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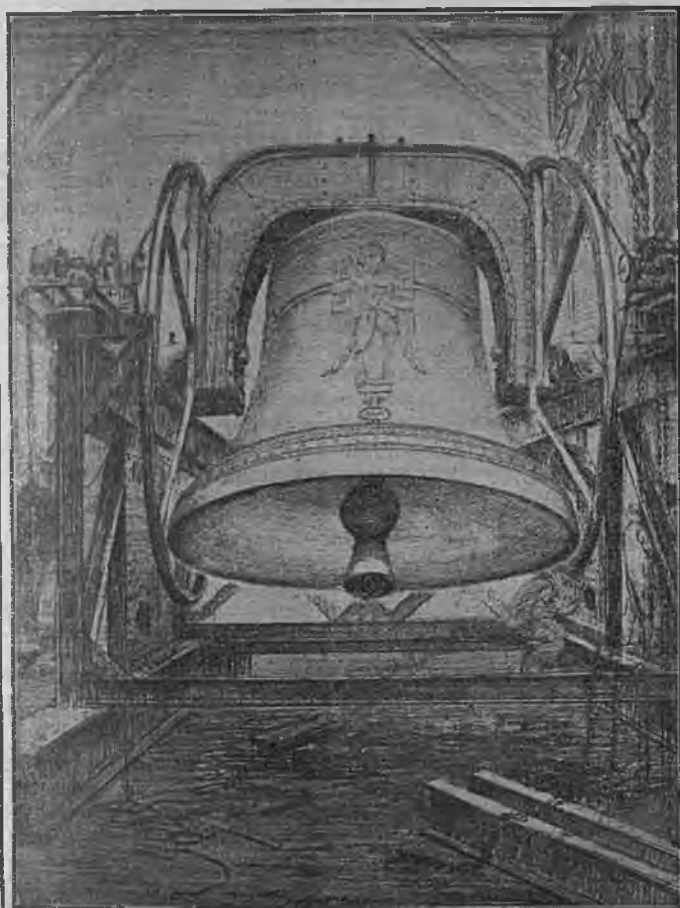
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From time to time there occur instances of the loss of church bells as the result of the destruction of the tower by fire. Happily, disasters of this sort are rare occurrences, but there has been the recent case at Eaton Socon in Bedfordshire. The loss of a parish church through such a cause, especially when it is an ancient and beautiful building, is always a deplorable thing and very naturally arouses sympathy among churchmen throughout the country. The disaster at Eaton Socon was an almost overwhelming one for the parishioners, for the fabric has been reduced to a ruin. The bells themselves were not altogether destroyed but were very much damaged. The loss was referred to the annual meeting of the Bedfordshire Association, when, very naturally, the question of the restoration of the bells was uppermost in the minds of the ringers. The President (Canon Baker) said that the church was well insured, but 'if they got the whole of the insurance the restoration of the church to anything like its former beauty would cost a very large sum.' He added that there was no immediate prospect of being able to restore the bells and the Vicar had told him that the bells were 'one of the last things that would have to be considered.' Why? Surely the bells should be considered equally with the other furniture and embellishments of the church; they are valuable property and there is no real justification for passing over their restoration. The bells should be dealt with at the same time as all the other things covered by the insurance. We hope that when the scheme to restore the church is really in hand, the tower and bells will find their proper place in it, despite a present tendency to make the bells 'one of the last things to be considered.'

Presumably at Eaton Socon there was no special insurance of the bells. There is, we believe, no obligation on church authorities to do this, but it is done in some parishes and it is a wise provision. An authority on church insurance says, 'It is the paramount duty of Parochial Church Councils to keep the church and all its fittings fully insured against fire. It will generally be proper to insure different portions and articles separately.' If this latter direction were acted upon, when fire overtook a church, the disaster would not leave the bells one of the last things to be considered, and with the example of Eaton Socon before them, ringers would do well to urge, through their Parochial Church Councils, that the bells be specially provided for in the insurance policies. And this gives point to another matter of importance. If the bells are specially included, they are much more likely to be insured at their real

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replacement value. In churches, especially those with old rings, the amount provided for bells and bell frame in the estimated 'over all' value of the fabric and furnishings is doubtless often only a fractional portion of the replacement cost, and where ringers are sufficiently alive to the importance of this question to raise the matter with their church council, it would be well, even if they cannot get separate provision for the bells in the fire policy, to ascertain whether the contents of the towers are in fact fully covered and to press for their adequate insurance.

TWELVE BELL PEALS.

BIRMINGHAM.

THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Tuesday, April 29, 1930, in Three Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES;

Tenor 37 cwt.

FRANK E. PERVIN 2	FRED PRICE 7
HERBERT H. FEARN 2	FRANK W. FERRENS 8
GEORGE E. FEARN 3	JOHN NEAL 9
ALBERT WALKER 4	SIDNEY T. HOLT 10
JAMES GEORGE 5	WILLIAM HIBBERT 11
WILLIAM C. DOWDING 6	WILLIAM T. FROGGATT Tenor

Composed by J. CARTER.

Conducted by FRANK E. PERVIN.

* First peal of Stedman. First peal of Cinques as conductor on tower bells. A birthday compliment to Mr. A. Walker.

LONDON.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 3, 1930, in Four Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. SAVIOUR, SOUTHWARK,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS, 5280 CHANGES;

Tenor 50 cwt.

CHARLES W. ROBERTS Treble	HERBERT E. AUDSLEY 7
THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, JUN. 2	JAMES E. DAVIS 8
GEORGE R. PYE 3	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. 9
JOHN H. CHEESMAN 4	JAMES BENNETT 10
CHARLES T. COLES 5	WILLIAM PYE 11
ALBERT W. COLES 6	RUBEN SANDERS Tenor

Composed by W. PYE. Conducted by THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, JUN.

TEN BELL PEAL.

DUDLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, April 26, 1930, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5017 CHANGES;

Tenor 21 cwt.

WILLIAM SHORT Treble	*WILLIAM BROWN 6
THOMAS HEMMING 2	*JOHN LLOYD 7
ROBERT MATTHEWS 3	HECTOR G. BIRD 8
JOHN BASS 4	JOHN GOODMAN, JUN. 9
CLIFFORD SKIDMORE 5	GILBERT GUEST Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF.

Conducted by WILLIAM SHORT.

* First peal of Stedman Caters. The band take the opportunity of thanking the Vicar for the use of the bells, and Mr. Sheppard for having everything ready for the attempt.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

GRUNDISBURGH.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Saturday, April 12, 1930, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART BOB AND SINGLE.

WILLIAM C. RUMSEY Treble	GEORGE A. FLEMING 5
JAMES BENNETT 2	GEORGE BENNETT 6
GEORGE PRYKE 3	T. WILLIAM LAST 7
CHARLES W. PARKER 4	ALBERT WHITING Tenor

Conducted by G. A. FLEMING.

DUFFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, April 23, 1930, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ALKMUND,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

G. LINDOFF'S SIX-PART, No. 1.

Tenor 17 cwt.

CHARLES DRAPER Treble	BENJAMIN GREATOREX ... 5
JOHN H. SWINFELD 2	*CHARLES SMITH 6
MAURICE SWINFELD 3	JAMES S. HUTCHBY 7
W. RICHARDSON DRAGE ... 4	JOSEPH BAILEY Tenor

Conducted by M. SWINFELD.

* 25th peal. This composition is now rung for the first time. Rung on St. George's Day, and as a birthday compliment to Mrs. J. S. Hutchby.

TROWBRIDGE, WILTS.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, April 23, 1930, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 24 cwt.

*CHARLES BUTCHER Treble	†NORMAN V. ANDREWS ... 5
JAMES BILBY 2	WILLIAM R. BAXTER ... 6
FRED LAMBETH 3	CHARLES F. ANDREWS ... 7
SAMUEL J. HECTOR 4	*CHARLES RAISON Tenor

Conducted by C. F. ANDREWS.

* First peal of Stedman. † First peal of Stedman away from the tenor. Rung after meeting short for Stedman Caters.

MIDDLESBROUGH, YORKSHIRE.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, April 23, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

*S. YATES Treble	THOMAS LANCASTER ... 5
*J. REID 2	WILLIAM ELLERINGTON ... 6
J. G. HALL 3	J. C. POLLARD 7
R. WORTHY 4	THOMAS METCALFE Tenor

Composed by F. ROBINSON.

Conducted by T. METCALFE.

* First peal in the method. First peal on the bells, after rehanging on ball bearings by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a tribute to the memory of the late Rev. Alfred Simpson, ex-president of the association, who died on April 13th.

RYDE, ISLE OF WIGHT.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, April 26, 1930, in Three Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 26½ cwt. in E.

ARTHUR WHITE Treble	PERCY LONG 5
HARRY DOWDEN 2	BERTRAM J. SNOW 6
HARRY BARTON 3	FREDERICK W. BURNETT ... 7
ARTHUR P. BRADING ... 4	A. RICHARD WARD Tenor

Composed by G. CROSS.

Conducted by HARRY BARTON.

Rung in honour of the marriage of Miss Johnstone, only daughter of Canon Johnstone, Vicar of the parish, to Dr. A. E. Colley, the ceremony being performed by the Bishop of London. The congratulations of the band were also extended to the ringer of the fourth upon the birth of a son and heir.

HARRIETSHAM, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION
AND ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD.

On Saturday, April 26, 1930, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

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

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

MIDDLETON'S.

Tenor 13½ cwt. in G.

*CHARLES H. SONE Treble	*HARRY BAKER 5
*MRS. H. BAKER 2	*KENNETH PATTENDEN ... 6
†CHARLES W. PLAYER ... 3	†THOMAS E. SONE 7
*WILLIAM BIDNELL 4	*ALBERT RELFE Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS E. SONE.

* First peal of Cambridge Major. † First peal of Cambridge inside. Wedding peal for Mr. A. C. Kray (hon. district secretary for Ashford) and Miss Knowler, who were married at St. Mary's, Ashford, the same afternoon. The conductor's 100th peal. Mr. A. Wadlington pricked each course-end down throughout the peal.

BURGESS HILL, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 26, 1930, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

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

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 20 lb.

MRS. F. I. HAIRS Treble	FREDERICK N. SMEATON ... 5
HERBERT RANN 2	JACK M. CRIPPS 6
GEORGE SMART 3	FRANK BENNETT 7
ERNEST G. HIGGIN 4	HENRY STALHAM Tenor

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN.

Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

TETTENHALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, April 26, 1930, in Three Hours,

AT THE COLLEGIATE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt.

JOHN C. ADAM Treble	*SIDNEY ELTON 5
*CHRISTOPHER WALLATER ... 2	*JOHN PERRY 6
*ROBERT PICKERING 3	HERBERT KNIGHT 7
FRANK W. PERRINS 4	*THOMAS J. ELTON Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by FRANK W. PERRINS.

* First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 6th.

BRENTWOOD, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 26, 1930, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS-THE-MARTYR,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 19½ cwt.

WILLIAM DUDLEY Treble	HENRY T. WILSON 5
GORDON A. BACON 2	*ALBERT PRYKE 6
ALBERT RAINEBIRD 3	FRANK G. RINGE 7
*FRANK B. LUFKIN 4	ERNEST W. FURBANK Tenor

Composed by T. B. WORSLEY. Conducted by HENRY T. WILSON.

* First peal in the method. F. G. Ringe has now completed the 'circle' in this tower.

STANSTED, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 26, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 13 cwt.

HERBERT WATTS Treble	THOMAS J. WATTS 5
GEORGE JORDAN 2	ISAAC CAVILL 6
THOMAS JORDAN 3	WILLIAM T. PRIOR 7
WALTER PRIOR 4	WALTER AYRE Tenor

Composed by T. B. WORSLEY.

Conducted by W. AYRE.

Rung as a token of respect, with the bells half-muffled, immediately after the interment of Mr. George Gray, who was a ringer at the above church for over 60 years. 100th peal as conductor.

ASHBY FOLVILLE, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 26, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

*A. NORMAN GEARY Treble	ERNEST H. BAGWORTH ... 5
†RONALD RUSSELL 2	ERNEST F. PAYNE 6
*J. GEOFFREY GEARY 3	REDVERS F. ELKINGTON ... 7
ERNEST MORRIS 4	JAMES C. E. SIMPSON Tenor

Composed and Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

* First peal of Major. † First of Major 'inside.' Mr. Simpson is hon. secretary of the Chester Diocesan Guild.

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On Monday, April 28, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,

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

A PEAL OF NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
Tenor 11½ cwt.

ARTHUR PAYNE Treble	JOSEPH E. R. KEEN 5
JOHN ANDERSON 2	WILLIAM H. BARBER 6
CHARLES L. RUTLEDGE 3	W. JAMES DAVIDSON 7
ROBERT S. ANDERSON 4	ADAM DEAS Tenor

Composed by J. W. PARKER.

Conducted by W. H. BARBER.

First peal in the method by the association and by all the above except the conductor. Mr. Payne's 30th peal.

HELMINGHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Monday, April 28, 1930, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
Tenor 18½ cwt.

ALBERT E. WHITING Treble	GEORGE BENNETT 5
GEORGE WHITING 2	ERNEST E. LANHAM 6
GEORGE PRYKE 3	T. WILLIAM LAST 7
JAMES BENNETT, JUN. 4	LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF.

Conducted by G. WHITING.

First peal of Bristol by all the band except L. C. Wightman.

LIVERPOOL.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 28, 1930, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL, GARSTON,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' TRANSPOSITION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

LESTER L. GRAY Treble	GEORGE R. NEWTON 5
ERNEST L. HUMPHRIES 2	EDWARD CAUNCE 6
HARRY GRACE 3	THOMAS R. BUTLER 7
JOHN H. MOORE 4	JOHN BROWN Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE R. NEWTON.

Specially rung on the occasion of the 74th birthday of Mr. Moore. It is nearly 40 years since he last rang a peal.

ECKINGTON, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, May 3, 1930, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 16½ cwt.

ARTHUR KNIGHTS... .. Treble	FREDERICK A. ADAMS 5
A. PERCIVAL KNIGHTS 2	RONALD E. JOHNSON 6
PERCY JERRIS 3	WILLIAM H. TURTON 7
WILLIAM BIGGIN 4	WILLIAM T. PALMER Tenor

Composed by GEORGE LEWIS. Conducted by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

This composition, now rung for the first time, contains the 6th the extent wrong, and the 4th, 5th and 6th the extent in 6th's place, in 14 courses.

SALLE, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 3, 1930, in Three Hours and Twenty-One Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF SPLICED TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5280 CHANGES;

Tenor 18 cwt.

WILLIAM CLOVER Treble	WALTER FARROW 5
WILLIAM B. DUNCAN 2	GEORGE BAILEY 6
GEORGE MAYERS 3	GEORGE W. JEFFS 7
WILLIAM J. WASEY 4	CHARLES LOVETT Tenor

Composed by H. W. WILDE.

Conducted by W. CLOVER.

First peal of Spliced Major by all the band and by the association, and rung at the first attempt. G. W. Jeffs hails from Titchmarsh, Northamptonshire, and was elected a member of the above association previous to the peal.

We regret that we have had to hold over the reports of a number of peals and letters to the Editor for want of space.

LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON
DIOCESAN GUILD

On Monday, April 28, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH, BISHOPSGATE,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
Tenor 20 cwt.

EDWIN F. PIKE Treble	WILFRED WILLIAMS 5
*JOHN A. WAUGH 2	CHARLES W. ROBERTS 6
JAMES E. DAVIS... .. 3	JOHN T. KENTISH 7
JOHN H. CRAMPION 4	ERNEST BRETT Tenor

Composed by J. S. WILDE.

Conducted by C. W. ROBERTS.

* First peal in the method.

SHIPLAKE, OXON.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 3, 1930, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
Tenor 9 cwt, 2 qr. 15 lb. in F sharp.

MISS BERTHA M. MILLS Treble	*MISS K. M. FLETCHER 5
MISS VERA ROBINSON 2	MISS RUBY M. HAZELL 6
MISS DOROTHY R. FETTER 3	MISS STELLA DAVIS 7
*MISS DOROTHY R. FLETCHER 4	GEORGE GILBERT Tenor

Composed by THOMAS B. WORSLEY.

Conducted by GEO. GILBERT

* First peal of Kent. First peal of Kent in which seven ladies have taken part.

BRIDSTOW, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

On Saturday, May 3, 1930, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BRIDGET,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 9 cwt.

*GEORGE HAWKINS Treble	*ARTHUR HAWKINS 5
DONALD G. CLIFT 2	HENRY E. COX 6
JOHN CLARK 3	WILLIAM T. POSTON... .. 7
GEORGE POPNELL 4	WILLIAM POSTON Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by W. POSTON.

* First peal of Major.

COMPTON GIFFORD, PLYMOUTH.

THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, May 3, 1930, in Three Hours and Twenty-Four Minutes,

AT EMMANUEL CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 21 cwt.

G. HARRY MYERS Treble	*ROBERT J. BALDREY 5
MRS. E. S. POWELL 2	WILLIAM J. RUNDLE... .. 6
REV. E. S. POWELL 3	THOMAS G. MYERS 7
GEORGE GODDARD 4	JOSEPH WOODLEY Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW.

Conducted by REV. E. S. POWELL

* First peal of Major.

TODMORDEN, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, May 3, 1930, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE UNITARIAN CHURCH,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt. in F.

EDWARD JENKINS... .. Treble	JOSEPH BROADLEY 5
HERBERT DAVENPORT... .. 2	TITUS BARLOW 6
LAURENCE J. WILLIAMS 3	WILLIAM HORAN... .. 7
ALBERT J. HUGHES 4	THOMAS B. WORSLEY Tenor

Composed by A. CRAVEN.

Conducted by E. JENKINS.

First peal in a Surprise method on the bells.

WORLINGWORTH, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Saturday, May 3, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

MIDDLETON'S.

Tenor 12 cwt.

GEORGE BENNETT Treble	ERNEST F. POPPY 5
JAMES BENNETT, JUN. 2	WALTER ROFFLES 6
GEORGE PRYKE 3	LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN 7
JAMES BETTS 4	WILLIAM C. RUMSEY Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM C. RUMSEY.

WORCESTER.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, May 3, 1930, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-IN-BREDWARDINE,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lb.

SIDNEY T. HOLT Treble	WILLIAM LEWIS 5
JOHN J. JEFFERIES 2	THOMAS LEWIS 6
DENNIS R. MORRIS 3	WILLIAM PAGE 7
CHARLES G. BOWKETT 4	JAMES WOODYATT Tenor

Conducted by W. PAGE.

* First peal of Stedman. First peal on the bells since their augmentation to eight. Rung as the Western Branch quarterly peal.

ROLLESTON-ON-DOVE, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 3, 1930, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 12 cwt.

JOHN H. SWINFELD Treble	ARTHUR SHARP 5
ALBERT H. WARD 2	CHARLES SMITH 6
MISS ELIZABETH FOULK 3	CHARLES DRAPER 7
WILLIAM JOHN LEACH 4	JOSEPH BAILEY Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT H. WARD.

* First peal. † First peal of Triples. A birthday compliment to Mr. Charles Draper and also to Mr. Albert G. F. Ward, eldest son of the conductor.

BILLINGSHURST, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 3, 1930, in Three Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

ALFRED H. PULLING Treble	RAYMOND OVERY 5
C. ERNEST SMITH 2	JOHN H. B. HESSE 6
JAMES BORDFIELD 3	PETER CHARMAN 7
GEORGE WILSON 4	WILLIAM STANFORD Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING

R. Overy was elected a member of the association prior to the commencement of the peal.

TAUNTON, SOMERSET.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 3, 1930, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

J. T. DYKE'S TRANSPOSITION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 20 cwt.

JAMES HUNT Treble	WILLIAM H. COLES 5
ALFRED J. WYATT 2	DAVID G. TAYLOR 6
REV. E. S. C. LOCK 3	PERCY MERSON 7
ARTHUR H. REED 4	SYDNEY PRIDDLE Tenor

Conducted by ARTHUR H. REED.

* First peal on eight 'inside.' † First peal. First peal on eight as conductor. First peal attempted on these bells for eight months, the tower having been undergoing thorough restoration.

PALGRAVE, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 3, 1930, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE OXFORD BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

Tenor 7½ cwt. in A flat.

CHARLES F. GOODMAN Treble	ALBERT G. HARRISON 5
JOHN SOUTER 2	GEORGE ARCHER 6
NOLAN GOLDEN 3	CLEMENT J. MORE 7
ERIC G. BENNETT 4	WILLIAM STEGGALL Tenor

Composed and Conducted by NOLAN GOLDEN.

First peal in the method by all, on the bells and at the first attempt. A 22nd birthday (May 1st) compliment to the conductor. This 48-course composition is rung for the first time.

RAINFORD, LANCs.—On Good Friday, for morning service, with the bells half-muffled, a 720 of Bob Minor with tenor covering: J. Cowley 1, H. Hesketh 2, G. Saint 3, W. Hesketh 4, S. Cadwallender 5, J. W. Hall (conductor) 6, P. Shaw 8.

SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

WYCHBOLD, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 22, 1930, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-DE-WYCHE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 six-scores, with ten different callings.

Tenor 11½ cwt.

FREDRICK SUMMERTON Treble	JOHN NEAL 4
ARTHUR MOSELEY 2	CHARLES SMITH 5
WALTER H. RAXTER 3	CHARLES HARRISON Tenor

Conducted by W. H. RAXTER.

* First peal on an inside bell.

KEEVIL, WILTS.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Easter Monday, April 21, 1930, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven 720's.

Tenor 21 cwt. in E.

HAROLD KEATES Treble	EDWARD G. COWARD 4
FRED A. COWARD 2	NORMAN V. ANDREWS 5
JESSE FRANCIS 3	WILLIAM C. WEST Tenor

Conducted by WM. C. WEST.

HORSMONDEN, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

On Thursday, April 24, 1930, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

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

Tenor 19½ cwt.

EDWIN BROMLEY Treble	REGINALD E. LAMBERT 4
GEORGE BURT 2	ALAN BROMLEY 5
ROBERT T. LAMBERT 3	HARRY PARKES Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT T. LAMBERT.

* First peal in seven methods. Rung as a farewell to Thomas W. Card, who left the parish the same day. He had been a keen member of the local band for the past two years.

BELBROUGHTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, April 26, 1930, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being forty-two 120's with ten different callings.

Tenor 13 cwt. (approx.).

HAROLD PHILLIPS Treble	OLIVER LEWIS 4
GEORGE PARTON 2	ERNEST CALCUTT 5
RALPH PARTON 3	WALTER STRIDE Tenor

Conducted by E. CALCUTT.

* First peal. † First peal of Doubles. Rung as a 21st birthday compliment to Miss Cox, and as an 86th birthday compliment to Mr. H. Martin, who has been a ringer at the above church for nearly 70 years, and conductor for 60 years.

MARTLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, April 26, 1930, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Forty-two six-scores, ten different callings.

Tenor 14 cwt.

THOMAS HOSKINS Treble	WALTER H. RAXTER 4
THOMAS W. LEWIS 2	DENNIS MORRIS 5
† JAMES WOODYATT 3	ERIC CRUMP Tenor

Conducted by W. H. RAXTER.

* First peal. † First peal on an inside bell. ‡ First peal of Doubles. Thanks are due to T. Hoskins, who rang the treble when the band were one short, at the last minute.

SIBSEY, LINCOLNSHIRE.—At St. Margaret's Church, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1,264 changes) in 50 mins.: G. Crawford 1, Miss D. Clay 2, Mrs. H. Harper 3, F. Harwood 4, G. W. Houghton 5, F. Dewey 6, W. Wilkinson 7, W. E. Clarke (conductor) 8. Longest length in the method by ringers of treble and 3rd. Rung as a farewell to Mr. and Mrs. Harper, who are leaving Sibsey for Rochester.

WASHINGTON, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 26, 1930, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
 Being seven 720's. Tenor 9½ cwt.

JOHN H. B. HESSE Treble	REGINALD V. JOHNSON 4
KENNETH SNELLING 2	GEORGE ELLIS 5
ROBERT SWIFT 3	OLIVER SIPPETTS Tenor

Conducted by O. SIPPETTS.

First peal on the bells.

LIVERPOOL.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 26, 1930, in Three Hours and One Minute,
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES, WEST DERBY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and two 720's each of Oxford and Plain Bob. Tenor 16 cwt.

*HERBERT C. HOLMES ... Treble	*RODGER HARVEY 4
JOHN BROWN 2	HARRY HANCOCK 5
GEORGE R. NEWTON 3	EDWARD CAUNCE Tenor

Conducted by JOHN BROWN.

* First peal. First peal as conductor.

STEEPLE CLAYDON, BUCKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
 (NORTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Saturday, April 26, 1930, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 20 six-scores of Bob Doubles and 22 of Grandsire. Tenor 12½ cwt.

HARRY SEAR Treble	FRED SEAR 3
WILLIAM JONES 2	*WALTER SEAR 4
HARRY V. SEAR Tenor	

Conducted by HARRY SEAR.

* First peal of Doubles. First peal on the bells. This was arranged for the ringer of the third, who started the fund for the restoration of the bells in 1919. The ringers wish to thank the Rev. C. Baes for kindly providing tea.

GREAT GRANSDEN, HUNTS.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
 (OVER SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, April 26, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW,

A PEAL OF NORWICH SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 18½ cwt.

HARRY ROBINSON Treble	FRANCIS G. GLEAVES 4
A. WILLIAM T. GINN 2	ARTHUR J. GINN 5
FRED C. GINN 3	FRANK WARRINGTON Tenor

Conducted by FRANK WARRINGTON.

Believed to be the first in the method on the bells and by the association. It was also the first by all the band, who were kindly entertained to tea by the Vicar after the peal.

BEEDON, BERKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
 (NEWBURY BRANCH.)

On Saturday, May 3, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Forty-two six-scores, with ten different callings.

Tenor 6 cwt. 1 qr. in B flat.

*THOMAS H. G. CURTIS ... Treble	ERNEST W. SMITH 4
*WALTER J. COOK 2	HENRY W. CURTIS 5
†TOM CURTIS 3	*FRANK W. HESSEY Tenor

Conducted by HENRY W. CURTIS.

* First peal. † First peal on an inside bell. Ringers of the 4th and 5th are from Newbury tower, the remainder are local ringers. It was the seventh anniversary of the first peal on the bells, which was also conducted by H. W. Curtis. The band were afterwards entertained to tea by Mr. and Mrs. Tom Curtis.

TAUNTON, SOMERSET.—At St. Mary's Church, on March 29th, 12 courses of Stedman Caters (1,287 changes): S. Wyatt 1, F. Chedgley 2, A. Reed 3, J. Hunt 4, A. Wyatt 5, J. Burge (conductor) 6, W. Lloyd 7, W. White 8, P. Merson 9, F. Sadd 10. Rung after meeting one short for an attempt for a peal of Stedman Cinques.

MARSTON BIGGOTT.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, April 27, 1930, in Three Hours,
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven different 720's. Tenor 8 cwt. (approx.).

FRANKLIN D. RICKARDS ... Treble	†ROBERT C. DAY 4
*JOHN E. METCALFE 2	WILLIAM C. SHUTE 5
HARRY ANDREWS 3	EDWARD G. L. COWARD ... Tenor

Conducted by EDWARD G. L. COWARD.

* First peal of Minor. † First peal on tower bells. First peal of Minor as conductor.

LIMPSFIELD CHART, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
 (SOUTHERN DISTRICT.)

On Monday, April 28, 1930, in Two Hours and Thirty-Six Minutes,
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven different 720's. Tenor 12½ cwt.

*ERNEST N. TIDY Treble	*GEORGE W. TOOTH 4
*H. F. HYLTON TIDY 2	*EDWARD E. TIDY 5
*JAMES W. KNIGHT 3	LEONARD A. TIDY Tenor

Conducted by LEONARD A. TIDY.

* First Surprise peal. First Surprise peal on the bells. Rung by an entirely local band.

SEALE, SURREY.
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, April 28, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting of seven different extents, rung alternately, viz., three 720's of Cambridge Surprise, and two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 8 cwt.

*ERNEST GARDNER Treble	C. ERNEST SMITH 4
†CHARLES W. DENVER 2	†CHARLES J. NEWMAN 5
IJ. HENRY TINSEY 3	ALFRED H. PULLING Tenor

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

* First peal and first attempt. † First peal on six bells. † First peal containing Cambridge Surprise.

RIPPINGALE, LINCS.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
 (SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, May 3, 1930, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Forty-two six-scores, with 16 callings. Tenor 15 cwt.

GEORGE BOOTH Treble	WILLIAM H. PROCTOR 3
ALBERT SCOTT 2	HARRY GIBBARD 4
CHARLES WILKERSON Tenor	

Conducted by HARRY GIBBARD.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the mother of the conductor on her 61st birthday and also on his son's eighth birthday. The ringers were entertained by the conductor after the peal.

WEDDING OF WELL-KNOWN RINGER.

On Easter Saturday a wedding took place at the old Parish Church, Luton, between Mr. Augustin V. E. Good, a well-known ringer, and Miss Eva May Hensbrey, of Luton. The bride, who was given away by her father, looked very pretty in white satin, and was attended by three bridesmaids and a page. Mr. H. E. Good, of Sutton, Surrey, brother of the bridegroom, and also a well-known ringer, acted as best man, whilst another campanologist was present in the person of Mr. Wallace Good (the bridegroom's father), captain of the ringers at Charing, Kent.

As the bridal pair left the church, the bells were rung to the tune of Stedman Triples, and later a peal of Double Norwich Major was attempted (conducted by Mr. A. E. Sharman, of Dunstable), which unfortunately came to grief half-way through. After the ceremony nearly a hundred friends, including many ringers, attended a reception at St. Paul's Church Hall, where the festivities were carried on till a late hour, when the happy couple left to take up residence in their new home at Hemel Hempstead.

The bridegroom, who started his ringing career at Charing, and at different times rang at Dunstable, St. Peter's, Brighton, Apsley End and Hemel Hempstead, was the recipient of many presents from his ringing friends.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**EARLS COLNE BELLS TO BE RESTORED.**

The picturesque village of Earls Colne was the scene of a very pleasant gathering of ringers on Saturday week, when upwards of 50 members representing 22 parishes attended a meeting of the Northern Division. Ringing commenced about 2.30 p.m., and was continued at intervals until nearly nine o'clock, during which time touches in various methods ranging from Bob Minor to London Surprise Major were successfully brought round.

A service was held at which the Vicar (Rev. O. L. Martin, M.A.) gave an excellent address, and Mr. C. H. Howard, Master of the association, read the lesson. Tea was provided at the Duke of Wellington Inn, where 42 sat down.

At the business meeting which followed, Mr. Howard was supported by the District Master (Mr. A. A. Saunders), the district secretary (Mr. F. Ridgewell), Mr. W. J. Nevard (District Master, North-Eastern Division), and Mr. E. J. Butler (district secretary, South-Western Division). Three new ringing members were elected, and it was decided to hold a joint meeting at Great Tey on May 24th, also a meeting at Wethersfield on June 14th.

Mr. Howard proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar and organist for their services, and remarked on the excellent address the Vicar had given. He was very pleased, he said, that they had paid another visit to delightful parish of Earls Colne, and the beautiful church. He was also pleased the Vicar had in hand the restoration of the church bells, for he had no hesitation in saying that, apart from the loyalty to the Church, Earls Colne possessed one of the best companies of ringers in the diocese for their punctuality, high-class ringing and excellent striking. He also appreciated the progress made at Great Tey. He was pleased to see one ringer, who was only 12 years of age, ringing the treble, and he accorded them a hearty welcome as he did also some members of the Ely Diocese and Messrs. Nevard and Butler.

The Rev. O. L. Martin suitably responded. He extended a warm welcome to the ringers, and thanked Mr. Howard for the kind remarks he had made respecting his ringers. An estimate for £123 for the restoration of the church bells would be accepted as soon as the funds were forthcoming, and he hoped that after the work was completed the ringers would do even better things. Mr. Nevard, in reply, said he rang two peals on Easter Monday. They had a most enjoyable time, but he thought they might have rung a third peal just to finish the day off.

PLESHEY'S OLD BELLS RESTORED.

By kind permission of the Rev. C. H. B. Woodd, Vicar of Pleshey, Essex, six-scores of Grandsire, Stedman, Plain Bob, St. Simon's and Canterbury Doubles were rung upon the bells of the Church of the Holy Trinity on Saturday, May 3rd, by the following members of the Essex Association: H. E. Hammond, C. H. Howard, W. J. Nevard, L. W. Wiffen and W. Keeble.

The bells, a ring of five, which have been recently rehung by Mr. A. Bowell, are in excellent going order, but the tone gives one the impression that they were intended for a ring of six, with the tenor yet to be added.

The 2nd and 4th are 15th century bells by William Dawe; the treble by Miles Gray, 1620; the 3rd was recast in 1752; and the 5th, weighing 12 cwt., recast by Warner, 1854.

Near the church are the remains of a Norman fortification, now known as the Mount. It was from here that the Duke of Gloucester was decoyed from his castle to France and murdered in Paris in 1397.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**DEVIZES BRANCH.**

The monthly meeting of the Devizes branch was held at the Parish Church of SS. Peter and Paul, Heytesbury, on Saturday. The Guild service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. J. G. L. Anderson), Mr. Targett being the organist. Twenty-seven sat down to tea at the Angel Hotel, and at the short business meeting which followed Mr. C. D. Heginbotham presided. He congratulated the people of Heytesbury on the work of rehanging the bells and referred to the condition of the bells a few years ago.—The secretary (Mr. F. Green) read a copy of the letter of sympathy sent to Mr. T. Hervey Beams, of Bradpole, Dorset, assistant secretary of the Guild, and the reply received from Mrs. Beams.

On the motion of the chairman, a vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar for the use of the bells and conducting the service, to the organist, and to those who prepared the tea.—The Vicar, in reply, gave a hearty welcome to the Guild, and said how pleased the people of Heytesbury were to have the bells in good order again. He hoped the branch would soon pay another visit to Heytesbury.

The ringers, including Mr. A. E. Baverstock (Zeals St. Martin) and Mr. E. Coward (Mere), were present from Heytesbury, Aldbourne, Devizes St. John and St. Mary, Bratton, Melksham, Warminster and Rowde. Touches of Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, Plain Bob, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, and Cambridge Surprise Minor were rung during the afternoon and evening.

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The photographs should be accompanied by brief particulars of the bells, with their inscriptions and dates if possible, and any other interesting information about them.

Pictures should, for preference, be photographic post-cards, and, where there is any choice, the tower should be a feature.

Obviously, of course, all the pictures cannot be published at once, the object of getting a collection being that the photographs may be ready at hand for use when fitting opportunity occurs.

Will each tower secretary be good enough to send a photograph of his own tower? It should be forwarded in an envelope for protection, and addressed to The Editor, 'The Ringing World,' Woking, Surrey, and the sender should enclose his name and address.

'THE RINGING WORLD'S' 1,000th NUMBER.

Special articles and photographs will make our 1,000th number an issue which all ringers will want to read and keep.

It will appear on Friday, May 23rd, but it will then be too late for those who have not ordered their copy to obtain one. There can be no reprint.

Apart from the fact that this issue marks an important event in the history of the ringing Press, its contents will be of special interest to all ringers.

Among the features will be articles specially written for this number by prominent members of the Exercise, and the pictures will include an exclusive photograph of the Rev. Canon G. F. Coleridge, president of the Central Council.

Order at once from your newsgagent, or direct from 'The Ringing World' Office, Woking (post free 3d.). Regular readers will be doing us a favour if they will draw the attention of non-subscribers to this announcement.

BELFRY GOSSIP.

Will members of the Middlesex Association and others note that the meeting at St. Mary's, Enfield, will be held on May 17th, and not on the 24th, as advertised last week. The hon. secretary regrets the error made in sending the notice.

Will the gentleman who took the wrong bowler hat from the meeting room at Windsor on Saturday be good enough to return it to Mr. J. A. Dart, of 25, Elm Grove, Crouch End, N.8.

Provincial members of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths visiting London for the Whitsun holiday who may be desirous of standing in a twelve-bell peal on Whit-Monday are invited to communicate with Mr. J. Sparrow, secretary, 5, Bandon Rise, Wallington, Surrey.

On May 10th, 1777, a peal of 10,200 Treble Bob Royal was rung at Shoreditch. It was one of the peals which figured in the competitive lengths between the Royal Cumberlands and College Youths, and this peal went to the credit of the former.

A peal of 12,240 Bob Major was rung at Braughing, Herts, on May 10th, 1779.

Sunday is the anniversary of the 14,112 London Surprise Major rung at King's Norton in 1903. It still is the record length in the method. There are, it is said, two longer compositions of London Major, but they have not yet been rung.

The first peal on the bells of St. Clement Danes, Strand, was a 6,485 rung by the College Youths on May 14th, 1845.

St. James' Society rang a peal of 12,096 Grandsire Caters at Fulham on May 15th, 1837.

'By George! Henry VIII.'s peal here was a topper. His merry w—no, lassies, are worthy of us raising our hats to such princesses.' Thus a correspondent at Shiplake, anent the peal there last Saturday.

Mr. W. E. Judd, who succeeded the late Mr. W. E. Garrard as conductor of the band at St. Mary Abbot's, Kensington, has been presented by the members with a gold bell pendant, suitably inscribed. The answer to a Midland correspondent is 'No.'

The number of changes in the long peal of Grandsire Cinques at Painswick on Easter Monday was 12,231, and not 12,221, as reported by the conductor.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

MR. E. DENISON TAYLOR ELECTED PRESIDENT.

CONDITIONS FOR PEALS.

The annual meeting of the Midland Counties Association was held (by the usual rotation) at Burton-on-Trent on Easter Monday. The weather, which had previously been very boisterous and wet, did not prove too bad, consequently from an early hour quite a host of ringers assembled at the various churches open for ringing. Every district of the association's activities was represented in force, viz.: Burton, Chesterfield, Derby, Nottingham, Hinckley, Leicester, Loughborough and the Peak of Derbyshire. There were also welcome friends from as far distant as Birmingham and Wellingborough, Dorc, Bottesford, Croydon and other places too numerous to mention. The bells of Burton, St. Paul's (10), St. Modwen (8), Winhill (6) and Rolleston-on-Dove (8) were in great demand, and touches in all sorts of methods more or less successfully rung. The committee met in the afternoon in St. Paul's Institute to discuss and carry out a very heavy programme of routine and other business, and deliberated for over two hours on the various items brought forward. Tea was served at 5 p.m., at which well over 100 ringers and friends were present. The chair was taken by the Vice-President (Mr. Joseph Griffin), supported by the hon. treasurer (Mr. W. Wallace), the hon. secretary (Mr. Ernest Morris), the Rev. H. E. Worthington (Rector of Seals), Mr. E. Denison Taylor (Loughborough), Mr. and Mrs. Mears, the latter being the daughter of the former president (Mr. John W. Taylor, jun.).



Mr. E. DENISON TAYLOR.

Head of the Loughborough Bell Foundry, who has been elected President of the Midland Counties Association.

The business meeting followed immediately after tea, and the vice-president gave a brief resumé of the committee's deliberations before going into full details. The general hon. secretary (Mr. Ernest Morris) read apologies for absence from Sir Percival Heywood, Bt. (son of the late Sir Arthur); Prebendary A. Lowe, Vicar of Rangemore; the Rev. W. G. Clark Maxwell, of Markeaton Hall; and the Rev. W. Peter Wright, the Squire of Eyam.

The report and balance sheet for 1929 were duly passed on the proposition of Mr. William Willson, seconded by Mr. John H. Swinfield, Mr. Willson remarking on the fact that the working expenses had produced a deficit of £18, and urging members to consider this, and a means of altering this adverse balance. New members proposed since the last meeting were duly confirmed, viz., 23 ringings, 2 life and five honorary. The general hon. secretary here complimented the Derby local secretary (Mr. George Freebrey) for his energetic work, especially in assisting him in distributing reports and circulars to hon. members, a work formerly done by the late president, Alderman Chambers; also upon the fact that the five newly elected hon. members were all his (Mr. Freebrey's) work, and included the Right Hon. J. H. Thomas, M.P., Lord Privy Seal. It is hoped that other local secretaries will note this, and thus do their best to get hon. members, whose support so helps the association, both morally and financially.

NEW PRESIDENT ELECTED.

The election of general officers for 1930 was then proceeded with, and the Vice-President stated that no nominations for president had been received, save that of Mr. E. Denison Taylor, whom they were

all pleased to welcome. He himself had been approached on the matter, but he felt that as he resided so far out of the centre of the association's sphere, and was getting on in years, someone more able should take on the work. He, therefore, had great pleasure in announcing that Mr. Taylor was elected to the presidency. Needless to say, this was received with acclamation.

Mr. Taylor responded in a very fine and vigorous speech, in which he paid a great tribute to the past presidents of the M.C.A. First was the Rev. J. Fish, Vicar of St. Paul's, Burton-on-Trent, who was a good ringer and energetic worker on their behalf. Next came Mr. A. P. Heywood (afterwards Sir Arthur), whose great deeds not only for this association, but for ringers and ringing generally, were widely known. Following him came his (the speaker's) brother, the late Mr. John W. Taylor, jun., who, not only as a bellfounder, but as an experienced ringer and conductor, did great things for the art. Lastly came the late lamented Alderman R. B. Chambers, of Derby, of whom it was safe to say he raised the association to its present strong financial position more than any other individual, whether ringer or otherwise. Now he himself was chosen, and although to his mind an unworthy successor to a fine set of gentlemen, nevertheless he would do all in his power to follow their good deeds, and give his best efforts to furthering the interests of the association. He paid a striking tribute to the original members of the association, alas, now growing very few, and welcomed at least three that afternoon—Mr. S. Maskery, of Derby; Mr. J. Jagger; and their vice-president, Mr. J. Griffin, of Burton. He also recalled other names of old and respected members, and paid a tribute to the services of the present officers, the treasurer, Mr. W. Wallace, of Derby, who worked incessantly in the good cause, and their painstaking and vigorous hon. secretary, Mr. Ernest Morris. To the latter he was indebted for much of his information, and he knew him not only as a ringer of ability, but as an historian and archaeologist of repute in other spheres outside the ringing association. Both Mr. Morris and he were members of the Leicestershire Archaeological Society. Mr. Taylor further urged all members to do their utmost for the art and the association, as it was only by each individual's effort that they could maintain and carry forward the glorious heritage of the past, and thus make the association one of the best and foremost in the country.

The hon. secretary (Mr. E. Morris) said that as they had had a vice-president on several occasions in the past, he proposed Mr. Joseph Griffin to that office.—This was carried unanimously.

Mr. Walter Wallace was re-elected hon. treasurer and Mr. Ernest Morris hon. secretary for the ensuing year. As there were six names proposed for delegates to the Central Council and four only required for this office, a ballot was taken, which resulted in the following being elected: The Rev. R. P. Farrow (Stoney Stanton), Messrs. John H. Swinfield (Burton), E. Denison Taylor (Loughborough), William Willson (Leicester).

A PROPOSED MEMORIAL.

Regarding the proposed memorial tablet to the late president—Alderman R. B. Chambers, B.A., J.P.—the general hon. secretary had been in communication with Mrs. Chambers, who had selected St. Peter's, Derby, as the most suitable church in which this could be erected, as her late husband had been over 20 years churchwarden there. A letter had also been received from the Vicar and Church Council, asking for fuller details before proceeding with the scheme, and in the committee discussion on the matter it was decided that a deputation visit St. Peter's, Derby, and fully go into the matter of material, size, wording, etc., of the tablet. Those selected were Messrs. Griffin, Wallace, Morris, Webb and Cockey, the first three being the officers of the association and the two latter experts in their respective trades.

Places selected by the committee for the next three quarterly meetings were Duffield (June), Bottesford (September) and Hinckley (January, 1931). These were duly ratified.

Regarding the War Saving Certificates belonging to the association, the hon. treasurer explained that a communication had been received from the solicitors of the estate of the late president (Mr. R. B. Chambers, who had held same on trust) that a new trustee must be appointed before these could be transferred. The committee had, therefore, suggested that Mr. William Willson, of Leicester, and Mr. W. Wallace, of Derby, be trustees, and the general hon. secretary was requested to get the necessary transfer made.—This was agreed to.

Honorariums were granted to the general hon. secretary and the eight local secretaries, but it was pointed out in the committee that these would have to be reviewed another year, as the association had actually worked at a loss during the past year. The hon. treasurer asked each local secretary to do his best to gather in all subscriptions outstanding, as this would then put matters right.

PEAL BOOKING FEES.

Next arose the question of charging for the booking of peals and for printing them in the annual report. Although not the first proposer of this, Mr. William Willson formally proposed that in future all reports of peals be charged at the rate of 3d. per man per peal. He pointed out the deficiency in the association's working funds and supported this measure as a means of getting extra money, and in this he was seconded by Mr. A. J. Harris, who contended that those who rang peals ought to be pleased to pay for the booking of them. Mr. W. E. White also supported this view.

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OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

PRESENTATIONS AT A BRANCH MEETING.

The annual meeting of the East Berks and South Bucks Branch, held at Farnham Royal, was quite a successful one, some dozen or more towers being represented. An excellent address was given by the Rector (the Rev. A. F. G. Farmer) on the text, 'Quit ye like men.' A photograph of the party, taken before sitting down to tea, has turned out a success, and copies will be available for those who require them.

A departure from the usual routine was made directly after tea, when the chairman, on behalf of many friends, presented a handsome clock, with Westminster chimes, in mahogany case, to Mr. C. C. Mayne, and a pair of silver candlesticks to Mrs. C. C. Mayne, as a wedding present and mark of appreciation of services in the past.—Both the recipients replied, thanking their friends for this pleasant surprise.

Several interesting discussions took place during the business meeting, when it was decided to invest some of the branch funds in the Abbey Road Building Society at 5 per cent., also to grant an honorarium of £2 per annum to the branch secretary.

The following officers were elected: Chairman, the Rev. W. S. Riddelsdell, M.A.; branch ringing master, Mr. T. J. Fowler; secretary and treasurer, Mr. A. D. Barker; and five representatives to serve on the General Committee.

Great pleasure was expressed at the presence of the master (the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn), general secretary (Mr. R. T. Hibbert), and general treasurer (Mr. A. J. Wright), who congratulated the branch on still further progress.

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The proposal was strongly condemned by Messrs. T. Vallance, J. Frank Smallwood, M. Swinfield and the general hon. secretary, each of whom emphasised the fact that peal ringers already paid for their peals, and often quite dearly, not only by travelling expenses, but by postages and in making arrangements, and then the sending to the ringing Press and to headquarters.

The general hon. secretary (Ernest Morris) stated that he had rung more peals for the M.C.A. than any other individual member, and that he could honestly say that every one had cost several shillings on an average, and that the idea of penalising peal ringers by this extra charge was certainly not the way to get extra funds. It had been said that all peals were rung for the glorification of individual ringers comprising the bands, but was not the association (as a body) proud of their performances? Would not the association's position be less prominent without their fine peal records?

Mr. Walter White, of Cotgrave, spoke of the pleasure and pride with which he—as a young ringer in the past—had read of the doings and peal records of the 'great ones' of the M.C.A. He contended that the best way to get funds was not to penalise peal ringers, but to raise the annual subscription, and issue a report to all members free. This was supported by Mr. Colin Harrison, who pointed out that this had already been successfully tried in another association.

The discussion became so protracted that many members had to leave the meeting to catch early trains, etc., and Mr. W. Willson finally withdrew the proposition.

Mr. W. E. White then brought forward two motions which had been discussed and passed in committee. The first was: That each acknowledged and recorded peal by the association must comply with the following conditions:—

1. All peals must commence and finish with rounds.
2. On five bells a peal must consist of not less than 42 true and complete 120's, each commencing and finishing with rounds. It may be lengthened by the addition of any number of 120's and for one shorter touch fulfilling the above conditions.
3. On six bells a peal must consist of not less than seven true and complete 720's, each commencing and finishing with rounds. It may be lengthened by the addition of any number of 720's and for one shorter touch fulfilling the above conditions.
4. On seven bells a peal must consist of not less than 5,040 true and complete changes, commencing and finishing with rounds.
5. On eight bells and upwards a peal must consist of not less than 5,000 true and complete changes, commencing and finishing with rounds.
6. Splicing of 5 and 6, 6 and 7, 7 and 8, 8 and 9, etc., bell methods will not be recognised in any peal.

ADDITION TO TITLE OF ASSOCIATION.

Mr. W. E. White then proposed that in future the full title of the association shall be 'The Midland Counties Association of Change Ringers for the Dioceses of Derby, Leicester, Lichfield and Southwell.' This had met with the approval of the Lord Bishops concerned, and was carried by the members remaining.

Later in the evening further ringing was done on both tower and handbells and a convivial hour spent 'in a select spot,' and thus ended a very successful meeting, although to the committee and officers concerned a very tiring one!

E. M.

THE KING AND WINDSOR BELLS.

LARGE GATHERING OF RINGERS AT REOPENING.

The reopening of the bells at Windsor Parish Church on Saturday proved a great attraction to ringers, many of whom travelled considerable distances to be present on an interesting occasion. Messrs. Mears and Stainbank have had the bells at the foundry, where they were retuned. The old frame has been repaired and the bells have been hung in entirely new fittings. Not only do the bells now go perfectly, but a vast improvement has been effected in their tone, and those who knew the bells before the restoration were greatly pleased at the result. The work has cost about £230, which was raised largely by an appeal in the 'Windsor and Eton Gazette' and the efforts of Mr. E. R. Foreman (churchwarden). The list was headed by His Majesty the King and the Prince of Wales.

The bells were first rung on Easter Day, when the Vicar of Windsor (the Rev. C. H. Hamilton) wrote to Lord Stamfordham requesting him to inform His Majesty that the bells were complete, and that they had been used that day. The Vicar received the following reply:—

'Windsor Castle, April 21st, 1930.

'My Dear Vicar,—Many thanks for your letter of yesterday, which has been read by the King, who was so glad to hear the bells ring again yesterday. His Majesty heartily congratulates you on your successful undertaking for the restoration of the bells.—Yours very truly,
STAMFORDHAM.'

The letter has been framed and hung in the belfry.

The dedication service was conducted by the Vicar in the presence of a large congregation, and the dedicatory prayers were offered by the Bishop of Buckingham, who gave a most appropriate address.

The visiting ringers were afterwards entertained to tea at the Church House by the Vicar and churchwardens, and among those who were present were Mr. S. Oxley (representing the proprietors of the 'Gazette') Mr. J. M. Burne (churchwarden), Mr. A. A. Hughes (Whitechapel Foundry), Mr. J. J. Parker (the veteran composer and ringer, of Farnham Royal), Mr. Tom Benney, of Stepney (one of the oldest members of the College Youths), Mr. W. A. Cave and Mrs. R. J. Wilkins, of Bristol, and ringers from St. Mary Abbot's, Kensington, Southgate, Greenwich, Watford, Poole, Harrow, Camberwell, Slough, Staines, Shrivensham, Hillingdon, Boyne Hill, Old Windsor, Clewer, Beaconsfield, Bletchley, Cookham, High Wycombe and other places, the number being about 80. Much to his regret, Mr. Churchwarden Foreman was unable to be present owing to indisposition.

The Vicar, after tea, voiced the thanks of the church authorities to the local Press for having made the restoration scheme possible, and to the bellfounders for the excellent way in which they had carried out their work.—Mr. Stanley Oxley replied, and thanks were accorded to those who had kindly provided the tea, and to the ringers' wives who had superintended the serving of it.

The evening was spent in ringing touches in a variety of methods on the bells, a notable feature of this part of the proceedings being the excellent striking which predominated. The arrangements were efficiently carried out by Mr. L. Stillwell, who was indefatigable in securing the comfort and enjoyment of the ringers.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.

THE IMPROVEMENT IN NORTH COLLINGHAM BELLS.

The North Notts Association held a very enjoyable meeting at North Collingham on Easter Monday, when ringers were present from Anston, Edwinstowe, Gamston, Sutton-on-Trent, Ordsall, Wheatley, Worksop, Nottingham, Lincoln, Great Hale, Eagle, South Collingham and the local company to test the beautiful bells, which have recently been rehung on ball bearings.

After tea the business meeting was presided over by the Vicar, Canon Gould, who was accompanied by Mrs. Gould, and the treasurer and secretary. The Vicar, in giving a hearty welcome to the association, remarked upon the recent overhauling of the bells, and said he hoped that the ringers had found a great improvement. No good ringing could be done before the repairs had been carried out.

The arrangements for the next meeting were left to the committee to decide. The secretary said that it would, as usual, be held at East Retford, and would be the 42nd annual meeting. He hoped that ringers would try and make it a record gathering.

The following members were duly elected: Arthur Jessop and John Day, performing members from North Collingham, and Mrs. P. Humphreys (Folkingham), Mrs. J. Bray (Burton Stather), Mr. R. Richardson (Surfleet), Mr. F. E. Collins (Norwood) as non-resident life members.

In proposing a vote of thanks to the Vicar, churchwardens, caterers and local company for all the privileges and work that had been done in making such an enjoyable day, Mr. C. McGuiness said the 'go' of the bells was considerably improved and an excellent job had been made of them.—Mr. C. F. Fowler seconded the motion, which was unanimously carried.

The methods rung were Plain Bob, Kent, Oxford and Sandal Treble Bob, Stedman Doubles and Cambridge Surprise. The probationary members of North Collingham acquitted themselves admirably.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**INSURANCE OF CHURCH BELLS AGAINST FIRE.**

The Bedfordshire Association discussed several matters of importance at their annual meeting on Easter Monday, when they met at Leighton Buzzard. There was ringing on the ten bells at Leighton Buzzard and the eight at Linslade during the day, and after lunch, Canon W. W. C. Baker (president) presided over the business meeting. Explaining why they met in Leighton Buzzard again, the President said they had hoped to meet at Bedford, and their hopes were raised when they heard that the bells of St. Paul's Church were to be put in order, but the work was not yet begun, although it was hoped that by another year the association would be able to resume their meetings there. In the meantime, they were grateful to Leighton Buzzard for providing them with the next best place of meeting. It was not unfitting, however, that they should come to that side of the county, considering the history that had been made in the restoration of the bells at Tilsforth and the addition of a treble bell at Totternhoe. The association congratulated these parishes on the success of their efforts. The Diocesan Advisory Committee had not been able to prevent them doing what they wanted to (hear, hear).

The 47th annual report of the committee stated that that year had been a successful one. There had been a slight increase, both in honorary and ringing members. The peals rung, however, were only 28, against 34 for the previous year, but a good feature was that a number of young members had rung their first peal. The association had lost by death its hon. auditor, Mr. F. T. Tanqueray, of Woburn. He was one of the few members who had remained with the association since its formation. He conducted the first 720 of Bob Minor ever rung in the county. Owing to his departure from Bedford, Mr. J. Newington had had to resign from the secretaryship of the Bedford district. Mr. Bonnett, of Stagsden, had succeeded him. Two important restorations had taken place at Tilsforth and Totternhoe, where there were now rings of six, and both towers had keen bands of young ringers.

MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTION TOO LOW?

The balance sheet showed a balance in hand of slightly over £24, and Canon Baker said that when they started the association the Duke of Bedford gave them a donation of £25. Nearly 50 years after they had still got nearly £25 in hand.

The report and balance sheet were adopted, and a suggestion by Mr. A. Markwell, that the members' subscription of 1s. was too low and should be increased, was referred to the next annual meeting.

On being re-elected president, Canon Baker said there was no honour he appreciated more, but if he lived to meet them another year he would be 70, and it would be time to make way for some younger and more energetic member. He was ringing in defiance of doctor's orders, to which he did not pay much attention, but he was not able to take part in peals now.

Four vice-presidents elected were: Miss E. Steel, Bedford; Mr. A. King, Luton; Mr. C. Herbert, Woburn; and the Rev. A. Rust, Husborne Crawley. Mr. E. Herbert was elected hon. auditor, and Mr. A. E. Sharman, of Dunstable, hon. secretary and treasurer, the Rev. A. Rust paying a warm tribute to Mr. Sharman's work. Canon Baker and Mr. Sharman were re-elected representatives to the Central Council. Canon Baker regretted that an old friend, Canon Coleridge, was resigning from the presidency of the Central Council, owing to advancing age. It was decided to send a message of sympathy to Canon Coleridge in his illness.

When the place for the next meeting was under discussion, Canon Baker said that Leighton Buzzard was a delightful place, but on the edge of a precipice into another county, whereas Bedford, apart from being the county town, had an admirable peal of bells. He proposed that the next annual meeting be held at Bedford. Mr. J. Nicholls, of Leighton Buzzard, seconded, and the meeting agreed.

It was decided to hold the summer meeting at Cardington.

EATON SOCON BELLS.

Canon Baker referred to the disastrous fire at Eaton Socon Church, and said that fortunately they were well insured, but if they got the whole of the insurance, the restoration of the church to anything like its former beauty would cost a very large sum. If the bells were not altogether destroyed, they were very much damaged. They had been taken down for safety, and there was no immediate prospect of being able to restore them. The Vicar told him that the bells would be one of the last things that would have to be considered. He did not know whether it would be possible for the ringers of Bedfordshire, not only the members of the association, to do what they could by small subscriptions, spread over a term of years, to help to get these bells rehung. If they could organise some sort of a subscription from ringers in the county, anything they could give would be very warmly appreciated by the Vicar and churchwardens, and would be earmarked for that purpose. It might result in the bells being got to work again sooner than they otherwise would. He would undertake to communicate with ringers all over the county to see if they could not raise some small sum. It was an overwhelming disaster for the people of Eaton Socon, but on the day after the fire the Vicar received a letter from a gentleman expressing sympathy and enclosing a cheque for £100, and that was a very tangible form of sympathy that the association might try and imitate.

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Mr. Markwell suggested that the appeal be made a diocesan affair, and Mr. Sharman was in favour of collecting cards in each tower. A subscription from the association was also suggested, and in the end it was decided to leave the matter in Canon Baker's hands.

The Rev. A. Rust thought that church insurance policies should stipulate separately the things covered by it. At Husborne Crawley they had insured their bells definitely as such, and it should be done in every parish.

Mr. Sharman asked whether it was the duty of the Rural Dean or the Archdeacon to see that the bells were insured.

Canon Baker replied that it was the duty of the Parochial Church Council.

Mr. Sharman said the bells should not be allowed to get into the condition some did. It should be compulsory to keep bells as much in repair as the fabric. At Caddington the wheels were broken, and it was a disgrace to any church.

Mr. King: It's a bird's paradise (laughter).

Canon Baker said they could not now compel people to spend money as in the old days, when there were church rates, and when the churchwardens were ordered to levy a rate and do the work. Since the abolition of church rates, this was no longer possible. That was why there were ruined churches in Bedfordshire. He thought the suggestion that bells should be adequately insured an admirable one.

Mr. Sharman recalled that when the tower at Totternhoe was burned out the bells were rehung as part of the restoration scheme, and nothing was heard about them being provided for separately.

SUGGESTED REVISION OF DISTRICTS.

Mr. Sharman raised the question of revising the districts. He said there was a very wide area in the county that needed 'roping in' by the association. There was a wide area all round Amphill where there was no change ringing, and he wondered whether the association could not form a small committee to re-group the county. There were three districts of Biggleswade, Luton and Bedford, but there was a wide area uncovered, and they did not know whose district it was. Could not the county be re-formed on the rural deanery system?

Miss Steel said it was understood that Amphill, Maulden and Flitwick were in the Luton district.

Mr. Sharman added that they were out to extend change ringing, and this was an opportunity to do it.

The question was referred to the committee.

The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Vicars of Leighton and Linslade for the use of the church belfries, and to Mr. J. Nicholls for making the arrangements for the visit.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. WARM WELCOME AT HEDON.

A general meeting of the Yorkshire Association was held at Hedon, near Hull, on Easter Monday. A boisterous and stormy week-end had the effect of substantially reducing the attendance at the gathering. Hedon is situated five miles from Hull, and the magnificent Parish Church of St. Augustine is a tribute to its former commercial importance. Dating from 1185 A.D., the church has cathedral-like proportions, and its elaborate and beautiful examples of styles in various periods of architecture emphasise its claim to be the 'King of Holderness,' as the inhabitants proudly proclaim. The tower contains a splendid new ring of eight bells (tenor 17½ cwt.), and their beautiful tone and perfect 'go' add yet another laurel to the famous Loughborough Foundry.

A meeting of the committee of the association was held in the early afternoon, following which the general meeting was held in the neighbouring schoolroom. Letters of apology for non-attendance were received from the president (the Rev. C. C. Marshall), Messrs. A. Walker, G. Halksworth, G. Lewis and F. Clark.

Mr. Arthur Moody, of Hedon, was elected as a member of the association, and a most hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar of Hedon, the Rev. E. H. M. Ainslie, M.A., for so kindly granting the use of the splendid new ring, was moved by Mr. P. J. Johnson, and seconded by Mr. F. G. Sherwood.

The Vicar of Hedon, in reply, said how delighted he was to have the visitors at Hedon, and also how gratified he was with the admiration which the new bells excited. In a passing word to his own new young band, the Vicar urged them never to forget that they were part of the church organisation, and to let that thought urge them to give of their best to change ringing, and let their example be a worthy one for others to follow.

Mr. S. F. Palmer proposed a vote of thanks to the local company and the ladies for their kind arrangements. This was seconded by Mr. J. Lawson.

In racy replies, Messrs. C. Drescher and G. B. Newton gave promise of great things in the ringing world, and bade the senior members look to their laurels in the near future.

An invitation to hold the next meeting of the association at Calverley in September was accepted on the motion of Mr. S. F. Palmer, seconded by Mr. W. Middleton.

A bountiful tea, served in the same schoolroom, was greatly appreciated by some 40 members, and the reply to a vote of thanks by Mrs. Drescher, of Hedon, proved the village capable of producing excellent speakers, in addition to enthusiastic ringers and first-class cooks.

Ringing continued in the tower until a late hour, many of the local young band being piloted through their first plain courses and touches, and their great keenness is an earnest of brilliant achievements in the future.

This account would be incomplete without a reference to a warm welcome at the church by Alderman Allan Park, and the memory of this delightful village, the magnificent church and the wholehearted welcome will long remain a pleasant recollection with all those who attended this meeting.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. PORTSMOUTH DISTRICT.

A very successful meeting was held at Hambledon (the birthplace of cricket) on Saturday week, the glorious weather attracting nearly 40 ringers during the afternoon and evening from Bramshott, East Meon, Petersfield, Portsmouth (St. Mary's), Hambledon, Shedfield, Swanmore, Titchfield and visitors from Ryde and Beaconsfield (Bucks). By kind permission of the Vicar, the peal of six were available for ringing, and at the service, conducted by the Rev. E. B. Maynard, in the unavoidable absence of the Vicar, owing to ill-health, the Guild's new form was used.

Tea at the New Inn was followed by the business meeting, at which the Rev. E. B. Maynard presided. Three new members from Hambledon and two from Titchfield were elected.

It was decided to hold the next meeting at East Meon on Saturday, July 19th, and a meeting for combined practice at Curdridge on Saturday, May 31st, due notice of which will appear in 'The Ringing World.'

Votes of thanks were accorded the Rev. E. B. Maynard for his kindness in being present, and also to the lady who presided at the organ. This concluded the meeting, after which a further visit was paid to the tower, where touches were rung, comprising Grandeire and Stedman Doubles, Plain Bob and Treble Bob Minor and Cambridge Surprise.

WINCHESTER DISTRICT.

A meeting of the Winchester District took place at Alresford on Saturday. Ringing commenced on the ring of eight bells at 3 o'clock, and was followed by a service in the church, conducted by the Vicar.

Tea was prepared at the Swan Hotel, to which, however, 14 only sat down. Members present were from Winchester, Bishop's Sutton, Titchfield, Overton, Micheldever, King's Somborne and Alresford.

After the business meeting, the members paid a visit to Old Alresford Church, where there is a pretty ring of six, which were utilised for an hour, and a move was then made to Bishop's Sutton, where there is a ring of five bells. This brought to a close a very enjoyable afternoon and evening.

THE DEVON GUILD.

A LEAN PERIOD.

The position of affairs in Devon was discussed at a meeting of the East Devon Branch at Axminster on Easter Monday. The matter was raised by Mr. H. Skinner, of Honiton, who called attention to the articles which had appeared in 'The Ringing World,' and inquired if any answer could be made to the criticisms.

The President of the Guild (the Rev. E. S. Powell) said the Guild was going through one of the lean periods that occurred in the affairs of every organisation. The position was one that required consideration, but there was no need for alarm. The Guild was undoubtedly in slack water. During the war bands were broken up. Afterwards they increased enormously. Now the number had declined and there was a certain amount of reaction. There had been a slight setback, not only in the East Devon branch, but every other branch. Before the war there were 37 bands, of which not more than 31 were practising change ringing. Last year there were 54 bands, of which 44 were practising change ringing. That comparison was not indicative of decay.

Mr. G. C. Woodley (of Sidmouth, and late of Talaton) said he thought a little more hard work ought to be put into the Guild so as to create enthusiasm, or the competitive ringing connected with the Devon Association would cause bands to lapse from the Guild.

The President: I don't think it will affect change ringers as a whole. A band here and there may drop out, but you will not find many change ringers going back to 'stone.'

Mr. Skinner: How many towers are there in Devon?

The President: Of towers possessing from five to eight bells there are about 300.

Mr. Skinner: You have not got many in the Guild, then?

The President: No. Scientific change ringing is a matter of slow growth, and towers devoted to it are always difficult to increase. Time after time I have had bands, including young men who are sick of round and call change ringing, writing and saying they want to take up half-pull ringing, but they have been miles from any Guild centre and could not get instruction. The only way in which you will get change ringing throughout the county is to push out from change ringing parishes into round ringing parishes. The menace to the Devon Guild is supposed to be the Devon Association. That association now only possesses 70 towers, although it started five years ago. I don't believe there is any great enthusiasm for competitive ringing, even among round ringers, but branches must do everything they can to arouse enthusiasm and to put in more work for the interests of the Guild. It is a job not for one or two, but for all.

The Rev. E. S. Powell presided over the meeting in the absence of the Rev. L. Stallard (Ottery), who was re-elected chairman, with Mr. J. H. Godfrey (Ottery) as hon. secretary and treasurer. Sidmouth was chosen for the next annual meeting, on Easter Monday, and Fenton for a district meeting on September 17th. Hearty thanks were accorded those who assisted at the service, which was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. F. H. Sanders), who also gave an address, to the branch officers, and the local ringers.

Ringing took place at Axminster and other towers during the day.

SUCCESSFUL MEETING OF CLEVELAND ASSOCIATION.

The meetings of the Cleveland Association go on from success to success. The meeting on Easter Monday at Robin Hood's Bay was voted by all who attended to be another triumph for the association. Thirty-four members and friends sat down to dinner, and the towers represented included Darlington, Stockton, Middlesbrough, Ormesby, Sharow, Whitby and, of course, the local tower.

The peal of eight were kept going in Plain Bob, Kent, Grandeire and Stedman from early till about 6 o'clock at night, and everyone had their fill of good ringing, the perfect striking of most of the touches being a feature of the meeting.

The younger members of the association were well represented both by the local band and the visitors. One young enthusiast cycled from Sharow to Robin Hood's Bay, some 60 miles; such is the enthusiasm for the association.

It was a good meeting; the weather was not too favourable, but the happy spirit which pervaded the whole of the gathering made up for the shortcomings of the weather. Another success! Now for a bumper meeting at Northallerton on Whit-Monday! J. C. P.

EASTER BELLS.

SHARNBROOK.—On Easter Sunday, at St. Peter's Church, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Minor, consisting of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford Treble Bob and Plain Bob, in 43 mins.: W. Surridge 1, J. Bragg 2, G. Bell 3, R. C. Allen 4, A. J. Barcock 5, E. C. Allen (conductor) 6. First quarter-peal for ringer of 2, for whom it was arranged.

WEST CLANDON, SURREY.—On Easter Sunday, for 10.15 Communion service, 720 Plain Bob: G. Jarrad 1, A. Walker 2, H. Harding, sen., 3, J. Goacher 4, G. Grover 5, F. Bennett (conductor) 6. For evening service, 720 Beverley Surprise Minor: A. Walker 1, F. Day 2, G. Grover 3, J. Goacher 4, N. Harding 5, F. Bennett (conductor) 6.

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on May 22nd; *St. Paul's Cathedral on the 13th; Southwark Cathedral on the 15th; °St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 27th, all at 7.30 p.m.; St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 29th, 8. *Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The half-yearly meeting will be held at Christ Church, Southport, on Saturday, May 10th. Bells ready at 12 noon. Service at 5. Tea after.—W. H. Shuker and A. Tomlinson, Hon. Secs.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Wellingborough Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Wollaston on Saturday, May 10th. Bells available at 2.30 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea and business meeting to follow.—F. Barber, Branch Sec., School House, Gordon Road, Wellingborough.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Hereford District.—A quarterly meeting of the district will be held at Stoke-Edith on Saturday, May 10th. Bells (6) available 3.30 to 8.30 p.m. Service 5. Tea 5.45.—A. Gwynne, Dis. Sec., Deanery Cottage, Castle Street, Hereford.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Rochester District.—The half-yearly meeting will be held at Sittingbourne on Saturday, May 10th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service in the Church at 4. Tea will be supplied at Cremer's Cafe at 5, at 1/- each. Half rail fares will be allowed to members attending.—Stanley J. T. Shellock, Hon. Sec., 162, Barnsole Road, Gillingham.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Taunton Deanery Branch.—A meeting will be held at Milverton on Saturday, May 10th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30, tea, etc., after.—P. Merson, Bishops Hull.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Next meeting will be held jointly at Sheffield Cathedral and St. Marie's on Saturday, May 10th. Bells available early. Visitors make own arrangements for tea.—H. Thorpe, Hon. Sec., 104, Petre Street, Sheffield.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Isle of Wight District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Godshill on Saturday, May 10th. Bells (6) available at 2.30 p.m. Tea and business meeting at 5, at the Griffin Hotel. All ringers are welcome.—B. J. Snow, Hon. Dis. Sec., 2, Collingwood, Daniel Street, Ryde, I.O.W.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chipping Norton Deanery Branch.—The annual Spring meeting will be held at Chipping Norton (8 bells) on Saturday, May 10th.—J. Keyte, Hon. Sec., Charlbury.

SUFFOLK GUILD.—A general meeting will be held at Laxfield on May 10th. Tea 1s. each at the King's Head, at 4.30 p.m. Meeting follows.—H. Drake, Ufford, Woodbridge.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Marlborough Branch.—The next monthly meeting of the branch will be held at Aldbourne on Saturday, May 10th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m.—Cyril Hussey, Hon. Sec., East Leaze, Baydon, Marlborough.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Ilchester Deanery Branch.—A meeting will be held at Curry Rivel on Saturday, May 10th. Service at 4 p.m., tea and meeting to follow.—F. Farrant, Hon. Branch Sec., Martock, Somerset.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Liverpool Branch.—The usual monthly meeting will be held at Southport on Saturday, May 10th (jointly with the Wigan and Preston branches) to form the half-yearly meeting of the association. Particulars elsewhere in these columns.—Claude I. Davies, Branch Secretary.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Eastern Branch.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Kirton on Saturday, May 10th. Bells (8) available from 2 p.m. Divine Service 4.15. Tea 4.45, followed immediately by usual business meeting. All ringers cordially invited.—John Phillips, Hon. Sec., School House, Butterwick, nr. Boston, Lincs.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Hinckley District.—The next meeting will be held at Wolvey on Saturday, May 10th. Bells available 3.30 p.m. Tea provided at 5. A good meeting is requested. All ringers welcome. W. A. Cope, Smockington, Hinckley.

DEVON GUILD.—Mid-Devon Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held on May 10th at Cockington. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service 4.15, tea to follow at Parish Hall. Those intending to be present please notify me early.—H. J. Hole, Hon. Sec., Tauntonia, Church St., Paignton.

LADIES' GUILD.—Southern District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Aldershot on Saturday, May 17th. Bells available 3 o'clock. Tea 5 o'clock. All welcome. Will those requiring tea please notify me by Wednesday, May 14th.—Hilda F. Mills, Cairneyhill, Bridgefield, Farnham.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD (Southern District) and the **MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD** (South and West District).—A joint meeting will be held at Lambeth on Sat., May 17th. Bells from 3 p.m. Tea at 6. Service at 7.30 with address by the Vicar. Ringing till 9.15. It is important for those intending to be present to acquaint, by May 13th, the London County Hon. Dis. Sec.—J. Herbert, 17, Grimston Road, S.W.6.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—The festival will be held at Calne, Wilts, on Saturday, May 17th. Service in Parish Church at 12.30 p.m. Preacher, Ven. Archdeacon Coulter. Luncheon and annual meeting at Town Hall, 1.30., price 1s. 6d. Those requiring luncheon please inform Secretary by May 12th. Towers open: Bishop's Cannings, Calne, Melksham, Wootton Bassett (8), Bremhill, Bromham, Rowd (6), Compton Bassett (5), Devizes (3 towers).—F. Llewellyn Edwards, Hon. Sec., Kington Magna Rectory, Gillingham, Dorset.

LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—The next meeting will be held at Abergavenny (Mon.) on Saturday, May 17th. Bells (8) available. Service at 4.30. Tea and business meeting to follow.—John W. Jones, Hon. Sec., Cartref, Barrack Rd., Newport, Mon.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Whittle-le-Woods on Saturday, May 17th. Bells available from 2.30.—Fred Rigby, Hon. Branch Sec., 8, Carrington Road, Chorley.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Peak District.—The next meeting will be held at Youlgreave, near Bakewell, on Saturday, May 17th (not 10th as previously stated). Church of All Saints (8 bells, tenor 27 cwt.). It is hoped to make arrangements for tea. Visitors from other districts welcome. Reports ready. Subscriptions due.—J. E. Lewis Cockey, Hon. Dis. Sec., Leamwood, Dore.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—V.W.H. Branch.—The annual general meeting will be held at Faringdon on Saturday, May 17th. Tower open 2.30. Service 3.30. Those requiring tea please notify G. Webley, Union St., Faringdon, by the 14th.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western Division.—The next meeting will be held at Hemel Hempstead on Saturday, May 17th. Service at 4.30 p.m., followed by a tea and business meeting. The bells have recently been rehung on ball bearings. Hoping to have a good attendance.—J. Puplett, Hon. Sec., Aylesbury Road, Tring.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Burton District.—Next district meeting will be held at Overseal on Saturday, May 17th. Bells (8) ready 2.30 p.m. All those requiring tea must send in their names to Mr. J. W. Cotton, Moira Road, Overseal, by 15th at latest. Reports on sale (6d.). Please see that we have a good meeting.—John Leach, Dis. Sec.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Tonbridge District.—The next meeting of this district will be held at Marden on Saturday, May 17th. Tower open at 2.30. Service at 4.30. Tea followed by business meeting after service. Members requiring tea must notify the Dis. Sec. not later than Tuesday, May 13th.—W. Latter, Hon. Dis. Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

NOTTINGHAM SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS (Est. 1672).—The annual meeting of the above will be held at St. Mary's Church, Nottingham, on Saturday, May 17th. Tower open 5 p.m. Business meeting 7 p.m.—F. Blood, Hon. Sec., 91, Dame Agnes Street, Nottingham.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Reading Branch.—The spring meeting will be held at Tilehurst on Saturday, May 17th. The bells will be available from 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m., to be followed by a ringers' service at 6 p.m. Ringing will be continued after the service. Tea 1/- each. Please let me know by Tuesday, May 13th, numbers intending to be present.—F. W. Hopgood, Hon. Branch Sec., 75, Kensington Road, Reading.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—North and East District.—Next meeting at St. Mary Magdalene, Enfield, on Saturday, May 17th. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service at 5. Meeting at 6. Tea at 1s. per head will be arranged at 5.30 for those who advise me by May 14th. Members and friends welcomed.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 21, Vincent Road, E.4.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—North-Western Division.—A meeting will be held at Radwinter on Saturday, May 17th, at 3 p.m. Service at 5. Tea at 5.30. Those requiring tea kindly advise me.—C. Beeston, 5, King Street, Bishop's Stortford.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Leicester District.—The next meeting will be held at Kibworth on Saturday, May 17th. Bells (8) available from 3.30 p.m. Tea at the Rose and Crown Hotel at 5 p.m. Will those requiring tea please let me know by Friday, May 16th.—Alban Disney, 3, Highgate, Aylestone Lane, Leicester.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Swindon Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Brinkworth on Saturday, May 17th. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea after service for those who notify me by Wednesday, May 14th.—S. Hopper, 79, Edinburgh Street, Swindon, Wilts.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Guldborough Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Spratton on Saturday, May 17th. Bells 5. Service 4.15. Will those requiring tea please notify me?—R. Adams, East Haddon, Northants.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Crewe Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Barthomley (8 bells) on Saturday, May 17th. Those intending to be present kindly let me know by the 14th inst.—R. D. Langford, Branch Hon. Sec., 6, Laura Street, Crewe.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting will be held at East Retford on Saturday, May 24th, when East Retford (10), West Retford and Ordsall (6), will be open for ringing from 2 p.m. See the next issue for further particulars.—H. Revill and R. W. Stockdale, Hon. Secs.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—South-Western Division.—A meeting will be held at Shenfield on Saturday, May 24th. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Tea 5. Meeting to follow. Will those intending to be present and requiring tea advise me by Tuesday, May 20th? This is essential.—E. J. Butler, 3, Eustace Road, Chadwell Heath.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Guildford District.—Meeting at Witley on Saturday, May 24th. Bells available 3 p.m. Tea and business meeting. Numbers for tea to me by Monday, May 19th, please.—G. L. Grover, Hon. Sec., Merrow Cottage, East Clandon, near Guildford.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Derby District.—The first district quarterly meeting will be held at Derby on Saturday, May 24th. The bells of St. Luke's (8) will be available from 2.30 till 4.30 p.m., and the bells of St. Andrew's (10) will be available from 6 till 7.30 p.m. Business meeting at 4.30 in St. Luke's belfry. All ringers welcome. Will members who have not paid their subscription kindly do so at this meeting or send them. Reports for 1929 can be obtained? Seats can be reserved and tea obtained at King's Cafe, St. Peter's Street, on *notice being given in the belfry during the afternoon.*—George Freebrey, Local Hon. Sec., 81, Roe Street, Derby.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Fylde Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Singleton (6 bells) on Saturday, May 24th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Business meeting 6. A good attendance is requested.—C. Sharples, Branch Sec., 118, Dickson Road, Blackpool.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—A joint meeting of the Northern and North-Eastern Divisions will be held at Great Tey on Saturday, May 24th. Short service at 4.30. Tea and meeting at 5.15. All who intend to be present please notify Mr. Ridgwell, Queen's Road, Earls Colne, or R. W. Stannard, 12, Ireton Road, Colchester, Hon. secretaries of the two divisions, not later than May 19th, as only a limited number can be provided for?

A HARDY ANNUAL.—Bushey.—May 24th.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. — Sonning Deanery Branch.—Jubilee celebrations at Wokingham on Saturday, May 24th. Ringing at All Saints' and St. Paul's Churches from 3 p.m. Thanksgiving service in St. Paul's Church at 5 p.m. Preacher, the Ven. Archdeacon of Berkshire. Tea by kind invitation of the Rector in the Rectory garden at 6 p.m. Those ringers are welcome who notify me of their intention to be present. Latest date, Monday, May 19th.—W. J. Paice, Branch Sec., Merrel, California, Wokingham.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—North-Western Division.—Special notice to all who are unable to attend Saturday meetings.—I am making provisional arrangements for a meeting at Dunmow on Wednesday, June 4th. Will those interested kindly write me?—C. Beeston, 5, King Street, Bishop's Stortford.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—Preliminary Notice.—The 51st annual meeting will be held at Chelmsford on Whit-Monday, June 9th.—F. A. Pitstow, Gen. Sec. and Treas., 45, High Street, Saffron Walden.

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