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It is good that from time to time we should be reminded of the men whose services to the cause of ringing in the past have made possible much of the progress which is enjoyed in the ringing of to-day. The commemoration held every year in Yorkshire admirably serves the purpose not only of reminding Yorkshiremen of those who built up the fortunes of that great and successful association, but of recalling to ringers everywhere that among these men have been those to whom the Exercise as a whole owes a debt of gratitude. A generation or more ago Yorkshire had not a few within its borders whose work in different fields helped largely to consolidate the position which had been won in the two previous centuries. Indeed, all through last century Yorkshire was seldom, if ever, without some individual whose work sooner or later proved of outstanding merit. One such, for example, was William Hudson, whose painstaking labour discovered what is known as his sixty-course ends of Stedman Triples—the basis of all subsequent twin-bob peals in the method. Yorkshire in those far-off days provided the composers and ringers of the first peals of Surprise Royal, and through the years first one and then another of her sons put the ancient art of ringing under indebtedness, until in the 'seventies' came Jasper Whitfield Snowdon, whose work was, in a sense, to revolutionise text-book ideas of teaching ringing. He began by writing articles in 'Church Bells' in the hope of helping young ringers, who had found themselves in similar plight to himself, to acquire knowledge of the art of ringing; he ended by writing a series of books which for fifty years have remained pre-eminent for the purpose for which they were written, in accuracy of instruction and lucidity of explanation. Jasper Snowdon did more than that, but that in itself is sufficient to place him for ever in the forefront of those masters to whom the ringers of his day and for all the days to come owe so much. Jasper Snowdon in his lifetime could hardly have had a conception of the advances which ringing would make in the next 50 years, but without his work and that of some of his contemporaries it is doubtful if we should have reached the present high level, for in ringing, as in all other branches of knowledge, the superstructure of to-day is built upon the foundations of the past—foundations taken for granted to-day, but constructed then only with the greatest labour and closest application.

To-day we benefit from the work they did, but we are too apt to forget what we owe them for it. The Yorkshire Association is doing a good service in giving its members a special opportunity of remembering their famous sons, and that they are not alone in this desire

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TEN BELL PEALS.

KING'S NORTON, BIRMINGHAM.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 12, 1935, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 17½ cwt.

JAMES GEORGE Treble	THOMAS W. LEWIS 6
*FRANK E. PERVIN 2	WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT ... 7
†GEORGE E. FEARN 3	SIDNEY T. HOLT 8
CLIFFORD SKIDMORE 4	*C. HOWARD STANLEY 9
THOMAS HEMMING 5	CHARLES CAMM Tenor

Composed by C. W. ROBERTS. Conducted by WM. B. CARTWRIGHT

* First peal of Yorkshire Royal. † First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells. First peal in the method as conductor.

HERTFORD, HERTS.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 12, 1935, in Three Hours and Twenty-Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF GRANDESHIRE CATER, 5003 CHANGES;

Tenor 25 cwt, 23 lb.

STANLEY A. CARTER Treble	JOSEPH CHATLEY 6
*GEORGE MAXIM 2	ALFRED J. HOUSE 7
†MICHAEL PULLMAN 3	HAROLD V. FROST 8
GEORGE GRAY 4	JOSEPH LADLEY 9
GEORGE W. DEBENHAM 5	GILBERT E. DEBENHAM ... Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS (171).

Conducted by A. J. HOUSE.

* First peal in the method 'inside.' † First peal on ten. First as conductor on ten bells. This composition is rung for the first time.

NEWCASTLE, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE NORTH STAFFS AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 12, 1935, in Three Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;

Tenor 18 cwt.

*ANDREW THOMPSON Treble	THOMAS HURD 6
JOHN WORTH 2	WILLIAM P. DEANE 7
WILFRED STEVENSON 3	WILLIAM J. CHESTER 8
WILLIAM CARNWELL 4	GEORGE W. BIDDULPH 9
WALTER LONGMAN 5	CHARLES H. PAGE Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF.

Conducted by JOHN WORTH.

* First peal of Royal. Rung to commemorate the 700th anniversary of the granting of the Gild Merchant Charter to the Borough of Newcastle.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, October 5, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

MIDDLETON'S.

Tenor 14 cwt, 3 qr, 21 lb.

KENNETH WORTH Treble	JAMES A. MILNER 5
WILLIAM FERNLEY 2	REV. E. V. COX 6
WILFRED STEVENSON 3	WALTER W. WOLSTENCROFT ... 7
LIONEL CLOUGH 4	JOHN WORTH Tenor

Conducted by JOHN WORTH.

Arranged for the Rev. E. V. Cox.

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GODSTONE, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 5, 1935, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,
At the Church of St. Nicholas,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;
HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 12 cwt. in G.

MRS. CHARLES H. KIPPIN ... Treble	HARRY W. SIMMONS ... 5
JOHN SPARROW ... 2	*ROYDON DAVIES ... 6
FREDERICK E. COLLINS ... 3	CHARLES H. KIPPIN ... 7
CANON G. H. RIDOUT ... 4	DANIEL COOPER ... Tenor

Conducted by CHAS. H. KIPPIN.

* 50th peal. Arranged as a farewell peal to Canon Ridout, who sailed for Johannesburg on the 11th inst.

GATESHEAD-UPON-TYNE, DURHAM.

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 5, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;

DAY'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 15 cwt.

*ELLIOTT R. CURRY ... Treble	REGINALD H. HEWITT ... 5
DAVID ARKLESS ... 2	PERCY E. JOHNSON ... 6
RICHARD PATTISON ... 3	WILLIAM H. BARBER ... 7
*JOHN E. FULLER ... 4	*JOHN M. T. M. ROBBIE ... Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM H. BARBER.

* First peal. Rung to commemorate the centenary of the borough of Gateshead and the 40 years' ministry of Canon H. S. Stephenson, Rector of Gateshead. The ringers, with the exception of the conductor, belong to the local band.

RAINHAM, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 5, 1935, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

At the Church of St. Margaret,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 6024 CHANGES;

Tenor 18½ cwt. in E

WILFRED L. RAYNER ... Treble	CHARLES BELSEY ... 5
WILLIAM A. COOK ... 2	WILLIAM J. WALKER ... 6
*GEORGE NAYLOR ... 3	†EDWARD A. G. ALLEN ... 7
†FRANK CHEAL ... 4	FRANK BELSEY ... Tenor

Composed by FRANK BENNETT. Conducted by FRANK BELSEY.

* First peal of Bob Major. † First peal. ‡ 50th peal.

EARLS COLNE, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 5, 1935, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

At the Church of St. Andrew,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 14½ cwt. in F.

SAMUEL WARNE ... Treble	FREDERICK RIDGWELL ... 5
EDWARD P. DUFFIELD ... 2	ALBERT WIFFEN ... 6
LEWIS W. WIFFEN ... 3	WALTER ARNOLD ... 7
FRANK CLAYDON ... 4	ARTHUR A. SAUNDERS ... Tenor

Composed by REV. H. LAW JAMES. Conducted by W. ARNOLD.

Mr. F. Claydon's 500th peal. One hundredth peal by Mr. F. Ridgwell, the esteemed hon. secretary of the Northern Division of this association. The band were very kindly entertained to tea by Mr. and Mrs. Ridgwell at the conclusion of the peal.

ELLAND, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, October 6, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 6184 CHANGES;

Tenor 16 cwt.

JACK FISHER ... Treble	JOB C. MELLOR ... 5
FRANK POPPLEWELL ... 2	FRANK RHODES ... 6
*FRANK LINFOOT ... 3	CYRIL F. SUTCLIFFE ... 7
*RALPH POPPLEWELL ... 4	HENRY H. SMITH ... Tenor

Composed by WM. SOTTANSTALL. Conducted by JOE C. MELLOR.

* First peal. The ringers of 1, 5 and 8 hail from Lindley, 2, 3, 6 and 7 from Brighouse and 4th from Mytholmroyd.

CRAWLEY, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, October 6, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

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

**A PEAL OF SPLICED LONDON, BRISTOL, CAMBRIDGE AND
SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Containing 2,944 London, 608 Bristol and 736 each of Cambridge and Superlative, the two latter methods being rung in alternate parts.
Tenor 13½ cwt.

CECIL NICE ... Treble	C. ERNEST SMITH ... 5
GEORGE OLLIVER ... 2	JACK M. CRIPPS ... 6
NELSON ELLIOTT ... 3	WILFRED WILLIAMS ... 7
KENNETH SNELLING ... 4	OLIVER SIPPETTS ... Tenor

Composed by the REV. H. LAW JAMES. Conducted by W. WILLIAMS

LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, October 7, 1935, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

At the Church of St. Botolph, Bishopsgate,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cwt.

JAMES E. DAVIS ... Treble	*GEORGE B. COLLINS ... 5
HARRY HOSKINS ... 2	ALFRED J. HOUSE ... 6
GEORGE R. PYE ... 3	JAMES H. RIDING ... 7
CHARLES T. COLES ... 4	JAMES BENNETT ... Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by GEORGE R. PYE.

* First peal in the method away from the treble.

BRIDGEND, GLAMORGANSHIRE.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, October 7, 1935, in Three Hours,

At the Church of St. Illtyd,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;

Tenor 16 cwt.

BENJAMIN J. TOBY ... Treble	CHARLES H. PERRY ... 5
ERNEST STITCH ... 2	ALFRED W. WRIGHT ... 6
EDWARD T. BAILEY ... 3	D. REES JAMES ... 7
THOMAS J. SETTER ... 4	FRANK MORGAN ... Tenor

Composed by REV. E. BANKES JAMES. Conducted by C. H. PERRY.

Rung in honour of the wedding of Mr. Albert D. Elliott and Miss Olga G. M. James, daughter of D. R. James, ringier of the seventh, who were married in the above church the previous day.

WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, October 8, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR, 5280 CHANGES;

Consisting of 2,624 London, 1,184 Bristol, 736 Cambridge, and 736 Superlative, with 111 changes of method. Tenor 10 cwt.

FRANK BARRETT ... Treble	CHARLES T. COLES ... 5
J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE ... 2	GEORGE R. PYE ... 6
GEORGE M. KILBY ... 3	HARRY KILBY ... 7
ERNEST C. S. TURNER ... 4	*JAMES H. RIDING ... Tenor

Composed by A. J. PITMAN. Conducted by E. C. S. TURNER.

* First peal of Spliced Surprise. This composition is now rung for the first time. For figures, see 'The Ringing World,' June 14th. This peal was the conductor's 100th on tower bells.

WEDNESBURY, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Tuesday, October 8, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

At the Parish Church,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART (7th observation.) Tenor 24 cwt. 18 lb.

*WILLIAM MOUNSEY ... Treble	THOMAS HUGHES ... 5
†ALBERT J. HUBBLE ... 2	DAVID HINGLEY ... 6
HAROLD SMITH ... 3	BERT HORTON ... 7
HOWARD HOWELL ... 4	*NORMAN BERRY ... Tenor

Conducted by BERT HORTON.
* First peal. † First peal with a bob bell. Rung as a 73rd birthday compliment to Mr. George Hughes, also to Mrs. A. J. Hubble.

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ERITH, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, October 9, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

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

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt. in G.

LIONEL J. COLLUM Treble	ALFRED G. HILL 5
JOHN H. CHEESMAN 2	*JOHN S. MORTON 6
HARRY HOVBRD 3	FREDERICK J. COLLUM 7
EDWIN A. BARNETT 4	HERBERT E. AUDSLEY Tenor

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

* First peal of London 'inside.' Rung as a birthday compliment to Messrs. T. Groombridge, sen., and E. A. Barnett.

NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE.

THE DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 12, 1935, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

At the Cathedral Church of St. Nicolas,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

On the 'Dixon Eight.'

Tenor 17 cwt. 16 lb. in G flat.

GEORGE A. PICKERING Treble	WILLIAM J. DAVIDSON 5
HERBERT P. CLIFF 2	STEPHEN THOMPSON 6
RICHARD A. GOFTON 3	JOSEPH E. R. KEEN 7
JOHN ANDERSON 4	RICHARD THOMPSON Tenor

Conducted by W. J. DAVIDSON.

TRING, HERTS.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 12, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

At the Church of SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 24 cwt.

JOHN E. ROOTES Treble	FRANCIS KIRK 5
CHARLES N. LEMAN 2	HAROLD G. CASHMORE 6
CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY 3	MADRICE F. R. HIBBERT 7
STEPHEN H. HOARE 4	WALTER AYRE Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS.

Conducted by H. G. CASHMORE.

The first peal in the method on the bells.

NORTH MIMMS, HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 12, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 13 cwt.

ALBERT LAWRENCE Treble	*GEORGE B. COLLINS 5
JOHN G. NASH 2	HORACE E. C. GOODENOUGH 6
JOHN T. KENTISH 3	†WILLIAM NASH 7
GEORGE R. PYE 4	JAMES BENNETT Tenor

Composed by C. J. SEDGLEY.

Conducted by J. BENNETT.

* First peal in the method. † First in the method away from the treble.

BRENTWOOD, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 12, 1935, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

At the Church of St. Thomas-the-Martyr,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 19½ cwt.

WILLIAM DUDLEY Treble	JOHN STITCH 5
*LESLIE H. THRIFT 2	HENRY T. WILSON 6
STANLEY W. BAYBUT 3	ALBERT PRYKE 7
HARRY TURNER 4	ERNEST W. FORBANK Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HRYWOOD. Conducted by H. TURNER.

* First peal of Bob Major. Rung on the eve of the harvest festival and as a welcome to the Rev. Ballance, who has just commenced his duties as Vicar of the parish.

SUTTON-ON-TRENT, NOTTS.

THE NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 12, 1935, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

At the Church of All Saints,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5048 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

KATHARINE BURCHNALL Treble	LESLIE G. LONN 5
JOHN FLINT 2	JOHN H. BROTHWELL 6
GRACE BURCHNALL 3	ERNEST A. MIDWINTER 7
HAROLD DENMAN 4	HARRY MORGAN Tenor

Composed by CORNELIUS CHARGE.

Conducted by JOHN FLINT.

Rung with half-muffled clappers in affectionate and grateful memory of R. W. Stockdale, late secretary of the North Notts Association.

BOCKING, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 12, 1935, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

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

Tenor 18½ cwt. in E.

SAMUEL WARNE Treble	FRANK CLAYDON 5
FREDERICK RIDGWELL 2	JOSEPH JENNINGS 6
*RONALD SUCKLING 3	LEWIS W. WIFFEN 7
GRAHAM LINDRIDGE 4	ARTHUR SAUNDERS Tenor

Composed by FREDK. PITSTOW.

Conducted by L. W. WIFFEN.

* First peal in the method.

SOUTHOVER, LEWES, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 12, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

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

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PITSTOW'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 17 cwt. 1 qr. 17 lb.

ROBERT J. DAWES Treble	GEORGE WIGGINS 5
FRANK BENNETT 2	ALFRED J. TURNER 6
ALFRED W. GROVES 3	FREDERICK PAGE 7
ALFRED C. LEVETT 4	GEORGE P. ELPHICK Tenor

Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

Arranged as a birthday compliment to Mr. A. J. Turner, captain of the local company.

MOULTON, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, October 12, 1935, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

At the Church of SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART (7th observation). Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr. 3 lb.

*HILDA TRAVILL Treble	†ROBERT EADY 5
*EDNA TRAVILL 2	HARRY ENGLAND 6
ARTHUR ROBINSON 3	TOM TEBBUTT 7
*GEORGE TANNER 4	*LESLIE CURTIS Tenor

Conducted by TOM TEBBUTT.

* First peal on eight bells. † First peal. First peal on the bells since they were augmented into eight.

SHILDON, DURHAM.

THE DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 12, 1935, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

At the Parish Church,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

Tenor 16½ cwt.

*GEO. W. HUTCHINSON Treble	JOSEPH WEST 5
ALF. COATES 2	†SAM BRYANT 6
GEO. W. PEVERELL 3	JOHN PENTLAND 7
†JOHN TAYLOR 4	ROBERT B. ROBINSON Tenor

Composed by J. FLEMING.

Conducted by R. B. ROBINSON.

* First peal of Major. † First peal in the method. Rung as a silver wedding compliment to the conductor.

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THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, October 3, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 13½ cwt.

F. HARRIS Treble	E. SANDERS 4
A. W. BRIGHION 2	S. SEYMOUR 5
H. SEYMOUR 3	P. R. C. WILLIAMS Tenor

Conducted by A. W. BRIGHTON.

Rung to mark the restoration of the bells. The ringers of 1, 3, 5 and 6 are of the local band. It was their first peal, also the first peal rung on the bells.

WESTON-UNDER-PENYARD, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, October 4, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Forty-two six-scores, ten callings.

Tenor 12 cwt.

* REGINALD W. DALE Treble	FREDERICK E. J. REYNOLDS 4
THOMAS BEVAN 2	JOHN J. WEBB 5
GEORGE L. CORNWALL 3	HARVEY H. WINNEY Tenor

Conducted by JOHN J. WEBB.

* First attempt for a peal.

TUDDENHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Saturday, October 5, 1935, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being eight 120's St. Simon's (four different callings), twenty 120's Grandsire (10 callings), fourteen 120's Plain Bob (four callings).

* OLIVER KILBY Treble	EDWARD SIMPSON 3
GORDON LEACH 2	PERCY PARKER 4

CECIL H. ALDOOS Tenor

Conducted by C. H. ALDOOS.

* First peal. † First peal on five bells.

WISTASTON, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, October 6, 1935, in Two Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's each of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob and three 720's of Oxford Bob. Tenor 6 cwt. 6 lb.

REGINALD WRIGHT Treble	HARRY THELWELL 4
ERIC CLARKE 2	THOMAS S. ASTBURY 5
ALBERT THOMAS 3	ALBERT CRAWLEY Tenor

Conducted by A. CRAWLEY.

Rung for harvest festival; also as a wedding compliment to the treble man, who was married on the day previous.

GLASBURY-ON-WYE, BRECONSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, October 6, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 21 differently called 240's.

Tenor 15 cwt.

* FREDERICK G. JONES Treble	G. JAMES R. PRICE 4
ALBERT E. JONES 2	DAVID H. BENNETT 5
† JAMES P. HYETT 3	THOMAS VAUGHAN Tenor

Conducted by J. P. HYETT.

* First peal away from the tenor. † 200th peal.

GAMSTON, NOTTS.

THE NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, October 8, 1935, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven different 720's.

Tenor 9 cwt.

SIDNEY CARNELL Treble	KATHARINE BOUCHNALL 4
WALTER RICH 2	ERNEST A. MIDWINTER 5
GRACE BURCHNALL 3	HAROLD DENMAN Tenor

Conducted by HAROLD DENMAN.

Rung with half-muffled clappers as a mark of deep affection for Robert W. Stockdale, hon. secretary of the association, whose funeral took place at Ordsall in the afternoon.

BULKINGTON, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, October 12, 1935, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

* JOHN CASTLE Treble	PERCY STONE 4
* LEONARD LAWRENCE 2	† ALFRED J. HINDE 5
* JOSEPH TAYLOR 3	* RAYMOND LYDSTER Tenor

Conducted by ALFRED J. HINDE.

* First attempt for a peal. † First peal as conductor, first peal of Grandsire and of Doubles. The ringers of 1, 2, 3 and tenor come from Bedworth, 4th from Chilvers Coton, the conductor being a member of the local band.

LAMBERHURST, KENT.

On Saturday, October 12, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH

A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven spliced extents of Cambridge, Norfolk, Ipswich, Primrose, Hull and Bourne.

ERNEST E. WOODAGE Treble	ALBERT KELFE 4
ANDREW MARSHALL 2	JAMES BASSETT 5
THOMAS FULLER 3	JAMES WAGBORN, JUN. Tenor

Composed by A. G. DRIVER.

Conducted by ALBERT KELFE.

All six methods were rung in each 720, and there were 183 changes of method. Rung as a farewell peal to T. Fuller.

MILTON ERNEST, BEDS.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 12, 1935, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, College Exercise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 9 cwt. (approx.).

DONALD COCKINGS Treble	HENRY W. GAYTON 4
HERBERT L. HARLOW 2	C. W. CLARKE 5
FRANK C. TYSOE 3	HENRY STAPLETON Tenor

Conducted by C. W. CLARKE.

DEEPING ST. JAMES, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, October 12, 1935, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

In 14 methods, viz.: (1) Northumberland and Carlisle; (2) Newcastle and Alnwick; (3) Beverley and Sarfleet; (4) Primrose and Norfolk; (5) York and Durham; (6) Ipswich and Cambridge; (7) London and Wells. Tenor 19½ cwt.

C. T. H. BRADLEY Treble	THOMAS A. COOPER 4
HORACE M. DAY 2	HARRY GIBBARD 5
WILLIAM H. WALDRON 3	THOMAS L. BAINBRIDGE Tenor

Conducted by HORACE M. DAY.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. E. A. Sneath, the genial and popular towerkeeper at this church; also as a birthday compliment to Mrs. T. A. Cooper, wife of the ringer of the fourth.

DUNHOLME, Lincs.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, October 12, 1935, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CHAD.

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 10 cwt. (approx.).

CECIL J. MAYER Treble	JACK L. MILLHOUSE 4
HAROLD MARCON 2	GEOFFREY M. MAYER 5
KENNETH W. MAYER 3	GEORGE E. FEIRN Tenor

Composed by REV. E. BANKES JAMES. Conducted by G. E. FEIRN.

First peal of Cambridge Surprise Minor by all except the conductor. First peal on the bells. Mr. H. Marcon has now completed the Cambridge 'quartette' from Minor to Maximus. Rung to celebrate the birth of a Prince to the Duchess of Kent.

HOLBORN.—On Sunday, October 6th, for harvest festival evensong, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1,280 changes): W. R. Dennis 1, C. J. Choct 2, J. S. Hawkins 3, R. W. Green 4, W. J. Norton 5, U. Wildney 6, T. G. Bannister 7, E. Brett (conductor) 8.

HANDBELL PEALS.

GOSFORTH, NORTHUMBERLAND.

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(NEWCASTLE CATHEDRAL GUILD)

On Tuesday, October 8 1935, in Two Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

At 1, SALTER'S ROAD,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

DAY'S SIX-PART.

JOHN ANDERSON	1-2	WILLIAM J. DAVIDSON	5-6
WILLIAM H. BARBER	3-4	ADAM DEAS	7-8

Conducted by W. H. BARBER.

SUTTON-ON-HULL, YORKS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.*On Thursday, October 10, 1935, in Two Hours and Thirty-Three Minutes,*

At HOLY BANK,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART (7th observation).

MRS. J. BRAY	1-2	JACK BRAY	5-6
• DEBBIE M. SHARP	3-4	ARTHUR E. WEST	7-8

Conducted by J. BRAY.

* First peal of Triples 'in hand.'

Other peal reports are unavoidably held over.)

PEAL WITHDRAWN.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—The peal of Minor in 14 methods rung at Butterwick, Lincolnshire, for the Lincoln Guild on September 14th, 1935, and published in 'The Ringing World' on September 20th, has been found to be false in some of the compositions, and I, therefore, ask for same to be withdrawn from the peal records.

To the members of the band who stood in this peal I tender my sincere apology for causing them this trouble.

W. E. CLARKE.

SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

NEW COMPOSITION NEAREST APPROACH TO IDEAL.

The peal of Spiced Surprise Major in four methods, the composition of Mr. A. J. Pitman, which was published in 'The Ringing World' on June 15th, was rung at St. Mary's, Willesden, on Tuesday, October 8th. This peal is the nearest approach to the ideal desired by some ringers, in that all the bells do all the work of three out of the four methods. Up to the present it has been found impossible to obtain a peal of London, Cambridge, Superlative and Bristol, with all the work of each method for each bell.

As for the full courses of each method so ardently wished for by a few well-meaning members of the Central Council, these seem as far off as ever, as this particular composition contains just two full courses throughout, and these in the same method!

The peal was called by Mr. E. C. S. Turner from a non-observation bell, a very big task, and this clever young conductor received hearty congratulations from his fellow-ringers on the completion of the peal. Incidentally, it was Mr. Turner's 100th tower-bell peal, and he rang the same bell to his first peal.

RINGERS' BEREAVEMENT.

The death occurred on October 7th of Mrs. W. Collison, wife of Mr. W. Collison, a well-known ringer of Tunbridge Wells, and mother of Miss G. Collison, secretary of St. Peter's Society, and of Bernard Collison. Mrs. Collison passed away in the Tunbridge Wells Hospital after a short illness.

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SUCCESSFUL FIRST ANNUAL DINNER.

Mr. Reading's Interesting Reminiscences.

Although the Surrey Association has reached an age of maturity, having been in existence for 55½ years, an annual dinner has never been previously attempted. A company of 109 attended on Saturday at Messrs. Grant's Restaurant, Croydon, to participate in the inauguration of what is hoped to be a long series of annual dinners. Alderman Temple Newell, J.P., was a genial chairman, and he was supported by Canon A. H. Phelps, the Rev. J. C. Kinnear, Mrs. C. F. Johnston, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Aldworth, Mr. and Mrs. A. Gear, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Housden, Messrs. H. Jordan, C. H. Reading, M. A. Northover, R. Bough, G. W. Steere, S. E. Armstrong, F. G. Woodiss, A. E. Cheesman, Harold N. Pitstow, W. R. Melville, H. E. Anderson (Messrs. Gillett and Johnston), Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Kippin and Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Darby, Mr. F. G. Woodiss, Mr. W., Mrs. and Miss Claydon, Mr. A. J. and Mrs. and Miss Bull and Mr. E. G. Talbot.

Proposing the toast of 'The Church,' the Chairman expressed regret at the absence of the Master, who was away through illness. He remembered that it was the custom of the Church to ring when there were horse races, so he was entitled to propose the Church after the singing of 'John Peel' (laughter). He felt even in these troublesome times, when the Church loomed so large in the life of the nation, that it would be impossible to realise what the life of the nation would be if the Church ceased to exist. In bygone centuries it occupied a great sphere in the life of the people, for it did not draw a distinction between things called secular and sacred. It had the happy way of looking upon one as helping the other. 'I have no use,' added Alderman Temple Newell, 'for the person who does not like the sound of church bells. I feel there must be something wrong with him.'

It was the duty of bellringers to do everything they could to help the daily work of the Church. 'Don't give a muffled peal for the cause of the Church. Let the bells ring out to the skies that the crowds may hear.' There was nothing the world needed more in these days than to be conscious of the existence of the Church (applause).

AMAZING SEQUENCE OF BELLROPES BREAKING.

Canon A. H. Phelps (Vicar of Wimbledon), who responded, recalled his first introduction to church bells at his first curacy in a large Birmingham parish. 'We had a wonderful peal of one,' said the Canon, amid the laughter of the company. At the time of the passing of Queen Victoria he happened to go into the church and saw the verger starting to ring a muffled peal to Her Majesty. 'I said, "I will do it," and seized the rope and it promptly broke.'

A few years after I was in my first living, again a church with a peal of one, when His Majesty King Edward passed away. On that occasion there was no verger and I went to the tower to pay canonical respect to His Majesty. I seized the bell rope and it promptly broke (laughter).

From his first curacy he went to the Parish Church of King's Norton, and while there he had the great joy of hearing one of those 10½ hour peals. He did not know whether they knew a man named Withers. He checked off each lead of that peal in his notebook without a mistake. From there he went to Worcester, and he had not been there long before he was put in charge of the Bellringers' Guild of the Cathedral. It was one of his jobs to organise the Whit Monday ringing.

Canon Phelps recalled the occasion that when he was Vicar of Dudley it was necessary to have the peal of ten rehung. The bells had to be taken to the foundry and two lorries were sent to convey them. When the bells arrived at the foundry they were surprised to find that there were only nine. A little while later they were rung up by the police, who asked if they could assist in tracing the owner of a bell which was found in the middle of the street! The lorry made such a clatter that when the bell fell off no one heard it. Concluding, Canon Phelps hoped that bellringers and the Church would always co-operate together for the glory of God and for the good of their dear old country.

AN INTERESTING REVIEW.

The toast of 'The Surrey Association' was ably submitted by Mr. C. H. Reading, who said looking backwards it was not generally known that since the association drew its infant breath in the parlour of the King's Arms at Carshalton in 1880 it had been cribbed, cabined and confined by geographical conditions. At that time all the counties of Surrey and Hampshire formed the Diocese of Winchester. Soon after the northern part of the association's area was transferred to the Kentish Diocese of Rochester, and a further change took place when the new Diocese of Southwark was formed. The recent formation of the Diocese of Guildford had also altered their position. All these changes, besides restricting their area, had not tended towards making the work of the association any easier. There might be some reasons why the association had not done more than it had, but he ventured to assert that it had accomplished much (hear, hear).

The founders of the association had three objects, viz.: (1) The recognition of the true position of ringers as churchworkers; (2) the due care and use of church bells and belfries; (3) the cultivation of the art of change ringing. It could be truly said that the work of the association during the 55½ years of its life had tended towards the achievement of these objects.

Referring to some of the officers who had left their mark on the association, Mr. Reading said the office of Ringing Master was not instituted until 1911, and there could be no other occupant for that position than Dr. Arthur Bristow Carpenter. He believed he was one of the foundation members, and he also held the office of secretary for nine years. He was most capable and learned in all matters appertaining to their art. His name and memory was still an incentive to those whose privilege it was to know him. Unfortunately for the association, his Mastership lasted for one short year, when he was called to assist in higher circles. For the succeeding 14 years their old friend, James Douglas Drevitt, followed in his steps until he was called aside. He was a good ringer imbued with a great desire of service, and many of them cherished the memory of his kind and urbane nature. Their present Master, who had a record of ten years' service, was prevented from being with them through sickness. Those who had served on the committee knew of his keen interest and work for the association.

SPADE WORKERS.

There were two or three names who had done hard spade work in shaping the destinies of the association in the position of secretary. He had referred to Dr. Carpenter, who held the office for nine years, and he was succeeded by Mr. Charles Dean, who held the post for two periods aggregating 21 years. He was also sorry that Mr. Cyril Johnston was absent through sickness. Mr. Johnston was hon. secretary from 1911 to 1919, and incidentally he (the speaker) had the honour to act as his substitute from 1914 to 1918. It was owing to Mr. Johnston's labours that their district came to be divided, and from that division nothing but good had resulted. Of their present 'conductor of destinies,' his work as hon. secretary was only exceeded by his prowess in the ringing world (applause).

Mr. M. A. Northover, who responded, apologised for the absence of the Bishop of Croydon, Mr. Albert Hughes, Mr. D. K. C. Birt (to whom it was decided to send greetings wishing him a speedy recovery) and from Mr. C. Dean. He mentioned that the previous Saturday a farewell peal of Stedman Triples was rung at Godstone for Canon Ridout, who sailed for Johannesburg the previous day. This was the third farewell peal the association had rung for Canon Ridout. There was one six years ago and another twelve years ago. On behalf of the association, he thanked Ald. Newell for taking the chair in the absence of the Master.

Mr. H. E. Anderson deputised for Mr. Cyril F. Johnston, and submitted the health of the visitors, and the Rev. J. C. Kinnear (St. endeavours he had made to become proficient in the art of change ringing.

John's, Croydon) responded and entertained the audience with the

(Continued in next column.)

ANOTHER RINGER IN MOTOR FATALITY.

THANET DEPUTY CONDUCTOR'S DEATH.

The ringers at St. Lawrence's Church, Thanet, have suffered a severe loss by the tragic death of Mr. A. W. Friend, their deputy conductor. His death occurred on Thursday, October 3rd, at Folkestone Hospital, following an accident in which the motor-cycle on which he was riding came into collision with a builder's hand truck on the previous day. Apparently he was temporarily blinded by the sun. Mr. Friend sustained severe concussion and a fracture of the base of the skull and never regained consciousness.

Although only 27 years of age, deceased was one of the most enthusiastic ringers of the company, and was always willing to stand in for a peal attempt or to try a fresh method. He had rung about half a dozen peals, and regularly attended district meetings, as well as Sunday and practice night ringing.

The funeral took place on Wednesday, October 9th. The service was conducted by the Vicar, and was attended by ringers from St. Luke's, Bromley Common, Canterbury Cathedral, Sturry, St. Peter's, Thanet, and the local company. A short touch of Grandsire Caters with the bells half-muffled was rung before the service, and as the cortege was leaving for the cemetery some well-struck rounds were rung. Later in the afternoon a quarter-peal of 1,260 Grandsire Caters was rung: H. Foster 1, S. Gee 2, L. A. Porritt 3, H. R. French (Sturry) 4, T. W. Scott 5, J. E. Lyddiard (Bromley) 6, H. Parks (Canterbury) 7, F. Philpott 8, A. E. Jarman (conductor) 9, J. Roberts 10. First quarter-peal in the method by all the band and first as conductor. A touch of deceased's favourite method, Erin Triples, conducted by H. Parks, was also rung. Many floral tributes were received by the various towers represented, also from the local tower. This keen and genial member will be greatly missed by all in the district, and especially at St. Lawrence's.

Much sympathy is felt for his young widow, as deceased had only been married 4½ months, and also for his recently widowed mother.

(Continued from previous column.)

Mr. F. W. Housden, in submitting the toast of 'The Ringing World,' said ringers were very fortunate in possessing a paper all of their own, and its editor succeeded in providing for his public exactly what was required.—Mr. T. W. White, who replied, conveyed to the meeting the good wishes of Mr. J. S. Goldsmith for a happy evening.

The speeches were interspersed with musical numbers, including community singing. 'On Ilkley Moor' was sung with special enthusiasm as a compliment to the Yorkshire Association, who were assembled at their annual dinner. Mr. Harry Bourne was a versatile entertainer, and a well-struck course of Grandsire Caters met with the approval of the experts. Mr. Harold N. Pitstow was an able accompanist for the musical numbers.

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BELFRY GOSSIP.

Can anyone tell us why, after having been removed for more than six years and hundreds of notices inserted in our columns, giving our correct address, as well as frequent paragraphs directing attention to it, some correspondents continue to put 'Commercial Road' into the address of communications they send to 'The Ringing World'? We imagine that these ringers either have got very bad memories or they do not read the paper.

But it is making us cross and, what is more, it is making the Post Office cross also. If correspondents cannot remember the simple address, 'The Ringing World,' Woking, we don't know what they will do if the authorities insist upon a much longer one.

Please recollect, therefore, there is no 'Commercial Road' in our address, and has not been since the year 1929. 'The Ringing World,' Woking, Surrey, is all that is required, at present, but the fat is nearly in the fire!

Messrs. Taylor and Co., Loughborough, have in hand the restoration of the ring of five bells of Brushford Church, near Dulverton, Somerset.

Mr. Alfred Howell, of Ipswich, has a number of bell restorations in hand, including the ring of five at Thorpe-le-Soken, Essex, which is being rehung in new iron frames and a new treble bell added. The ring of five at Scottow, Norfolk, are also being rehung in new iron frames and a new treble bell added.

In addition he is rehanging the ring of six at Saham Toney, Norfolk, in new oak frames, leaving room for two trebles; at Stratford St. Mary, Suffolk, the ring of six are being rehung and the frame strengthened, and at Wivenhoe, Essex, he is rehanging the six with new bearings and gudgeons, and making a thorough overhaul of all the fittings.

The Beginners' article will be found on page 670.

CHISLEHURST TOWER.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—You refer in your issue of the 4th inst. to the 'model tower' at Chislehurst, where the architect very wisely consulted an experienced ringer (Canon Coleridge). There was also a reference to this tower in a recent issue of the journal of the R.I.B.A., and a section was shown to illustrate the 'Romsey Lantern.' The particulars there given caused me to come to the conclusion that the tower was suitable for a light 'ring' only (say tenor 15 cwt.). I was not surprised, therefore, to find on my visit to the Chislehurst opening that there was undue movement in the weakest direction of the tower. The founders have provided a tenor of 1 ton, but I was pleased to find that they had hung the heavier part of the 'ring' in the direction of greatest resistance.

For the benefit of the young ringers to be recruited at Chislehurst, I should mention that all towers move, more or less, and in varying periods, and that the ringers will probably not notice any movement at all.

In neither of the above articles, describing the 'Romsey Lantern' and its advantages, was any reference made to my previous advocacy of it in 1914. This appeared in the chapter contributed by me to Sir A. P. Heywood's 'Bell Towers and Bell Hanging' (p. 79). For those who have this book, I should like to take this opportunity of pointing out a printers' error on page 91—where 'one-eighth' should read as one-fifth, viz., 'one finds . . . walls whose thickness is one-fifth . . . of the tower breadth . . . a ratio of solid to void of almost 3 to 1.' Fortunately, the context gave the necessary correction.

The principle of the lantern has been adopted in several cases with success. I saw it at St. David's Cathedral. It was used, too, at the restoration of Howdon Church by Messrs. Brierley and Rutherford, of York, who were good enough to call me in as a consultant.

E. ALEX. YOUNG, A.R.I.B.A., F.S.I.

CANON G. H. RIDOUT'S DEPARTURE.

Canon G. H. Ridout left England last Friday on his return to Johannesburg. At All Saints' Church, Benilton, for evensong on October 6th, a farewell quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung: S. Rayner 1, G. Rayner 2, F. Randall 3, Canon G. H. Ridout 4, G. Chiverton 5, E. Enticknap 6, W. C. Smith (conductor) 7, R. Foreman 8. After ringing the 'quarter,' which is another six-part of Canon Ridout's, the band shook hands with him, and wished him 'Godspeed' on his journey.

He will be greatly missed at Benilton, because not only did he come with the ringers on their outing, but also assisted them on practice nights and at the Sunday service ringing.

Canon Ridout, who is a member of Cambridge University Guild, rang one or two peals while staying in England, and was present at the Australian tourists' reunion last month.

RINGING FROM CHURCH FLOOR.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—I read with interest the letter in 'The Ringing World' concerning the ringing of bells from the church floor. The church at Meppershall, Bedfordshire, has a Norman tower with a ring of five bells. The ringer of the treble stands at the foot of the chancel steps. Two seats turn up where the ringers of the 2nd and 5th stand, and the ropes when not in use are drawn aside and hang on a pillar.

H. LAWRENCE.

THE YORKSHIRE COMMEMORATION DINNER.

REPRESENTATIVE GATHERING AT SHEFFIELD.

Master of A.S.C.Y. on Importance of Regular Ringing

The Yorkshire Association's fourteenth annual commemoration dinner, by which honour is done to the memory of Jasper Whitfield Snowdon and past officers, was held at Sheffield on Saturday, when a company of about 160 met for the occasion, and many old friendships were renewed.

The arrangements had been made by a local committee, consisting of Mr. George Lewis (president), Messrs. M. E. Wilson, C. Haynes, F. Watkinson, R. Harrison, sen., and R. Harrison, jun., with Mr. S. F. Palmer, whose assiduous discharge of the secretarial duties had much to do with the great success that attended the gathering. Ringing took place in the afternoon at the Cathedral (12), Ranmoor (10), St. Marie's (8) and Handsworth (8), and the company sat down to dinner in the evening at the King's Head Hotel. The chair was taken by the Rev. Canon C. C. Marshall, president of the association, who was supported by the Very Rev. the Provost of Sheffield (Dr. Jarvis) and Mrs. Jarvis, Dean Bentley (St. Marie's), Mr. E. P. Duffield (Master of the Ancient Society of College Youths), Mr. W. H. Viney (churchwarden of Sheffield Cathedral), Mrs. Viney and Miss Viney, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Johnson (Leeds), Mr. J. E. Cawser (hon. secretary, Yorkshire Association), Mr. and Mrs. G. Lewis, Mr. C. Harrison (Loughborough), Mr. E. Hudson (Sharow), the Rev. G. K. Dixon, etc. Visitors from other associations included Mr. R. Richardson (Master of Lincoln Guild), Mrs. Richardson (hon. secretary, Lincolnshire branch, Ladies' Guild), Mr. C. T. Coles (hon. secretary, Middlesex Association) and Mrs. Coles, Mr. W. H. Shuker (hon. secretary, Lancashire Association) and Mrs. Shuker, Mr. P. Porrens (Warwickshire Guild), Mr. G. F. Swann and Mr. F. W. Rishworth (St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham), Mr. J. W. Rowbotham (College Youths), Mr. W. H. Thomas (Bristol United Guilds), Mr. J. Austin (Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association), Mr. J. S. Goldsmith (hon. secretary, Guildford Diocesan Guild), Mr. Arthur Knights and Mr. A. H. Ward (Midland Counties Association), Mr. C. Dean (Surrey Association) and Mr. J. W. Ward (Ely Association), while among the Yorkshire towers represented were York Minster, Leeds, Rotherham, Bradford, Wath, as well as the four towers in Sheffield, and ringers from many surrounding places.

After the loyal toast had been honoured, Mr. J. S. Goldsmith proposed the toast of 'Church and State,' and, referring to the anxieties and perplexities which in these days confronted both, said that, however much they might disagree in detail with the policy of their leaders in minor matters, both Church and State deserved the closest support of all men and women of goodwill.

The President responded and reminded his hearers of the great heritage which they enjoyed both under the Church and State. They had to remember, he said, that, whether as members of the Church or citizens of the State, they were co-partners in the great undertaking of life. One of their heritages of the Church was the beautiful churches of the land, which they, as ringers, more than many other people, had opportunities to visit. In some countries to-day there was a great cleavage between Church and State, but in this land the Church stood more than anything else for the fullest freedom of its citizens within the State. That was something they must treasure. The State needed the Church in many ways. It needed the Church to uphold the highest ideals of life in this country. There was need at all times for the closest co-partnership between Church and State. The thought he would leave with them on that occasion was that in these critical times it was only by realising their common duty as citizens of the State and their common duty to the Church to uphold the highest ideals of life within the State that the fullest life could be maintained (applause).

MESSAGE FROM MRS. W. SNOWDON.

In calling upon Mr. E. P. Duffield to propose the toast of 'The late Jasper Whitfield Snowdon and Past Officers of the Association,' the President gave a hearty welcome to the Master of the Ancient Society of College Youths, and said Miss Snowdon had sent them a letter of greeting which they were glad to receive. Miss Snowdon wrote: 'My mother and I would like to be associated with you all in your annual remembrance. Please give our kindest greetings to those present at the Snowdon dinner. Tell them we are always with them in thought and enjoy the close link which the event makes possible.' Canon Marshall said he was sure he would be following the wishes of the company if he returned that greeting to Mrs. and Miss Snowdon at the first opportunity (applause).

Mr. Duffield first referred to Yorkshire's goodly heritage in broad acres, in variety of types of scenery, its great industrial areas and its wonderful slag heaps. It also had, he said, a cricket team which, if put into the field to represent England, would do so without England suffering any great ignominy (applause). The speaker, however, got in a sly dig when he reminded the Yorkshiremen that in a battle with his own county of Essex at Huddersfield this year the mighty Yorkshire lay beaten and humbled before lunch on the second day.

YORKSHIRE WORTHIES.

Having assured Yorkshire ringers that a cordial welcome awaited any who visited London on November 9th, on the occasion of the

College Youths' dinner, Mr. Duffield commended to the gathering the names of men of Yorkshire outstanding in the Exercise who had passed on. With one exception, he said, they were to him merely history. He did not pretend that the list was complete, but first and foremost on it was Jasper Whitfield Snowdon, founder and first president. Then there was William Snowdon, his brother, who followed him as president; William Howard, of York; Charles Jackson, of Hull; Tom Lockwood, of Leeds; Charles Henry Hattersley, of Sheffield; John W. T. Holgate, for many years general secretary; John Lawson, of Lightcliffe; and, lastly, James Cotterell, of Bradford, whom they had so recently lost, and who was for no less than 26 years their honorary treasurer. It was his (the speaker's) privilege to know Mr. Jimmy Cotterell, and he was never more pleased to be complimented on a ringing performance than he was at the conclusion



JASPER W. SNOWDON.

of a peal at Bradford Cathedral when they received the commendation and approval of Mr. Cotterell, who, of all Yorkshiremen, was considered a judge of what was good in ringing. He (Mr. Duffield) asked himself and those on the youthful side of life whether they adequately appreciated the heritage which their forefathers had handed down to them in the sense of ringing progress. He supposed they were all agreed that the writings of Jasper Snowdon ranked with those of other earlier great writers on the subject of ringing. He wondered whether they would be enjoying the advanced method ringing, which they so much delighted in in these days, had it not been for the spade work done by those earlier people. It was true that these men did not concern themselves with such things as Spliced Surprise, or any other form of spliced ringing, but they did their job and laid the foundations which had been the groundwork which for all time served the

Exercise, even in building up compositions of the more advanced type.

LEGACIES FROM THE PAST.

But for the legacies which had been left to them by these great worthies of the past, continued Mr. Duffield, they would be ringing, perhaps, but the ringing would have been of a much less interesting character. He did not wish merely to say, 'Thank you,' to them and accept the gifts they had left them. In toasting their memory he also asked ringers to pledge themselves to carry on and maintain the great work they initiated and to which they gave the best years of their lives. They had heard that night about the goodly heritage of their churches. In these days when churchmanship appeared to be taken more lightly than it used to be, he thought that ringers and bells more than ever had their part to play. They could best honour the memory of these worthies of the past by carrying on the ringing of the bells both regularly and efficiently. There was a lot to be said for doing it regularly. He would never be intolerant of complaints rightly made, but if ringing was regularly carried out on Sundays and practice nights, with peals at reasonable intervals, there would be no complaints. At Ipswich, with its famous band of twelve-bell ringers, the bells were rung twice on Sunday throughout the year, they were rung for practice once a week and once a month there was a peal attempt, and there was never a complaint in Ipswich about the ringing of these bells, yet he knew of another peal of bells not far from Colchester which have hung practically unringed for years, and as soon as there was a ringers' meeting held there, protests came in—and it was only a small country village. Consistent and regular ringing, concluded Mr. Duffield, was both appreciated and accepted without demur (applause).

The toast was drunk in silence.

JESTS ABOUT GUESTS.

Mr. Percy Johnson submitted the toast of 'Kindred Ringing Societies and Visitors,' and specially welcomed the Provost of the Cathedral and Dean Bentley, of St. Marie's. He referred to the late Dean, Canon Dolan, by whose death Sheffield ringers had, he said, lost a kind friend. From the ringers' point of view, added Mr. Johnson, Canon Dolan's crowning work was in having the splendid ring of bells at St. Marie's put in order once again. These bells placed Sheffield in the proud position of being able to boast of some of the finest rings of eight in the kingdom (applause). Mr. Johnson had a word of welcome for all the other visitors and a timely jest about many. They were honoured by having with them the Master of the College Youths, and they had a personal affection for another old member of that society present (Mr. J. W. Rowbotham). As an

alien in a foreign country, for he was born in London, Mr. Johnson said he welcomed Mr. Rowbotham back to his native county. Mr. Coles, of the Middlesex Association, was entitled to undying fame for his dissertations on the splicing of methods and his aptitude for putting other people in their place (laughter). They had with them Mr. Richardson, Master of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild, an excellent specimen of a Yorkshireman. Of Mr. J. S. Goldsmith, Mr. Johnson said he was there as Editor of 'The Ringing World,' as a member of the Australian Guild, celebrated for ringing a peal on the Red Sea, and as secretary of the Guildford Diocesan Guild. He also appeared to be casting longing eyes on the presidential chair of that association (laughter). He (Mr. Johnson) hoped he would long be disappointed in that desire (laughter). (This was a reference to a remark made by Mr. Goldsmith, on his 'promotion' in the toast list, when proposing 'Church and State.') Mr. Johnson went on to congratulate Mr. Arthur Knights, of Clousterfield, who, he said, was not only a distinguished composer, but had done more than his duty to the Exercise by providing it with two sons who were carrying on the great tradition. There was, he continued, a mystery about Mr. John Austin, of Gloucester, once a member of the famous band at Burton-on-Trent. He had known Mr. Austin for 40 years, and he did not look a day older now than when he first met him. Mr. Johnson spoke of the 'becoming modesty' of Mr. W. H. Thomas, of Bristol, and referred to the work he had done for ringing in Bristol through the United Guilds. The Yorkshire Association was honoured to receive so many guests who came there primarily to do honour to the great name of Jasper Whitfield Snowden, to whom ringing owed more than to any other single man (applause).

THE WILLIAM PYE MEMORIAL.

Mr. C. T. Coles, who responded to the toast, said that they in the small county of Middlesex looked upon Yorkshire with envious eyes. Yorkshire had a great expanse of territory, many famous cities and peals of bells. They had had many famous men who had made their association great, and ringers throughout the country looked up to them as men to be followed (hear, hear). The Yorkshire Association that night was honouring their past officers. In the Middlesex Association and in the neighbouring county of Essex they were still very much regretting the loss of a great ringer—William Pye. They wished to honour his memory. He was known all over the country, and some of his greatest performances were accomplished in the North. He hoped that ringers in that part of England would give their assistance to the scheme which was being promoted to provide a national memorial to Mr. Pye. He felt sure that when the matter came before the Yorkshire Association they would give it their support (applause).

The Provost of Sheffield also briefly responded to the toast.

Mr. Colin Harrison proposed 'Continued Prosperity to the Yorkshire Association,' and entertained the company with some amusing remarks concerning well-known Sheffield ringers. Mr. Sydney Palmer, who was so largely responsible for the success of that gathering, having served a lifelong apprenticeship with the railway company, certainly knew 'how to deliver the goods' (laughter). Mr. Palmer did not believe in wasting time. He was always there 'on the dot,' but it was always the last dot (laughter). Mr. Harrison spoke of the services rendered by Mr. George Lewis, and Mr. James Dixon, who at the age of 76, was now 'Old Jimmy,' and had nearly solved the problem of perpetual motion. The speaker also paid a tribute to Mr. John Thorpe and Mr. Wooller, and, in wishing continued success to the Yorkshire Association, reminded the members that while this year their Majesties were celebrating their Silver Jubilee, that association was celebrating its diamond jubilee, and, in extending congratulations upon what had been done up to now, he wished the association every success in the future (applause).

The concluding toasts were 'The Ringing World,' proposed by Mr. E. Hudson and responded to by Mr. J. S. Goldsmith, and 'The Chairman,' submitted by Mr. R. Harrison, sen., and acknowledged by Canon Marshall, who thanked Mr. Palmer for the labour he had put into organising the proceedings, and the artistes for the programme of music they had provided.

The musical programme was indeed a very enjoyable one. It was maintained principally by the Hallam Octet, whose singing was greatly appreciated. They contributed 'Soldiers' Chorus' from 'Faust,' 'On Fikla' Moor Bah't Hat' and 'Comrades' Song of Hope.' One of their number, Mr. J. Jennings, sang the song, 'Take a pair of sparkling eyes.' The St. Marie's Handbell Party, consisting of Messrs. George Holmes, William Bugar and James Dixon, all of them over 70 years of age, contributed some splendid selections, in which they used very skilfully a considerable number of bells. Their variations on the 'Blue Bells of Scotland' were excellently played, and they also rang 'Cheerful' and 'My love is but a lassie.' A course of Stedman Cinques was rung on handbells, and a happy evening was brought to a conclusion at 11 p.m.

VISIT TO CITY HALL.

On Sunday morning, by special arrangement and through the courtesy of the manager, a large party of ringers and their friends were able to make an inspection of Sheffield's City Hall, completed in 1932. It is a magnificent building in the centre of the city, and in its turn has become the centre of the city's social life. It is an architectural achievement without rival in the North of England, from

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FOR BEGINNERS.

THE EXPANSION OF THE TOUCH.

While we are dealing with touches of Grandsire Triples for beginners, it may be useful to our readers if we say something further on this subject. When one is calling a touch it sometimes becomes necessary to shorten it, or it may be desirable to lengthen it. Both processes can be carried out by the conductor if he understands the method by which it is done, although unless he is very adept, there is always a risk of repetition. In a touch which is being rung to fill up the minutes to service time, or merely for practice, this is a matter of no great importance, although, of course, we all prefer to ring a true touch rather than a false one. When one starts out for a touch, naturally a true composition is selected, but what we refer to is the expansion or contraction of the length originally intended.

One of the safest ways of securing the truth of a touch thus dealt with is by the use of singles, although this is not a certain safeguard. It does not entirely eliminate the risk.

The easiest thing to do, of course, is to call a single instead of the last bob and repeat the whole of it, which doubles the length of your touch. But perhaps you do not want twice as much as you set out to ring. You want something less. Well, whatever you want can usually best be done by what is called 'singling in' some extra courses, that is to say, calling a single instead of a bob at some place, then ringing another touch which, when finished with a single, will produce the course-and which would have occurred had the original bob, instead of the first single, been called.

Is that a little involved? Well, let us try to show you by figures. The principle is the same as doubling a touch by calling a single at the end and repeating it.

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— 752634

— 467352

— 234567

That is a touch of three leads (42 changes) of Grandsire by calling a bob each lead. You can make it into six leads (84 changes) by calling a single when 2.3 come on the front, and you get this:—

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— 753624

— 467253

S 234567

In the same way that the last three leads are 'singled in'—for that is what it amounts to—so three leads or three courses can be singled into a touch which it is desired to lengthen. And it is possible, in certain circumstances, to single them in in more than one place.

In this way touches keeping 6 and 7 in coursing order by calling one or other bell into and out of the hunt, as we illustrated last week, can be extended. In a touch where there is a course called by 6 In and Out, call the 6th out with a single, insert three more courses with the 6th In and Out each time, the last call when the 6th comes out being a single. That will insert three more courses. Here is an example, the strokes under the 1 and 2 representing bobs calling the 7th In and Out (because they refer to bobs at the first and second leads), and strokes under 2 and 3 representing bobs calling the 6th In and Out (because they refer to calls at the second and third leads):

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354267 — — 354267 — —

435267 — — 435267 — —

523467 — S

243567 — —

453267 — —

325467 — S

532467 — —

342567 — —

234567 — —

Between the lines which come after 435267, you see, first, the course got by calling 6th In and Out, and then the same touch expanded by three courses, between singles. The first is 336, the second 504.

The young conductor who wants to make himself familiar with this kind of thing should get pencil and paper and figure out other extensions for himself. The explanation as to how to get the bells round to curtail a touch must be left for another article.

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its beautifully decorated entrance hall to the gold pillars of the central hall. It is the last word in convenience and elegance, and nothing that modern science and ingenuity could provide seems to have been omitted in its erection. There is a semi-circular memorial hall, so called in recognition of the men and women who served in the Great War, and in a place of honour is the volume containing the names of those who died. Sheffield has good reason to be proud of its City Hall, and the hour which the ringers spent in looking over it was full of interest.

ANOTHER PEAL OF SIX FOR LINCOLNSHIRE.

At Holy Trinity Church, Tattershall, on Friday, October 4th, in the presence of a large congregation, the Lord Bishop of Lincoln dedicated the new treble bell which has been added to the old peal of five.

After the dedicatory prayers had been said, rounds were rung, and after the service the first change ringing on the six bells was 360 of Plain Bob by Mrs. R. Richardson 1, F. W. Stokes 2, G. Ladd 3, W. E. Clarke 4, C. R. Burrill 5, R. Richardson 6.

About 20 ringers were present, and all tried the new peal.

After ringing had finished the ringers were entertained to light refreshments by the Vicar of Tattershall. All present were loud in their praise of the 'go' and tone of the bells, which form another piece of good work by Messrs. Taylor and Co.

On Sunday evening, October 6th, at the special invitation of the Vicar and on the occasion of the harvest festival, the following ringers took part in the ringing: Mrs. R. Richardson, G. Ladd, A. Barsley, W. E. Clarke, C. R. Burrill and R. Richardson; 720 Cambridge Surprise and 360 Oxford Treble Bob were rung.

The ringers wish to thank the Vicar of Tattershall for his very kind hospitality on this occasion.



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THE FINE CHURCH OF TATTERSHALL, Lincs.
Where the Bells have been Augmented from Five to Six.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

FYLDE BRANCH.

A meeting of the Fylde Branch of the Lancashire Association was held on Saturday, October 5th, at Holy Trinity Church, Blackpool. The tower was struck by lightning on Easter Saturday, and much damage done to the bell frame. Messrs. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, carried out the restoration, and the six bells are now in first-class going order.

At the business meeting the hon. secretary (Mr. C. Sharples) gave a brief outline of what transpired at the annual meeting of the association at Preston the previous week, and said he was thankful that at last he had been officially recognised as a member of the party who had toured Australia and Tasmania.

It was decided to ask all members of the branch who would arrange peal bands for the royal wedding on November 6th to send in their names to the hon. secretary.

A resolution was also passed that a Fylde Branch picnic be tried in the early summer.

BENCH AND BELLRINGERS.

HOTEL HOURS EXTENDED FOR FESTIVAL.

A bellringing festival is to be held at St. Mary Magdalene's Church, South Moulton, Devon, on October 26th, and at a recent sitting of the Borough Petty Sessions, application was made on behalf of the licensee of the King's Arms Hotel for an extension of 'permitted hours.'

Police Superintendent Parr expressed some surprise that only one application had been made.

Mr. Furze Sanders, who made the application, said perhaps if all the places of refreshment were open they would get no ringing.

The Bench, taking the view that ringing was strenuous exercise, granted the application.

The festival, according to a poster which has been distributed and a copy of which has reached us, begins with a service in church in the morning, followed by luncheon, an eight-bell competition for three certificates, a six-bell competition for three certificates, and afterwards a tea.

In addition there is to be a skittling competition for a pig, to be held at the Skittle Alley of the King's Arms Hotel. No wonder an extension of 'permitted hours' is required! All the proceeds are to go towards the restoration of the bells.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

TONBRIDGE DISTRICT SUPPORT THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

The Tonbridge District of the Kent County Association held its annual meeting at Tonbridge on Saturday, October 5th. The Rev. Canon Clark conducted the service and gave a very appropriate address, taking as his text the association's hymn, 'Unchanging God, Who livest.'

Tea was partaken of at the Carlton Cafe, at the expense of the association. At the business meeting which followed, the chair was taken by the Vicar.

The secretary (Mr. A. E. Richardson), in his report for the year, stated that the Tonbridge District maintained its usual flourishing condition, both in regard to finance and membership. The district had 19 towers in union with the association, representing 65 per cent. of the total number of ringing towers in the district. This was the largest percentage in the county. The membership was 178 practising members and 13 honorary members.

Mr. Richardson was re-elected secretary, and Messrs. G. Edwards and E. Everest elected district representatives.

The following towers were selected for next year's meetings: February, Penshurst; May, Shipbourne; July, Benenden; August, Horsmonden (by-meeting); October, Tonbridge.

The members also decided that the annual meeting always be held at Tonbridge, on account of its convenient position.

A resolution from another district was read in regard to the amount allowed by the association to defray tea expenses.

Mr. A. Battin, speaking at some length, proposed that the Tonbridge District agree to stand by the Central Committee.—Mr. J. Medhurst seconded and the motion was carried unanimously.

After the usual votes of thanks, the members adjourned to the bellry.

SOUTHWELL.—At the Minster for evening service on September 15th, 1,264 Double Norwich Court Bob Major (including the bells in the 'Queen's' position): E. Foster 1, G. E. Padgett 2, G. E. Foster 3, F. Pickard 4, H. F. Clulow 5, F. G. Hooper 6, A. J. Chamberlain (composer) 7, F. J. Milner (conductor) 8. Longest by all except the conductor. Rung to welcome home the Very Rev. the Provost of Southwell, Archdeacon Conybeare, after an illness.

SCOTTISH ASSOCIATION.

EFFECT OF AUSTRALIAN TOUR IN SYDNEY.

The Scottish Association's first meeting at St. James', Paisley, was a decided success, a large number of the congregation being present at the ringing, to see how it was done, and at the service and tea, which was kindly provided by the St. James' Society.

The weather was not on its best behaviour, but as the West of Scotland is a notoriously rainy area, no one worried overmuch, as the hall and church are joined by a covered passage.

About 60 attended the service, at which the Rev. L. A. Sutherland gave a very interesting address on bells and ringers, telling of an excellent custom they have in the Lutheran Church in Germany. When the Lord's Prayer is said, the bell or bells of the church are rung, thus letting the people in their homes take a part in the service should they be so inclined. Mr. Sutherland also spoke of 'A Great Adventure,' which he had read, and said that owing to the fulness of his duties he was unable to go and see the English ringers when they visited Sydney, where he was at the time, but from what he had heard from the people there the tour in its missionary aspect was a great success. He hoped that the meeting that day might have the same effect in Paisley.

The business meeting, which followed tea, was presided over by Mr. Sutherland. Apologies for absence were read from Mr. S. H. Wood and Mr. Sampson, the president, who was confined to the house. The B.U.R.G. Directory and the William Pye memorial matters were dealt with, and, after the usual votes of thanks, a move was made to the tower for ringing in the standard methods until a late hour.

B.Y.P. AT CHESHAM.

The 'Bright Young People of Berks and Bucks' had their first meeting at Chesham recently, and although 23 meetings were advertised to be held on this day, it is worth recording that ringers from Amersham, Berkhamstead, Braywood, Chalfont St. Giles, Clewer, Cookham, Ellesborough, Farnham Royal, Fulmer, Harrow, High Wycombe, Iwer, Rickmansworth, Stoke Poges, Wendover, West Wycombe and Woburn were present.

Rounds for beginners and Grandsire Doubles to London Surprise for those more proficient made sure of everyone having a pull. An excellent tea was enjoyed at Messrs. Darvell's, then back to the tower, where more ringers brought the numbers nearly up to forty.

The evening concluded with a nearly perfect fall in peal.

YORKSHIRE RINGERS ENTERTAINED.

RECORD EASTERN DISTRICT GATHERING.

The quarterly meeting of the Eastern District of the Yorkshire Association was held at Pocklington, a small market town pleasantly situated at the foot of the Yorkshire Wolds, on Saturday, October 5th. There was a record attendance for an Eastern District meeting, 61 sitting down at Kemp's Cafe to an excellent tea, which was most generously provided by Mr. A. N. Wood, of Northampton, who is a very kind friend of the ringers in this part of Yorkshire.

Just as the party sat down to tea a telegram was received from Mr. Wood conveying his greetings to all, and a reply was sent reciprocating this, together with the thanks of all present.

Owing to there not being room in the cafe for the meeting, the Vicar kindly suggested that the business meeting should be held in the nave of the church, where he presided over the largest Eastern District meeting ever held. The Vicar gave all present a hearty welcome. He said it was eight years since the association last visited Pocklington, but he hoped they would not be so long in paying another visit.

A resolution, 'That our best thanks be given to Mr. A. N. Wood for his kindness in providing tea at this meeting, and for his continued interest in the ringers of the Eastern District of the Yorkshire Association,' was proposed by Mr. F. Cryer, seconded by Mr. A. E. West and carried with acclamation.

Cottingham was selected for the December meeting. Four new resident members were elected—Mr. Wilfred Fox and Mr. George R. Willey, of All Saints', Pontefract, Mrs. C. S. V. Bradley and Miss S. Bradley, of Sherburn-in-Elmet—and one non-resident member, Mr. J. W. Euston, London.

A vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, and to the choir, organist and organ blower, was proposed by Mr. Cryer and seconded by Mr. A. Walker.

Thanks were also accorded to Mr. Allison, the local secretary, and the local ringers and ladies who served the tea.

The towers represented were Beverley (Minster and St. Mary's), Cottingham, Easingwold, Hemingbrough, Howden, Hull, Market Weighton, Middleton-on-the-Wolds, Nunburnholme, Pontefract (St. Giles' and All Saints'), Selby Abbey, Sherburn-in-Elmet, Sutton-on-Hull, York Minster and the local company. The ringing included Plain Bob, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and Cambridge Surprise Minor, and Stedman and Grandsire Doubles, and several lots of rounds for learners, some of whom, also, rang in their first touches of Bob Minor.

A quantity of ringing books and copies of 'The Ringing World' were sent by Mr. Wood for distribution to the various towers. He also kindly provided tobacco and cigarettes for the smokers. Altogether a very enjoyable meeting was held.

TWO GUILDS COMBINE IN SUSSEX.

ALDERSHOT RINGERS' DELAYED RETURN.

A meeting of the Hastings and District Guild was recently held at Hastings, and the attendance was considerably enlarged by a party of Guildford Guild members from Aldershot and Worplesdon, with one unattached member, Capt. H. J. Cann (Brookwood). The journey, which was made by charabanc, commenced from Aldershot at 12.30 p.m., and, owing to the extreme care of the driver not to exceed 30 m.p.h., Christ Church, Blacklands, was reached at 4.25, five minutes before ringing was due to stop. However, all had a pull on the fine peal of eight. During the interesting tea hour, the two associations exchanged greetings, which, in spite of the smallness of the room and the largeness of certain individuals, were cordial enough. Here also the Guildford Guild members met two of their late colleagues, the Misses M. P. and J. E. Kingdon, one time of the Worplesdon company, who are now resident in Brede.

Following tea, All Saints' Church was visited, and for two hours some good ringing was enjoyed under the supervision of Mr. C. E. Levett, hon. secretary of the Hastings Guild. Here a few more Aldershot members arrived, having motored down later in the afternoon. At 7.30 a move was made for half an hour's ringing on the bells of St. Clement's Church. The unmusical tone(?) of the steel bells made the half-hour long enough for all, and the visiting Guild members prepared to return home, half-past eight being the arranged time. Then the music started, 'Where's George?' and Bill and Jonah? 'Gone to quench a thirst.' Then the lights on the charabanc fused, and another half-hour's delay. Another fuse fitted—everything ready. Lights on—phut!—another fuse gone! Then five telephone calls to five garages, but no electrician would venture to the rescue. The captain was warning up. Aldershot called up—nothing doing. In exasperation, the Maidstone Bus Company were appealed to. Yes, a coach would be round in five minutes—and what a coach! The latest stream-lined Leyland Tiger 32-seater, with every comfort.

'O.K., driver—no, where's George again?' Five minutes elapsed and George returned with refreshment for the journey.

Off at last, but Capt. Cann remained to enjoy a sea trip on the 'Brighton Belle.' A pleasant return journey ended at Aldershot at 2 a.m., and everyone merry and bright. Not even the prospects of a night out could damp the enthusiasm and spirits of the party. And 90 per cent. were present for ringing on Sunday at 9.30 a.m. Grateful thanks are extended to Capt. Cann, Mr. Levett and the Misses Kingdon for all the trouble which they took, and for their kindness and generosity towards the visitors.

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on the 31st, Southwark Cathedral on the 24th, *St. Mary-le-Bow on the 29th (nomination night) at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards. Annual dinner at the London Tavern on November 9th.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rossendale Branch.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday afternoon, Oct. 19th, at St. Nicholas' Church, Newchurch. Bells available from 3.30 p.m. All ringers welcomed and the more the merrier. — J. Porter, Hon. Sec., 11, Chesham Bank, Hunkley Mount Road, Bury.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Axbridge Deanery.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Bleadon on Saturday, Oct. 19th. Bells open 2.30 p.m. Divine service 4.30 p.m., to be followed by tea and business meeting.—L. G. Tanner, Local Hon. Sec.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755).—Quarterly meeting will be held at Aston Parish Church, Birmingham, on Saturday, Oct. 19th. Bells (new ring of 12) will be available from 3 p.m. Short service at 4.30. Tea at 5.15, to be followed by business meeting.—T. H. Reeves, Hon. Sec., 136, Newton Road, Sparkhill, Birmingham 11.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—A special general meeting will be held at Northampton on Saturday, Oct. 19th. A presentation is to be made to Mr. F. Wilford, the first Master of the Guild, after tea. St. Giles' (10) and the Holy Sepulchre (8) from 3 to 4.30, St. Peter's (8) from 6 to 8. Tea will be provided at the County Cafe, Mercer's Row, at 4.45.—Robt. G. Black, Gen. Hon. Sec., Stamford Road, Geddingdon.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—South-Eastern Division.—The next meeting will be held at Boreham on Saturday, Oct. 19th. Bells available 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea and business meeting to follow.—H. W. Shadrack, Hon. Dis. Sec., Brooklea, Danbury.

WORSLEY, LANCASHIRE.—His Grace the Archbishop of York will dedicate the bells on Saturday, Oct. 19th, at 5 p.m. The peal has been restored and augmented to ten by John Taylor and Co., Loughborough.

NETHERTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.—On Saturday, Oct. 19th, at 3 p.m., the Lord Bishop of Worcester will dedicate the ring of eight bells which has been restored by John Taylor and Co., Loughborough.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.—Northern District.—The next meeting will be held to-morrow at All Saints', Poplar. Trams 65 and 67, buses 5, 15, 23, 40 and 108 pass the church. Poplar (L.M.S.) station adjoins church. Bells (10) available from 3 p.m. Please note my new address.—James G. A. Prior, Hon. Sec., Police Section House, Ixworth Place, Chelsea, S.W.3.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD and LADIES' GUILD.—A meeting of the Grimsby District of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild and the Lincolnshire Branch of the Ladies' Guild will be held at Barrow-on-Humber on Saturday, Oct. 19th. Bells (6) ready at 2 p.m. Service at 4.15. Tea, 5 p.m., in Vicar's Room, at 1s. 3d. Business meeting to follow. All outstanding subscriptions should be paid at this meeting.—H. Mingay, Hon. Dis. Sec., 394, Wellington Street, Grimsby.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Northern Branch.—A meeting of the Gainsborough District will be held at Willingham on Saturday, Oct. 19th. Peal of six available 2.30 p.m. to 8.30 p.m. Service at 4.15 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m.—H. Morgan, Dis. Sec., 22, Grey Street, Gainsborough, Lincs.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.—As Warwick bells are not available, the last quarterly meeting of the year will be held at St. Andrew's, Rugby, on Saturday, Oct. 19th. Bells, rings of 8 and 5, ready at 3 p.m. Tea (1s.) in the White Heather Café at 5 p.m. A special meeting will be held at Wolvey on Saturday, Oct. 26th, as a farewell to Rev. Stanley Morris. Ringing from 3 p.m. Tea at 5, to be followed by short service in church. All ringers and friends are cordially invited to attend.—Malcolm Melville, Gen. Hon. Sec., The Cottage, Ansty, near Coventry.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Archdeaconry of Ely Branch.—A meeting will be held at Melbourn on Saturday, Oct. 19th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.—C. W. Cook, Dis. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting of the above branch will be held at Worsley on Saturday, Oct. 19th. Dedication of new ring of ten bells. Service at 5 p.m. All welcome.—D. Brown, Hon. Sec.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Ilchester Deanery Branch.—A meeting will be held at North Perrott, near Crewkerne, on Saturday, Oct. 19th. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow. For tea please notify early.—F. Farrant, Martock.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Portsmouth District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Catherington on Saturday, Oct. 19th. Bells (6) (recently restored by Taylor and Co.) available from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea, 5 p.m., at Farmer Inn. All ringers welcome.—A. T. Greenwood, 14, Cobourg Street, Portsmouth.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Banbury and District Branch.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Cropredy on Saturday, Oct. 19th. Bells (6) available from 2.30. Service 4 p.m., followed by tea and short business meeting. Wardington (6) also available after tea. Good bus service from Banbury. Please notify if requiring tea.—E. Pearson, Dis. Sec., Adderbury West, Banbury.

A **RINGING MEETING** will be held at Matlock Parish Church to-morrow, Saturday, Oct. 19th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. All interested are cordially invited.—J. C. Bradshaw, Dale Crescent, Matlock Dale, Matlock.

DEVONSHIRE GUILD.—Mid-Devon Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Dean Prior, near Buckfastleigh, on Saturday, Oct. 19th. Bells (6) available from 1.45 p.m.; also Buckfastleigh (8) from 6.30 p.m. Service at 4.15 p.m. Tea and meeting in the Schoolroom at 5 p.m.—A. L. Bennett, Branch Sec., Cornerways, Elliott Plain, Buckfastleigh.

ENNISKILLEN, IRELAND.—The Lord Bishop of Clogher will dedicate the bells on Wednesday, Oct. 23rd, at 7.30 p.m. The peal has been restored and augmented to ten by John Taylor and Co., Loughborough.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern Division.—A mid-week meeting will be held at East Grinstead (8 bells) on Wednesday, October 23rd. Tower open at 3 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. All ringers welcome. Tea will be arranged for those who advise me by Monday, October 21st.—O. Sippetts, Div. Sec., 10, Albany Road, Crawley.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Under distinguished patronage, the Annual Dinner and Social will be held in the Bath's Assembly Rooms, Library Street, Wigan, on Saturday, October 26th. Dinner at 6 p.m. prompt. Seating capacity 300. The following towers will be open for ringing from 10.30 a.m. until 1.30 p.m.: St. James', Poolstock; St. Wilfred's, Standish; St. Peter's, Hindley. All intending visitors are requested to meet in the National and Blue Coat Schools, Hallgate, situated behind the Parish Church, not later than 2.30 p.m. By kind invitation of the Earl of Crawford, the beautiful gardens and library at Haigh Hall will be open for inspection. His Lordship cordially invites all visitors to partake of afternoon tea with him. Under the guidance of the civic heads of the town, all places of interest, both ancient and modern, will be visited. Good food, a first-class entertainment under the direction of Mr. Norman Brown, and a full and interesting day is assured. Tickets, 4s. each, may be had from the following: Mr. A. Parker, 145, Gidlow Lane, Wigan; Mr. N. Brown, 11, Cygnet Street, Poolstock, Wigan; Mr. W. O. Farrimond, 293, Ormskirk Road, Spring Bank, Wigan, and any member of the committee.

EDINBURGH, ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL.—Re-opening of the bells on Saturday, Oct. 26th, at 4 p.m. Preacher, Rev. Canon Phythian-Adams, D.D., Canon Residentiary of Carlisle Cathedral and Hon. Chaplain to the King. Ring of ten restored by John Taylor and Co., Loughborough.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Andover District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at St. Mary Bourne on Saturday, October 26th. Bells from 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5, for which please notify Mr. A. H. White, Barford, St. Mary Bourne. Business meeting follows.—Rev. F. S. H. Marle, Hon. Sec.

ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD.—The next meeting will be held at Smarden on Saturday, October 26th. Bells ready 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5.—P. Page, Hon. Sec., 110, Canterbury Road, Kennington, Ashford, Kent.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Rochester District.—The annual district meeting will be held at Chatham on Saturday, October 26th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m., followed by tea in the Schoolroom. Business meeting at which the election of officers

will take place. Those requiring tea are kindly asked to send a card not later than Tuesday, October 22nd.—Stanley J. T. Shellock, Hon. Dis. Sec., 162, Barnsole Road, Gillingham, Kent.

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—The next meeting will be held at Arksey on Saturday, October 26th. Bells (8) ready at 3 p.m. Will all those requiring tea please notify Mr. G. Clark, Dawood Villas, Bentley, not later than Wednesday, the 23rd?—E. Cooper, 33, Church Street, Bentley, Doncaster.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Thrapston Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Ringstead on Saturday, October 26th. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. Those requiring tea should advise me by October 23rd.—J. Nickerson, 47, Halford Street, Thrapston.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—North Bucks Branch.—A practice meeting will be held at Old Wolverton (6 bells) on Saturday, October 26th. Ringing at 5 p.m. All ringers welcome, especially learners.—Walter Sear, Hon. Sec., 19, Albert Street, Bletchley.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—The next practice has been arranged at Warfield (8 bells) on Saturday, October 26th, at 3.30 p.m. Tea at 1s. per head for those who notify me not later than October 21st.—A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Daventry Branch.—A special meeting will be held at Staverton (5 bells) on Saturday, October 26th. Usual arrangements.—W. C. Moore, Braunston Road, Daventry, Northants.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—The next meeting will be held at Holbeck (St. Matthew's) on Saturday, October 26th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Business meeting in the tower 7 p.m.—H. Lofthouse, Hon. Sec., 8, Wortley Road, Leeds, 12.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Bristol Rural Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Alveston on Saturday, October 26th. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. All outstanding subscriptions now due. Kindly let me know for tea by Wednesday, 23rd inst.—Frank Skidmore, 80, Carlyle Road, Greenbank, Bristol, 5.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Meeting of Southampton District at Bishopstoke on October 26th. Bells from 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names by October 24th, please.—G. Pullinger, 17, Stoke Park Road, Bishopstoke, Hants.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Southern Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Bourne on Saturday, October 26th. Bells (6) available during afternoon and evening. Service 4.30, followed by tea and business meeting. A postcard, please, stating number for tea by Wednesday previous. All welcome.—C. T. H. Bradley, Hon. Sec., Folkingham, Lincolnshire.

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HASTINGS AND DISTRICT GUILD.—A meeting will be held at Salehurst on Saturday, Oct. 26th. Tower open at 3 p.m. All ringers are welcome.—C. A. Levett, Hon. Sec., 238, Priory Road, Hastings.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Biggleswade District.—A meeting will be held at Everton on Saturday, October 26th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5. All ringers welcome. Please come and make the meeting a success.—C. J. Ball, 25, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

BLANDFORD, DORSET.—The bells will be rededicated by the Bishop of Salisbury on Sunday, Oct. 27th, at 6.30 p.m. Ring of eight restored by John Taylor and Co., Loughborough.

ST. MARY'S, NOTTINGHAM.—The new ring of 10, restored by Gillett and Johnston, Ltd., will be dedicated in the ringing chamber by the Vicar, the Rt. Rev. Bishop N. S. Talbot, D.D., M.C., on Saturday, November 2nd, at 3 p.m. The Vicar desires a real ringers' opening, and invites all ringers attending to tea in the Institute, Barker Gate, at 4 p.m. Admission to service and tea is strictly by ticket and for ringers only, which must be obtained from Mr. A. Coppock by Monday, October 28th. No ticket, no tea. Owing to limited space, tickets for the tower service will be allotted in proportion to members of towers applying. Other members will be accommodated in the church. The tower will be open for ringing after tea until 9 p.m.—A. Coppock, 33, Hazelwood Road, Nottingham.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—North and East District.—Next meeting at All Hallows', Tottenham, on Saturday, November 2nd. Bells from 3 p.m. Short service at 5. Tea at 5.30, 1s. to members, 1s. 6d. to non-members. Please advise me by October 30th. All members and friends welcomed. Nearest station, Bruce Grove (L. and N.E.).—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 21, Vincent Road, E.4.

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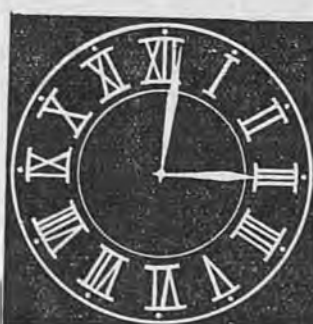
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