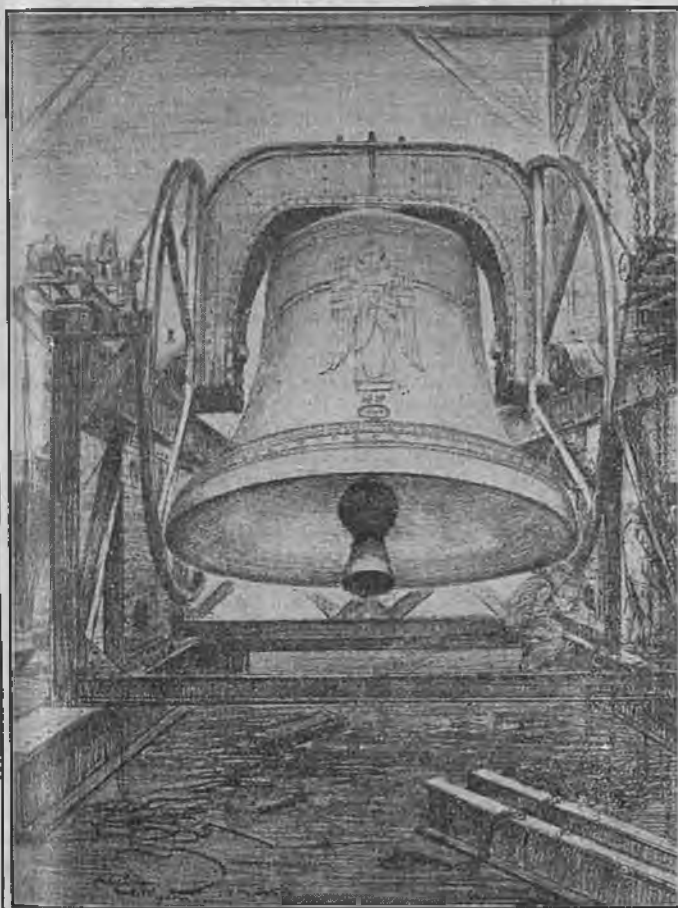
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### BENEVOLENT SCHEMES IN THE EXERCISE

The question of how best to deal with cases of extraordinary sickness amongst members of the Exercise was one of the subjects which came before the Central Council, but as will have been seen from the report in our last issue, even the appointment of a committee to investigate the matter did not find approval. Unhappily there arise occasionally instances in which ringers fall upon evil times; when sickness or incapacity leads to a more than ordinary drain upon domestic finances and inflicts a hardship which the man's means are unable to meet. In such cases ringers have constantly shown themselves ready to lend a helping hand, but the help is largely of the haphazard kind, with little or no organisation behind it. In Kent and in Sussex, the associations have established benevolent funds which have done some extremely valuable work, by acting independently, or by being able to supplement, at the moment when it is most necessary, any effort made in local circles. There may be one or two other associations which do likewise, and it was obviously the feeling of the Council that this is the direction in which any aid for distressed ringers should be organised.

The difficulties of a more centralised scheme would, of course, be considerable. In the mass, ringers are an apathetic body, and while they would in all probability resent anything in the shape of a per capita levy for a benevolent fund, they would by their very lassitude make the collection of a voluntary contribution, however small, an almost impossible task, and one for which few if any association secretaries would care to make themselves responsible. We believe that a good deal of the funds which are already in existence has been accumulated from offertories at meetings. It is a well known fact, of course, that association meetings, for the most part, are attended by a limited circle of the more enthusiastic members and consequently the swelling of the benevolent funds is largely dependent on the generosity of a comparative few. And that is most likely what would happen in the case of any larger fund of a voluntary kind—its maintenance would devolve upon a minority of the Exercise.

The only effective way to finance such a fund, so that all contributed, would be by an annual proportionate charge upon each association and to propose that, or anything like it, would, as the secretary of the Middlesex Association pointed out, be treading on a very tender spot. A central benevolent fund, supported by the associations, could only be set up by whole-hearted co-operation and good will throughout the Exercise, but the

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motion which stood in Mr. Ayre's name did not go as far as asking for such a fund, or, indeed, of suggesting any scheme. It merely asked for a committee to investigate the best method of dealing with extraordinary cases, and we are inclined to agree with the proposer (Mr. E. A. Young) that the Council would not have gone very far wrong if it had adopted the motion to see what the possibilities were.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

FAIRFORD, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 20, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

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

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 17 cwt.

GEORGE LAW ... .. Treble	HERBERT ACOCK ... .. 5
BASIL GUY ... .. 2	JOHN HOPE ... .. 6
THOMAS BALDWIN ... .. 3	JOE SMITH ... .. 7
GEORGE J. WINTER ... .. 4	EDMUND T. GARDENER ... Tenor

Conducted by JOHN HOPE.

First peal on the bells since they were recast and hung in ball bearings. All the band are local Sunday ringers except the ringer of the third, who hails from Gloucester.

MEASHAM, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, June 26, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

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

J. J. PARKER'S TEN-PART, NO. 11 (VARIATION NO. 1).

Tenor 10 cwt.

JOHN H. SWINFELD ... .. Treble	CHARLES DRAFER ... .. 5
RICHARD C. BELTON ... .. 2	EPHRAIM W. RANDE ... .. 6
MAURICE SWINFELD ... .. 3	JAMES GEORGE ... .. 7
JOSEPH BAILEY ... .. 4	JOHN CURTIS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by M. SWINFELD.

GRAVESEND, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 29, 1929, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

MIDDLETON'S.

Tenor 18 cwt.

CHARLES W. ROBERTS ... Treble	FREDERICK M. MITCHELL ... 5
EDWIN F. PIKE ... .. 2	WILLIAM R. MADGWICK ... 6
JOHN H. CHEESMAN ... .. 3	HARRY PARKES ... .. 7
WILLIAM H. HEWITT ... .. 4	JAMES E. DAVIS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN H. CHEESMAN.

PULHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORFOLK GUILD.

On Wednesday, July 3, 1929, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

**A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 13½ cwt.

ERNEST WHITING ... .. Treble	HERBERT FOLCHER ... .. 5
FREDERICK R. BORRETT ... 2	GEORGE GOWER ... .. 6
CHARLES CUTTING ... .. 3	RUSSELL RICHES ... .. 7
CHARLES BAKER ... .. 4	TOWNSEND ADCOCK ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN.

Conducted by ERNEST WHITING

PINNER, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 6, 1929, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,

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

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 19 cwt.

*ROBERT H. C. COLYER ... Treble	*HARRY PENDRY ... .. 5
*CHARLES LORD ... .. 2	GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 6
GEORGE M. KILBY ... .. 3	HARRY KILBY ... .. 7
†THOMAS COLLINS ... .. 4	*THOMAS HUMPHREYS ... Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE R. PYE.

\* First peal. † First peal of Triples.

## MARGATE, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 6, 1929, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST.

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5072 CHANGES.

Tenor 22 cwt. 1 qr. 23 lb.

*WILLIAM FRIGHT ... .. Treble	FRANK BENNETT ... .. 5
*WILLIAM BIONALL ... .. 2	CHARLES W. PLAYER ... .. 6
WILLIAM R. DRAGE ... .. 3	T. REGINALD DENNIS ... .. 7
KENNETH PATTENDEN ... .. 4	ERNEST BONIFACE ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

\* First peal in the method; also first in the method on the bells. Rung to celebrate the anniversary of the wedding of their Majesties King George and Queen Mary. Messrs. Drage and Dennis were elected members previous to starting.

## SIX BELL PEALS.

## UPTON-ON-SEVERN, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, June 22, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.  
Tenor 17½ cwt.

*WILLIAM HALFORD ... .. Treble	WILLIAM RANFORD ... .. 4
WILLIAM NIBLETT ... .. 2	FRED HAWKES ... .. 5
FRANK LAWRENCE ... .. 3	CHARLES CAMM ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES CAMM.

\* First peal in seven methods. The band met for Triples, but owing to the indisposition of Mr. R. G. Knowles, Minor was substituted, Mr. H. Bishop also standing out.

## KEEVIL, WILTS.

## THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, June 30, 1929, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

## AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD.

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Seven different 720's. Tenor 21 cwt.

ALBERT STOKES ... .. Treble	SAMUEL J. HECTOR ... .. 4
WILLIAM LOUD ... .. 2	CHARLES F. ANDREWS ... .. 5
JAMES BILBY ... .. 3	NORMAN V. ANDREWS ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. F. ANDREWS.

## ST. ALBANS, HERTS.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, July 4, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

## AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL.

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Seven different extents. Tenor 13 cwt.

THOMAS J. HULL ... .. Treble	WALTER AYRE ... .. 4
ERNEST HUNT ... .. 2	GEORGE W. DEBENHAM ... .. 5
JOHN MALYAN ... .. 3	BEN JARMAN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WALTER AYRE.

Specially arranged and rung for the ringer of the 5th, whose first peal of Minor it was, and first attempt. Also as a birthday compliment to the sister and ringer of the 2nd.

## KEMPSEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, July 6, 1929, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

## AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.  
Tenor 20 cwt.

JAMES WOODYATT ... .. Treble	CYRIL TANSELL ... .. 4
SIDNEY T. HOLT ... .. 2	WILLIAM LEWIS ... .. 5
WILLIAM RANFORD ... .. 3	CHARLES CAMM ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM LEWIS.

First peal as conductor. Rung as the quarterly peal for the Western Branch.

## GRANDSIRE TRIPLES IN U.S.A.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—I am glad of an excuse to send a message from our small group of American ringers to the many friends in England who encourage us to keep the Exercise alive in this country. The excuse is to report a pleasant trip to Groton School by four members of the Boston band, who, with ringers from the school, rang for morning service, and afterwards brought round several well-struck touches of Grandsire Triples.

The Boston men were R. Newton, J. R. Henson, J. Goodhead and W. Bashford, while members of the school who stood in with them were F. Potter, A. M. Brown, S. Whitney, S. W. Sturgis, S. H. Sturgis and W. Sturgis.

The 'go' of our bells is now excellent, since a year ago, when we shipped the headstocks to England and had ball bearings installed by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank.

Groton, Mass, U.S.A.

S. WARREN STURGIS.

June 14th, 1929.

## DOVER RINGER'S SUDDEN DEATH.

We regret to record the death of Mr. Richard Stevens, who was for over 16 years a prominent member of St. Mary's Bellringers, Dover. 'Dick,' as he was familiarly called in the town, was well known in the Canterbury and Ashford districts, where he had rung many peals in various methods. He was also a clever handbell ringer.

His death occurred suddenly at Southampton on Thursday, June 20th. On Friday, June 28th, the bells at St. Mary's, Dover, were rung half-muffled in three of his favourite methods.

## EVERCREECH RINGERS' OUTING.

On Saturday, June 22nd, the Evercreech ringers, under the leadership of their esteemed captain, Mr. R. Whitehead, and accompanied by the Vicar and friends, had their eleventh annual outing. The party left Evercreech at 7 p.m. for Torquay by charabanc. At St. Thomas, Exeter, a touch of 630 Grandsire Triples was rung. Paignton was reached at 1.15 and at Dellers' a hot lunch was partaken of. Arriving at Torquay, a trip by motor launch to Brixham and back was much enjoyed. After tea the return journey started. At Taunton a break was made for supper, and home was reached shortly after 11 p.m. The weather throughout the day was ideal. Many thanks are due to the captain for his untiring energies in making this outing so delightfully enjoyable.

## BRAINTREE RINGERS VISIT SUFFOLK.

The ringers of St. Michael's Church, Braintree, had their annual outing on Saturday, June 29th, when they visited some of the churches in Suffolk. Lavenham was the first stop, and these fine old bells were set going to Double Norwich and Cambridge Surprise. Then on to Stonham Aspell, where Grandsire and Stedman Caters were brought round.

Eye was the next stopping place, and, after more Double Norwich and Cambridge, luncheon was partaken of. Wilby, with its bells recently augmented to eight, came next on the list, and here an excellent touch of Superlative Surprise was rung. Thence to Framlingham, where Stedman Triples, Double Norwich and Cambridge were each brought round. Ipswich was reached about 6 p.m., and after tea St. Mary-le-Tower was visited. There, with the aid of some of the local company, Grandsire and Stedman Caters, Stedman Cinques and Kent Treble Bob Maximus were rung. A very enjoyable day was spent, and the ringers wish to thank the incumbents of the churches visited for the use of the bells, and also all the local ringers who helped to make the outing such a success.

## MILNROW RINGERS AT LOUGHBOROUGH.

The ringers of Milnrow Parish Church, Lancs, and a few friends visited Loughborough for their annual outing. Messrs. Taylor and Co. have in hand the retuning and rehangings of the Milnrow bells, and the inspection of the celebrated foundry, therefore, had special interest for the party. Travelling by saloon coach via Stockport, Buxton and Matlock, breakfast was served at Belper. Loughborough was reached by 11.30 and at the foundry the visitors were received by Mr. C. Harrison and Mr. J. P. Fidler, representing Messrs. Taylor and Co., and conducted through the works, where the Milnrow bells, now retuned, were an object of special interest. Another 'job' which attracted special attention was a carillon. The ringers then turned their attention to the foundry peal, but the lightness of the bells defeated their attempts to bring round a touch. Visiting the Parish Church, however, they brought round touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob Major and Kent Treble Bob on the five bells. On the return journey a stop was made at Derby for tea and ringing on the bells at the Cathedral, and the journey home was then resumed via Ashbourne, Leek, Macclesfield and Manchester, Milnrow being reached about 11.30 p.m. after a splendid day. The ringers desire to thank Messrs. Harrison and Fidler for conducting them through the foundry, and the authorities at Loughborough Church and Derby Cathedral for permission to ring.



# THE NATIONAL THANKSGIVING.

## CHURCH BELLS PLAY A TRADITIONAL PART.

Wherever there was a ringable peal of bells and a band of ringers to handle them, the bells in the churches throughout the land joined on Sunday in the 'national thanksgiving' to Almighty God for his good Providence whereby our Most Gracious Sovereign has been delivered from severe illness to the comfort of the whole Realm, and for the signal love and loyalty of his people made manifest in the time of trouble.' For centuries the church bells of England have played a part upon great national occasions in expressing the feelings of the public and on Sunday their notes resounded over city and hamlet, hill and dale calling the people to join in the service of thanksgiving or adding by some peal or touch a special distinction to the day.

Ringling in many places began on Saturday with a peal, and here are the records of some of the peals specially rung in connection with the Thanksgiving:—

### LONDON.

#### THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, July 6, 1929, in Three Hours and Thirty-One Minutes,

At the Church of St. Leonard, Shoreditch,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES;

Tenor 28 cwt.

EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ... Treble	THOMAS BEVAN ... .. 7
JOHN H. CHRESMAN ... .. 2	WILLIAM H. THEOBALD ... .. 8
HERBERT E. AUDESLEY ... .. 3	STAFFORD H. GREEN ... .. 9
*HERBERT SHEMMING ... .. 4	HARRY SEAR ... .. 10
EDWIN BARNETT, JUN. ... .. 5	EDWARD D. SMITH ... .. 11
ISAAC J. ATTWATER ... .. 6	WILLIAM BOTTRILL ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by JOHN H. CHRESMAN.

\* First peal of Cinques. It was also rung as a compliment to the Very Rev. H. R. L. Sheppard, D.D., late Rector of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, and a member of the Royal Cumberland Youths, who was installed Dean of Canterbury Cathedral on July 1st. Also to Mr. Cecil J. Matthews on the birth of a son and heir. E. Barnett's 50th peal on twelve bells.

### EVESHAM, WORCESTERSHIRE.

#### THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, July 6, 1929, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

At the Bell Tower,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5067 CHANGES;

Tenor 31½ cwt.

*MISS AMY JOHNSON ... .. Treble	*HERBERT JORDON ... .. 6
JOSEPH D. JOHNSON ... .. 2	*FREDERICK JORDON ... .. 7
FRED W. GOODFELLOW ... .. 3	*FREDERICK J. JOHNSON ... .. 8
JAMES HEMMING ... .. 4	HARRY MIDDLETON ... .. 9
*JOHN HALL ... .. 5	*GEOFFREY J. HEMMING ... .. Tenor

Composed by JAMES E. GROVES. Conducted by JOSEPH D. JOHNSON

\* First peal of Stedman Caters.

### CHELMSFORD, ESSEX.

#### THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 6, 1929, in Three Hours and Twenty-Four Minutes,

At the Cathedral,

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

Tenor 34½ cwt.

*EDWARD KEMP ... .. Treble	*HERBERT DEVENISH ... .. 6
*ARTHUR SALTMARSH ... .. 2	WILLIAM LINCOLN ... .. 7
THOMAS LINCOLN ... .. 3	LESLIE J. CLARK ... .. 8
*RICHARD C. CLARK ... .. 4	ARTHUR HEAD ... .. 9
GEORGE GREEN ... .. 5	JOHN WOOD ... .. Tenor

Composed by H. JOHNSON. Conducted by L. J. CLARK.

\* First peal on ten bells. First peal on ten bells as conductor.

### TROWBRIDGE, WILTS.

#### THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, July 7, 1929, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

At the Church of St. James,

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

Tenor 24 cwt.

*ALBERT STOKES ... .. Treble	SAMUEL J. HECTOR ... .. 6
JAMES BILBY ... .. 2	NORMAN V. ANDREWS ... .. 7
WILLIAM C. WEST ... .. 3	WILLIAM R. BAXTER ... .. 8
WILLIAM LOUD ... .. 4	CHARLES F. ANDREWS ... .. 9
SIDNEY HILLIER ... .. 5	*FRANK GREEN ... .. Tenor

Composed by the late J. CARTER. Conducted by C. F. ANDREWS.

\* First peal of Caters.

### CRICH, DERBYSHIRE.

#### EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTINGHAMSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 6, 1929, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

#### A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

*GEOFFREY ASHMAN ... .. Treble	WILLIAM SWAIN ... .. 5
*GEORGE E. ALLIN ... .. 2	ERNEST A. WILSON ... .. 6
THOMAS BETTISON ... .. 3	JOHN W. ENGLAND ... .. 7
WILSON ALLIN, SEN. ... .. 4	JOSEPH LORD ... .. Tenor

Composed by F. HOPGOOD. Conducted by JOSEPH LORD.  
\* First peal of Major. First peal of Major on the bells. Also a birthday compliment to the treble ringer.

### NORTON, DERBYSHIRE.

#### THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, July 6, 1929, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

At the Church of St. James,

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

Tenor 15½ cwt.

ARTHUR KNIGHTS ... .. Treble	CHARLES BATES ... .. 5
MISS NOEL CAWTHORNE ... .. 2	WILLIAM BIGGIN ... .. 6
*JOE BERRIDGE ... .. 3	ARTHUR PASHLEY ... .. 7
*BERT SHAW ... .. 4	A. PERCIVAL KNIGHTS ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by A. P. KNIGHTS.

\* First peal. Also rung as a welcome to the new Rector, the Rev. Pegg.

### LONDON.

#### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 6, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,

At the Church of St. Giles-in-the-Fields, Bloomsbury,

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

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 18 cwt.

EDGAR HUMPHREY ... .. Treble	WILLIAM PYE ... .. 5
ARTHUR H. FULLWELL ... .. 2	*NORMAN W. GENNA ... .. 6
WILLIAM J. ELLIS ... .. 3	JAMES BENNETT ... .. 7
THOMAS LOCK ... .. 4	GILBERT R. GOODSHIP ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

\* First peal and first attempt.

### ERITH, KENT.

#### THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 6, 1929, in Three Hours,

At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,

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

Tenor 15 cwt. in G.

*HENRY H. FLOWER ... .. Treble	†P. C. CHARLES DAVIS ... .. 5
HERBERT A. HOLDEN ... .. 2	ROBERT BRETT-SMITH ... .. 6
JOHN J. LAMB ... .. 3	WILLIAM R. BOND ... .. 7
JIM HURRELL ... .. 4	FREDK. J. COLLUM, JUN. ... .. Tenor

Composed by F. BENNETT. Conducted by FREDK. J. COLLUM, JUN.

\* First peal. † First peal of Major. Rung also to celebrate the 36th anniversary of the wedding of their Majesties, the King and Queen.

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WILLENHALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.  
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, July 6, 1929, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Giles,

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

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

ISAAC EVANS ... .. Treble	BENJAMIN GOUGH ... .. 5
HERBERT KNIGHT ... .. 2	JOHN T. DAVIES ... .. 6
*ERNEST W. TRUBSHAW ... 3	CHRISTOPHER WALLATER ... 7
ROBERT PICKERING ... .. 4	ARTHUR E. REED ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CHRISTOPHER WALLATER.

Also rung as a peal of welcome to the Rev. Edward Harrison, M.A., who was instituted Vicar of St. Giles' the same evening.  
\* First peal.

BILLINGSHURST, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, July 7, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 11 lb. in F. sharp.

WALTER CHARMAN ... .. Treble	ARTHUR J. BARTLETT ... .. 5
ALFRED H. WINCH ... .. 2	WILLIAM STANFORD ... .. 6
JAMES BURDFIELD ... .. 3	JOHN H. B. HESE ... .. 7
ALBERT HARMAN ... .. 4	ALAN R. PINK ... .. Tenor

Composed by the late YORK GREEN. Conducted by A. H. WINCH.

This composition is without the 2nd before the tenor at any one lead.

BRIGHTLING, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, July 7, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,

At the Church of St. Thomas-A-Becket,

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

GROVES' TRANSPOSITION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 13 cwt.

JAMES CROFT ... .. Treble	GEORGE DANN ... .. 5
ALBERT HOLDEN ... .. 2	WILFRED BOOTH ... .. 6
FREDERICK J. LAMBERT, JUN. 3	ALBERT E. EDWARDS ... .. 7
PHILIP S. THOMPSON ... .. 4	GEORGE PONT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. E. EDWARDS.

STALYBRIDGE, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, July 7, 1929, in Three Hours,

At the Church of the Holy Trinity (Castle Hall),

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

*ROBERT LEE ... .. Treble	*GILES E. SHAW ... .. 5
*JOHN SIMISTER ... .. 2	ALFRED ROBERTS ... .. 6
FRANK HODGE ... .. 3	WALTER W. WOLSTENCROFT 7
ARTHUR JACKSON ... .. 4	*PERCY WALTON ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. CARTER. Conducted by W. W. WOLSTENCROFT.

The 1st, 2nd, 5th, 6th, and tenor ringers are from St. Paul's, Stalybridge, the 3rd and 4th are local.

LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sunday, July 7, 1929, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,

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

REEVES' VARIATION.

Tenor 23 cwt. in D flat.

ARTHUR SYMONDS ... .. Treble	FREDERICK BOREHAM ... .. 5
MAURICE T. SYMONDS ... .. 2	FREDERICK F. MORTLOCK ... 6
FREDERICK L. LEES ... .. 3	LAWRENCE POULSON ... .. 7
STEDMAN H. SYMONDS ... .. 4	FRANK A. TURNER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by S. H. SYMONDS.

The quickest peal on the bells. The tenor man has now 'completed the circle' in this tower.

BOURN, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, July 7, 1929, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

At the Church of SS. Mary and Helena,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14½ cwt. in F.

MISS V. SHORTER ... .. Treble	JOHN W. WARD ... .. 5
FRED J. COOK ... .. 2	FRANK HARPER ... .. 6
FRANCIS G. GLEAVES ... .. 3	CHARLES W. COOK ... .. 7
GEORGE E. CRISP ... .. 4	FRANK WARRINGTON ... .. Tenor

Composed by J. REEVES.

Conducted by F. WARRINGTON.

Mr. H. J. Bright, a local man, stood out to allow a visitor to ring, and his kindness was much appreciated.

BEDFORD.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, July 2, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,

At the Church of St. Peter-de-Merton,

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

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

KENNETH BOWYER ... .. Treble	MISS EVELYN STEEL ... .. 4
MISS EDITH K. KNIGHT ... 2	HARRY TYSOB ... .. 5
*JOHN POTTER ... .. 3	WILLIAM STAPLETON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM STAPLETON.

\* First peal in seven methods. Rung on the nearest date that was possible.

BURSTOW, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, July 6, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

At the Church of St. Bartholomew,

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

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent, Treble Bob, Oxford Single Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob.

Tenor 11½ cwt.

ROBERT SWIFT ... .. Treble	BERNARD WELLS ... .. 4
WILLIAM D. L. ASHDOWN ... 2	OLIVER SIPPETTS ... .. 5
KENNETH SNELLING ... .. 3	ALFRED J. BELL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by O. SIPPETTS.

BRADWELL, BUCKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Saturday, July 6, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

At the Church of St. Lawrence,

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

With ten different callings.

Tenor 7½ cwt.

CHARLES G. ALDERMAN ... Treble	EPHRAIM LATHALL ... .. 4
EDWARD WHITLOCK ... .. 2	*HARRY V. SEAR ... .. 5
THOMAS C. WALTER ... .. 3	ARCHIE LATHALL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by EDWARD WHITLOCK.

\* First peal of Doubles. Also rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Harry Sear.

YARDLEY HASTINGS, NORTHANTS.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 6, 1929, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

At the Church of St. Andrew,

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

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

Tenor 15 cwt.

WALTER PERKINS ... .. Treble	ALBERT MINNEY ... .. 4
WILLIAM A. BAILEY ... .. 2	AMOS SMART ... .. 5
HARRY WOODING ... .. 3	HARRY PETTIT ... .. Tenor

Conducted by AMOS SMART.

Also rung as a birthday compliment to W. Perkins.

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## SOUTH WINGFIELD.

## EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTINGHAMSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 6, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's.

*F. OSBORNE ... .. Treble	A. SMITHSON ... .. 4
*H. BAILEY ... .. 2	B. BAILEY ... .. 5
*W. RILEY ... .. 3	F. W. KNOWLES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by F. W. KNOWLES.

\* First peal of Minor.

## LAMBERTHURST, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 6, 1929, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of London, Primrose, Norfolk, Cambridge, Ipswich, York and Norwich.

ERNEST E. WOODAGE ... .. Treble	JAMES BASSETT ... .. 4
GEORGE FULLER ... .. 2	*ALBERT RELFE ... .. 5
ARTHUR H. SMITH ... .. 3	JAMES WAGHORN ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT RELFE.

\* 100th peal. Also a farewell peal for A. H. Smith.

## WHITNEY-ON-WYF, HEREFORDSHIRE.

## THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, July 7, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 of Canterbury Pleasure, and 4,320 of Grandsire. Tenor 9 cwt.

*DAVID TIMBERS ... .. Treble	†REGINALD MORRIS ... .. 3
JAMES P. HYETT ... .. 2	†EDMUND MORRIS ... .. 4
G. JAMES R. PRICE ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by J. P. HYETT.

\* First peal. † First peal inside. ‡ First peal in two methods.

## MARKET DEEPIING, LINCOLNSHIRE.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, July 7, 1929, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GUTHLAC,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of St. Clement's, Plain Bob, Double Court, Single Court, Oxford Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 16 cwt.

JAMES H. MUSSON ... .. Treble	CUTHBERT T. H. BRADLEY ... .. 4
HARRY GIBBARD ... .. 2	JOSEPH O. LANDON ... .. 5
WILLIAM H. WALDRON ... .. 3	HORACE M. DAY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by H. M. DAY.

This was also the choir and ringers' annual festival.

## SOME OF THE THANKSGIVING TOUCHES.

In many places circumstances did not permit of peals being attempted, but long touches were scored. In the Guildford Diocese an organised effort was made to secure the ringing of the bells at distinctive times, in addition to the usual service hours, and at many places there was ringing after the morning or evening service, or in the afternoon. At several churches, also, following out the suggestion made in these columns, the bells were rung for two or three minutes at a central point in the thanksgiving service itself, and where this was done the effect was most impressive.

Among the records of Sunday's lesser performances were the following:—

For Thanksgiving service at Brewood, Staffs, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes) in 46 mins.: F. I. Blewitt 1, H. Hood 2, J. Yarrod 3, A. E. Winterton 4, G. Warner 5, P. Bill 6, J. Perry (conductor) 7, T. Perry 8.

At Worplesdon, Surrey, after the Thanksgiving service, 720 Bob Minor: T. Scholfield 1, Miss K. Avenell 2, S. Petter 3, G. Chandler 4, C. Heather 5, H. Blackman (conductor) 6.

At Horley, Surrey, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) in 47 mins.: W. Slaughter 1, F. Sadler 2, T. Whitmore 3, S. Kenward 4, P. Etheridge 5, G. Illman 6, A. J. Bull (conductor) 7, G. Woodman 8.

At St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate, London, for evensong, 1,248 Cambridge Surprise Major: R. A. Post (Oxford) 1, G. B. Cole 2, W. H. Hewett 3, W. R. Madgwick 4, E. A. Reeve 5, E. F. Pike 6, R. F. Deal 7, C. W. Roberts (conductor) 8.

At Margate, Kent, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: F. Bennett (conductor) 1, T. R. Dennis 2, K. Pattenden 3, C. W. Player 4, \*J. Blythman 5, W. R. Drage 6, A. Saxby 7, \*F. Gadsden 8. \* First quarter of Stedman. The visitors desire to thank Mr. A. Saxby for having the bells in readiness for this and the peal on the previous evening.

At Christ Church, Ottershaw, Surrey, after evensong, 720 Grandsire Doubles: Stephen Sleet 1, H. J. Chaffey 2, C. Sleet 3, Miss M. Thompson 4, D. Sleet 5, G. Sleet 6.

At St. Barnabas' Church, Linslade, for afternoon service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 48 mins.: W. Insley 1, F. Jeffs (first quarter-peal of Grandsire) 2, W. Jeffs 3, F. Vickers 4, R. Oliver 5, J. E. Arnold (conductor) 6, J. Nicholls 7, A. Whitney 8.

At All Saints' Church, Leighton Buzzard, after evensong, a quarter-peal of Plain Bob Major in 50 mins.: \*A. Whitney 1, \*F. Jeffs 2, F. Vickers 3, W. Botsford 4, \*F. Plummer 5, W. Jeffs 6, J. Nicholls 7, J. E. Arnold (conductor) 8. \* First quarter of Major.

At Leatherhead, Surrey, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1,259 changes): W. Messam 1, A. C. Otway 2, Miss I. L. Hastie 3, A. Harman 4, A. H. Winch 5, J. H. White 6, C. Smart 7, W. Newbury 8, A. Dean (conductor) 9, G. Marriner 10.

At Ashted, Surrey, two touches of Stedman Triples conducted by J. Hoyle and A. W. Coles respectively, 418 Double Norwich conducted by A. Dean, and a course of Superlative Surprise, the following taking part: W. Cook, G. Cook, J. Hoyle, A. L. Brown, A. W. Coles, A. Dean, Miss I. L. Hastie, G. Marriner, and W. Newbury.

On Sunday evening, at St. Matthew's Church, Bethnal Green, for special Thanksgiving service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes) in 46 mins.: W. W. Stevens 1, J. F. Parrott 2, J. H. Parrott 3, I. J. Attwater (conductor) 4, F. Smith 5, H. Hills 6, J. Martin 7, H. C. Taylor 8. The service was attended by the Mayor, Borough Council and representatives of the local branch of the British Legion.

At Haslemere, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) in 47 mins.: H. Furlonger 1, W. E. Taylor 2, Mrs. F. Bowden 3, R. Hayes 4, R. Overy 5, F. Bowden 6, G. Gilbert (conductor) 7, W. Eldridge 8. Rounds and Queen's were rung before and after the quarter on the ten bells.

At Waford, Herts, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes) in 52 mins.: E. Jones 1, C. H. Surridge 2, H. Milton 3, H. Long 4, S. Edwards 5, R. Bell 6, F. Edwards (conductor) 7, G. Seaman 8.

At Hounslow, on Sunday morning, 1,260 Grandsire Triples in 45 mins.: C. Collins 1, F. G. Goddard 2, C. J. Tricker 3, F. E. Hawthorne 4, W. F. Ellingham (conductor) 5, J. Kent 6, R. Martin 7, H. Gash 8.

At Tring Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 49 mins.: H. Bishop 1, F. Keen 2, J. Pulett 3, H. Bull 4, F. C. Reeve 5, C. Badrick 6, F. J. Reeve (conductor) 7, N. Brackley 8. First quarter-peal by the ringers of 1st and 6th, and rung by an entirely local band.

At Cirencester, Glos, for the service at the Parish Church, 575 Grandsire Caters: F. W. Bond 1, A. Parsons 2, H. L. Cook 3, A. V. Bond 4, J. C. Eden 5, F. J. Lewis (conductor) 6, H. C. Bond 7, H. Lewis 8, W. H. Hayward 9, F. Edwards 10; and after the service 287 Grandsire Caters.

At the Parish Church, Buckingham, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 45 mins.: H. Cashmore 1, T. Read 2, F. Case 3, E. Lambert 4, L. Smith 5, T. Roberts (conductor) 6, J. Green 7, G. Foddy 8.

At Ash Priors, Taunton, for evensong, 720 Bob Minor: E. C. Thomas 1, E. Branchflower 2, H. Sealy 3, A. Tout 4, J. Newick 5, B. T. Jeanes (conductor) 6.

At Wolverhampton, on Sunday morning, at St. Peter's, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1,259 changes) in 55 mins.: W. E. Maddox 1, T. Roden 2, T. Smith 3, G. A. Baker 4, F. Brotherton 5, H. T. Piper 6, W. H. Lawley 7, H. Boswell 8, W. A. Cooper (conductor) 9, H. Knight 10. First quarters Caters 'inside' for ringers of 4th and 8th. Immediately after service the 12 bells were 'fired' 64 times—once for each year of His Majesty's age, G. P. Smith and J. Williams taking part with the above.

At Fairford, Glos, for 8 a.m. special service, 720 Grandsire Doubles: G. Law 1, I. Hope (conductor) 2, J. Peyman 3, G. J. Winter 4, J. Smith 5, Cooper 6. There was also the usual morning and evening service ringing.

At All Saints' Church, Newport, Mon, prior to the morning service, to distinguish the day from an ordinary Sunday service, the bells were a number of times 'fired,' interspersed with Queen's. Touches of Triples were then rung. For the evening service a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) in 44 mins.: H. Ridout 1, T. Ford 2, W. Millard 3, H. Forbes 4, A. Thomas 5, G. Day 6, J. W. Jones (conductor) 7, H. Amos 8. All are Sunday service ringers at this church.

At St. Margaret's, Ipswich, 420 Grandsire Triples: C. Cracknell 1, J. Smith 2, H. G. Welham 3, Roy Woodard 4, F. Bowell (St. Clement's) 5, J. Rose (conductor) 6, G. More 7, H. Cowey 8. For evensong, 224 Bob Major by: C. Cracknell 1, Sid Moss 2, O. Barnard 3, J. Rose 4, R. Woodard 5, H. Welham (conductor) 6, J. Smith 7, G. More 8.

At Staveley, Derbyshire, after morning service, 720 Bob Major in 28 mins.: A. Markwell 1, L. G. Palmer 2, F. Dyble 3, F. Parsons, jun., 4, S. Smedley 5, F. Parsons, sen., 6, W. T. Palmer 7, A. E. Parsons (conductor) 8. All are Sunday service ringers at this church.

At Cranford, Northants, 720 Oxford Bob Minor was rung after the Thanksgiving service on Sunday evening: W. Fellowes (first 720) 1, Miss Sylvia Thursfield 2, F. Penn 3, E. Palmer 4, F. Lewin (conductor) 5, J. Lewin 6.

At St. Andrew's Church, Uxbridge, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Oxford Bob Triples in 44 mins.: W. L. Gutteridge 1, G. H. Gutteridge 2, J. H. Lucas 3, R. Warnett 4, E. Hancox 5, F. Corke (conductor) 6, R. Carter 7, G. Nicholls 8.

At Rochester Cathedral, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1,259 changes) in 57 mins., by the Cathedral Society: W. Haigh (conductor) 1, J. Kidd 2, H. Springate 3, E. A. G. Allen 4, F. Belsey 5, H. Poulter 6, W. Easter 7, C. Norris 8, J. Haigh 9, A. Haylor 10.

At East Hagbourne, Berks, before the service of Thanksgiving, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) in 47 mins.: A. W. Cox 1, J. Butler 2, W. V. Webb 3, A. H. Webb (conductor) 4, H. K. White 5, F. H. Abbott 6, J. Sawyer 7, W. A. Goodenough 8.

At St. Clement's, Ipswich, 720 Norwich Surprise: J. G. Harvey 1, A. V. Middleditch 2, W. Prime 3, H. Shemming 4, V. E. Waters 5, F. J. Long (conductor) 6. Also 720 Annable's London Surprise by: D. Brumming 1, A. V. Middleditch 2, W. Prime 3, H. Shemming 4, F. Bowell (conductor) 5, F. J. Long 6.

At Beckenham, Kent, on Saturday, July 6th, at a London county meeting, on the eve of Thanksgiving Day, in 46 mins., a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (Carter's Odd Bob): C. F. Winney (conductor) 1, W. A. Martin 2, H. Dyas 3, J. H. Crampion (first quarter-peal and first attempt) 4, R. Mackrill 5, E. A. Reeve 6, J. Herbert 7, W. Meek 8.

At Putney, on Sunday, July 7th, for Thanksgiving Day, and in honour of the visit of the Lord Bishop of Southwark, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 44 mins.: E. Cassel, jun., 1, T. Bolton 2, C. E. Collis 3, W. H. Ball 4, E. Cassel 5, J. Herbert 6, W. T. Elson (composer and conductor) 7, A. E. Williams 8.

At St. Andrew's Church, Farnham, Surrey, for 7 a.m. Holy Communion service, 986 Grandsire Triples: H. Burningham 1, J. Read 2, F. Kemp 3, S. Meadows 4, T. Upshall 5, C. Edwards 6, R. Hasted (conductor) 7, G. Upshall 8. For the 11 a.m. Thanksgiving service 1,008 Stedman Triples: C. Edwards 1, G. Upshall 2, J. Read 3, S. Meadows 4, T. Upshall (conductor) 5, C. Wells 6, R. Hasted 7, A. E. King 8. Also 168 Oxford Bob Triples, and for evening service 504 Grandsire Triples.

At Northfield, Birmingham, at the Parish Church after evensong, 1,280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: F. B. Yates 1, J. Withers 2, P. O. Laffin (conductor) 3, A. Chambers 4, C. W. Wheeler 5, J. George 6, A. Walker 7, H. Withers 8.

At Sibsey, Lincolnshire, after evening service, 720 Bob Minor. Miss Louth 1, W. E. Clarke 2, F. Dewey 3, S. Lovell 4, W. Wilkinsen 5, H. Harper (conductor) 6.

At St. Peter's Church, Ashton-under-Lyne 720 Bob Minor in 25 mins.: Mrs. W. Wolstencroft 1, Miss Ida Wolstencroft (first in the method) 2, Miss Ethel Grimshaw 3, J. Gayton 4, E. Johnson 5, W. W. Wolstencroft 6.

At the Parish Church, Luton, Beds, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Cambridge Surprise Major in 46 mins.: F. Blackburn 1, A. King 2, B. Wilson 3, A. Smith 4, H. Burton 5, F. Hunt 6, T. Kendall 7, L. A. Goodenough (conductor) 8.

At Aberavon, Glam, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) in 44 mins.: G. Chappell 1, W. Williams 2, F. E. Stone 3, W. J. Nurton 4, C. Jones 5, A. J. Pitman 6, E. Stinch (conductor) 7, J. Weathersby 8. For evening service, a quarter-peal in the same method: C. Hughes 1, W. Williams 2, A. J. Pitman (conductor) 3, W. J. Nurton 4, C. Mathers 5, F. E. Stone 6, E. Stinch 7, J. Weathersby 8. All the ringers are Sunday service ringers, and it is the first time two quarter-peals have been rung on a Sunday.

At Holy Trinity Church, Old Hill, Staffs, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 47 mins.: B. Mason 1, O. Pearson 2, W. E. Fendall 3, H. Johnson 4, J. Price 5, B. Price 6, W. Green (conductor) 7, G. Swallow 8.

At Swanmore, Hants, in the afternoon, 720 Canterbury Pleasure Minor: E. Jacobs, jun., 1, A. Millard 2, A. Watson 3, E. Jacobs, sen., 4, H. Ainsley 5, W. Linter (conductor) 6. Also 720 Oxford Bob Minor.

#### A RECORD FOR THE KING.

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—I desire to remind those affiliated to the Central Council that it was decided to tabulate the peals rung in celebration of the King's recovery, and send His Majesty the statement with the expression of our gratitude to the Almighty. This was to be done as soon after Thanksgiving Day as would be found possible.

In view of the above, I would suggest that any such peals be rung within the next fortnight and published in 'The Ringing World.'—Yours faithfully,

E. ALEX. YOUNG.

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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Mr. J. C. Cherry, son of the late Lord Chief Justice Cherry, of Dublin, has recently taken his medical degree, and is now holding an appointment in a London Hospital. Mr. Cherry has scored several peals, but his pursuit of ringing has, of course, been restricted by his studies.

Mr. Ernest Morris has just been appointed as hon. consultant on bells, etc., to the Advisory Committee of Leicester Diocese, and has already been called upon to report on one ring of bells.

In addition to his ringing activities, which include the secretaryship of the Midland Counties Association, Mr. Morris is a member of the Leicestershire Archaeological Society, and has written a history of St. Margaret's Church, Leicester (transcribed from three ancient registers). He has also revised North's 'Church Bells of Leicestershire' up to date, and is now engaged upon a 'History of Change Ringing.'

At Pinner, Middlesex, four of the local band, who have been under the instruction of Messrs. G. and H. Kilby, scored their first peal last Saturday, and another rang his first peal of Triples. The 'first pealers' included Mr. T. Humphreys, who is 67, and rang the tenor; and Mr. Charles Lord, who is 72. Mr. James George is a native of Pinner, and it seems, even now, that he will have to look to his laurels.

A correspondent writes to ask whether the Londoners who visited Birmingham on Saturday now thoroughly understand what is meant by 'ye Nelson Touch,' and whether it is a fact that one distinguished visitor found it necessary to take off his coat, so as thoroughly to enjoy the said 'touch'?

Mr. F. E. Dawe, who recently visited Inverness, found the bells in the Cathedral in a very dilapidated condition.

The first peal of Erin Caters was rung 20 years ago to-day at North Shields.

The opening of the ring of twelve bells at St. Chad's, Shrewsbury, took place on July 18th, 1798, and on that occasion the College Youths rang a peal of Grandsire Cinquses.

The ringer of the fourth in the peal at East Peckham was Tom, not Sam, Saunders.

The bells of St. Martin's, Birmingham, will be broadcast on Sunday evening, from 7.50 to 8 p.m.

## SECESSION OF GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL.

To the Editor.

Sir,—Mr. Guise's long letter calls only for one or two remarks.

The idea that the Central Council is 'in existence to create Sunday service church bellringers' is quite new to me. I always looked on this as being the work of the associations, the work of the Council being to give advice to the associations, and through them to their members, who are already ringers.

'You are not here as a delegate.' It seems useless to try and explain to Mr. Guise, as I thought and hoped that I had done in my last letter, that these words of the president do not, and neither the president nor anyone else can, prevent a member of Council from considering himself, and acting in all respects as if he were, a delegate. By doing so, he merely lowers his own status quite gratuitously.

In his allusion to the discussion on diplomas at the jubilee meeting of the Gloucester and Bristol Association last year, Mr. Guise accuses me of putting an end to the subject 'without full discussion.' I must leave my conduct in the chair to the judgment in general of those who were present. There is certainly no hint of such action on my part in your report of the meeting in 'The Ringing World' of June 1st, 1928, and your correspondent was within a couple of yards of the chair throughout the meeting. I adhere to your report of what I did and said.—Yours faithfully,

CHARLES D. P. DAVIES.

## APPEAL FOR ECKINGTON RINGER.

In response to the appeal made in our columns a fortnight ago on behalf of Mr. Alfred West, a ringer of Eckington, who is totally incapacitated, and who has a young family dependent upon him, the following contributions have been received:—

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Windermere Parish Church Ringers	...	14 0
W. Pole Routh (Reading)	...	10 0
Wm. Pickworth (Southgate)	...	5 0
W. H. Fussell (Slough)	...	5 0
A. W. G.	...	10 0
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These gifts are thankfully acknowledged by Mr. T. A. Howes Smith, The Yews, Eckington, near Sheffield, to whom any subscription should be sent.

Mr. West has been a Sunday service ringer for nearly forty years, and his present illness follows upon a serious injury in a coal mine some years ago. The circumstances of the case and the pressing need make this an instance in which members of the Exercise can render invaluable help by a generous response to the appeal.



### BELLS OF HATHERLEIGH RECAST. A DEVON RESTORATION.

The old eight bells at Hatherleigh, Devon, cast by Thomas Bilbie, of Cullompton, have been recast by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, of the Whitechapel Bell Foundry, and rehung with all new fittings in the old frame. The work, together with the provision of a new clock, has been carried out at the expense of the Misses E. and H. Churchward in memory of their brother, Mr. George Gould Churchward. The bells, with tenor of 14 cwt. in E, are tuned on the five-tone harmonic principle, and are hung with the latest type of fittings. The oak frame, which was only about forty years old, has been reconstructed and strengthened and mounted on a double foundation of steel girders. The ringing chamber has been restored to its original position, about halfway up, thereby reducing the draught by about 30 feet. The inscription on the tenor bell is: 'Thomas Bilbie, fecit, Cullompton, Revd. G. Glascott, Vicar. John Southcombe and John Turner, jun., Churchwardens, 1813. These eight bells were recast and rehung in memory of George Gould Churchward by his sisters Elizabeth and Heroine. A.D. 1929. J. C. Rossiter, Vicar; F. W. Down and S. Palmer, wardens.'

The other bells bear the inscription: 'T.B. 1813. Recast by M. and S., 1929, of London.' The work of erecting the clock, which is to have Westminster chimes, will be begun shortly.

The dedication of the bells was performed by the Bishop of Exeter in the presence of a very large congregation, and following the dedicatory prayers the bells were rung while the Bishop and clergy returned to the chancel from the ringing chamber. The ringers were Messrs. E. Palmer (captain, who has been a ringer at the Parish Church for close upon 60 years), W. Ellacott, J. Short, A. Luxton, G. Weeks, S. Causeley, G. Short, and Tuck. All were agreed that the recasting and rehanging have effected a marked improvement. Everybody spoke very enthusiastically about the tone and 'go' of the bells.

In his address, the Bishop spoke of the early uses of towers and bells, and said that he understood that in Devonshire at the time of the Spanish Armada they were set ringing in all the towns and villages in the county to call men to arms. The bells were used for different purposes. They were rung not only to give the alarm in danger, but also at festivals. Their most important use, however, was to call the people to worship. 'The bells called us together in a body,' said the Bishop; 'don't let us think of ourselves only as a parish, but remember we all belong to one another. Do not regard other denominations as outsiders. Remember that a great army has many regiments with different forms of discipline. We are all fighting the same great enemy. When we hear the bells it is a call to arms. We must remember that we Christians are a great body, and we have a great enemy, and in the end we shall win the Kingdom.'

After the service the bells were rung both by the local men and visiting ringers. The Town Band also gave selections at intervals in the Market Square.

### WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

A quarterly meeting of the Andover District was held at Laverstoke and Whitechurch on Saturday, June 29th, members attending from Andover, Binfeld, Overton, North Stoneham, Highclere, Winchester, Woolton Hill, Wootton St. Lawrence and Laverstoke. A service, with an excellent address, was conducted by the Rector, Rev. W. Wragge, who welcomed the members to the tower. Tea was served at Laverstoke Mills canteen, followed by the usual business meeting, at which the Rector presided.

Although quite a number of towers were represented, the number of members was small. However, good use was made of the bells, especially for the junior members, who had their first touch in various methods. It often happens that where a large gathering is present the younger members do not get so much opportunity to ring, and so get discouraged.

During the afternoon and evening touches of the following methods were rung: Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, Plain Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Cambridge Surprise Minor at Laverstoke, and Grandsire and Stedman Triples at Whitechurch.

### A SEVENTEEN HOUR TRIP.

On Saturday, June 22nd, the annual outing of the St. Mary-le-Tower Society of Ringers, Ipswich, took place. Seventeen members started at 6 a.m. in a motor saloon, and by eight o'clock breakfast was being partaken of at the Blue Boar Hotel, Maldon. Ringing was indulged in at the triangular steeple of All Saints' Church, and also on the six bells at St. Mary's. Other towers visited were Galleywood, Widford, Writtle, and, after ringing at Writtle, the company had the pleasure of witnessing a cricket match in progress, also of listening to a well-struck attempt for a peal of Superlative Surprise Major by officers of the Essex Association.

Upon reaching Great Waltham a splendid dinner awaited the company at Ye Olde Six Bells Hotel, which gave them renewed vigour to manipulate the ropes attached to the heavy bells there. The last place was Chelmsford Cathedral, where a good course of New Cambridge Surprise Maximus was rung. The ringing throughout the day included methods up to London Surprise Major. The society wishes to thank all steeplekeepers and others who helped to make this 17-hour outing so successful.

### ST. COLUMB'S CATHEDRAL, LONDONDERRY, IRELAND

The bells of this Cathedral were probably the oldest peal of eight in Ireland. One was 'recast for Londonderry steeple' in 1614. Another was given in 1630. Five more were added by King Charles I. in 1638, and the last was the gift of the citizens in 1671. These have now been recast by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon, with five additional bells, the tenor weighing 32 cwt., and the total weight being 7 tons 13 cwt.

A dedication service will be held on Thursday, July 25th, at 6.30 p.m., when the Bishop of Derry will officiate, and the preacher will be the Lord Primate of All Ireland (Dr. D'Arcy).

After the service the bells will be rung by ringers from St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin. The B.B.C. will broadcast the dedication and bells from 6.30 p.m. till 7.45 p.m. Those who hear the bells on the wireless are invited to communicate their impressions to the hon. secretary of the Cathedral, James Trimble, Chapter House, Derry Cathedral, Londonderry. Their letters will be preserved amongst the records of these historic bells.

The collection at this service will be for the purpose of providing a memorial tablet to two heroes of the siege of Derry who lie side by side in the North Aisle, Colonel Baker, one of the governors of the city, and Captain Browning, captain of the 'Mountjoy,' killed at the breaking of the boom when the city was relieved. For two hundred and forty years their graves have remained without so much as their names being inscribed over them. Those who have read Macaulay know how much the Empire owes to these men, and it is hoped that within the next year a memorial worthy of the Empire, and of such loyal and devoted service as they gave, may mark their resting place.

Ringers able to attend will be heartily welcomed.

### ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

A very successful meeting of the Northern Division of the Essex Association was held at Colne Engine on Saturday. A short service was held in the Parish Church, at which the Rector, Rev. J. W. Dunne, officiated, and gave an excellent address. Tea and meeting followed at the Five Bells Inn. Mr. A. Saunders, the District Master, presided, supported by the Rector, Mr. C. H. Howard (Master), Mr. W. J. Nevard (District Master, N.E. Division), Mr. E. J. Butler (hon. sec., S.W. Division), and upwards of 30 members from Earls Colne, Colne Engine, Halstead, Greenstead Green, Braintree, Sible Hedingham, West Bergholt, Great Bentley, Great Yeldham, Wickham St. Paul, and Romford. The whole of the young local band, eight members, who are receiving instruction from Mr. F. Claydon, of Earls Colne, and making rapid progress, were elected members of the association.

It was decided to hold the next meeting at Gestingthorpe early in September, and the annual district meeting at Braintree in November.

A vote of thanks was passed to the Rector for the use of the bells and his address, and to the organist for his services, also to those who provided the tea.

During the evening a visit was paid by Miss Courtauld, by whose generosity the tower has been restored and the ring of six rehung. She expressed herself delighted with the enthusiasm of the ringers and her appreciation of the handbell ringing arranged especially for her benefit.

Touches in various methods, ranging from Bob Minor to London Surprise, were rung during the day.

### SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

#### EASTERN DIVISION.

A most successful meeting of the Eastern Division was held at Ringmer on Saturday, June 29th, 35 members attending, representing Brighton (St. Peter's, St. Nicholas), and Church of the Good Shepherd, St. Saviour's (Eastbourne), Heathfield, Mayfield, Merstham, Southover, Christ Church (St. Leonards), and members of the local band. Mr. J. H. Shepherd, of Swindon, was also present. The tower was opened for ringing at 2.30, and the bells were kept going merrily until about 7.30 p.m. in methods ranging from Grandsire Triples to London Surprise Major.

Owing to a prior engagement, the Rector (Rev. the Hon. Campbell Douglas) was not present, and therefore there was no service. The Rector, however, provided a splendid tea for the members in the Parish Room, Mr. W. J. Wilmshurst, churchwarden, presiding, and the wives of the local ringers very kindly waiting upon the gathering.

At the business meeting which followed, Mr. Wilmshurst occupied the chair, and on behalf of the Rector and himself offered an enthusiastic welcome to the members of the association.—The Hon. Secretary, in responding, thanked Mr. Wilmshurst for his kind remarks, and asked him to convey to the Rector the best thanks of the members for the use of the bells and for the splendid tea which had been provided.

Mr. W. D. Smith, supporting the motion, also thanked Mr. Wilmshurst for his kindness in coming amongst them, and also for presiding at the tea and meeting; he also thanked the ladies who so kindly waited upon the members at tea.

At the close of the meeting the sum of 12s. 6d. was collected for the Benevolent Fund.

## GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

### A MESSAGE FROM THE KING.

'The King sincerely thanks the members of the Guildford Diocesan Guild of Church Bellringers assembled at their annual festival for their kind and loyal greetings.'

This royal message was received by the Master of the Guildford Diocesan Guild during the summer festival at Haslemere on Saturday in response to a telegram sent by the members of the Guild conveying their respectful greetings to His Majesty upon his recovery.

This was one of the interesting features of an extremely successful gathering attended by over a hundred members and visitors, who came from, among other places, Aldershot, Bagshot, Bramshott, Cobham, Dorking, Farnham, Guildford (Cathedral and St. Nicolas'), Godalming, Haslemere, Hawley, London, Leatherhead, Ottershaw, Walton, West Clandon, Woking, etc. The beautiful peal of ten bells, the tenor of which is only 13 cwt., and which can be heard perfectly both inside and outside the tower, were kept busily engaged in the afternoon, in rounds for the least experienced and Grandsire Doubles, up to Cambridge Surprise Royal, so that everyone who desired might ring. Quite a large proportion of the members travelled by road, and visited Chiddingfold on the way, where the eight bells were utilised during the afternoon.

Haslemere Church, which has associations with Tennyson, was the centre of the proceedings, and the festival service was well attended. In the absence of the Rector, the Rev. O. S. Walford officiated, and the singing of the hymns was led by a piano, the organ being at present under reconstruction.

### A RINGING LESSON FROM THE PULPIT.

The preacher was Canon G. F. Coleridge, president of the Central Council, and his homely address was as from one ringer to others. His text was, 'I was glad when they said unto me we will go into the House of the Lord' (Psalm cxlii. 1). He spoke of the joy of service and of the privilege which ringers had of devoting their skill, their intellect and their strength to serving God in His House. Ringing, he said, was not a very easy thing to learn, and it took a lifetime to become perfect in it. He emphasised the need for perseverance and punctuality. A ringer was not worth much, in his opinion, if he was content to ring the same old thing week by week. God had given him a brain and hands to work and the ability to do something better than he had done before. There was a duty of punctuality due from every ringer. No hand could ever excel unless every member of the band was punctual on the stroke of the hour. The waste of time caused by unpunctual ringers was really terrible.

The preacher next referred to a conversation which he had had before the service with a youthful ringer, and then, quite spontaneously, there came from him a simple lesson to other young ringers present upon how to master Stedman. He added that they must not expect to leap before they could walk, and they must grasp the simple things thoroughly. They must be persevering at home with pencil and paper, and persevering and punctual in the tower at practice. If they would excel at practice it would be the greatest joy of their lives, Sunday by Sunday, to know that it was their privilege to call others to the House of God with the very best touch they could ring. It need not be in a very intricate method—he would sooner hear rounds struck perfectly than a five thousand with false blows in it. Especially on the morrow it would be a privilege to feel that they were among those who would voice the joy and thanksgiving for the restoration to health of their Sovereign Lord the King.

After service, a substantial meat tea was served in the schoolroom. The Rev. O. S. Walford, who is a great friend of the Haslemere ringers, presided, supported by Major J. H. B. Hesse (Master), Admiral T. P. Walker (hon. treasurer), and Mrs. Walker. Mr. Walter Harrison (vice-president), Canon G. F. Coleridge (president of the Central Council), Rev. A. W. Armitstead (Hawley), Mr. J. S. Goldsmith (hon. secretary), etc.

The Hon. Secretary subsequently said there was no business to transact at that meeting, but there were one or two things he wanted to mention. As the day of their summer festival was the eve of the Thanksgiving for the King's recovery from his serious illness, the Master of the Guild, the hon. treasurer, and hon. secretary came to the conclusion that it would be a fitting opportunity for them to send a message of congratulation to His Majesty. Accordingly that afternoon they sent this telegram: 'Lord Stamfordham, Buckingham Palace, London. The members of the Guildford Diocesan Guild of Church Bellringers now assembled at Haslemere for our annual festival, humbly submit to His Most Gracious Majesty the King our loyal and respectful greetings upon the recovery of His Majesty from his recent grievous illness. We shall join in the celebrations to-morrow by special bellringing, so that the church bells all over this diocese shall play their traditional part in the great national thanksgiving. Major J. H. B. Hesse (Master of the Guild), Admiral T. P. Walker (treasurer), J. S. Goldsmith (secretary).' (Applause.) Mr. Goldsmith said he would like to add that there was a certain personal touch in one of the signatures to that telegram. Admiral Walker had been a shipmate of His Majesty, and he believed that when the King, as Duke of York, toured in Australian waters, Admiral Walker was on His Majesty's staff. He

hoped the King would recognise the name again when he saw it on the telegram (applause).

The reply, received later in the evening, is quoted above.

### THE WINCHESTER GUILD JUBILEE.

Mr. Goldsmith went on to say that as many of them knew the old Winchester Diocesan Guild, now the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild, from which the Guildford Diocesan Guild sprang, was that day celebrating its jubilee. It was most unfortunate that the two events clashed. Originally they had hoped the two festivals would have been a joint affair, but the Winchester Guild began to have some qualms as to the wisdom of having to bring their members across Hampshire to a place which was rather inaccessible to them. The result was that the Winchester Guild decided to give up the suggestion for a joint festival and were holding their jubilee at Winchester. Unfortunately they fixed it for the same day as the Guildford Guild festival, which had already been fixed. He was sorry that the Winchester Guild had not chosen another day, as many members of the Guildford Guild would like to have been with them. But as they could not be with them in person they wanted them to know that they were with them in spirit. They had therefore sent this telegram to the Master: 'Guildford Diocesan Guild assembled at summer festival, send hearty greetings and congratulations upon jubilee, and best wishes for continued success and prosperity of Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild.—Hesse, Master.' (Applause.)

In connection with the Winchester Diocesan Guild, some of them knew that a memorial was erected to the memory of the Rev. C. E. Matthews, a former Master of the Guild. That memorial took the shape of new bells at his old church of Milford-on-Sea, and Mr. Pullinger, the secretary of the Winchester Guild, had received from the founders of those bells two excellent photographs. He had sent him a letter with one copy of the photograph, in which he said the would like to offer it to the Guildford Guild as a small token of appreciation of the help which he received from the members in raising funds for the memorial to the Rev. C. E. Matthews. If the picture was accepted, he suggested, subject to the approval of the authorities, that when framed the photograph should be placed in the Cathedral chamber or some other tower prominently associated with the old Guild. Mr. Goldsmith assumed that the Guild would be pleased to accept this picture, and that the arrangements as to its destination be left to the officers of the Guild and the authorities of the Cathedral or some other church. In conclusion, Mr. Goldsmith referred to the illness of Mr. Bernard Clark, until recently secretary of the Farnham District. He was now in hospital having been involved in a severe motor accident which would probably keep him from work for more than six months. He had a fractured thigh and other injuries. With the approval of the meeting he proposed to send a letter to Mr. Clark expressing their regret at his inability to be present and their best wishes for his speedy recovery (applause).

Mr. Walter Harrison said he did not propose to make a speech, but in obedience to instructions he had to propose one or two votes of thanks, if they were going to do their duty as a Guild. First of all, to the Rev. E. P. Pelloe, of Chiddingfold, and the Rev. G. S. Richards, of Godalming, to whom they owed thanks for the use of their towers in connection with the festival that day. They regretted the absence of the Rev. J. M. La F. McNally, Rector of Haslemere, who was, unfortunately for them, away in Scotland, but they welcomed the Rev. O. S. Walford, who, he learned, was an assistant priest in Haslemere some 50 years ago. They were very pleased to greet him, and to see him in the chair. They also wanted to voice their thanks to Major Hesse and Mr. Richard Hayes for the excellent local arrangements they had made for the festival at Haslemere. Those arrangements had gone off very well. Walking up from the station he was much struck by the beautiful tone of the bells. They really sounded most delightful, as they came across the country. They owed one other expression of thanks, and that was to the organist, who had played the piano in church. They were very grateful to him, and, finally, he had to mention their old friend, Canon Coleridge, both for his presence and for his address. They rejoiced to see him fully restored to health after his serious illness.

Major Hesse seconded the vote of thanks, and said he was pleased to see such a good attendance at the festival. He was sorry that a few he had expected had not arrived, but he hoped that all who were present had thoroughly enjoyed themselves. He was particularly glad to see his old friend, Mr. Walford. He had had a great trouble to get him to sit where he was, but he had always been interested in bells and bellringers wherever he had been, and all of them were pleased to see him in the chair.—The motion was carried by acclamation.

The Rev. O. S. Walford, in reply, said it had been mentioned that he was a parish priest in Haslemere 50 years ago. He was afraid that it was even 58 years ago that he first came to Haslemere. He was sorry that the Rector was unable to be present, but he would be pleased to hear of the success of the festival when he told him about it.—Canon Coleridge also replied, and said he was pleased to see so many young ringers present. Some of them were old and

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**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD.****LINK WITH HONOURED NAME RENEWED.**

The quarterly meeting of St. Martin's Guild for the Diocese of Birmingham was held on Saturday, July 6th, at the Parish Church of St. Margaret, Great Barr, near Birmingham. The church has several interesting features connected with it. The porch and tower were restored in 1892, but built into the wall of the porch there is a stone which shows that the original was erected by George Merihurst in 1677. In the church are many fine stained glass windows; and in the chancel and on the wall of the north aisle preserved in glass cases are some almost priceless tapestry altar frontals. The tower contains a light peal of six, the front five cast by Edward Arnold, of Leicester, in 1796, and the tenor recast by Carr, Smethwick, in 1924. The ringing chamber has recently been painted, and is a credit to the authorities and the young band of ringers who ring there. It is here surely where the most ancient ladder in existence is in regular use. In order to reach the bells one has to ascend by it, and engraved on the side is the date 1715 a.c. The writer of these notes, however, was unable to obtain any reliable information to vouch for its accuracy.

About 24 members sat down to an excellent tea at the Beacon Inn, and this was followed by the business meeting. In the unavoidable absence of the presiding Ringing Master, Alderman J. S. Pritchett, M.A., Mr. Vice-President Paddon Smith proposed that Lieut. W. H. Hallsworth, of the Indian Army, now at home on leave, should take the chair. He remarked that the name of Hallsworth was an honoured one in connection with the St. Martin's Guild, Matthew Hallsworth, grandfather of Lieut. Hallsworth, having rung many peals in the Bull Ring.—Lieut. Hallsworth, in accepting, stated that although he had not done any ringing on tower bells in this country for 32 years, he was, however, keenly interested in the art of change ringing. He was happy to be present that afternoon, and would also like to become an honorary member of the Guild.—On the proposition of Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Johnson, and supported by the secretary, he was unanimously elected an honorary member.

Owing to the absence of the Deputy Ringing Master, Mr. Albert Walker, who was engaged in 'fathering' a company of London ringers to the city, the Secretary reported that the scheme for the restoration of Aston bells, although not to be put in hand immediately, had not been dropped, but would be proceeded with as soon as a small remaining debt on the organ fund had been cleared off.

It was decided to hold the next quarterly meeting at Edgbaston Parish Church on the first Saturday in October.

Votes of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, to Mr. Merriam for having everything ready, and to the chairman for presiding, concluded the meeting.

A return was made to the tower, where some excellent touches in various methods from Grandsire Doubles to Cambridge Surprise Minor were successfully brought round, four lady ringers taking part.

Lieut. Hallsworth also took part in the ringing, and although he had not handled a rope for so long managed to ring the treble through a touch.

Although the attendance was not all that could be wished, yet the meeting was a most enjoyable one.

**NEWCASTLE'S 'GREAT RINGER' DAY.**

To-morrow will be a great day at Newcastle, when members of the Diocesan Guild and ringers from all over the North of England will be the guests of the 'Newcastle Evening Chronicle' and Messrs. Gillett and Johnston at the North-East Coast Exhibition, where they will inspect the Wellington (New Zealand) carillon, which was cast at the Croydon Foundry. Mr. Clifford E. Ball is to give a demonstration, and afterwards the visiting ringers and their friends will be entertained to tea, and will be welcomed by the Lord Mayor. In the evening there is to be a musical gathering at the 'Chronicle' Hall.

**LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**

The June monthly meeting was held at Rothwell, and members were present from Armley, Batley, Headingley, St. Chad's, Lindley, Guiseley, Drighlington, and the local company. Four new members were elected. The methods rung were Plain Bob and Little Bob Major, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob Major, Stedman Triples and Double Norwich Major. Special attempts were made on the last-named method by various ringers, and it is again to be the special practice method at the next meeting at Calverley.

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grey and feeble, and they looked to the young ringers to carry on the work. If, as he said in church, they were punctual and persevering, they would not go very far wrong.

In the evening there was further ringing at Haslemere, and some of the members also visited Godalming, where, by contrast, the bells go very heavily. One party paid a visit to Privett.

The message to the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild was acknowledged by the Master, who reciprocated the good wishes expressed in the telegram.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**

A combined meeting of the Cheltenham and Tewkesbury Branches of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association was held by special invitation at Alderton on Saturday, June 29th. The company had the honour of welcoming their new Master (Rev. E. S. Selby), who had motored some 30 miles to be present. The weather being fine, members turned up early, and the nice light right of six were soon going.

Service was conducted by the Rector (Rev. A. D. Pennington), who had the assistance of a full choir. The lesson was read by the Rev. E. G. Benson, of Tewkesbury, and the Master (Rev. E. S. Selby) gave a most interesting address.

After the service, all adjourned to the Village Hall, where the members were the guests of the Rev. and Mrs. Pennington, who had a very efficient staff of helpers.

The business meeting of the Cheltenham Branch was held afterwards, and was cut down to the minimum.

The branch chairman (Rev. A. D. Pennington), was in the chair, supported by the Master, the Rev. E. G. Benson, Rev. W. W. Baker, Mr. W. J. Smith, and over 40 odd members from towers in the Branch.

The Chairman welcomed them all there that day, but he was sorry to inform them that that might be his last chance of offering his hospitality, as he expected soon to resign his living on account of his advanced age.

Charlton Kings was proposed as the place for the annual meeting, which was left for the secretary to arrange.

Mr. H. Wakeford, in a happy speech, proposed a vote of thanks to their host for all he had done for the ringers that day, and mentioned that Mr. Pennington had two hobbies—ringers and railway-men (applause).—The motion was seconded by Mr. Wm. Hale, and carried with acclamation. The tower was again visited, and good practice obtained.

**'GREAT RINGING DAY' AT SAFFRON WALDEN.**

The 306th anniversary of 'Great Ringing Day' at Saffron Walden was held on Thursday, June 27th. There was a good attendance of visitors, among whom were Canon Ridout (St. Albans, Johannesburg), Messrs. C. H. Howard (Master of Essex Association), W. and G. R. Pye, E. J. Putler (Leytonstone), G. B. Lucas (Walthamstow), T. Groombridge, sen. (Chislehurst), G. W. Faulkner (Barking), E. Duffield (Colchester), C. H. Kippin, D. Cooper (Beddington), W. H. Lawrence (Little Munden), G. and T. Jordan, T. Watts (Stansted), Dr. E. Taylor (Sevenoaks), son of the late Mr. E. Taylor, J.P., of Saffron Walden (a former Master of the Saffron Walden Society), and others. The local ringers taking part were Messrs. A. E., E. A., F. J., and L. E. Pitstow, A. James, F. Dench, G. Sparrow, R. Strong, W. Parish, F. Ridgwell, A. Simmonds and H. Sketchley.

The day was opened by the society ringing Cambridge Surprise Major, and the bells were kept going all the morning. At noon, an excellent touch of Stedman Cinques was rung for the service, which commenced at 12.30 p.m., the sermon being preached by the Vicar, the Rev. Dr. L. Hughes.

After the service all went to the Rose and Crown Hotel, where an excellent hot lunch was served, the Vicar presiding. At the conclusion, Mr. A. E. Pitstow, on behalf of the Saffron Walden Society, welcomed the visitors, and said he was pleased to see so many present. In reply, Mr. W. Pye said he was pleased to be able to attend another anniversary of this ancient society. It was 37 years since he first visited the tower, and in those days he came to practice Double Norwich and Superlative. It was the first time he had been to Saffron Walden since the funeral of the late Mr. F. Pitstow, and he missed him very much. He looked to the other members of that family to keep up the traditions of the Saffron Walden Society.

Other speeches were made by Mr. C. H. Howard, Dr. E. Taylor and Canon Ridout, who gave an interesting account of bellringing in South Africa.

The ringers then returned to the tower, and the bells were kept going all the afternoon and evening, the methods including Stedman Cinques, Cambridge Royal, and the Major Surprises.

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**A LEAD TO WEST SUFFOLK RINGERS.**

On Wednesday, June 26th, a practice meeting was held at the Monks Eleigh Church, when ringers attended from Bildeston, Lavenham, Little Walsingham and the local band. A visitor from Shipley, Yorks, was also present. Touches in the following methods were rung on the fine peal of six: Plain Bob, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, including 720 of Oxford Treble Bob Minor, by: A. Symonds (Lavenham) 1, T. E. King (Shipley, Yorks) 2, K. Whittle (Bildeston) 3, W. Head (Little Walsingham) 4, A. Keeble (Monks Eleigh) 5, S. H. Symonds (Lavenham) (conductor) 6. It is hoped that other districts in West Suffolk will follow this lead by arranging other combined practice meetings, which is most essential for the revival of the art in this part of the country.



## OLD GROUND REVISITED.

Thirty years ago St. John the Baptist Association, Leytonstone, started on their series of annual outings, Bury St. Edmunds being the place selected. This year it was decided to revisit this ancient place, and on Friday, June 14th, ten members left Liverpool Street by the 7.10 p.m. train. On arrival they were met by Mr. W. J. Nevard, of Great Bentley, and Mr. T. Faulkner, of Barking, and Mr. Chinery and another of the local band conducted them to headquarters, the White Lion Hotel. Next morning, after an early breakfast, a charabanc tour to a number of towers was embarked upon. Messrs. Durrant and Lott joined the party at Ixworth and Walsham-le-Willows was reached at 8.45 a.m. Soon the bells (a good peal of six) were going to Cambridge. It was found, however, that the bells sadly need the attention of a bellhanger, and very little could be done on them. Making their way to Ricklinghall, the ringers found things in good order, and on this handy ring 720 York was accomplished. After touches in other methods to give everybody a pull, a move was made to North Lopham. Here is a handy peal of eight, recently augmented from an old peal of five by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, the tone and go being excellent. Touches of Superlative Surprise, Stedman and Grandsire Triples were rung. The church at Garboldisham was reached at 12.30. This place is very interesting to Minor ringers. Two stone peal tablets in the tower record peals rung by ringers in bygone days. One relates to a peal of Grandsire Bob rung in 1773, another rung in the year 1822 containing a peal of 5,040, being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Plain Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, New Treble Bob, Norwich Court Bob, Double Bob and London Court Bob, conducted by J. Mellows. 'This great and masterly performance was perfectly completed in 2 hours 54 minutes.' There is also a list of Vicars dating from 1305. A 720 Beverley Surprise was rung, also in masterly style, and a touch of Cambridge. Then at the Fox Inn a substantial hot lunch awaited the party. On the way they passed the grand old tower of South Lopham, where their late friend, W. Doran, used to say hangs the best peal of six in Norfolk, but, alas, they are now in too bad a condition to ring. At Hepton, on another handy ring of six, a good 720 Norwich and a touch of Wells were tapped off. At Bardwell the ringers were again disappointed, for this peal of six sadly need attention, and nothing more than a course of Plain Bob could be attempted on them. Ixworth was next reached, and on the splendid peal of six (tenor 16 cwt.) in this tower a 720 London Surprise, strictly silent, was attempted, but came to grief after two parts had been excellently rung. A 720 Cambridge followed, by No. 2 band, conducted by P. H. Avev. After tea at the Crown Hotel the grand old peal of five (tenor 17 cwt.) at Pakenham was visited, and several 120's of Stedman and Grandsire were rung. The last place of call on Saturday was Barton, where a faultless 720 Ipswich was rung on the light peal of six. Other short touches followed and tracks were then made for headquarters, where a social hour with local ringers was spent in handbell ringing, etc.

On Sunday permission had been obtained to ring on the fine peal of ten at the Norman tower, but time allowed only for two short touches of Grandsire Caters. After breakfast the party took a drive of twelve miles to Long Melford, and were amply rewarded by ringing on a grand peal of eight, recently restored by Messrs. Taylor and Co., Grandsire, Stedman and a long touch of Superlative being rung. Everyone regretted not being able to inspect this very old church, one of the largest and most historical in Suffolk. After lunch there was a trip to Elvedon, where arrangements had been made to ring at the memorial tower for an hour. On the way the party visited the war memorial, which stands in three parishes and can be seen for several miles standing high above the many trees in the district. Reaching Elvedon bell tower, they found one of the latest products from the Whitechapel Foundry, a grand peal of eight, and the 'go' perfect. Double Norwich and other methods were rung. The last church to be visited was St. Mary's, Bury, where on this well-known ring of eight (tenor 28 cwt.) Cambridge and Stedman were rung. Those who took part were Messrs. W. Miller and J. Moule (who went to the first outing 30 years ago), and W. Theobald, A. Prior, E. Smith, P. H. Avev, E. J. Butler, E. Furbank, G. Dawson, R. Molton and the two visitors above mentioned, and all wish to record their best thanks to the clergy for so readily granting permission to ring, to the local ringers for their assistance, and to Mr. J. Chinery, of Bury, for the arrangements made.

## SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

**DORCHESTER, DORSET**—On Sunday, June 30th, for evening service at St. Peter's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) in 50 minutes: J. T. Godwin 1, R. Hayward 2, C. H. Jennings 3, W. J. Simons 4, J. Morris 5, F. C. Benger (conductor) 6, W. J. Benger 7, J. W. Smith 8. Arranged for Mr. Josiah Morris, of Leicester, and Mr. C. H. Jennings, of Wyke Regis. There is ringing in this tower every Sunday at 5.30 p.m., and visitors are welcome.

**HALESOWEN**—For evensong, on June 30th, a quarter-peal of Double Norwich Major (1,280 changes): F. B. Yates 1, H. Williams 2, R. Matthews (conductor) 3, H. Stanley 4, J. Eaton 5, C. Webb 6, J. George 7, A. Hackett 8.

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**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on July 18th, \*St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 23rd, St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 25th; all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards. — William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION** will hold their annual meeting, and a six-bell contest, at Meltham on July 13th. Draw to take place at 2.45 p.m. A tea will be provided, 1s. 6d. each.—L. Hargreaves, Hon. Sec., 30, Bankfield View, Halifax.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION**.—Western Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Suckley on Saturday, July 13th. Service at 4 p.m. prompt. Business meeting afterwards. The bells will be available. —J. Rowlatt, Branch Sec., Old Street, Upton-on-Severn.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION**.—Preston Branch. — The next meeting will be held at Tarleton on Saturday, July 13th. Bells available from 2.30. Business: Nominations for officers, also for Central Council representatives.—Fred Rigby, Hon. Sec., 8, Carrington Road, Chorley.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**.—Chew Deanery Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Wraxall on Saturday, July 13th. Bells available from 3.30 p.m. Tea at the Battle Axes at 5 o'clock, with business meeting to follow.—Percy G. Yeo, Hon. Local Sec., Long Ashton.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION**.—Eastern District. — The next quarterly meeting will be held at Hatfield, near Doncaster, on Saturday, July 13th. Service at 5, followed by tea in the Victoria Hall, at 1s. 6d. per head. All ringers welcome.—A. B. Cook, Hon. Dis. Sec., 58, Wyndham Street, Hull.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION**.—South-Western Division.—A meeting will be held at Orsett on Saturday, July 13th. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea, 5.15, at Whitmore Arms.—E. J. Butler, 3, Eustace Road, Chadwell Heath.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION**.—South-Eastern Division. — The next meeting will be held at Sandon on Saturday, July 13th. Bells (5) available 2.30. Usual arrangements. Danbury bells (5) from 2 till 4 and after the meeting.—H. W. Kirtton, Hon. Dis. Sec., Longmeads Cottages, Writtle, Chelmsford.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD**.—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at Ruislip on Saturday, July 13th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Tea arranged as usual. Cheap fares on the District Railways. All ringers and friends welcome.—Wm. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.



**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—West Dorset Branch.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Lyme Regis (8 bells) on Saturday, July 13th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow.—Reply to T. Hervey Beams, Bradpole, Bridport.

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guildford District.—District meeting at Pirbright on Saturday, July 13th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service 4.30, followed by tea and business meeting. — G. L. Grover, Merrow Cottage, East Clandon, nr. Guildford.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—North-Western Division.—A meeting will be held at Elmdon on Saturday, July 13th, at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea at 5.15 p.m., followed by business meeting. Those requiring tea kindly advise me.—C. Beeston, 5, King Street, Bishop's Stortford.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Quarterly meeting of the Frome and Midsomer Norton Deanery Branch at Leigh-upon-Mendip on the 13th inst. Service at 4 p.m. Tea and business at 5 p.m.—R. T. Clark, Hon. Sec., Timsbury, near Bath.

**BEDFORDSHIRE AND HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATIONS** are holding a joint meeting at Dunstable on Saturday, July 13th. The bells will be available from 2.30. Short service at 4.30. Tea in the Parish Hall, near the Church, at 5 p.m. It will be a great help in arranging the tea if a card is sent a day or two previous as to how many we may expect. There is a good bus service. So we hope to have a large gathering.—A. E. Sharman, 199, High Street, Dunstable, and W. Nash, North Mymms, Hon. Secs.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. John's, Miles Platting, on Saturday, July 13th. Bells ready 3.30. Meeting 7.30. A good attendance is requested.—J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting.

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Northampton Branch.—A special meeting will be held in Northampton on Saturday, July 13th. Bells of St. Giles' (10) before tea, St. Sepulchre's after. Service at St. Giles' at 3.30. Preacher: The Lord Bishop. Tea 5 p.m. in St. Giles' Buildings. Will all ringers and friends make an effort to attend?—T. Tebbutt, West Street, Moulton, Northampton.

**LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting will be held at Monmouth on Saturday, July 13th. Bells (8) available. Service at 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow.—John W. Jones, Hon. Sec., Cartref, Barrack Road, Newport, Mon.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Axbridge Deanery.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Winscombe on Saturday, July 13th. Bells (8) open 2.30. Divine service 4.30, tea following. Please notify L. G. Tanner, 51, Locking Road, Weston-super-Mare.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Ross Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Upton Bishop on Saturday, July 13th. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea (kindly given by Vicar) 5 p.m. All ringers welcome.—J. Clark, Hon. Sec., Fernlea, Chase Road, Ross, Herefordshire.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bedford District.—The July meeting will be held at Bromham (6) on Saturday, July 13th. Bells available 2.45. Tea at 5. All ringers will be welcome, and it is hoped that the gathering will be a record one for the district.—J. T. Newington, Dis. Sec., 32, Grafton Road, Bedford.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Reading Branch.—The summer meeting of the Reading Branch will be held at Nettlebed on Saturday, July 13th. The bells will be available from 3 p.m. Visitors entertained to tea at 4.30 p.m., and a ringers' service at 6 p.m. All ringers welcome. Bus service from Reading.—F. W. Hopgood, 75, Kensington Road, Reading.

**NAVENBY, LINCS.**—The opening of the peal of six bells, recast and rehung by John Taylor and Co., Loughborough, will take place on Monday, July 15th, at 3 p.m. Visiting ringers welcome.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Tonbridge District.—The next meeting of this district will be held at Westerham on Saturday, July 20th. Tower open at 3. Service at 4.30. Tea (free) after service, followed by business meeting. Members requiring tea must notify the district secretary not later than Tuesday, July 16th.—W. Latter, Hon. Dis. Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The annual festival will be held at Oxford on Saturday, July 20th (p.v.). Service in Cathedral at 11.15. Preacher: Rev. R. H. A. Bullock, Vicar of St. Laurence, Reading. Business meeting in Chapter House immediately after service. Dinner in Christ Church Hall at 1.30. Tickets, 2s. each, to members who apply for same, with remittance, by Tuesday, July 16th; 2s. 6d. on day of festival; 3s. to non-members. A collection will be taken at the service for the Guild Restoration Fund. I earnestly beg that all members who intend coming will send for tickets, as it will help easy working for organising officers and caterers.—Richard T. Hibbert, 69, York Road, Reading.

**SUFFOLK GUILD AND ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—A joint meeting will be held at Sudbury on July 20th. Bells available from 2 p.m.: All Saints' (8), St. Gregory (8) and St. Peter (8). Tea at W. Suffolk Tea Rooms 4.30 p.m., 1s. each. Meeting follows.—Stedman Symonds, 78, Church Street, Lavenham; Walter Arnold, Earls Colne, Essex, Dis. Secs.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Ashford District.—A bye-meeting will be held at Appledore on Saturday, July 20th. Tea will be arranged. All ringers welcome.—A. C. Kay, Dis. Sec., 6, Sturges Road, Ashford.

**SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The sixth annual festival will be held at Tenby on Saturday, July 20th. Tower of St. Mary's Church (8 bells) open for ringing from 10 a.m. to 2.45 p.m. and 5.30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Service at 3 p.m. Preacher: The Lord Bishop of Swansea and Brecon. 4 p.m.: Tea at Church House, by kind invitation of the Rector of Tenby. Business meeting to follow. Numbers expected for tea should reach the hon. secretary (Mr. W. R. Howells, N.P. Bank Chambers, Neath) by July 13th without fail.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The dedication of the new bells of Eccles Parish Church will take place on Saturday, July 20th. Service in church at 3 p.m. Tea will be provided at 1s. 6d. each for those sending their names to Mr. J. T. Potter, 33, Cecil Road, Eccles. Bells open for ringing after service.—J. Hall, Sec.

**SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—A quarterly meeting will be held at Moreton Corbet on Saturday, July 20th. Bells (6) available 2.30. Tea about 5 o'clock, followed by meeting. All requiring tea must send number to the Rev. F. Tennison, St. Alkmund's Vicarage, Shrewsbury, before July 13th.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Central Division.—A meeting will be held at Hartfield (6 bells) on Saturday, July 20th. Tower open 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea, 5 o'clock, by kind invitation. Those who intend to be present please notify the undersigned not later than Wednesday previous to meeting. Half rail fare (maximum 1s. 6d.).—A. D. Stone, Hon. Divisional Sec., 16, Belgrave Street, Brighton.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Southern Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held on July 20th at Horbling. Bells (a new peal of 6 by Taylor) and also at Billingborough (6) will be available during the afternoon and evening. Service at 4 p.m. at Horbling. Tea and meeting at Tateson's Café, Billingborough, at 5 p.m. Those members requiring tea please send me a postcard by July 17th.—C. T. H. Bradley, The Lodge, Folkingham, Lincs.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Lincolnshire District.—A combined meeting with the Grimsby District of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild will be held at Bigby on July 20th. Bells (6) available from 2 p.m. Service at 4.15. Tea, 5 p.m., in the Schoolroom, at a moderate charge. Those requiring tea please notify Rev. H. T. Parry, Bigby Rectory, Barnetby, not later than Wednesday, July 17th.—A. Richardson, Hon. Sec.

**WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**—A quarterly meeting will be held at Stoke Coventry, on Saturday, July 20th. Committee meeting at 4.45. Tea at 5 o'clock, 1s. each, in St. Andrew's Hall, Binley Road. Meeting to follow.—D. E. Lewis, Gen. Hon. Sec., Firholm, King Edward Road, Nuneaton.

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Wellingborough Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Castle Ashby on Saturday, July 20th. The arrangements will be as usual. Permission has been obtained to view the grounds of the Castle. A special bus will leave the Market Square, Wellingborough, at 2.40. Return fare 1s. Will those who wish to travel by bus and require tea kindly notify me not later than Tuesday, July 16th?—F. Barber, Branch Sec., School House, Gordon Road, Wellingborough.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Hinckley and Leicester Districts.—A joint meeting of the above will be held at Stoney Stanton on Saturday, July 20th. Bells (8) available from 3.30 p.m. Tea provided for those who notify Mr. A. Ballard, Hinckley Road, Stoney Stanton, near Leicester, by Thursday, the 18th. A good attendance is hoped for, all ringers and friends being welcome.—W. A. Cope, Hinckley District; A. Disney, Leicester District.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rossendale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Bury Parish Church on Saturday, July 20th. Bells ready at 3.30. Meeting at 6.30. Tea will be provided for all those sending in not later than Wednesday, July 17th, to Joshua Ramsbottom, 336, Hornby Street, Bury. A good attendance is earnestly requested.—Reports, diagrams, etc., to hand.—John H. Haydock, 8, Oaklands Road, Edenfield.

**BARNSELEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Cawthorne on Saturday, July 20th. Bells ready early. Tea 5 p.m. at the Café. All ringers invited. It is hoped there will be a good meeting at this charming old village. Please write for tea to Mr. H. Crossland, jun., Darton Road, Cawthorne, near Barnsley.—C. D. Potter, Sec.

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Daventry Branch.—A special meeting will be held at Welton (6) on Saturday, July 20th. Will members requiring tea kindly notify the hon. secretary by Wednesday, July 17th?—W. C. Moore, Braunston Road, Daventry, Northants.

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Ely Archdeaconry.—Meeting at Bourn, Cambs, on Saturday, July 20th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. The service will be taken by Rev. Duffill. Please notify for tea. Postcard will do. Come and ring some of Taylor's best. All welcome.—F. Warrington, Longstanton, Cambs.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Dunster Deanery Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Carhampton on Saturday, July 20th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 4.15. Tea in the Village Hall at 5. Dunster bells will be available for ringing—Geo. Stacey.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Northern District.—A special meeting for the unveiling of the Ladies' Peal Tablet will be held at Handsworth, Sheffield, on Saturday, July 20th. Service at 4 p.m. Tea to follow, 1/- per head, to all who notify Mr. J. Garth, School House, Handsworth, Sheffield. A good attendance is requested.—H. F. Jacques, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Newchurch, near Warrington, on Saturday, July 27th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m. Business: Nominations for vice-president, treasurer, secretary and Central Council representatives. The Bolton Borough Police have placed their bowling green at the disposal of ringers and their friends on Saturday, Aug. 10th. Usual arrangements. Names, please, by Aug. 6th.—Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., 203 Devonshire Road, Bolton.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION (N. & E. District) AND HERTFORD ASSOCIATION (St. Albans District).**—Joint meeting at Hadley, July 27th. Bells from 3 p.m. Short service 5 p.m. Tea at 5.30. Barnet bells available during evening. Members and friends of both associations are cordially invited, but please advise your district secretary by July 24th if you require tea, for which 1s. will be charged.—C. T. Coles, 21, Vincent Road, E.4; Wm. Nash, North Mimms, Hatfield.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Elloe Deaneries Branch.—The quarterly meeting of the above will be held at Surfleet (10 bells) on Saturday, July 27th. Service at 3.30 p.m. Tea at 4.30. Business meeting afterwards. Those requiring tea must let me know first post Wednesday, July 24th.—Geo. Ladd, Hon. Sec., Church Street, Pinchbeck, Spalding.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Lewisham District.—The quarterly meeting will be held at SS. Peter and Paul's Church, Shoreham, on Saturday, July 27th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. Tea and business meeting to follow. Further particulars next week. Half fares up to 2s. paid at this meeting.—A. G. Hill, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Marshland Branch.—A meeting of this branch will be held at Marsham on Saturday, July 27th. Tower open at 2 o'clock. Tea, 1s. 6d. each to members and friends, who must send to me their names not later than Wednesday, July 24th.—W. G. Cross, Hon. Sec., 16, St. James' Road, King's Lynn.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Bath Branch. — The next meeting will be held at Bathampton on Saturday, July 27th. Bells (6) 3.30. Service 4.30. Tea to follow. Numbers for tea by July 22nd.—Theo. Grant, Hon. Sec., Swainswick, Bath.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—A bye-meeting will be held at Sturry, where the six bells have recently been rehung, on Saturday, July 27th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. Will all those intending to be present kindly notify Mr. Ernest Slingsby, Park View, Sturry, on or before Thursday, July 25th?—P. W. Smith, Hon. Sec.

**ALDENHAM, Saturday, July 27th.**—C. H. Horton, 53, Aldenham Road, Bushey. (Tel. City 4270.)

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