

## WILLIAM PYE.

GILLETT
AND
JOHNSTON
LTD

CROYDON

## Founders

 of the heaviest bells cast in England.By the death of Mr. William Pye there passes the greatest ringer the Exercise has ever known. Jurlged from every angle of performance, the late Master of the Middlesex Associations surpassed anything which ringers of this or any other generation have ever accomplished, and, if he does not hold absolutely every record worth holding in ringing, none will deny that in physical and mental equipment there is nothing which any other rinyer could do that he could not have equalled or excelled. In this, that, or the other limited way there may be a few ringers to whom one might point and say, 'There is William Pye's equal, ' but of no one man living or dead is it possible to say that in every direction he was as great a ringer as Mr. Pye proved himself to be. There have been 'giants' of the past who, had the art of ringing and the facilities for practising it been in their day as advanced as they are in this century, might perhaps have proved themselves equal to him. That, however, is problematical and need not here be discussed. Suffice it that no one has combined in his ringing career all that has gone to make up William Pye's wonderfal record. On all numbers of bells, on any weight of metal, he was a ringer par excellence; in any method or conbination of methods he was a conductor with few equals and no superiors. He flad rung not only hundreds more peals than any other man, but more tenors than anyone else. To mention but a few of his outstanding achievements, no other man has ever rung Exeter Cathedral 72 cwt . tenor single-handed to a peal; no other man has 'rung the clock round ' on a 30 cwt . bell, to say nothing of turning-in the 26 cwt . tenor at Ashton-under-Lyne to Cambridge for the record length of Maximus, which occupied more than eleven and a half hours. He was the first man to conduct a thousand peals, and his ability as a conductor, which stands out pre-eminently in an age of brilliant conductors, was revealed in nothing so much as in the skill which he showed in the series of spliced Surprise Major peals in a progressive number of methods. All bells and all methods came alike to him. - Endowed with strength and stamina beyond the average, Mr. Pye applied to ringing a mental calibre which few possess. In a crisis in a peal he was always the least disturbed, and his ability to 'sort things out ' was almost uncanny. One had only to see him picking out a tangle in Cambridge Surprise Maximus to realise his genius as a conductor, as distinct from a bob-caller. And yet no ringer was ever more modest over his abilities and achievements than he.
Whatever else may be said of him, and William Pye in his own particular way did much for change ringing, (Continued on page 162.)

## WM. POTTS \& SONS. LTD.

CATHEDRAL, CHURCH AND TOWER CLOCK MANJPACTURERS
 in tho Warld.
CLOCKS REPALRES AND DIALS RESTORRD,
Alad Mrhera ot bMALL CLOCKS of every domerlotion for all purpopeat.

'THE GUILDFORD CLOCK WORKS,'
Bankfiald Terraae, Burley, LeedE.
And at $\mathrm{B}_{1}$ Adelphl Chamberi, Shakespeara Strast, Newcastlo-an-Tyne. 19, Cannon Stre日t, Manchester. and S6, Carver Strabt, Moarhead, Shemield.

## THE RINGER'S BADGE,



Supplied as Stud for Buttonhole, Brooch or Pendant
With name of your Absodation engraved (bs Mlastration).
Sot. HAL工 MAREED GOLD - 30/* plas the incressed cost of gold. EALL MARRED BLLVER -. $7 /$ GILT OB WHITEGETAL
Namas or Preaentation Inberiptione cen bs angraved on tha reverse bide at a smad extra obsrge.

## GED. STACEY Jemeler and 6, PARK ST., MINEHEAD, 8OMERSET

## 

ESTABLISHED 1760 JOHN NICOLL,
Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope Manufacturer,
64, LEWISHAM PARK, LONDON, S.E. 13
Late of BERMONDSEY and PECKHAM.

[^0]Mufflers, Ringing Mats, Matting, Flag Lines, etc, etc.
he definitely advanced the practical side of the art. His consistent success in Surprise ringing; in days when this class of method was by no means generally practised, was a large lactor in popularising it, and it would be difficult to say how many ringers owe their first Surprise peal to him. We have often heard the criticism that ringers of the standing of Mr. Pye are not always ready to help beginners through peals in the simpler methods. That is, speaking generally, a 'libel' on this class of men, but there is another side to the question. A university don would be wasting his time in teaching in an elementary school, if he could employ his talents in a higher sphere of education. In the same way there are men capable of advancing the more difficult kinds of method ringing, who, when there are other ringers able to do the elementary teaching, can better spend their time in promoting the higher standards of the art, especially if they have not time for holh. William Pye adranced these higher standards. His example as a ringer and the encouragement which many a man got from ringing peals with him have made Surprise ringing on all numbers of belis something which the many, instead of, as formerly, only the few; aspire to. He was close upon his two thousandth peal when his illness put an end to his ringing career. It is little short of a tragedy that a man, so little past his prime and of so many accomplishments, shoufd have been called from us when so near a goal that has never yet been reached. But William Pye will go down in history as the greatest ringer of his own or any previous generation.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

OHELTENHAM.
THE WOROESTERSFIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCRTION.
On Salurday, March 9, 1935, in Three Howrs and Thirty Minutes,
At tee Cefreh of St. Mary.
A PEAL DF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5014 CHANGES; Tenor azi cwt.


## TEN BELL PEAL.

LRIGHTON, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, March 9, 1935, in Threc Hours and Twenty-Two Minutos, At the Chorce of St. Prter,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE GURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGE8; Tenor 25 c cwt.
Kbith Hart... ... ... ...Tydb |jamzs Topp ... ... ... ... 6
 Mrs. F. I. Hairs ... ... 3 Oliver Sippetis... ... ... 8 Kenneta Snbleing ... ... 4 Erederick W. Rogers ... 9 Alfred T, Grbzinwoon ... 5 Cbarlbs W. Robrris... ...Tonay Composed by Gabrifl Lisdorf. Conducted by Chas. W. Ronerts

MADE FROM TTALIAN HEMF OR ITALIAN FLAX. SOFT AND PLIABLE IN HAND. ALL ROPES SENT OARRIAGE PAID AND ON APPROVAL.

## Cheap Quotatione. Eotehblished 150 yesra. Phone 803.

DAVID MAXON, ROPE WORK8, GRANTHAM

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

LINGIIELD, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, Fabruary 27, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifty Minstes, At the Cadree of SS. Petritand Pade,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOF, 6056 CHANGES; Tenor $16 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{cw}$.
Miss Florrie Wyman ..Treble Robeat Swify
... ... 2 Nalson Tipey ... $. . . \quad . . .5$ Cecil Nice Kenneth Snelling... Composed by C. Middleton. Alfred ]. Bull ... ... ... 7 Conducted by 0 . Sipperts.

First peal on the bells.
ALDENHAM, HERTS.
THE HERTFORD COONTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Mareh 2, 1935, in Two Howrs and Fifty-Two Minutes.
At tae Cborce of St. Joen-teb-Baptist.
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 6024 CHANGES; Tenor 15 cwt .
-Matrice F. R. Hibaeri ...Treble Strpaen H. Hoare ... ... 5 Caristoperr W. Woolley 2 \#Francis Kirk ... ... ... 6 Grorge R. Pyb......$\quad$... 3 Harold G. Cashmore $\quad$... 7 Charlbs T. Colbs ... ... 4 Waleter Ayre .. ... ...Temoy Composed hy Rev. H. Law Jamrs. Conducted by H. G. Casemore * 100th Surprise peal. Fisi peal in the method on tower bells. * Thisti, peal in tho method. A birthdyy compliment to the rimger of the trable.

## BLTR'CON LAATMEER, NOIRTHAMPTONSHRE.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GDLLD.
On Satwrday, Maych 2, 1935, in Three Howzs, At fee Ceurch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF KENT TRE日LE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGEs; Tenor IOd ewt .
Walter Perring ... ...Treble Joen Saddington ... ... 5 Cbarles W. Btrd ... ... 2 Burley P. Morris ... ... Fredrrice J. Tite ... ... 3 Cabrles M. Whitney.. .7 ${ }^{2}$ Leslie W. Stevens... ... + William J. Whitmorb ...Temar Composed by T. B. Worsczy. Conducted by W. J. Whitmore.

* First peal of Treble Bob. Artanged for ringers of 4 and 5, who ire from Loughborough.


## DARTFORD, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCLATTON.
On Siznrday, March 2, 1935. in Two Hours and Fiffy-Five Misules,
As tee Churge of the Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MASOR, 5024 GHANEES; Tenor i $8 \frac{2}{4} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Edwin Barnett $\quad . .-$...Treble Jobn H. Cebesman ... ... 5 Edwin a barnbit ... $\cdots \cdots$ "Groffrey V. Murpey ... 4 Harry Hoverd ... ... ....Temos Composed by A. Knighis. Conducted by E. A. Barnety. * First peal of Treble Bob. First peal of Oxford on the beils. SHIPLAKE, OXFORDSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Mareh 2, 1935, in Thys Hours ard Three Minutes, At tae Ceurca of SS. Peter ano Pafla,
4 peal of double norwich caurt bob hajor, 5056 chances; Tenor ocwt. 3 qr. 7 lb . in F sharp

 integr bailey ... ... ... 4 Riceard A. Post... .... ...Teno Composed and Conducied by Nolan Golden.

\section*{BELL ROPES BEST QUALITY, LOWEST PRICES HERBERT J. GRAY, LTD. <br> (Incorporatity JOSHDA C. CLOQG \& CO.) <br> FLAGS AND BUNTING

EXETER,}

Rope and Flag Works

OEEWTON MENDTP, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION. On Sahryday, March 2, 7935, in Threa Hours and Siz Minutes, At the Ceurca of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWIGH COURT BQB MAJOR, 5024 CFAMCE8; Tenor 24 cwt. r qr. rlb.

$\begin{aligned} & \text {-Kenneta Ford } \\ & \text { *... } \\ & \text { David Mackay }\end{aligned} . .$. Composed by H, W, Wılepe. Conducted by J. T. Dyze.

* First peal in the method. it 500th peal.

HYDE, OHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Satwday, March 2, 1935, in Three Hours and Six Minuts,
Ai the Cadree of St. Georgr.
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE HAJOR, 6088 CHANCEB;
Tenor I8 cwt. II l . in F .

Lionel Ciough... ... ... 4 John Worte... ... ... ...Tenor Composed by J. W. Washeroor. Conducted by Joan Worth.

* First peal in the method.

WITHYHAN, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, March 2, 1935, in Two Hoursand Fifty-Eight Minules,
At the Ceurch of St. Michael and All Angels,
a peal of superlative surphise majoh, sogs chances;
Tenor I5 cwt. 9 lb.
Gborge Olliver... ... ...Trebie Alpred J. Bull ... ... ... 5
Stanlyy E. Armstrong ... 2. Krnnetb Sngleing.... Keite Hart... ... ... ... 3 Robrrt Swifi ... ... ... 7

EComposed by N. E . Pisisiow. Conducted by O. Sippetts.
LODDON, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOGESAN ASSOOLATTON.
On Salurday, March 2, 1935, in Two Honrs and Fifty-Sevek Minutes,
At tee Churce of tee Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 Changes; Tenor 11 ewt.

| Grorge Gower ... | .. | ...$T r e b l e$ | Cearigs Loome ... | ... | ... | 5 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Stantey Copling | $\ldots$ | .. | 2 | Frederice Rodpe | ... | ... | 6 |


William Flatt ... ....... 4 Ernest Whiting... ... ...Tenor
Composed by H. Wilde. Conducted by Eanest Whiting.
Finst peal in the method on the bells.
WORCESTICR.
THE WOROESTERESTIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOOLATION.
(Western Branch.)
Or Salnyday, March 2, 7935, in Three Howrs and Nine Minules, At the Chorch of St. Joen-tee-Papyist,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT GOB MAJOR, 5088 GHANGE8; Tenor 1Ed owt.

| Thomas W. Lewis | $\ldots$. | $\ldots$ Tyeble | William Ranpord | ... | .. | 5 |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sidney T. Holy ... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 2 | Dznis R. Morris | $\ldots$ | .. | 6 |

 Grorge E. Large ... .... 4 Wieliam Lefis ... .... .... ...tenor Composed by C. W. Rnberts. Conducted by Sideny T Holt. GREAT BADDOW. ESSEX. THE ESSEX ASSOCLATION.
On Sahrday, March 2, 1955, in Three Hours ard Three Minutes, At the Cedrch of Sx. Mary,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIYE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 GHAMGES;

Tenar $14 \frac{1}{3} \mathrm{cwl}$ in $G$.


- 50thr peal.
MITCHAM, SURREX THE SUREEY ASSOCIATION.
On Suthrday, March 2, 1935, in Two Hows and Fifty-Two Mirutes. At the Church of SS. Pethr and Paul,


## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5日24 GHANGES;

 l'enor 16 cwt .William S. Smith
...Treole
Josepa S. Haweins
...Treble
Wiletam H, Joiner Lawrange Grernhow
LAWRGNGE GREERHOW
Composed by C. H. Hattersley, Conducted by C. W. R, Gonnor Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor. SPELDHTJRST, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
() Saikrday, March 2, 1935, in Threc Hours and Fouy Minates,
At the Chorch of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF GAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGE8!
Tenor 33 cwt I gr. 26 lb . in F.
F. J. Lambert, sen, ... ...Treble Robeat ]. Dawe ... ... 2
A. Wimgeield Doream ... 3
*Robert H. Vigor ... ... 4
Composed by C. Middeeton.
Frank Banneit..
Reginald E. Lan.... Hhreert Markiveli.... ... 7

Composed by C. Mideleion. Conducted by A. W. Deream.

* First pual of Surprise. First peal in tho method as conductor. This was MT. Beunett's $1 ; 300$ th peal, and was rung on the 46 th ennirersary of fis first peal.

TADOASTER, YORKS.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCLATION
On Satwrday, March 2, 1935. in Two Hours and Fifiy-Six Mimutes,
At zer Ceureh of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Rev. C. D. P. Davies' Ten-pari.
Tenor $20 \frac{3}{3} \mathrm{cwt}$.
H. Clayton... ... ... ...Tpeble A. Dennison
F. E. ADDISON ... $. . . \ldots_{1} . . . \quad 2 \quad$ E. Lindley...

J. Harrison... ... ... ... 4 A. Barerer ... ... ... ...Tenor

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. H. Clayton. First peal on the bells since they were put on hall bearings. Quickest peal on the bells.

## WARE FERTS.

THE HERTFORD CODNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Maych 2, 1935, in Three Hosws and Eight Minutes,
At the Churce of St, Mary,
A PEAL OF BRIGTOL SURPRISE HAJOR, 5089 CHANGES; Tenor 22 cwt .
Grorge Gray
Harry Hosrins ..
Tyeble James E. Davis
Alprbd J. House
C. Eanest Smita

Compused br $G$
2 William R. Madgwick
3
4 Cener Brevi... ... ... 7
composed by, Lindoff, Conducted by W. R. Madgwicr.
First peal of Bristol on the bells. SWANSEA, GLAMORGANSEIRE.
THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOOESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, March 9. 1935, in Thyee Hours and Tem Minutes,
At teg Cegrce of St. Mary.
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR; 5024 GHANGES; Tenor 19 cwt .
George Popnell

- Edward Phiclips Ernest Stitca ... - Gwyn I. Lewis.

Composed by A. Knigers. * First peal of Kent Treble Boh Mrjor. First beal of Kent Treile Bob Major for the Guild rung in the diocese. 50th peal as conductor.

HIGHER WALTON, EANOS.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Preston Brance.)
On Saturday, March 9, 1935, in Thee Hours and Two Mirnles, At the Cefrch of All Saints.
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 6040 CHANEE8:

Teurstans' Four-part,
*fobn Cearnock...
William Searples
...
...T The Frbd Rigby
Benfamin A. Knigers
Conducted by

Tenor r 6 cw , in F

* First peal of Stedman. t 100 b peal

DRIGHJINGTON, YOIK
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION
AND LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY
un Saturday, March 9, 1935, in Three Howrs and Six Minules,
Ai tag Caurch of St. Pagl,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRIBE MAJOR, 506日 CHANEES; Tenor $\mathbf{1} 67$ cwt. in $F$.


| Williah H. Senior | ... | ... | 3 | Fred Hodgron ... |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Ghorgr Robinson | $\ldots$ | ... | 4 | Lesliz W. G. Morris... |
| Le...Tenor |  |  |  |  |

Composed by A. Craven. Conducted by Leslis W. G. Morris.
First peal of Superlativo on the bells. Fifticth peal by Mr. W. F.
Seuiar.
HACKINGTON, OANTERBURY
TEE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, March 9, 1935, in Thee Hows and Four Minwles, At tee Cherch of St. Stepaen,
A PEAL OF BOB NAJOR, ED4O CHANGES:
Tenor 11 cwt.
*Harrison Smith ... ...Tyebia |H. Richard Frbnch ... †Mrs. Edward H. Spice ... 2 |Rbginald Baldock ... Jabez Walter ... ... ... 3 Edward Trendell ...
Frederick R. Weller ... 4 Edward H. Spice .... ....Temor

Composed by J. Reeves.

* First peal in the method.
inside' bell. $\ddagger$ First peal.
ROSS-ON-WYE, ILEREFORDSIIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIODESAN GUND
On Saturday, March 9, 1935, in Three Hours and Twenty Minates
Ay tue Parish Chorce of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF GAANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Parker's Twelve-part (zad observation). Tenor $24{ }^{3} \mathrm{ch}$ cht
-Victor C. Pratece ... ...Tweble | Robert E, Sumatrs... ... 5
William T. Poston... ... 2 John J. Webe .... ... .... 6

William Poston
Conducted b
* First peal on eiglat bells. \& First peal of Triples "insidc." * First peal. The rimerts of $1,2,3,6$ and tenor are Sundey service ingers at thie church.

OSWAIDD'WISTLE, LANCE
THE LANCASHITE ASSOCLATION.
(Beackburn Branch.)
On Swhday. Marth 10, 7935, in Ttwo Hours and Fifly-Five Minules, At tee Parish Choreh,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, ED58 CHANGES;
Tenor 111 owt.
Anteony Cbadwigk ... ...Treble Sydney Brown ... ... ... 5 Jabes Parr ... ... ... ... 2 Leonabd Sceolas

Leslie E. Williaws ......
Willie Aaron … … .... 4 Latrence J. Wizliams ...................... Composed by C. H. Martin. Conducted by L. J. Williaman

## CHURCH BELL CONSULTANTS.

CANADA HOUSE, established 1763

RDGBASTON, BIRMINGHAM

## PHE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF

 BIRMINGHAMOn Salurday, Maych 9. 1935, in thet Hows and Twelve Minutes,
At the Cedreh of St. Bariholomrw,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 505 CHANQEs; Tenor 10 cwt.

- Frank B Yates ......Trebla Daniel T. Maikin ... ... 5 †John F. Atrins... .... .... 2 John Marsball ... -H. Jabies Torner ... William C. Dowding ... 4 John Neal ... ... ... ...Tenor Composed by J. R. Pritceard, Conducted by Daniel T. Matkin. \# First peal of Mejor in the method. H First peal of Major. Rung with tho bells half-touffled as a last tritute of respect to the memory of My. Gcorge Pigott, a service 1 inger at the above church, who died nil Maroh 3 rd.

PINCHBECK, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINODLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Ellor Deanerias Lranch.)
On Salurday, March 9, 7935, ix lhyee Hours and Nine Minutes, At the Cadrch of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF BOB HAJOR, 5088 CHANGE8;

## Tenor Is cwt. 9 lb .

Grorgr Ladd ... ... ...Tyebls | Harry Nichols ... ... ... 5 Jotin G. Ames ... ... ... 2 .. $\begin{aligned} & \text { arthur Grodnd ... } \\ & \text {... } \\ & \text {... } \\ & 6\end{aligned}$ Grorgr Srwell ... ... 3 Arthor J. Farr ... ... ... 7 Jobn Curry ... ... ... 4 Roprrt Ricuardson ... ... Tambr Composed by I. S. Goldsmita. Conducted by Ropert Richardson * Piust peal on cight bells. Ittis peal was originally arranged as - Mit thatiay compliment to the Ficar on February flth, but owiag to a nereavoment, it thed to be postponed. It is the first peal on the bells ince illay wero restorch and augiveuted to eight by Messrs. Taylor nd $C$.

## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

NAYENBY, LTNCS.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUUD (Norihern Branch.)
On Saturday, February 23. 1935, in Two Hours and Fifiy-Six Minutes, At ife Chorce c.f St Peter,
A PEAL OF HINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Shuing onv 720 of Single Court, two of Kent, two of Oxford and two of Plain Bob.

Tenor 13 cwt .
"Jack L. Millaodsr ... ...Tredic|Kenneta W. Maybr... ... 4 TGroffrey M. Mayer ... $\quad$ a Hagot Marcon... ... ... 5 Cecil J. Mater... ... ... 3 John Waeden ... ... ...Temor Conducted by John Walden.

+ Firzl peal and first attempt. + Finst peal. Both are members of the naw band at St. Giles' Church, Jincoln.

> BROWN EDCE, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCEGAN GUILD
On Sufarday, Fetrwary 23, 1935, in, wo Hours ard Fifty Minutes,
At the Cerech of St. Annr,

## A PEAL OF MINDR, SO4O CHANGES;

$]_{1 i}$ foul muthods, viz. : 720 of Woodbine, two 720 's of Oxford, one of Kont and three of Plain Rob.

- Miss Millik Fhathers ...Treble

Jozn E. Wherldon $\quad . .$.
Conducted by Joun Worta.
; First peal in four methods.

## FINTLESHAM, SUPFOLE.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On 5urday, Febrwary 24, 1935, in Two Hures and Thinty-Etght Minutes,
At the Chorch of St Nicholas.

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANOES;

Stiag 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, St. Cloment's, Double Court, Donlile Oxiord, Plain Bab, Kent Treble Bob and Oxford Troble Bob. Tenor $8 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cwt}$.
Jambs Rose ... ... ... ...Treble Jibith W. Whitibll... ...
Herbert Shrmming ... ... 2 Charles Shemming ...
Stamley G, Moss ... ... 3 Garnham A. Blaxcell
Conducted by Gamegam A. Beaxcell.

COALPIT EEATH, GLOUCESTERSEIRE.
THE GLODCEBTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASEOCLATION,
On Monday, February 25, 1935, in Three Howrs,
At tee Cherce og St. Saviodr,
A PEAL OF BOB HINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Soven different 720 's. Tenor 10 cmb .
Horace Ernson... ... ...Treble Donald Marse ... ... ... 4
Clajd Gifrord .... ..... $.2^{2}$ Grbald Smart ... Lbslif Francombb ... ... 3 Albert Rodman ... ... ...Temor Coaducted by Alberi Rodman.
IFirst peal by all except the couductor. A. Rodman's first peal as conductor. First peal on the bells by an entirely local band.

NEATH, GLAMORGANSHIRE.
THE SWANSILA AND BTRECON DIOCESAN GULLD.
On Thursday, February 28,1935 , in Two Hours and Thirly-Seven Minntes, At the Chorch of St. Thomas,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven extenta.
A. J. Davire... ... ... ...Trable B. Devonald ... ... ... 4

D. L. Rees ... ... ... ... 3 L. H. Boycr... ... ... ... Tener Conducted by L. H. Boyce.

DEEPING ST. NTOHOLAS, LJNGS.
THE LINCOLN DIOOESAN GUDD.
On Saturday, March 2, 1935, in T wo Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,
At the Chorge of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL DF MINOR, 5040 GHANGES:
Being two 720's eaclt of Kent and Oxferd Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor $6 \frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

- William Dupf ... ... ... $/$ reble Thomas A, Cooper ... ... 4 Cbarlbs Black... ... ... 2 Wileiam Neal... ... ... 5 Harry Gibbard... $\quad$ Conducted by Frank Taylor ... $\quad . .$. Conducted by F'. Taylor.
* First peal in three methods. First peal as conductor in three methode

HITCEAM, BUCES
THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL OUMBERLAND YOUTHg.
(St, Peter's Sogiety, Borneam, Bocke.)
On Sathrday, March 2, 1935, in Two Howrs and Fifty-Five Minutes,
Ai the Caurce of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being two 720's each of Singlo Oxford Bob and Rowerse Ganterbury Pleasure, and three 720's of Plain Bob (methods rung alternately and called diferently).

Tenor 6 twt. 11 lb . in $G$.
R. G. Taylor (age i3) ...Treble John E. Taylor (age I3) ... 4
*J. D. Taylor (age $I_{4}$ ) ... 2 Gordon W. Limmer ...t ... 5 George H. Limmer... ... 3 George Gilbert... .... ....Tmor

Conducted by Gro. Giebert.

* First of Minor in more than one method. Firsb pen? of Minor by St, Peter's Society.


## BARMING, KENT.

THE EENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
Or Saturday, March 2. 1935. in Thre Hours and One Hinute,
At thf Chorgh of St. Margaret.

## h PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 504O CHANQEs;

Being beven different callings.
*Fraderick B. Morris ...I reble *Nelson Bournr
Cearles H. Sone - 2 Benjamin F. Baker... ... 5
Tom Sadnders ... ... ... 3 Luiber J. Homess ... .... Temor
Conducted by Lother J. Honess.

* Firat peel of Minor. Pirst peal oll the belle.

MLASEMORE, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCLATION.
On Satwrday, March 2 1935, in Iwo Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,
AI the Chorce of St. Giles,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Being tan six-Ecores of Graudsirc and 32 of St. Dunstan's, cach ealledi differectly.

Tenor 12 cwt .
Hobert Scrivens
... 1, eble
Tom Worrali
-
.. 1 enble
-
... 3
Ernest J Marteews
Canrles Tarlor ... 4

| Cearles J. Taylor | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Caarles Hodgra | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |

Conducted bu Ernest J. Matihews.
Rung as a birthday compliment to lom Worrall, who attaived lis 18th birthday on this day.

## LAMBERLIURST, KENT

THE KENT OOUNTY ASSOCLATION.
On Satuyday, Maych 2, 1935, in Two Hows and Fifiy-Ona Minutes, Ax tar Cherca of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven $720^{\prime \prime}$ in 32 methods: (1) Nleudale, Westminslier, Hanley and Milton; (2) Munden, Altuwick, Newastle and Chester; (3) Northumhorland, Garlisle and Sandiacre; (4) London, Wells and Gunceasire; (5) Rossendale, Lighlifoot, Stamford, Wearmouth, Amaable's London and Netherscale; (6) Hexham, Surfeet, York, Durham, Berwick and Beverley; (7) Cambridge, Norfolk, Ipswich, Primrose, Hull and Bourue.
James Waghorn, sen. ...Tvebla Andrew Marshall ... ... 4 Thomas Focler ... .... .... 2 James Wageorn, jon. ... 5 Alembt khlef .... .... ... 3 James Bassett ... ... .... Tency Conducted by Albert Rhlfes,
The greatest mumber of Surprise methods that can be rung in seven complote 720 s. 100th peal of Miner by A. Relfe.

## KJRKBY MALLORY, LEICESTERSHIRTA <br> THE MIDLAND COUNTEES ASSOCIATION,

(Hinckley Disirict.)
On Saturday, March 2, 1935, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,
At tak Cherch of All Sajnts,
A PEAL DF GRANDSIRE DOUBEES, 5040 CHANGE8; Ten callings.
Edivard A. Sowman E, Aohriy Borch ......... 3 Francis R. Deacon -- ...Teray Conducted by F. R. Dracon.
First peal as conductor. First peal and fist attempt for ell except the conductor. Also first peal ever ring by the village band. DAVENFAM, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, March 2, 1935, in Two Hows and Fifly Minutos,
At the Cherch of St. Wilfrer,

## A PEAL OF HINOR, 6040 CHANEES;

Boing one extert of Double Onford Bob, ond two extents ench of Plain Bob, Fent and Oxford Theble Bob. Tenor 15 ext. - Egegnald W. Worrali ...Tyeble | †joseph Lititer... .... ... 4 Alberth. Boote... $\operatorname{lic}^{2}$ Harry W. Howard... ... 5 Haray Parker ..- ... ... 3 Cbcil Raddon ... ... .... ... 3 Tenor Conducted by H. Parrer.

* Mirst peal in four methods. 4 First penl of Minor. Rusg as a birthey eompliment to F. W. Howard and Kequeth Parker, son of fine conductor.


## HANDBELL PEALS.

BURTON-ON-STATHTR, LINCS.
THE LINCOLN DIOQESAN GUIDD.
(Norterrn Brance.)
On Saturday, Febrayy 23, 1935, in Two Howrs and Fifty-Eight Minuts, At Trentwood,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE GATERS. 5021 CHANGESI Tenor size $14 \frac{1}{2}$ in $O$ ebarp.
 Composed by H. Jornsi B

9-10

* First peal of Catera.

Conducted by Jack Bray.
LEVERSTOCK GREEN, HERTS.
THE HETTFORD COUFTY ASSOCLATION.
On Sunday, Febrwary 24, 1935, in Two Hours and Ninetecn Minwtos,

## In the Scbool,

A PEAL DF BOB MASOR EOG日 OHANGES:
Mrs. R. Richardson ... ... I-2 Rofbrt Ricbafdison ... Walter Ayre ... 3-4 Harold G. Cashmore
Composed by Frank Branety. Conducted by Waiter AYre. BUSHEY, HERTS.
THE EERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Warch 3, 1935. in Two Hours and Fiftecr Minutes,
At the Royal Masonic Jonior Schonl,

## M PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, S120 CHANGESI

## Francis Kiak

Cin ....... $1-2 \mid$ Harold $G$. Cashmorg
Ceristopgra W. Whollay
Composed by G. H. Cross.

## RAISING AND FALLING IN PEAL. COMPEMIPIONS SUGGESTEU. To the Edtor.

Sir, -I am very pleased to soo that of the various aubjects which have been discussed in your columns during your absence, the firal which you havo singled out for commont is that of raising and falling in peal. I was born and bred in Norts Devon, that stronghold of callcbange ringing, whera any other mothod of gettiag the bells up or down is unknown. I caunot imagine what my old friends there would thiuk of the practice, all too provaleat elsowhere, of leaving the bells up-with the exception, perlaps, of those on which tho clock strikes -from one yerr's end to the other.
My first experience of vinging onfside the county was ut one of London's more famous places of worship. My brother and I entered the building while the belis woro being rung for service, and I shall never forget our surprise and bowilderment when they were lowered in twos and threes. If such a thing had happened at our villago church at home the wholo parish would lave been in an uprour for months afterwards. It would appear that the Loudon ringers have improved very little in this rospect during the last 150 years, tor the authors of the 'Clavis,' after giving the linest instruction for raisius and falling which I have yet come across, asy that, 'Melodious as it is, the adepts of the art in this cily of london, very seldom choosing to put themselves to the paias of it, is now chiofly practised by tho country, gentlemen, for whose beuefit we beve introducel the subject.
The reason for tho maintenance of the high standard ol siriking gonerally, and of raising and falling in particular, which obtains in North Devon is not far to scok. Competitions are periodically held in which each band is required to raise the bells in peal, ring call changes for ten minutes or so, and then lower in peal. I am well aware that the word 'Competition' is anatlema to mose change rimgers, particularly, it would appear, to those in Cornwall, whert, I am sorry to learn, money prizes are still giren. Butt, as is only to be expected, they do these much leetter in Devon, where the omly reward is a certificate. The first prizo certificate is handed frament to the winning band for tha adornment of their ringing chamber, whilst the remaindor-thore may be as many as ter-are unframed, it being left to the other bands to decide whether their position in the prize list justifies the langing of their cerificates on their belfry walls. These compotitions aro bold in the friendiest spirit, arul ringers from a wide area are thus enabled to listen to the very best striking which that part of tho country can produce, and they go home fred with ambition to como and do better next tirac.

It is surely higls time that the Exercise should give serious consideration to the question of the reintroduction of competitions. (Is not one of the most prized possessions of the Ancient Society of Colloge Youths a cup wan at Sonning in 1783?) If, instead of holding sa many meetings, whero a good rise or fall is seldom heard, ant first-class striking lever, a few compotitions were organised, the preseri deplorable state of affairs would rapidy give place to a better.

Newbury.

## OLD SCHOLARS CELEBRATE SCHOOL CENTENARY.

On Sunday, Febrifary 241 h, ah St. Jamas' parish Chureh, loole, Dorset, for evensong, a quntber-peal of Grandsire Triples If $P$. Davis 1, *R. Furst 2, V. G. Stock 3. J. I. Davis 4, A. CR. Rose (lirst quarter-peal as conductor) 5, W. G. Yomis 6, E, B. Hampton 7, "TR Wills 8 . First quarter-peal

Rumg on the occasion of the conkenary celebrations of the Paole National Sclool, if parade of the old selablars being held at the samo कhureh in the morming. All tho vingers of this quarter-peal were educated at tho Poole National School.

## WEDDING BELLS

At Roseon-Wye, Hergorasliare, on Fobruary 20th, on tha oenasion of the marriage of Mr. II. H. 13nmeby, of the K.S.E.F., to Misg E. © Heywood, elder denghter of Col. G. B. Heywood, J.P., Catradoe Court, Ress-on-WYo, a quarter-penl of Grandsire Triples: H. В. Winney 1 . W. T. Peston (conductor) 2, G. Cornwall 3, V. C. Preece 4. w. Colwelt 5, J. J. Webb 6, R. E. Summers 7, W. T. Watkins 8. All uro Sunday service ringers at this church except the ringer of tha 7th. First quarter-peal 'inside' on cight bells for ringers of 3 and 4 . Fingt away from tenor for rimer of treblo and first quarter-peal for No, 8.

## A NEW CANTERBURY RECTOR.

On Friday, February 15th, at St. Alphege Church, Canterhary; a quarcer-peal of Minor, consisting of 240 Oxfond Treble Boh, 720 K Treble Bob and 300 of Plain Bob: R. Baldock 1, "R. Maile 2. H Parkes 3, B. E. Trenfoll 4: F. R. French 5, F. G. Brett (coutuctor) 6. * First quarter-pcal of Minor.

Ruag to welcume the Rev. W. H. Hudges, M.A, rfter lis instiln tion by the Arelhbishop of Cankerbury and his induction by the Von.


## DEATH OF CHISLEHURST RINGERS,

## THREE PASS AWAY IN FIVE DAYS.

Three ringers associateal with St, Nicholas' Church, Clislehurat have died within five days. M1. Richard Jims passed away on February 25th; Mr. Robert Brett Smith died on Marclı 1st; Mr. Haryy Durling was called to lis rest on March 3rd
Mr. Robert Brett Smith was taken ill in November, and was hurriedly romoved to St. Mark's Hospital, City Road, where an operation was performed. This only temporarity relieved him, lowover, and he passed peacefilly away on March 1 st.
A native of Stanstead, Suffolk, his early ringing was doue with the late Samuel Slatar and Charles Scilitoe. Reared in such a sefool, he always proved to lse a good striker and ringer of Major methods. He wont to Chislelurst 35 years ago, and jomed the St. Nicholas' Guikl 32 years ago, ulld fiom that time ell was alway a very rerfular man for Sunday ringing and practice. He was 64 years of age and brought up a family of eleven childreu, most of whom he tanget to ring handbells. Two sons aud one danghter are members of sith. Nicholas Guild.

The funmal took place on Wednesday, Marel 6th, the intermont being at tho Clursch of the Annunciation. The following ringerg met the cortege at the lycle gate: Messis, C. F. Winney (St. Paul's), W. \#. Jeliries (St. Jolin's, Deptiord), P. Spice and A. James (SS. Poter and Paul) aud J. Lyddiard (St. Luke's, Bromley', H. Hoskins (Greenwich), T. Groambridge, jun. (Crayford), $\boldsymbol{T}$. Groombridge (Whitstahle), Miss O. Ford and Messrs. J. Laver aud T. Groonbridge (St. Nicholas'). After the committal and before the Benediction the whole pull and stand and a course of Grandsire Triples wera rust on Handbells over the grave: O. F. Winney 1-2, F. Groombridge 3-4, T. Groombridge, jun. 5-6. T. Groombidge 7-8. These Eour represented two societies of which the deceased was a member-lilie Kent County and the Ancient Society of College Yontlis.

Mr. Richard Tima died at the age of 68 . He went to Chislehnrst frow Tlanme, Oxfordshire, 40 years ago, and for about 12 years was a very enthusiastic ringer, but for some reason lie gave it up. He was at one time a member of the St. Nicholes' Guild, the Kent County and the Aucient Society of College Youtls. He was buried on Satur day, March 2nd, in the Anmunciation Churelyard.
Harry Durling, who passed awny at the age of 66, went brek to reside in Chislelurst in 1903, soon after tho death of his father (the late Thomas Durling). Be joined tho St. Niclaolas' Guld and for several years carried out the daties of secretary. Owing to ill-hcalth and by kloctor's orders, he gave up ringing about four years ago. He was laticl to rest in St. Nicholas Churchyard on Fridey, March 8th.

## THE AUTHOR OF PARKER'S 12-PART

VETERAN COMPOSER'S BIRTHDAY GELEBRATED
Once ugana a score or more of ringing friends, old and young, gathered at Farnbam Royal on Warch 7th to ring many hapuy refutws to that grand ald man of the Exercise, Mr. J. J. Parker, no his 820 d binthday anniversary. Graudsire, Stednan, Double Norwich, Kent and London were well and twiy ruag.

3L: W. H. Fussell made a slort speech, Wh. Rather reprying, thanking the company for tleir attendance and good wishes, but hinting that "Anno Domini" was doing its wark.

The lafter is hard to beliceve, because Nr. Parker still tends his own bells, teaches begimers (he has just rot some more), and still continues his researches into the mysterles of composition in a certain methon. It is froped that these efforts will soon be crowned with success.

FIRST QUARTER-PEALS
For Sunday evening service on March 3rd, at St. Giles', Oamberwell, \& quarter-peal of Stedman Caters: F. R. L. Blewer 1, Miss H. F. Mills 2, Miss B. M. Mills 3. O. O. Moore 4, C. Sharples (first guarter Stedmau Caters) 5, T. W. Taffender (conductor) 6, G. H. Grainger 7, F. E. Hawthorne 8, E. J. King 9, H. H. Peters 10.

At the Parish Church, Ide, Yorks, on Sunday, Marth Jrd, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Double Norwich Najor (1,200 changes) : M. Ryder (first quirarter in method) 1, F. Darjeou 2. T. King (Shipley) 3, R. Gapleby 4, $\mathrm{T}^{2}$. Hill 5, F. Kilshaw 6, M. Feather 7, H. Davison (eonductor) 8.
At Barking, Fsex. an Sunday, March 3rd, for moming eervice, a quarter-peal of Grandsire 'ryiples: H. Worboys (first quarter-peal) \&, C. E. Faulker 2, A. Vesey 3, S. J. Holgate 4, G. W. Faulkner 5, P. G. Willmington 6, E. G. Cottis (conductor) 7, C. Fern B.-Dn Sunclay, March 10th, for morniug service, a quarter-peal of Boh Major ( 1,264 changes): C. Feun (conductor) 1, E. Fenu 2, s. J. Holgate 3, G. W. Faulkner 4, E. G. Cottis 5, C. E. Faulkuer 6, P. C. Wifinington 7 , E. G. Moors 8.
AI Waperton, Fomerset, on Saturday, February 16ti, a Guirter-peal ( 1,280 chauges) of Stedman Doubles: L. G. L. Goward 1, *J. Gray 2, *E. Barringfon 3, E. T. P. Field 4. P. N. G. Rainey (conauctor) 5, *W. J. Gosney 6. * First quarter of Stedman Doubles. First quarter of Stedmar as conductor.
At St. Mary's Church, Southamplon, Hante, prewious to $\%$ special musical service, on Houdar, February 11th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: R. G. H. Connolly 1, R. Curtis 2, T. W. Thirkell 3, A. Butler 4, F. Mursell 5, George Williams 6 , J. Faithfull (conductor) 7, N. Chrfis 8. This was the first qutarter-peal of Stedman for ringers of $1,2,3$ and 4

## MEARS \& STANBBAKK.

## Foundry

 Entabllehed A.D, 1670 (12th yaar of ralga of Elizabeth)
## Bellfounders <br> Bellhangers.

## 32 \& 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD, LONDON, E.1.

Telepbone Blahopsgate 884B



8HERBORNE ABEEY REGAST TENOR. $48 \mathrm{cwt} 0 gr .5 lb.$.

## ESTIMATES SUBMITTED

 forRecasting, Retuning and Rehanging

## HANDBELLS

in sets of any number.

BELL ROPES MUFFLES, \&c.

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

I'wo well-known Worcestershire rings of eight, Nebherton and Stourbridge, which churches are only about four miles upart, arc an the list' for restoration by Johu Liaglor and Co., Lourghorougl.
Tho cost of the restoration at Stourbridge will be definyed by en anonymous donor.
A batch of Northamptonsliire bell restorations are also in latad or will be shortly executed by the Loughborough Foundry, viz, the rings of eight at All Saints', Northampton, and King's Sution. The latier church possesses a most beantiful spire. The ponl of six in the Suxou tower of Earls Barton is boing rohung and augmonted to eight, and the five at Piddington rehnag aud amgmented to sik. The five at Alderton are being relhng.

Another first peal by a local band is recordeci this week, fonn of the ringers ringing their first peal at the fust attempt, and ihe other his flrst peal as conductor: Congratulations to this Kitkhy Nallory campany.
Mr. Frauk Cooke rang his first peal and called it, at Selstou, Natts. 1t was four 720's of Kent and three of Oxford Trelle Bob Minor. A fine achievement.

The curfer at st. Petor's Churcl, Shaftesbury, is rung every uight by a woman, Miss Rose Hillier, who, haviog succeedod to her fathor's watoh and clock business, which she first entered during the war, is now thso offear winder and ropairer of maty public clocks in the district.

Mr. William 'T. Pates, the Oheltenham veteran, took part in a peal of Stedman Cinques on Saturday in celobration of lús ond birtheyay. He las the good wishes of the Exercise that the may lent lave good health and be able to ring ou his beloved bells.
Tha Guildford Diocosan Guild expect to get a record numlser of visitors to their anmual mecting at Guildford on Saturayy, March 30th. The attraction may not be the nueeting itself, bul. what is to follow-the Australian 'movies'; Producer', Mr. Rupert Richardson; Talkies by members of the Tour. Preenutions will be taken against "gato crashily ' at tea, so that thoso who want it meal before a long entertainment should read the natico in nnother column.
Mr. Albert Relfe, of Lamberhurst, Kont, who called the peal of Spliced Mimor in 32 Surprise mothods on March Znd, has now rung 100 peals of Minor, of which the has conducted 67 . They include one in oight methods, no in sleven, ane in thirteen and one in fourteen mothods, two in fourteen Sutprise methods, one in 2I, one in 26 and one in 32 Surprise methods.

Congratulations are extended to the band at Goalpit Heath, who on Fehwery 25th scored at [Heal of Boh Minar in which five of them rang their first peal, and the sixth his first as conductor.

## THE AUSTRALIAN TOUR

## To the Ediltor

Dear Sir,-Will you please permit me publicly to thank all those English friends who made genterous gifts of ringing books, elc., which Wero taken out last autuma to Austrinlia, Tasmamia and New Zealand. Bribf referevee to these gifts was mada in the repert of the tour by our Editor-written sometnass under trying conditions-which If am now able to complete. These works wero handed out to five calliedral societies aud six parish church companies, and were highly appreciated by all the members respectively.

My thanks are also due to these same friends for theit kindy wishes for the success of the tour. The subscribers will be pleased to lear that the rough deal box aud its contents escaped excess haggage charges and was excused Customas Duty, although its value was estimated at $£ 10$. From the time it left zay home $I$ never saw this box again until we reached Australia.
W. H. FUSSELL.

Slough.

## LIST OF DONORS.

Copies.
Gift.
Aubers of England. Cathedrals of Englane. Castles of England. Bells T'hrough the Ages. Histary of Ringing. Among the Bells. Kendal Churclı ßells. Ringers' Directory Troyte's Change Rioging. Snowdon Series (6).
Photographs of the band that rang double-hnuderl Surprise peals.
1 History of Souts Australia, 1834.
1 Smal] Set of English Cathedrals.
1 Portraits of two acto genarian ringers, Mr . James George and Mr. Joseph Parker

Dimos.
Mr. W. T. Dunlam, Slough Messys. J. George and W. Novard. Mr. W. F. Fussell, Slough, Mr. J. R. Nicholls, Stamford. Mr. E. Morris, Leicester,
Mies Fera Thobinson, Wokingham. Mr. F. Jennings, Kendal.
Bristol Duiterl Guilde
Mossrs. W. Hichs and I. Fusqull. Mrs. and Miss Showdon, Garlmol.

Mr. W, Keeble, Ferring.
Mr. W. ㅍ. Fussell, Slough
Mr. W. F, Fiussell, Slough

[^1]
## DEATH OF MR. WILLIAM PYE.

## CLOSE OF A GREAT RINGING CAREER.

## A Man of Many Records.

We deeply regret to announce the death of Mr. William P'ye, who, although he had been ill for some months, passed away with unexpected suddenness last Friday evening.

By his dcath the Exercise loses one of the most wonderful men that ever pulled a bell rope. In actual ringing feats he had surpassed anything done by any other ringer, whether in the number of peals rung, the weight of metal handled, or in the aggregate of the peals he had conducted. Physically and mentally endowed with a stamina and skill which enabled himi to stand out as a giant among men, he had made more "records," if thus they can be termed, than any other ringer, and in examining the statistics of his performances one can pick out almost endless achievements in which he stands alone.
This is, however, irut oue side of Willian $1^{\text {she }}$ se as a ringer. Althongh it was through his peal ringing that the cane most under the public cye, ho did much ninobbrusive work for the henefit of the art. He may have laft the peal ringing in elementary methods mostly to others, but all his leisure was devoted to ringing, and through his nid many a maan bas been helped up the campanological ladder. His efforte stinnulated the interest and aspirations of others, and his abilities have unquestionably helped innumerable ringers to the higher standartis of method riuging.
fincu lieavy bell wiluger never ived. He was prepared to tackle suybling that would turn in a bell frame, and lis placing of a bell, whatever its size, was a marvel of exactness. He was not what one would call generously buil ju point of physique, but got his power from a body which sinew, and for the mang "rough" julve which he undertook he was blessed with hands of iron. He Exater Cathedral 72 ewt. tenor single-handed to a peal, but one of his greatest performances was at Worcester Cathedral, when he


MR. WILLIAM PYE. antred in the 48 cw . tenar to a peal of Oambridge Maximus. H amited, as he sat down ufterwards, that loe hud had a gruelling unt then an inspection revealed that the bell was loose on the stock! 11 is ringing of the tenor at Ashton-under-Lyae for the 15,312 Maximus record, and which took li hours 33 minutes, was a truly remarkahle aelievement, and greater even, as a feat of physical endurance or mental application, than the calling of the 18,027 Stedman Gaters from the 30 cwt. tenor at Loughborough, which was the then record Jor a sirgle-handed peal length.
Mr. Pye, who was boru at Chadwell Henth, Fssex, on Augusf I1th, 1870, and was thus 64 years of age, learned something of change ringing very enty in life. In 1881 he rang a 780 of Minor on hatadbuls, and his lawer bell ringing began in the following year on the peal of five at Liftle Heath. It was not until 1888 that le did any ringing on eirght hells, and many a weary mile he tramped in those daye to get a pull. He Tang his first peal at Brentwoof on October Bul, 1685 . That was a peal of Grandsire Friples. It was yearly a yent betore ho rame another, which he called, and it was not until 1893 thot he really began peal ringing in earnest.
Sinee that time he las made bistory, in much of which his brothers Erreat (up to his dsath) and Bob shared. He liad travelled the Bribsli Isles widely, had rung peals in England, Ireland, Wales and Souland, and conducted a peal on overy date in the year. Once he coutucted four Surprise peals in a day (the only time four peals linvo nent rung in one day)-Bristol at Eglimm, Landon at Chertsey, Camoridgo ail. Statines and Suparlative at old Windsor. Five times lie arag three peals in a diay, and the occasions when lie brought off the double eveni must mun to hundreds. His peals, which number 1.966 in rill, of which he conductod no fewey than 1,427 , Far exceed the total of any other ringors These poals wore rung in 521 towers, in 51 countice and with 1,036 ringers.

Tho principal performances in all this wonderiul reeord are catalogued below, and an exanimation of the details well reveal somethiug of what this 45 years of peal ringing has restalted in. Fror instance, on tower bells, 82 peals of Surprise Maximus, of which lie conducted 56 ; yet he never called a penl of Bob Major. Two hundrod and seventy-ous peals of London Surprise Major and 938 Surprise Major peals altogotber, including 31 spliced peats in all mumbers of methods irom three to twelve, of which he cailed all but one. Altogether he raly 1,111 peals in Surprise mothods in tho tower, of which he conducted 821. Fis handbell peals form an aqually wooderful list, including as they do 19 in four different Surprise methods, of which he conducted 14. He was the first man to call a peal of London from a pair of bandmells.

He had a great knowledge of composition, and, allhough he did not set himself to become the composer of may peals, he deroted considerable attention to the production of 5,009 's of Cambridge on ten and twelve bells at a time when very few existed.

It was in 1898 that Mr. Pye first came in touch with the Middlesex County Association, then a newly-formed society, of which the late Mr. A. T. King was hon. secretray. In 1910, on the death of Mr. Jolin Basden, he was elected Master, and it was on the same day that Mr. C. T. Coles was elected hon. secretary. The collaboration of thess two ringers through nearly, a quarter of a century has maintained the Middlesex Association in the forefront of ringing argauisations, For a time Mr. Pye represented the association wn the Ceatral Council.
Apart from his special interest in the Midaleses Association, for which he rangs 1,114 peals, of which he condueted 859, he rang many peals for otlier societies, notably in the Esser Association, in whose area he lived, and the Hertford County Association. He was, in fact, a member of nearly every association and guild in the Buitogla Isles. It was about the middle of last year thet his health began to show signs of failing, and one or two ringing incidents gare his friends canse for anxiety. A gervous breakdown followed, and although he spent a week-ent at Surfleet in September and rang three peals, in which he showed sigus of all his old brilliawee, and then, after some persuasion, joined in the Coruwall tour later in the moutle, riuging among other thing Truro Cathedral tenor to Cambridge Royni in excellent style, bis condition became gradnally worse. At the close of the Cormwall tour he called a peal of London at Sl. Stephen-inBrunnel, near St. Austell, which turned out to be his lest peal as conductor, and, after atteuding the unveiling of the board at Exeter Cathedral recording the peal of Caters to which he had rung the tener single-handed in 1903, he took part in his last peal of all, Cambidge Majoz at Heavitrec. In December he had a nervous collaps-t, which necessitated his removal to hospital, and although from time to time hopos were held out of his eventual recovery, he taok a serious turn for the worse about a forthight ago, but his death came suddenly, and before his relatives could reach him. Mr. Pye, who was twice matried, lenves at wilow and one son, Ernest Willian, who reside at 74, Cecil Road, Lestonstone, to mourl their loss, and the sympathy of the whole Exercise will go out to them and to the ather members of the family.
Thus passes a man of thique standing one whose like we of this generation may not see again. He was a master of our grt, a Colossus in aclierement. May he rest in perce.

## FUNERAT TO-MORROW

The funeral will take place at Aldborough Church, near Newbury Park, Ifford, at 11 a.m on Safurday. The church is ten minutes walk from Newbury Park Station, L. and N.E.R., and from Aldborough Lane. Trams from Liverpool Street to Newbury Park 9.40 and 10.6, but the latter does not leare much time. Buses from Groen Man, Lertonstone, to Aldborougl Lame, Nos. 66 and 72, frequent service. Tranis to Leytonstone from Liverpool Street, 9.36 and 9.48.

## THE GREATEST EVER. ${ }^{\text {. }}$

## To the Edrtor

Dear Sir,-I cannot refrain from writing you regarding the tremendous loss the Exercise has sustained in the passing of so great a figure as William Pye. Scarcely could I express half the surge
of emotions which assail me as 1 contemplate the gap in our starks creatod by his departure.
Some there are who have been associated with him throughout the whoto of his illustrious ringing eareer, whereas I was ouly to lave tho privilege of being associated, in a humble way, with some of his minging activitios during the last 16 years. I cannot, however, adequately expross my own sense of personal loss, and must content myself with joining the whole ringing fraternity in tendering to Mrs. Pye, her son and the Pye family our very real sympathy in their sad loss. Thoso of us who knew Willien Pye in his happy domestire life can the better appreciate the extent of their bereavement.
When one tries to speak of his sheer ability and genius as a ringer and conductor one realises the impossibility of dong justice to his greatness. What a 'general' he was! The soundness of lis judgment on any practical ringing issue was uncanny and his theoriea werg invariably justified. Fo could recogniss ringing nbility with merring cortninty, and his rapacity for getting the bost ont of any bnM! whe anazing.

I mana of stirong convictions and fearless in vaicing his opinions, the was over ready with eppreciation of the achievements of others. Behinal a bugged exterior was ever a warm heart, a generous aature and one ever unostentatiously ready with tnigible assistance for a friend in need. What an example in modesty was this man! Never a hoast was heard from hin of all his tremendons ringing achievements, and only on rare ocensions oquid le be induced to speak of them. Indeed, to really Inow him was to lova him.

It may be that in some aspects of ringing William Pye land his peers, but for all-round ringing ability ing has stood supreme. I salate his passing as that of the 'greatest ever,' nud conat it greatest of all my privileges, so far as ringing is concerned, to linve done a considerable amount of rimging under his inspiring leadership.

EDWARD P. DUTFIPLD.

## MR. PYES PEALS.

Appended is the list of peals rung by Mr. W. Fyo and some notes ebout tive most outstanding of them:-

Tower bells Handuells
Maximas :- Hethods Murg Conducied Rung Conducted
spliced Superlative and Cam-
bridge Surprise
Caubridge Surprise
Yorkshire Surprise
Strperlative Surprise
Keat Treble Bols
Ginupes:-
Grandsire
Stedman
Royal:-
Spriced Cambriclge, Pudsey and Yorkshire Surprise Cambridge Surprise Now Cambridge Surprise Inddesex Surprise Kent Itreble Bob Oxford Treble Bob
Caters:-
Gitandsire
stedman
njor:-
Spliced Surprien 12 methuds Spliced Surprise 11 metiods Splieed Surprise 10 methods spliced Surprise 9 methods Spliced Surprise 8 methods Spliced Surprise 7 methods Spliced Surprise 6 methads Spliced surprise 5 methorls Spliced Surprise 4 methods Spliced Siujprise 3 methods Cambudge Surpriso
Now Cambuige Surpuise
New Cumberlana Suprise Superfative Surprise Wristol Surprise
Candou Surmase Lineolnshire Surprise Landouderry Surprise Eudecy Surprise Rutland Surprise Double Norwich Court Bob Dotible OxTurd Bob Keat Treble Bob Oxford rable Bob Dufficld
Pufficld
Triples :-
Grandsire Stcdama
Minor :-
Seven methods
Totals


| 2 | $2 a$ |  |  |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 74 | $55 b$ |  |  |
| 1 | $\frac{1}{2}$ |  |  |
| 5 | 5 | 2 | 2 |
| 10 | 7 |  |  |
| 1 | $\frac{1}{1}$ | 41 u | 370 |

i. Only peals in theze uumbars of Major methods ring, and inconder a. 5,760 (rime methods) (record), mor at Willesder.

Includes 15,264 ai Hornchurch (record).
k. Inchudes 14,112 at Kinge Nortou (record).

1. Only peal rung in this method.
nis. Includes 15,072 at Erith.
n. Iucludes 6,063 (recprd).
o. Includes ane short coluse peal culled from a pair of tronobservation bells.
p. Includes one non-conducted.
q. Includes one non-tenductea

## MIDDLESEX ASSOCLATION'S 引YMNATYIY

Tho North and East District mecting of the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guitk, held at Hornsey on Suturduy lingt, was overshadewed by the nows of the death of Mr. Willian Pye, Master of tlee association, which occutred ilte previous ovening. It wge Felt that Mr. Pyo would wish members to 'carry on, rand so the work of the associntion was not interfered with.
At the outset of tho thsiness mecting, the hon. secrebary (Mr. C. 'I'. Coles) referred to the denth of the Master, and to his grent services for ringing throughaut the combly, as wall fs in their own county. Mr. Pye, he said, had undoubtedly done a great deal to raise the standard of ringing-nothing but tho best wrs good enough for him at any time. His long perivd in offee as Master, almost 25 years, had left the associntion much stronger. Me. Coles also ppoke of the perSonal wrench after nearly 30 yearr of intimate friendsijp.
To show their pespeet for the deceased, and their symphthy with his relatives, all present stood in silence roi a few moments.
This meeting having followed closely mpon tho anmal meeting of the district, there was little business to discuss. Dilston was chosen for the nexi meetirg, on April 6ih or 13 th, whist it was annomeed that the amual genoral meeting of the association would be held at St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate, on May 4th, on whtcll ocension the Arohdeacon of London would preach at the service. The bells itt St. Hary-le-Bow would tre avalable for ringing.

The hon. secratary proposed a vote of thanks io the Rey. E. S. Duval ( Rector), who was prosent and aetod as chatimatr for the mecting, for the use of the hells and for his suldress at the service. M:- Coles said that the Rechor had already made the acquaintance of many of their members whilst he was Vicar of All Saints', Fulham, and they in the North and East District were vory pleased to meet him at Honssey. The secretary also thanked the local ringers and the Indies who liad prepared ten. The vote having been cartied, the Rector replied, saying that the ringers were tery welcome at Hornsey, where they were proud of their bells.
Prior to the meeting, a bright, sorvice was held in the now Parish Church of St. Mary, and both boforo and after the meeting much ringing was done on the six bolls in the old tower, now standing quite alone. Many yousg vingers mere amongst the 40 or so who attended during the afternoon and evening. A fentire of the raceting wns the landbell riuging ofter ten, courses of Grandsire Caters and Cinques, Double Norwich Major nud other methods being rung.

## DEATH OF A MELBOURNE RINGER,

ONE OF TRTE FIRST STPIMMAN BAND IN AUSTRALIA.
On Jamiauy 24th, a well-known Mebourne change ringer, Mr. Fiward O'Sica, died at. the age of 61 years. With lifs brother, the late Matthew O'Shea, Jdward-familiarly called 'Ned '—wns a menhor of St, Patrick's (R.C.) Cathedral Society for 41 yorrs, and during the whele of that time was a regalar ringer at the Cathedral. The brothers were memhers of the band who were the first to ring Stedman in Australia, and were both rood and careful ringera.
Edward visited the British Isles in 1913 and ruyg in a fow of the towers in London and elsewhere, and was the first. Australian born ringer to stand in a touch of Stedman Triples andi Cakers in England. He had little time to spare for ringing during the visit and stood in no attempts for perts.

Mr. O'Shea was serionsly ill at the tine of the recent visit of the ringers from Fangland and was unable to attond St. Patrick's Cathedral to meet them. He diod from Bright's disense after a long and primful illness. He was interred au January $25 t h$, the funcral being attended by a large mumber of frieuds, including a number of his brother ringers.
E. F. B

## 

## by E. S. and M. POWELL

Containing full and complete instruction from the first bandling of a bell to the ringing aud conducting of Peale of Grandsire, Stedman, Plain Bob and Kent Treble Bob.

A large selection of Compositions inciuded.
F'rice :-Complete edition, to 8 bells, cloth, $120 \mathrm{pp}, 2 / 9$ ( 6 copies
for 15/-). 6 bell edition, sewn, paper covers, 64pp., 1/2 ( 6 copies for $6 /$ - $)$
OBIAINABLE ONLY post Iree from Rev E. 8. POWELL, Gtaverton Ylarage near Dayentry.

PRESENTATIONS TO MR. AND MRS. A. WALKER.

## SFitVICES 'HO ST' MARTIN'S GUILD.

Tho presentations made to Mr. Albert Walker, in recognition of fis 19 yearg ats finging Mastar of SL. Martin's Guik, and to Mrs. Walker for the sorvies which sho sendered directly, and indirectly through her husband, were briafly referred to in our fast issue in the report of the Jomy Johnson Dimor. Ta Mr. Walker was riven a grandiablert clock, and Sas. Walker was presented with a gold wrist watill.
Adermun Pritchett, who made the presentadion, said all those who were athive members of St. Martin's Guild knew Mr. Walker's achievements and his great qualities, but for the visitors that night, who lad nol sublt nn intimite knowledge of his morits, he would like to say that Ms'. Walker was elected a member of St. Mfartin'a Guild 33 years ago. Fe sorved as Ringing Master for 18 years. During that Lime ine licenme thoroughly well linown personally all ower Entland. Ghind nimony his many wouderfal performences were 291 peala on Lwelve bells, which incluied 100 peals of Stednan Gingues, including ons silent, and a nou-eonducted peal of Cambridge Maximus at, St. Martin's. "The total gumber of inis peals was 448. Fe had rendered grent service to hellinging by his infucnee in the B.B.C. in getting churels bells becedtast throughout the ebthity. He was an honorary member of the Central Comagil, and as a lectarer on bellyinging was wel] knowa in Birwiugtam. II s services to the Guild had been most. rendity given, and one condd not he surprised, after 18 yeare of such streminus work, be should seek a littie veliof. Ho (the speaker) had Mr. Walkar"s tissutamee, howovar, that his interest in ringing had by no means diminished, but his other duties lad become so pressing rud important that he had not as mudn tine to devoke to ringing. As they knew he beld a mosb importana and responsible position with the B.S.A., and luad the confirlonce, admiration azd esteom of his employers, The auculuers of St. Mnrtin's Gnild were very anzious to show their appreciation of tho value of his services to the Guild by offering him grandiather clock. Ho had no doubt the clock was warmanted 10 last ior ever, if properly wound up every Saturday might (laugliter), and it would bin $n$ hafloom in the fambly. In the muantime it would be a standing evidence of the great esteeru and respect the members held for him persouslly and tho hith appreciation of tho splendid services he tad rendered to the Guild for many years (applause)

Procecuing, Alcemmer Pritchate said that inn his wife Hr. Walker hat had a yalued and assiduons helpmeet. Tlaroughout these years it was owing to ber encourngement and her tolerance (laughter and Guild so dant le hed been able to render those services which the Ginid so greatly appreciated. Mre. Walker was e lady known to them all, and he would like to mention one eminent trait in her chesacter, and that was hev hospitality. Mnuy handbell peals had refregmont bad been provided (laughter and applause). The memory of this hospitality would long last with those who had bad ide privilege of sharing in it. The Guild desired to recognise Mrs. Walker's kindness and asked here aceaptance of a gola wrist watch. He hoped Mrs. Walkes would live many years to he a faithinl tompanion to her huskand (applause).

Aderman Pritehett then hauded the watch to Mr. Walker, in the absence of his wife, whe was Lemporarity indisposed, and asted Mrs. Walker's acueptarice of tho gift as a token of heir great esteem and affection and of theiv appremition of what bhe had done for the Frilft throngly ber husband indivectly aut personally herself. Ho trusted the watch wurld loug eanliune to be worn by ber in memory of St. Martin's Gaild (apphase). Aldermay Pritchett alded that on momorate that owcasion ectalin louburs wonld be conferved. As their Tector wits anu of the King's Chaplains, any suggestion he might mako to His Mnjesty would probably, he carried out, and he (Alderman Pritcholt) sugeusted that he might invite His Majesty to coufer Ebuse distinetion Mrat Walker (hargher). It would be most approprite if lie would make him an Offeer of ilne British Empive. Many a man hitl hati that distinct
serpice than Mr. Walier (applanse).

## GREA'T FUTURE BEFORE THE GUILD.

In ecknowledelig the gifts, Mr. Walker lind an enthusiastio recepdion. Fa regreited that Mre. Walker was not well emongh ta remain in the roon to receipo the gift heraelf, but he kuew how greatly she would value it. It, almars gave her the greatest pleasure to do angthing she triuld for the Guild, but slie preierrex to remain in the baukgrounal. TI: nssirred the monthens that he would treasure tho dock all his life and that it would pe passed on to succoeding generations. It was said, continued Mr. whikor, that he had done 18 years' service as Jinging Master, but he bolieved he had filled the office from 1804 when he was appainted depucy to Mr. Wiliam Short. At that time the Guild were ringing atiost. Matin's plain courses, bectuse, with the departmre of Mr. Sloorl ahd Mr. Willitni Barber, they werrs left withonti a hob caller. He undertook to look up the calling and they mede a sturt, und it wis in 1904 that he had tho pleasure of valling a pen of Stedman Cincues for the first time. It was really iun to Mrs. Walker that hc look up change ringing, for
duced him to one of the Trunton ringers and he was induced wo go up to the tower on a practice night. Mr. Walker told an amusing tale against himself of how on owe occasion he asked bis wife ta pack some food for his tea, as the was gaing to work overtime, whereas he was really, gaing for a peal in the evening at Deritema Charch. When he nrrived at the durch in the evening his wife met him with a post card to say that the peal was off (loud laughter).
Continuing, Mr. Walker thanked the members for the support they had given him as Ringing Master of St, Martin's. He had, lie said, been colnected with the church since 1898 and had served under Geven Rectors, including their present Rector, and he hoped he would be able to serve under him for many years to come (applausa). Althongli lie had given up office, his interest in ringing would not diminish. They had many promising ringers in the Guild, as was shown by the two non-conducted peals that they rang. He could sty wilhout blushing that their society was among the foremost ringing socueties of the country, and that was not only due to lis efforts, but to those wo had loyally supported him (applause). Thers was stit! areat future before the Guild. He thanked the members for ther find gifts, which his wifo and he would always chetish. He thanked the members also for electing him as a viee-president of the Gnild. Fe knew they would wholeheartedly support their uew Ringing Master, and he was sume that under him the Guild would go on from strengti, ta strength (applanse)
Tn addition to the toasts reported in the last issue of "The Ringing World,' the Ringing Master (Mr. 3". Haynes) proposed "The Wisitors, rad, in refercing to the clergy present, said they liad in the Tector of Shirley a Minot' Canom, tor he hid only six bells in his church. They had two kajors with 1.hem, in the Ficars of Fdgbaston and Bisliop Ryder's, of whose peals of eight bells they were frcquently allowed to make use, and which it was always a pleasure to rilug. The Ficar of Solihull could, ou that occasion, claim parity with the King and he classed as a Royal visitor. There was now a fine peal of ten bells there. The Vicar of Aston was a potential Maxinus nian (applatise). It was with great pleasure that the metabers of the Grild read in the columans of 'The Ringing Worid' that the peal at Aston was to be restored, and he hoped that riuging by St. Martin's Guild would bo eble to be resumed there as it was carried of for many years in the past. He had henrd it whispered, also, that the peal night be increased to twelve, so that mumerically the Viear of Aston woud he able to claim equality with their own Rector of St. Martin's (laughter). In welconing the oiher visitors. Mr. Hayncs snid thry had cance that niuht irom as far as Australia, for they
had among them the Editor of "The Ringing Word ' and Mr. and Mrs. Riclardson, wio had returned from their long voyare. Mr Ricliareson seemed in no wise to bave diminished (laughter). They also welcomed especially Mri. Gabriel Lindoff from Dublin, and the Master of the Ancient Society of College Yauths, MI: E. P. Dtffeld. ASTON BELLS.
The Ficar of Astou, who first respouded, said the enforced silence of tho bells of Aston liad produced constderable evidence of the great affection in which beliriugt11 was held in Aston. The evidence came from very diverse sources and some of jt was unexpectied. Good bells rang with skill and restraint and a certain amonft of consideration for other poople still noade a margue appeal, in spite of the somewhat janndiced utterances which ocensionally gained publicity It was a great pleasure to congratuhate that Guild on the work it lad done in its long and homomed history. The improventation our church bells and the advancoment of the nit of ringing were due to such societies as theirs. The Rev. H. Megowan then gave an outline of the historg of Aston belis from the days of the 1552 Inventory. The bolls had beca sileat for somo hame wating for restaratian. When lie cane to the parish three years ago about ch400 liad been accumalated townts the cost. Since when they had received some geljerons gifts, which had made it passible to go forward, and the Conders, Messis. Taylar and Co., had given an undertaking that they should be ready by Jnme 29th, St. Peter's Day. They still needed more money to complete the cost, and it would depend upon the response made during the next month as to whether they would lye justified in placing an order for isso extra bells to make a peal of twelve. The new bells were to he inereased in weight, and the temor was to be 25 ewt. imstead of 20 ewt.
Mr. E. P. Dolfietd nlso responderi, and in regretcing the absence of Arc. H. Lewis, who was to have replied to the fonst, said the howis had sciety of College lontins was particulaty gratifed that he he addoã, to come to Jirminglam to groet their new kingimg Mnster, aud he was very pleased to lave been present on an occasion when they lati done honour to one who had sotred their Gruild for so many genrs and who was licld in such high esteem in ringing rircles in every part of the conntry. Ho (Mr. Duffield) had ben privileged to be assceiated with Mr. Walker in rinciag a goodly number of pals in many parts of tho colantry, aud he hoped lie might be spared to take part in others under his able inspiration and leadership. Mr. Duffield said that in Alderman Pritelectit the College Youthe had the oldest but one of their surviving mombers, and he, as yrater of the Ancient Socicty, was proud to como there and make his acquaintance and to find him at the age of 80 yoare still alert and Master of St. Martin's Guild \{applause
(Continued nit foot of thext columm.)

## YORKSHERE ASSOCIATION.

## SOUTHERN DIVISION AT RAWMARSH.

The annual meeting of the Southern Division was held at Rawmarsh, near Rotherlama, on Saturday, March 2nd, and upwards of 40 uembers were present from Shemeld (St. Maric's), Rotherham, Fast wood, Doncaster, Wath, Handsworth, Rammoor, Arksey, Bolsover, Feltrirk, Barnsley, Darfield, Brigg and the local company.

Ringing was rathen curtailed before tea owing to the funeral of an old Rammarsh ringer, Hr. Willano Whitworth, who was ringing at Rawmarsl in the early " 80 's, and who will be remembered by some of the older generation. Several of the members accompanied the cortege to the cemetery, and a plain course of Grandsire Triples on landbelle was rung at the graveside.
$\pm$ short service was held before tea, which was provided by the jocal company in the Parish Room. Owing te a previous engagement, the Rector was unable to preside at the business mecting, but his curato kindly filled the vacancy. Before proceeding with the business, the secretary referved to the great loss tine Yorlslure Associntion had sustaiued by the deatli of their treasurer, Mr. J. Cotterell, of Bradford, whe had passed away since the last moetiog and the mombers sfood in silence for a few momonts as a last mark of respect to a brother ringer

Messrs. Wilson and Mitchell (both of Ratwmarsh) were elected members of the association.

For the anmual joint moting, to be held in June, the Wath company gave an invitation to their tower, as they hoped to have the new peal of eight installed by the end of April. The date was fixed for June $15 t h$, and, as it is some years since a meeting was held at Watty, it is hoped to have a record attendance.

The retiring officers, Messrs, F. Clark (Arksey), secrelary, and G. Holmes (Sheffeld), A. Gill (Wath) and G. D. Potter (Barnsley), commitee, were re-cletted for three years and thanked for theit services.
The meeting concluded with rotes of thanls to the loeal company, ctr., for the excellent arrangements for the meeting

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

KING'S SILVER JUBILEE RINGING IN TWO COUNTIFS.
At the pre-Lent meeting of this association, held at Shildon, near Bishop Auckland, on Saturday last, the president (Councillor Aribur Payne, of Gaiesheadl) referved to the recent article in "The Ringing World * with regard to ringing on the occasion of the King's Jubilee on May 6th, nad zppealed to the members to rally round and endeavour to have ath the "ringable' bells in the two counties rung on that day. A circular letter to this effect lad bean sent to the distriet secrctaries, and it is loped that even bells which have been long silcnt for want of ringers and other causes will be rung for at least half an bour oh Jubilee Day.
Sluldon beils are a rers fine peail of eight, and they were kept going during tho afternoon in touclacs of Grandsire, Stedman, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, ete. The tea, provided by the local band, was held in the Parisll Hall, and was much enjoyed, and a vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells and to the ladies for their attendance pas proposed by Mr. J. T. Titt, of Darlington, and seronded by Mr. R. I. Patterson, Sunderland, the Vicar (the Rer. J. Jake) replying.
Tu a short address during the gervice which followed in St. John's Church, the Ficar traced the use of bells in the service of the Church from Bible times, and spoke of the privilege we ringers lave of being able to do a definite piece of work for God.
(Continued from nrevious page)
Br. J. T' Smallwood proposed 'Thic Ringing World,' urging ringers to use their utmost endearours to extend its circulation. He also referred to the recent articles by Mr. H, F. Morton upon the activities of tho College Youths, articles written with sympathy aud uaderstanding and which could do notluing but good for the cause of ringing. A little more publicity of that kind would undoubtedly do much good. A previous speaker had mentioned the existence of an Anti-Noise League, and if its activities extended to the endeavour to suppress the ringing of church bells, a generous and sympathetic Press from their point of view would be of wery grcat use. He would never advacate the ringing of long peals in crowded areas-it wns a very selfish thing to do, and no ringer with any intelligence at all woild arrange a peal at a church surrounded by a lat of houses where prolonged ringing would cause much discomfort. There were certain enthusiasis among them who would do it, but unless it was curbed, the Anti-Noise Learue might get an effective slop put to that sort of thing. They themeselves should therefore make some effort to cantrol it. A good Press would put the publie in touch will theis activities and make thern sympathetic towards ringing.
The Editor of "The Ringing World responded to the toast. and expressed the thauks of the Anstralian tomists for the set of ten mpes which St. Martin's Guild kindly lent them for minergency use 'down under.'-The proceedings concluded with the toast of "Tlie Chaimman,' sulbmibted by the Rev. ©. B. Filliams and acknowledged by Ganon Guy Rogers.
A delightful musical programme included songs by Hr. Arthur Smith, quariette by St. Martin's Quartette, and liadibell solos, rendered with her aecustomed skill by Mrs. Hughes.

## 5,056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR.

 BY T. B. WORSLEY.

## A. SURPRISE' AFFAIR.

Tlue recent praclice at Wooburn of East Berks and Sonth Bueks Branch of the Okiond Guild was quite a surprise' affair, at least 40 ringers putting in alapparance during the oftemoon and evening. Tea was 'as usizil' at The Boscobel 'Tea Rooms, a delightfil old English atmosphere being ever present.
Afterwatds, tunes on liandbells, which were greatly enjoyed by the proprietors, bind some "scientific for the "experts," also "ns usual." Rewuring to tho lowar: the tries for a course of Loudon were added to, without suceess, Bristol going the same way.

Cambridge, Superlative, Donble Norwich, Plain Bob, Stedman and Grandsire were well mog, plenty of rounds being internimed for those who had progressed ino farther.
The rext practice is to be held at Chalfont St. Giles, followed by the 'annaal' at Old Wiadsor.

## LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.

The Felnruary meeting was held at Liversedre, the busimess being traissacted in the tawor, with the president in the chair. Members were present from Amondbury, Armley, Batley, Burley, Drighlitgton, Earlsheaton, Bradford Cathedral, Headingley (St. Chad's), Halifax, Pudsey, Sowerby Bridge, Shipley and the local compani. The President asked the members to stand in memory of the late Mr. J. Cotiterell, $n$ member of the sociely from Bradford Catliedral company, and the lata treasurar of the Yorkshine Assomiation, who dicd ou January $26 t l$.
Two new members were clected, viz. : Messrs. A. Teale, of Holbeck, and R. Squires, of Halifax.

The vote of thanks to the Vicar, churchwardeas and the local company was proposed by Mr. J. W. Benten and seconded by Mr. C. F. Sutcliffe. Mr. F. Hodgson replied.

## CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCLATION DEOISION ON FASTER METTING.

The pre-Lent meeting was held at Thornaby-on-Tecs on Saturday, March 2nd, When members attended from Ripon, Stockton-on-Tees, Thornaby-on-T'ecs, Middlesbrough, West Hartiepool, Saltbum, Kirby Stephea, Ormesby, Guiseborough, ete. Tea was provided in the Parish Hall, presided over by the Vicar of Thomaby, Lle Rer. W. Palin (in the abseace of the prosident, Mr. J. Stott, Thirsk), supporten? by Mr. I' Metcalfe and the Rev. Yates, curate at Thornaby.

The ouly busincss that came before the meetiug was a proposed nalteration of the faster meeting. Aftor various suggestions had lioen discussed, it was finally agreed to hold the Easter mecting at CaLkevick Bridge.

The ringing during the day was very satisfactory, ranging from Grandsire Triples to Superlative Surprise.

## LATE NOTICE

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DJOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-Bristol Branch.--The next meeting will be held at St. Stephen's, Bristol, on Saturday, March 23 rd. Bells (io) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow. Kindly let me know for tea not later than zoth inst.- Trank Skidmore, So, Carlyle Road, Greenbank, Bristol.

## ANOTHER ' EIGHT' FOR LINCOLN GUILD.

TOLNT MEETING OF THE LINCOLN AND GRIMSBY DISTRIGTS.
Walcaby-a tioy villare lying at the foot of a hill a mile or two to the north of Market Rasen-was + captured' by riugers on Saturclay, Marcl 2nd. It is certain that the anmals of tho county's ringing history wilh recurd Siturday's event as pise of imporlance, due to tine Fact that the Lincoly Diowesa Guild clamed another eight-bell tower to its. Wh. The village of Wilesby possesses two churches; one, which is enfled the new church, situated in the contre of a rew nouses representing wha vilage, fine ound about the vears 1180 and 1200 , is
 bourlioal from the north. Gonsiderable interest is now being taken in Llis very old church, aul the renavations so far executed have inclucleat ilie provision of a peal of bells. Tloough the approach to the chancli necessitales a somewhut laborions task, yet the situation of tho milding afords campanologists iuncestrietied possibilities for ringing prnetiee and peals wilhout causing nidue disturbance to tha villagers.
Tho pasl conlains fiva now bells and three old bells which lave been rebured and quarter turuch. The new bells have been supplied by Mesars. Mears and Stainlonk. Tho bells have been erected in a mnssive wooden rrame, the work of the local wheelwright and carpenter, who, logether with the bell founders, under whose supervision the whole job has been cxeculed, are to be congratulated upon the creellence of their respective underbabings. Walesby how clains two peals of bells-surely a rare distinction for a villago with so small a pepulation-but the peal at the new church is hucg 'dead,' and, therefore, rloes not effer much attraction to the ehange ringing frabernity.

About $70{ }_{2}$ ingers were present at this auspicions meeting, and represented a Jurge majority of the towers situated in the northern half of the county. Parking of cars might have presented a problem, but heto the wheelwright, with his spacious yard, solved a difficulty. Yegobiating a stecp gradient of infifferent foothold through the offigial may to the charch, fte campancologisis alnost represented a conlingent of hikers, minus Haversacks, etc. The oxterior nppearance of line efifiee on the hill undoubtedly exemplified its life in its lofty pasition ns laving withstood the test of time aud storm. With practically the whole company assombled in the elnreh, all eyes were turnof? toward the ringing chaniber siluated on the yround floor. A pruyce followed and immediately the bells were ratsed in peal to the followed by a connge of Stednan Triples.

The evert was in joint meeting of the Lincoln ant Grimsby districts, na atangoment which receivel unamimous appraval by all concerned. Within a short space of time practically everybody had trjed out the new ring. A litile diffeulty was oncasionally experienced with the the shay at the landstroke position, bat as time went on the sitmation in this respect was practically mastered. We learn that a slight alteration is to be made to the wheels of tine bells concerned to give atheration is improved control at handstroke. The methods mult ranged up to Brisiol and London Major. Ringing was curtailed for the service, trea and meeting which followed.

## HOW THE BELLS WERE TAKEN TO WALESBE CHURCE.

For tho service tha senting capacity of the litite church was taxed to its fullest extent, and ofliciating clergy were the Rector of Waleslyy, nssisted by the Rev. N. S. Harding, of Lincoln, and Mrr. A. Simpson, organisi. at lranstom Church, played the organ. The service over, there mas spechy retreat to tho village in seareh of the Institnte, hercer the warmer atmasphere oli the woom was inded very wolcone in colapatyson to the chilly conditions on the hij top. An excellent tog anaiterl the wisitom, and the ringers were given a very beaty welcone, nud the very mengre charge made for the tea should le an inducement in itself to persuade rimgers to visit Walesby again.
Business meetings fallowed ten. First the Lincolu section, and then the Grimshy items. Appreciative remarts canc from the Grimsby sidn thatiking the Lincoln District for the infitation to the meeting, whith had so far culminatedi in a very sabisfactory event. Thanks were also extuded to all those who had raderce service in eny why
to maike bite evont the success it was. Althongh the meeting was arwanged by the lincoln District, fhe Grinuby District cinined an assonialion with this uew hower, dun to the fact that one of the old tuells wus originally enst fa their diatrict.

The thanks already menbionen wore very comprehensive, but aridently ona member, feeling wery gratoful for laclp extended to him
maved that thanks be accoriled io ino motosists, who had readered yaphaty service in luinging friouds alons who would otherwise have freen umble to attend.
rebinn to the tower waz then made, andi one was perlafis too concemed will ctimbing the hill to consider the thsk that would he net in transporting the bells to their lofty position. A motor lory, we understand, was incapable of perfoming this work, and, therefore, a sledge inwwin by horses was requisitioned to fako the bells from the lon'y to the church, and we maderstand that there were a few anxions moments iss the tenor lonil was heiur talsens over lhe very uneven monfents ing the temor ben was heing taken over ine verg unevent sulfice of the fold next to the chinch. The bell, complete with (Contimued at foot of next column.)

## CASUALNESS-AND RECRUITS.

## To the Editor.

Dear Sir, Congratulations to Rer. George Gilbert on the first part of luis letier dealiner with 'casualness,' even though he did wot add that it is the Sunday service ringer who in wany cases keeps thal particular lower open for peal ringing.
To the latter part of his letter, however, I bhould like to add a fow words. Fe says truly, We esn't kecp leamers, yet uearly every churcli has a chows, but-in how many cases do the junior ringers stand on an equal footing with the juniors in the choin? In the first place, the choir would naturally appeal to a youngster at tho first glance, for 1 think none will deny that our grt is cantied on hehind the curtain, and it tekes a pretty inquisitire youngster to purls his way in to a tower, whereas he can get his iuformation first laand from lais school chum of the choir.
This can doubtless be overcome by fishing for recruits, but when we have fisloed and landed one, we luave then to get him sufficiently interested to believe that it will be worth while to stick at somefhing whin will take months to get a start at-in many cases for lovewhile his chum in the choir drops into line much sooner, and generally has a little extrat packet money every quarter, plus a free outing in the summer or some Eestivity at Christmas.
I do not say this is sa in every case, but I think generally that if will be found that voluntary ringers far outnumber voluntary choristers us regards the juniors. I am no advocate of paid ringing gellerally and have not been associated witl it since about 1911, but I do consider it point worth taking up, with those church authorifies who desire their bells rung, that they should consider some form of recognition to those mudor the age of, say, 21 who attend regularly. This would help to ensure regular attendance and stmulate come immediate interesd while we get the recruit really inferested in method ringing, and if, when the time comes for hinn to join the voluntary ranks, he can't wing for the love of it-write hing off as another "bad boy."

Awother point regarding the teaching of beginners is the tempergment of luoth Igaraer and instrmetor. One offea hears tho remark that ", youngsters nowadays can't be told anything without taking tho huff.' Perhaps so, and pertaps there is a reason for it. Let us look back and count the yoars since 1914 and cousider the conditions under Which recruits of 17 or 18 first saw the light-air raids by niglt, distant sounds of guns by day, etc. small wonder if they are of a highty stang disposition and resent the sergeant-major attitude of some conductors, ard decide that a lobby which involves bullying as an matter of course is best left alone. I am not theorising in this mattor, but quoting [rom actual experiecce, having seen more than one 'go wesib from an overdose of 'loud speaker.
I know the reply full well: 'There is no time to be polite'-and agree, but wonld add neither will bullying profire good striking when tho wictim gets 'all hot and bothered.'

Crayford.

T. GROOMBRIDGE,

## ANOTHER PONT OF VIEW

Sir,-Hnving studied this question almost from my first entering a bulfry, nearly 14 feans ago, I must say I fully agree with every word Mr. Gilbert says in his excellent letter.
lt is the small-minded type of ringer, ustally the ones who reckoti to be 'it,' or of the Surprise class, who 'are the cause of many glolher riger becoming haphazard and often giving the art up. So long as the other man is contemt to remain just a pupil or looker-on, in their eyes he is all riglit. But inmediately he begins to shony ruy real chthusiasm, or, like themselves, to know a little, he becomes "in the way" or is ccusidered to be too keen, nud the thought, is in thein'
numd, "I must watch this man or le will be havine whind, I must watch this man or lee mill be having ny place 'whether it be in the belfry, holding some offivial position in a guild, or (and here is wine the sang geucralls comes ing in winging certain peals. He msuslly does lis ubmost to put every obstacle in this mag's way tund, losing interest, the beginner becomes haphazard. Thear he is the first to grouse at not being able to get learmers to sfop with him and will attempt to lay it down to counter attractions, which, ns Mr. Gidbert says, is now an old cry, and almost worn threndbare. , Tike Mr. Gilbert, oan inngine murmurings aud many resentments, bit should any moter care to chatleage my statement, I should be plansed to futhertain him with veferences frani some forty to fifty
 Abington, Northants.
(Continued from previous column.)
fithings, weighing approximately 14 ewt, had a very rough crucitye. tand at times renched an alaming ancle, but, forturately. the desinal tion wins readhed without any mishap.
Ring was conthued until nine
Ringing was continued until nime o'clock. Wiren the loullo were represerted at the meating wore Cathedral, All Sainis. So fors and St. Botolph's, Lincoln; Branston, Blenkney, Nettleham, Parnays.
 Lea, Seumblorpe, Burton-ou-Stather and Elshams.

## NOTICES.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637 ).-Mectings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on March 21 st, ${ }^{\text {FSt. Mary-le-Bow on the }}$ 19th, St. Giles', Cripplegate, on the 26 th, at 7.30 p.m., St. Andrew's on the 28 tit, at 8 p.m. Binsiness meeting afterwards. Willian T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., FrodingHam, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S. W.4.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.-Southern District.-The next meeting will be held at Charlwood on Saturday, March 16 th. Tower open 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea and meeting $5.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., at the Half Moon Inn. All ringers heartily welcome-W. Claycion, Hon. Dis. Sec., 8, Chartfield Road, Reigate, Surrey.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - North Eastern Division.A quarterly meeting will be held at Tendring on March r6th. Bells (6) available 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea provided by Vicar at 5.15 . Will all those intending to be present please notify me as soon as possible P -James R . Sparling, Station Road, Wivenhoe.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.-The next meeting will be held at Chilvers Coton on Saturday, March IGth. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Tea at 5 o'clock in the Parish Hall.-Mrs. D. E. Beamish, Gen. Hon, Sec., Green Ways, Gipsy Lane, Nuneaton.

SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS.--Meeting at Beeston on Saturday, March 16th, at 3.30 p.m. New members welcomed. Subscriptions for 1935 due, please! -I. B. Thompson, 52, Lace Street, Dunkirk, Nottingham.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Luton District. -A meeting will be held at Tilsworth on Saturday, March 16th. The bells ready at 3 p.m. Tea will be arranged.A. E. Sharman, 199, High Street North, Dunstable.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.-Southern Dis-trict.-March meeting on the 16th (Saturday) at St. Mary's, Lambeth. Proceedings commence at 3. Tea 5. Business 5.45 . Ringing before and after evensong 7.30 . Postcards re tea appreciated by J. Herbert, Hon. Dis. Sec., 17, Grimston Road, S.W.6.

EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD.-A ringing meeting of the Guild will be held at Tonbridge on Saturday, March 16 fl . Tower open 3 p.m. All ringers welcome. G. Lambert, Drummond Hay, Moat Road, East Grinstead.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Manchester Branch.-The next practice meeting will be held at St. Thomas', Pendleton, on Saturday afternoon, March 16 th. Tower open for ringing at 6 p.m. Members and nonmembers are cordially invited to attend.-D. Brown, Hon. Sec.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Hunts Branch. - A meeting will be beld at Godmanchester on Saturday, March 16th. Bells available 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. No service.-H. Parker, Dis. Sec., Great Staugbton, St. Neots.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Maidstonp District and Romney Marsh Guild. - A combined meeting wilt be held at Egerton on March 16th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Service at 4.30 . Tea by invitation of the Church Council at the George Inn, 5 p.rn. Please send a postcard on the Sunday previous if you wish to come. Every ringer welcome. Plenty of methods from Carter Doubles to London Surprise. Easy running bells, and every prospect of a large gathering. Notify A. Waddington, Malthouse Farm, Egerton, or P. Page, iro, Canterbury Road, Kennington, Kent, Hon. Secs.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.-Andover District.-Quarterly meeting at Amport on Saturday, March i6th. Bells from 2.30. Service in Parish Church 4.30 . Tea 5. Business meeting to follow.-Rev, F. S. H. Marle, Hon. sec.

Midland Counties association. - Burton District--A meeting will be held at Rollestone-on-Dove on Saturday, March ${ }_{2}$ rrd. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Tea will be arranged for those who notify Mr. L. Smith, Rectory Gardens, Roliestone, by March 21 st. All ringers cordially invited.-J. W. Cotton, Hon. Sec., Coronation Strect, Overseal.

ALBURY, NEAR GUILDFORD.-At 3 p.m., on Saturday, March 23 rd, the Rev. Canon G. F. Coieridge will dedicate the ring of six bells restored by John Taylor and Co., Loughborough. All ringers invited. Bells available after opening touch. Those requiring tea, is. each, notify G. Grover, East Clandon, Guildford, by Wednesday next.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.-South-Western Division. A meeting will be heid at Leytonstone on Saturday, March 2 zrd. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea in Church Hall to follow. Will those intending to be present kindly advise me by Wednesday, March 20th, without fail? Subscriptions for 1935 are now due.-E. J. Butler, Dis. Sec., 3 I3, Mawneys Road, Romford.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Rossendale Branch. -The next meeting will be held at St. James' Church, Haslingden, on Saturday, March 23rd. Bells available 3 p.m. Meeting in tower 6.30 p.m. Subscriptions welcomed. All ringers cordially invited-members and nonmembers, learners and veterans.- J. Porter, Hon. Sec., n, Chesham Bank, Bury.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Southern Division.-The annual meeting will be theld at Shoreham on Saturday, March ${ }^{2} 3$ rd, for election of officers, etc. Service at $4 \cdot 30$. Tea, price is., in St. Mary's Hall, at 5 . Tower open 3. Names for tea by previous Wednesday, please. Hatf rail fare, maximum is. 6d. to resident members.-S. E. Armstrong, IFon. Div. Secretary, b , Chester Terrace, Brighton 6.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUIJ.D.-East Berks and South Bucks Branch,-The next practice has been arranged at Chalfont St . Giles ( 6 bells) on Saturday, March 2 ard, at 3.30 p.m. Tea at is. per head for those who notify me, not later than March i8th.-A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough.

## TOWER CLOCKS J. B. JOYCE \& CO. LTD. <br> Weight Driven or Etectric by the

[^2]ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Archdeaconry of Ely.-A quarterly meeting at lekleton on Saturday, March $23^{\circ} \mathrm{d}$. Bets (8) available at 3 p.m. Service at 5 o'clock, followed by tea.-K. Willers, Dis. Sec., Sweetbriars, Trumpington, Cambridge.
YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.--Western Division.The gutarterly meeting will be held at Brighouse, on Saturday, March 2 grd. Bells (8) available from 2 p.m. Further particulars on circulars.-Wm. Ambler, Hon. Dis. Sec.
MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.-Chesterficld District.-A meeting will be held at Old Whittington on Saturday, March 23 rd. Bells (5) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Will those requiring tea please notify $\mathrm{Mr} . \mathrm{G}$. I. Newman not later than the zist? Tea is. each.--J. ['. Tarfton, North Wingfield, Chesterfield.

LADIIS' GLILD (Lincoln and Northern Branches) AND NORTH NOT'S ASSOCIATION.-Joint meeting at Collingham, Saturday, March 23 rd. Bells availathle 2.45. Service 4.15, conducted by Canon Williams. Those requiring tea please notify Mrs. East, Low Street, North Collingham, by Wednesday, March 2ist.-Mrs. R. Rictardson, I. B. Thompson and R. W. Stockdale, Hon. Secs.
BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.Castle Cary Deanery Branch.--Next meeting will be at Queen Camel on March ${ }^{2} 3 \mathrm{rd}$. Service 4.30 . Tea 5 oclock. Meeting to follow.-E. F. Creed, Local Sec., Dimmer Farm, Castle Cary.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.-The sixth annual dimner of the Gloucester Branch will be held at the Spread Eagle Hotel (Market Parade) on Saturday, Marci1 3 oth, at 6 p.m., Councilior Eggleton presiding. The following towers open for ringing : St. Mary de Lode (6), 3 p.m. to 4 p.m., St. Mary de Crypt (8) 4 p.m. to 5 p.m., and St. Michael's (8) 4.45 to $5.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. (Ladies invited.) Tickets, 35. , can be obtained, with remittance, not later than March 26 th, from W. H. Harris, Branch Hon. Sec, 4, Railway Terrace, Lydney Dock, Lydney, Glos.
BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. Chew Deanery Branch.-A quarterly meeting will be held at Kingston Seymour on Saturday, March 3 oth. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Divine service $4.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Tea at 5 o'clock to be followed by business meeting. All jngers welcome.-Percy G. Yeo, Hon. Local Sec., Long ishton.
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Canterbury Dis-rict.-By permission of Rev. Canon Tonks, the next bymecting will be held at Walmer on Saturday, Maref soth. Will all those intending to be present and requirng tea please notify Mr. F. A. Rye, 6, Castle Road, Valmer, near Deal, on or before Thursday, March 2Sth? SUFFOLK GUILD.-A general meeting will be held at Woodbridge on Saturday, March 30th. Tea at St. ilary's Hall at 4.30 p.m., at is. each. Meeting follows. - H. Drake, Uftord, Woodbridge.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-.The annual uneral meeting will be held at Guildford on Saturday, 'larch zoth. S. Nicolas' bells (ro) from 3 p.m., Cathefral bulls (8) from $3.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Service in the Cathedral 4. 30. Tea in Holy Trinity Parish Hall, 1s, each, 5. 15. Brisiness meeting to follow. After the meeting Mr. Rupert Richardson will show his Australian tour cinemalograph pictures. All ringers welcome, but those who
desire tea must let me know by Tuesday, March 26 th , or they will not be provided for.-J. S. Goldsmith, Hon. Sec., Southover Cottage, Pyrford, Woking.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. -A quatterly meeting will be held at Lewisham on Saturday, March 3oth. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 5. Tea at 5.30. Business meeting after tea, with further ringing till 8.30. Numbers for tea to be sent to me by Tuesday, March 26th. This is very important. G. A. Card, Hon. Sec., 7, Gilstead Road, Fuhham, S.W.6.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.-Eastern District.The annual meeting will be held at York on Saturday, March 3oth. The Minster bells (12) will be available from 2.30 to 4 p.m., and from 6.30 to 8 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m., at is. 6 d. per head. Please advise Mr. G. Horner, 9i, Clifton Green, York, by Thursday, March 29th. Business meeting for election of officers, etc., immediately after tea. Subscriptions for $1934-35$ are now due and àmual report available.-H. S. Morley, Hon. Sec., 5. Fbor Street, Selby.

EARLS BARTON, NORTHAMPTON.-The bells will be dedicated by the Bishop of Peterborougit on Sunday, March 3 Ist, at 6 p.m. The peal has been restored and augmented to 8 by John Taylor \& Co., Loughbrough.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Annual general committee meeting. This meeting will be held at Reading on Saturday, April 6th, at 3.15 p.m., in St. Laurence's Hall, Abbey Street. As business of importance will be discussed, a good attendance is earnestly desired. - Richard T. Hibbert, Gen. Sec. 69, York Road, Reading.

## SITUATION WANTED.

COMPOSITOR (21), seeks situation; ringer, 6 to 13 bells.-Box F", The Ringing World 'Office, Woking, Surrey.

## PUBLICATIONS.

GRANDSIRE DOUBLES AND TRIPLES, Simply Explained '; also 'Bob Minor and Major, Simply Explained,' for beginners. $6 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$. each, post free; 5 s .9 d . a dozen post free; from I. Roe and M. Broome, Byways, Hurst, Berks.

CAMBRIDGE MINOR AND MAJOR, Simply Explained, each $7 \frac{1}{2} d$. post free; $\frac{1}{3}$ dozen, $3 / 6$ post free; dozen $6 / 9$ post free: to be obtained from K. Quick, 18 , Westbourne Gardens, Hove, Sussex.

VILLAGE BELLS. "-A self-teacher for beginners, with rules and diagrams (five methods of Doubles, five of Minor). Single copy 8d., four copies 2s. 6d. post free, from Rev. R. Howes, Cold Higham Rectory, Towcester, Northants.


## Change Ringing Charles A. W. Troyte.

THREE TO EIGHT BELLS 208 pages, with 3 illustrations. Cloth $8 / 6$, post free $3 / 10$. THREE TO SIX BELLS. Sewn 1/B, post free $1 / 9$.

INDISPENSABLE TO ALL RINGERS

## EXETER:

HENRY S. ELAND, 236, HIGH STREET

## ALFRED B0WELL,

## Church Bell <br> Founder

## The Jasper Snowdon Series

 revised pricts.- ROPE-SIGHT,' 1s. 10d.; seventh ed.; 150 pagea; treata Plain Bob commencing on thres bells.
' GRANDSIRE,' 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five hells, complate with the Thompsor Charts, etc.
'ETANDARD METHODS,' 8th edition, 8s. 100
'STEDMAN.' 2s. 10i.; 275 peges, by the late Rev. C. D. P. Deviea,道A., with an appendiy by the late Sir Arthur Heywood, Bt., etc. ' TREBLE BOB.' 1s. 10 d. ; second ed.; with appendix; 100 pagea. 'SURPRISE METHODS,' 2s. IOd. A book by the late Req. C. D. P. Davies, M.A., F.R.A.S. Containg a tabulated list of peala, 10 disgrams, 128 pages.

> All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Gartmel, Lancashire

## The Central Council Publications

## TO BE OBTAINED POST FAEE.

From the Hon. Librarlan,
Rav. 日. H. TYRWHITT DRAKE, Walsoken Ractory, Wisbach, Cambs. GLOSSARY OF TEGHNICAL TERMS EULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCD. AND AN ACCOUNT OF ITS WORK
COLLECTION OF PEALS-Section I. (Odd-Bell Treble
 COLLECTION OF PEALS-Section II. (Plain Bob and
Double Oxford Bob) COLLECTION OF PEALS-Section III. (Double Norwich) … COLLECTION OF PLAIN MAJOR AND CATER METHODS COLLECTION OF DOUBLES AND MINOR METHODS ... CORRIGENDA LEAFLET, showing false pealg, the fot of thron MODEL RULES FOR A LOCAL COMPANY (Revised) REPORT OF COWFERENGE WITH S.P.A.B
CARD OF INSTRUCTIONS IN THE CARE AND USE OF ON BELLS
ON THE PRESERVATION OF BELLS (Reqised Eतition) ...
Ditto, Stific Covers
TEE LAW AFFECITNG CHURGE BELLS
METHOD SHEETS Stedman and Grandaire Triplea ... ....
Cambridge Surprise Major ... ... ...
Double Norwich and Cambridge Covri
Briatal Surprise Major
BINTS TO INSTRUCTORS AND BEGINNERS

##  'THE WORLD'S BEST BELLROPES' NOTED FOF EASY HANDLING ANL NON-STRETCHING <br> JOHN PRITCHARD, BIGGIN STREET, LOUGHBOROUGH <br> Clock and Chiming Ropes, Flexible Ends, Splicing and Repairs. <br> Egt. 1820 <br> TeI. 630 <br> Price List of the Sole Maker  <br> Suitable for Presentation or Wedding Gift

Correctly Hodelled BELL INKSTRED Mreaf ime in Solid Silver



Initlals and Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges
T. E. RUSSELL Jomater Tolepobe 278 WOKING

## METHOD SPLICING

THE NEWEST AND MOST INTERESTING DEVELOPMENT OF CHANGE RINGING
 Study this latest phase of the Art and learn how to practise it.
 The system is fully explained in - METHOD SPLICING,' price 1/8 (post free) from 'The Ringing World' Office, Woking.

Frinted for the Propriator by the Woodbridge Prees, Ltd, Guildford, aed Publighed by the Rolls House Publishing Co., Ltd., Bream's Buildingr, London, E.O.


[^0]:    Make to St. Panl'e Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imparie] Inetitute, Olnterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albens, Lincolg, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin, Bt. Patrick'u, Maneheater, Durban and Worcester Oathedrals, eto, etc.

[^1]:    M: W. H. Eussell, Glongh

[^2]:    WORLD'S OLDEST MAKERS Establizhed 1690.

    ## WHITCHURCH, SALOP

    illustrated art catalogue on request.

